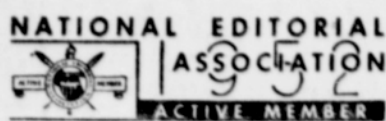


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"Even OPINION is of force enough to make itself to be espoused at the expense of life." —Montaigne

19th Century Style

"Gadzooks, Ma! What happened to Pa?"

This expression, though trite, is going to fit the occasion when Ashland's "Pas" slither their varied shapes into Levi Straus' skin-tight creations or some real honest-to-goodness clothes belonging to the second half of the 19th century.

This action will probably be followed by "Gadzooks, Pa! What happened to Ma?" when junior and sis fail to discover the distaff side hidden from chin to the little toe with bales of calico and petticoats topped off by what finally ended up on a race track as blinkers for a horse — the old-fashioned bonnet.

At any rate, if as many people as possible dress in pioneer clothing it will add flavor to the first official event of Ashland's centennial year, the banquet on April 7. We heartily urge every citizen in this area to purchase tickets to this affair which promises the best of food and fun for everyone. Buy your tickets today from some Chamber of Commerce committee member or at the Chamber office on the plaza.

Why Don't YOU

Valley View hospital district committee members have been working like beavers for some time now in an effort to secure a safe margin over the required 15 per cent signatures needed to place the matter on the ballot.

The results of their efforts will soon be turned in to county officials for legal inspection and for the go-ahead for placement on the primary election ballot of May 16.

Before any tax-conscious citizens get more gray hairs worrying over any increased burden, they should note that if the matter is put up to the people for a vote at the primary, such voting will only, if affirmative, authorize the forming of the hospital district and does not include any allocation of funds whatsoever. Any financing moves will take place only after a board of directors has been elected and has chosen some definite scheme.

For the present, each and every citizen should pause and reflect for a moment about just what such a project will mean for every human being in this area. It may take a dreamer to conceive a modern, efficient building which is convenient to both rural and city dwellers in southern Jackson county. But it only takes good hard work by some practical area citizens to sell such a needed improvement, and after you have thought of how wonderful it would be to have such a hospital in our end of Jackson county, why don't YOU volunteer for duty in "Operation Hospital?"

Court Records

JUSTICE COURT

Michael Jack Zupan, Jr., concealed license plates, cited.

Allen Wayne Rettmann, reckless driving, fine and costs, \$29.50.

Charles W. Pace, obtaining money under false pretenses, arraigned in justice court, waived preliminary hearing on March 24 and was bound over to the county jail awaiting appearance before the circuit court after waiving a grand jury hearing. Bail set at \$1500.

Tom James Blevins, alias Albert Dawson Smith, larceny from motor vehicle, arraigned in justice court and waived preliminary hearing and grand jury hearing, asking appearance before circuit court, \$1000 bail.

Lee Otis Garrett, failure to transfer title, fine and costs, \$14.50.

Gene Austin Templer, no P.U.C. permit displayed, cited.

Clifford Floyd Neilson, no operator's license, fine and costs, \$5.50.

Ray Franklin Morris, overlength, cited.

Ray Franklin Morris, combination overload, cited.

Clifford Floyd Neilson, overlength, cited.

Leo Edwin Osborn, overlength, cited.

Leo Edwin Osborn, combination overload, cited.

POLICE COURT

Samuel Dee Nelson, violation of the basic rule, bail \$10.

Julian C. Whitsett, failure to heed stop sign, bail \$5.

George J. Dugger, violation of basic rule, bail \$20.

LeRoy R. Stubblefield, excessive noise muffler, bail \$5.

John P. Selby, violation of basic rule, bail \$25.

Charles W. Pace, obtaining money under false pretenses, worthless \$8 check, arraigned before Justice Burns, other checks outstanding. Transported to county jail, most of money recovered (see above).

Roy D. Wiltse, displayed but one license plate on motor vehicle, bail \$5.

Waken I. Redbird, reckless driving, bail \$50.

Francis A. Koester, failure to heed traffic sign, bail \$5.

Jesse W. Ross, failure to heed traffic sign, bail \$5; no operator's license, bail \$5; total bail \$10.

John R. Tall, illegal left turn, bail \$5.

Richard E. Taylor, reckless driving, to appear in court today.

Returned from Roseburg Tom James Blevins (alias Albert Dawson Smith); while passing through Ashland in early morning of March 23, entered car of Robert Pritchard and removed a set of golf clubs, bag and several balls; subject arrested by state police in Roseburg upon authority of Ashland police department; subject has signed statement admitting theft which is felony (see above).

Fourteen year old runaway girl from Portland taken into protective custody by Ashland police; found at 4:30 a.m. and stated she had been given a ride in stolen car by two boys from Portland; search continuing for boys who were driving car.

Sidney G. Knox, failure to heed traffic signs, bail \$5.

Eleanor V. Miller, illegal left turn, bail \$5.

Buddy L. Kaufman, excessive noise with motor vehicle, bail \$5.

Mimeograph Bond at the News Review.

Our Town



By HARRY NORDWICK

IKE COMMENT

Around Oregon, many editors are commenting on the Eisenhower movement, or boom, as it is called. Bits from two well-known papers are as follows:

"The Eisenhower Minnesota showing, coming on the heels of his victory in New Hampshire primaries, confounds the professional politicians, who describe it as 'amazing and incredible.' His friends hailed it as another clear call to higher duty. However, it surprises no one but the politicians, who are usually wrong in sensing public opinion, and must convince most of them that Ike's popularity is based on 'grass roots' sentiment throughout the nation, and his nomination essential for the Republicans to win the presidency."

Both the New Hampshire and Minnesota primaries show that the people of these states have lost faith in the professional politicians with their regimes of corruption and want a change. That is why the politicians are lined up against the general and why the people are lining up for him and showing it at the presidential primaries, which Mr. Truman called 'eye-wash.' At any rate, they are not 'white-wash for scandal.' —Salem Capital Journal.

"Again, as in New Hampshire, the election held last Tuesday (March 18) in Minnesota has not decided the question of who will be president; it has given new evidence, however, of the tremendous personal popularity of an absentee candidate, Dwight D. Eisenhower, and of the great vote getting power of the Eisenhower name."

Minnesota was Harold Stassen's on a silver platter but the man who is in Europe heading the defense program of the North Atlantic Treaty organization almost took over without trying. Gen. Eisenhower was not even a candidate for nomination when friends, just a few days before election day, discovered that writing his name on the ballot would be permitted. The campaign started at this point.

"... The time (in Minnesota) was quite insufficient for anything but the sketchiest of preparations, either by the Eisenhower supporters or those of Robert A. Taft. Still, in the end, Eisenhower votes were a good four-fifths of those polled by Stassen. It will be hard indeed to laugh that off. The Taft vote, on the other hand, was not impressive, apparently less than one-third of that which Eisenhower's friends had been able to round up for him."

"Outcome of the voting is not only a moral victory for the candidate who has done no campaigning and who, indeed, is in no situation to move to improve his political fortunes; it is a demonstration that Gen. Eisenhower is a 'natural' in his appeal to ballot markers of Minnesota. The record inescapably suggests that he will likewise be acceptable to other states of the north middle west." —The Bend Bulletin.

The Bulletin editor and Journal writer both stress "personal popularity" as Ike's chief weapon. Such popularity, in the field of politics, is better than a million campaign speeches denouncing innumerable bureaus, etc., that have been made for the past four elections. A winning smile and personal legend, untainted by political wranglings is rather refreshing to a people hit on all sides with corruption.

This writer does not hesitate to say that the mere fact that Eisenhower has not personally campaigned is in his favor with the masses of voters. The people are looking for a key figure to save the battered sanctity of public office and one that can handle the herculean burden of world affairs. The point to be found out is "Do the people really care where Ike stands on specific issues?" This must be a perplexing one for many. Professional politicians feel he should be here now to stomp the country (so does this writer but for different reasons). The former base their call on the power that will be needed to break the hold of the machines at the nominating conventions. Whether or no they would have him be specific would be based on whether they thought such campaigning is wise. Up to the present, it isn't.

Capital Parade...

By Murray Wade

SERVICE CUT PROPOSED

One way in which to finance wage increases for state employees would be to eliminate state services or agencies which are found to be non-essential or those benefitting only small groups of citizens.

This proposal was made by Forrest Stewart, executive secretary of the Oregon State Employees Association in a letter to James M. Clinton, director of the Oregon State Civil Service commission.

"There are thousands of state workers who have not received any salary adjustment for two years," Stewart said.

The pay scale in the lower brackets have not advanced with the efficiency of office workers.

Too many state workers are leaving soon after acquiring office training.

TWO SECOND ERROR—\$2,000

The time lock on the State Land Board vault gave state officials a bad time last week. A repairman took one of the small clocks out of the massive vault doors. While he was squinting into the works along came an efficiency expert and in two seconds had the two-ton doors closed. Without the little clock in place on the inside of the door the only way to get into the vault was to do a legal job of safecracking. A foot-square hole was dug in the side of the vault, the repairman slid in, replaced the clock and swung the doors open. It took five hours to cut through the 18 inches of tool steel reinforced concrete and an inch of hardened steel. Repairs including expensive wiring will be more than \$2000.

In the vault was a large safe containing 6 million dollars in negotiable bonds, contracts, deeds, notes and mortgages. **TO USE NEW DRUGS**

The drug that specialists in the field of tuberculosis hope may go a long way towards eradicating the disease will be used at the state tuberculosis hospital this month for the first time. Tests will be made for several months.

Heads of TB hospitals across the nation are hoping that the new drug, isonicotinic acid hydrazine, will be of lasting benefit. Streptomycin, a drug that specialists hoped would be of lasting benefit in the fight against tuberculosis, resulted in unfavorable reactions among certain patients, but it continues to be used cautiously as it has a place in tuberculosis control. Dr. G. C. Bellinger, superintendent of the state tuberculosis hospital, said:

"This writer would want the General back to give his views on domestic issues. Politically, this probably would not be good politics; intelligently, it would put the cards on the table and offer the primary voter an intelligent choice."

Some in our town want only a change of administration. Others, who are conservative when it comes to jumping on a bandwagon, want some more assurance than they have now. No matter which side a person is on, Ike backers could stand some specific words from their national "favorite son" for the good of intelligent voting, if not for the game of politics.

pital states.

United States Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas, who has a front seat on the Eisenhower for president bandwagon, will be the first top hand politician to get into the primary campaign. He will be the spotlight speaker at the Willamette University mock convention May 10. Twelve other universities and colleges will participate in the convention.

Carlson has served two terms as governor of the Sunflower state and was chairman of the council of state governments.

FINN EDUCATOR HERE

A principal of one of Finland's three state schools for the blind, Tero Haakien, is spending a month observing operations at Oregon's State School for the Blind here at Salem.

He has inspected several institutions in eastern states during the past six months. He is one of 75 Finnish educators making studies in the United States whose tours are financed by the war debt department of the United States in recognition of Finland's faithfulness in paying its war debt.

FOREST FIRE LOSSES

There were 997 forest fires reported on state and private lands last year that caused \$3,339,500 damage, the state forestry department says.

Approximately 132,907 acres were burned over with 449 million feet of merchantable timber destroyed. Logging fires caused about one third of the total loss. Smokers caused 227 fires, logging 187, lightning 128, debris 122, campers 59, and railroads 26. Forty-seven fires were purposely set.

CAPITAL SHORTS

Oregon's senator Wayne Morse will keynote the Oberlin mock convention in Senator Taft's home town. A check shows that 38 per cent of all applicants taking examinations for drivers license fail on their first test. Candidates paid \$11,730 for advertising space in the Voter's Pamphlet for the May election. State Treasurer Walter Pearson took an office helper with him this week when he went to Washington, D.C., to try to persuade federal officials to approve the sale of 40 million dollars worth of World War II veterans bonus bonds. The state civil service issued an emergency appeal Monday for a hospital technician at the state penitentiary, starting pay \$250 a month.



MONUMENTS AND MARKERS
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"On the Plaza"

Letter from Washington...

By HON. HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Member of Congress, 4th District

Hearings are now being held on the question of extending the law known as the "Defense Production act." This is a law of many parts. It provides for material allocation and control, stockpiling, production and all of the things which have to do with the preparation of our military defense. This law also provides for the control of prices and wages. That part is one which directly concerns all of us.

Right now the subject of price control is a bit academic. In other words, the price level of things we buy is not climbing and many things are being sold below present ceiling prices. But watch out. The President has the power to turn inflation off and turn it on almost as he sees fit.

As I have so often pointed out in these weekly letters, the word "inflation" means the reduction of the purchasing value of a dollar by increasing the number of dollars in circulation — in other words, it is the inflation of the currency that hurts. This causes higher prices. Prices, generally speaking, are based on the old rule of supply and demand. Government tinkering just cannot beat that old economic law. But government can and does control the value (in terms of goods or wages) of the medium of exchange — the dollar.

So to stop the devaluation of the dollar, which is another way of saying to stop the increase in prices, government must slow up its borrowing and purchasing. Under normal conditions such government activity is obviously limited. Then the fluctuation of the dollar value (prices) is not great and the up or down movement is slow. In time of war, however, or as at present when enormous military expenditures are being made or planned, the government (the

President now has this power) can move prices up or down by merely expanding or reducing the rate of military spending.

The President (through his department of defense) now has more than \$19 billions previously appropriated but not yet spent. The present budget request is for \$50 billions more. With this enormous backlog of cash at his command, it seems to me the President can just about do as he pleases with what was once our great free economy.

To turn to something a bit more cheerful for a moment, there is evidence that the congress, which I must remind you is controlled by the President's party, is at last going to make some genuine reductions in appropriations. Heavy cuts in the 1953 appropriations for independent offices of the government were recommended by the house appropriations committee last week. The budget recommendation for the 24 independent agencies covered by the bill was \$6,978,687.043. The committee recommendation calls for a cut of \$707,548,695 or more than 10 per cent.

Congressman Thomas, chairman of the appropriations subcommittee which handled the bill, states that other recommendations carried in the bill, limiting communications and printing costs, restricting travel, and other similar items, could bring the total saving to as much as 33 per cent.

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WANTED: Clean rags. No silk or rayon. Will pay 5c per pound. Southern Oregon News Review.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Might As Well "Get In Key"

Last Tuesday Judge Cunningham wanted to go fishing. "Why aren't you working?" I asked.

Judge explained how his wife had gone on a trip, taken his keys by mistake—and now he couldn't get in the office. So we went fishing.

Next day, he wanted me to go again. I was surprised those keys hadn't shown up yet. "The little woman phoned to say she mailed them," the Judge explained. "They're now in the office, under the mail slot. I'd get 'em if I could just open that door." He grinned and picked up his fishing rod.

"Great little woman, the wife. You can always count on her. Let's go!"

From where I sit, we can use tolerance like the Judge shows for his wife's absent-mindedness... and she shows for his habit of lighting out for the fishing hole at every opportunity. He can't see why she likes tea, and she doesn't share his taste for a glass of beer. But they get along fine! Learning to respect other people's ways will "open the door" to happier living.

Joe Marsh

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