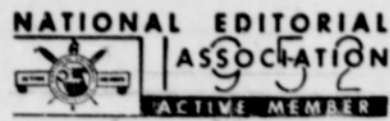


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"Even OPINION is of force enough to make itself to be espoused at the expense of life." —Montaigne

## Victory in Chicago

There was a maximum of verbage and a minimum of sound words uttered at the Republican national convention last week. This proportion, of course, is in the best tradition of political conventions, and the Democratic ratio will no doubt be more extreme.

Among the generalities and absurdities, however, there were occasional sound, sane, fresh pronouncements. As creditable as any, we felt, was Representative Judd's call for new blood in the weary old party, a call issued during the Taft camp's futile defense of the Texas steal.

What if Democrats did vote in Texas? Judd asked very logically. If the Republican party is to again take control of the national administration, then the party needs every regenerate Democrat and dubious Independent it can muster. The question was more than one of expediency. If the Republican party was really to become a dominant party again, Judd said, then it must have a fresh approach to old problems.

A fresh approach was something that the Old Guard not only could not supply, but did not want.

The only defense the entrenched forces could put up against the surprisingly vigorous assault of the Eisenhower people was the feeble rejoinder that those who had remained loyal through the dark days of the past 20 years should be allowed to remain and hold power in the brighter days ahead. But things looked bright in 1948, too, and there was nothing to indicate that the Old Guard could win an election in 1952 any more than it could in 1948.

Paradoxically, the old boys tried to sway the convention with the argument that Tom Dewey, one of Eisenhower's vigorous young men, had led the party to defeat in 1944 and 1948. But the argument, beneath the surface, was not sound. Dewey was the front for the party in those years, but we seriously doubt that he led it anywhere the backward-lookers didn't want to go.

Things may be different now. The Republicans chose a strong leader, and one who will appeal to a wide variety of voters. Furthermore, if he will be content to allow the split that developed before his nomination remain, we think both he and the party will be better off. No organization can have two heads, and a Duff and a Dirksen, a Clarence Brown and a Wayne Morse, can never get together.

For those who carp that the Eisenhower backers are too liberal to be Republicans, who say they are disguised New Dealers, let them look to the party's history. The Republican party of Lincoln and Teddy Roosevelt was a progressive party. It can and should be again.

## Television and Taxpayers

Anyway you look at it, it's going to cost us money. Because television may affect the U. S. more than any other invention in history, it is imperative that educators and others do some very careful planning to see that this new medium of information is used to greatest advantage, according to President A. L. Strand of Oregon State college.

Writing in the latest issue of the OSC alumni magazine, President Strand says that while the cost to the state would be considerable "it seems almost unthinkable" that scientific and technical institutions like OSC which are charged with state-wide educational responsibilities will not use television.

In Oregon, three of the best "very high frequency" channels have been reserved for education. These include channel 7 in Corvallis; channel 9, Eugene; and channel 10, Portland. In addition, "ultra high frequency" channel 18 has been set aside for Salem.

The decision whether to use these channels must come from state educational agencies for the most part before June 1, 1953. On that date, if the allocations are not taken up many of them will be lost, President Strand points out.

It would cost around a half-million dollars to get a station on the air and perhaps \$150,000 a year to maintain it, depending on operating policies. Equipment would likely become obsolete rather rapidly as new technical advances such as the change to color, are made.

Education cannot depend on commercial studio time, however, President Strand says, because it would be forced into undesirable hours in favor of advertised-sponsored shows.

Yes, we have to pay for it, but we have to protect ourselves. Better to pay for a rather dubious educational device than give the medium over entirely to the Hoopalong Cassidys, the murder shows, and broken-down burlesque entertainers.

## "JOE BEAVER"

By Ed Nofziger



Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture  
"The human race lives on trees—if trees didn't protect and maintain soil and water resources, there'd be no human race."

## Capital Parade...

By Murray Wade

### Skips Remarried Widows

Attorney General George Neuner this week ruled that the widow of a veteran who remarried before receiving the World War II veterans bonus is not entitled to such bonus.

Whenever a woman is disqualified to receive a bonus it goes to the child or children, equally. If there are no children, it then goes to the veteran's parents, equally.

### "Americans Don't Care"

Americans are indifferent to what is happening in Russia behind the "iron curtain," Dr. Bohus Benes told his audience in Salem this week.

"Americans just don't care—they let their politicians do it, and they don't care either," he said.

Several state officials, including legislators from over the state, were in the audience that applauded Benes, a nephew of former President Edward Benes of Czechoslovakia.

"If the Russians are convinced that the United States is sufficiently armed to handle the situation, they will not invade. They are not going to start a third world war if they feel there is the slightest possibility of being defeated."

### Voters Pamphlet Deadlines

August 6 is the last day on which affirmative arguments concerning measures on the ballot in the November election may be filed to appear in the voters pamphlet.

Negative arguments may be filed until August 21. Candidates have until August 26.

### Congressmen Here

A closeup of sustained-yield forestry in Oregon and Idaho is being made this week by a delegation of congressmen and forestry officials.

They are scheduled to arrive from Idaho Thursday to meet with Governor McKay and former Governor Charles Sprague, who is chairman of the Oregon and California advisory board. Friday morning, two buses will take the group to the Black Rock area west of Dallas to see systems of forest management in action and phases of modern logging operation.

Congressmen in the party include Aspinall of Colorado, Budge of Idaho, D'Ewart of Montana, Harrison of Wyoming, Jensen of Iowa, Murdock of Arizona, Norrell of Arkansas, Paulson of California and prob-

ably Ellsworth and Cordon of Oregon.

### Liquor Profits

Distribution of \$3,740,000 of profits from liquor sales and privilege taxes accumulating during April, May and June was made this week to 36 Oregon counties.

Of this amount, the state's general fund gets \$3,385,000; cities get \$175,000 and counties \$180,000.

### Democrats Astir

Scouts for Senator Warren G. Magnuson of Washington were in Oregon last week contacting delegates to the Democratic national convention in Chicago, seeking support for their senator or for the vice-presidential nomination.

Howard Morgan, Monmouth rancher, was unanimously reelected state chairman Saturday by Oregon Democrats. Volney Martin, Portland, who is a candidate for state senator, was elected secretary.

Monroe Sweetland, Oregon's Democratic national committeeman, left last Sunday morning for Chicago. He is a delegate to the Democratic nominating convention, pledged to Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee for president, and if this fails the delegation is pledged to him for vice-president.

### Traveling?

Summer construction of state highways is at its peak now.

Ask a state officer about detours and road construction if you intend to make an extensive trip in Oregon. They will help you save time and gas. They are doing a great job at it, along with their many other duties.

Most construction projects are on the following highways:

Ochoco, Columbia River, Dalles-California, Pacific, Oregon Coast, John Day-Burns, Wilson River, Unity-Baker, Coos Bay-Roseburg, Umpqua, Wasco-Hepner, Shanico-Fossil, Elkton-Southerlin, Tiller-Trail, and Warner Valley.



## Our Town

WE DIDN'T INTEND TO TALK ABOUT POLITICS this week. We honestly intended to turn to more serious subjects and let our sides, weak from laughter, rest until the Democrats started their own particular brand of chicanery next week. But the convention last week reminded us of one of our favorite stories, and one we feel almost obligated to pass on.

This happened in one of the southwestern states some years ago — a state in which the two major parties are pretty evenly divided. This fact makes politics particularly interesting there. Add to this the fact that the state is a poor one — one in which political patronage means much.

In a small town in the state about a week before Christmas, a local merchant noticed two small boys peering longingly in the window where he had toys on display. He strolled outside and said in his most jovial fashion, "Well, boys, is Santa Claus going to be good to you?"

"He ain't coming," the smaller one replied.

"What!" said the merchant, non-plussed. "And why not?"

"Ain't you heard?" the other replied. "Governor Blank has done cancelled Christmas!"

Governor Blank happened to be a Republican, and the merchant recognized the boys as sons of one of the towns most ardent Democrats.

The next day he decided to get the full story.

He went to the man and said,

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY In Probate

In the Matter of the Estate of DORA HELENA MORRISON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to an order made and entered in the above entitled Court in the matter of said Estate, the undersigned Administrator, from and after the 15th day of August, 1952, at the office of Edward C. Kelly, 22 Goldy Building, Medford, Oregon, shall proceed to sell, at private sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or not less than \$3,000.00, cash and credit, the following described real property, being and situate in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point which is West 19.33 chains, South 19.0 feet, West 231.25 feet, and South 839.8 feet from the northeast corner of Donation Land Claim No. 79 in Township 37 South, Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian in Jackson County, Oregon; thence South 120.0 feet; thence West 181.25 feet; thence North 120.0 feet; thence East 181.25 feet to the point of beginning; said property to be sold in one parcel.

LLOYD W. MORRISON, Administrator

## History Club Has Picnic and Trip

The newly organized Oregon History club at Southern Oregon college plans as its first project a field trip and picnic at Jacksonville, according to Dr. Arthur S. Taylor, club advisor. The all-day excursion will be taken on Tuesday, July 22.

Officers elected by the club yesterday included Boyd Gibson, Portland, president; Judson Reynolds, Covina, Calif., vice president; LaVon Wagner, Roseburg, secretary; and Barbara Manley, Medford, treasurer.

The club numbers about 75 members, Dr. Taylor reported. The Jacksonville trip will mark the 26th annual trip to that historic city.

## STUART RETURNS TO DUTY

Pfc. Robert B. Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Stuart, 1029 Queen Anne, Medford, recently returned to the 25th Division in Korea after a five-day rest and recuperation leave in Japan.

Along with hundreds of soldiers from other divisions in Korea, he stayed in the finest hotels in Japan and enjoyed many luxuries unobtainable in Korea. The leaves are part of the Army's policy to give the

"Say, Tex, why did you tell those boys that the governor had cancelled Christmas?" "I'll tell you, Joe," the man said, "I'm gonna teach them younguns early to hate them dam Republicans!"

fighting soldier a rest from the rigors of combat.



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**From where I sit... by Joe Marsh**

### "Good Neighbor Policy"

Remember one time when I told about the old loose-stone wall that separated Easy Roberts' property from Handy Peterson's?

That was when they decided they really didn't need the wall between them in the first place — so they simply stopped repairing it.

Now I hear where a fellow, who bought the old Johnson place, wants to buy all those stones. It seems he figures a stone wall is just what's needed on his property.

From where I sit, if that fellow wants to build himself a stone wall,

that's his business. But if it's not really serving any useful purpose he may sooner or later discover — just like Handy and Easy did — that he'd be just as well off without one. Even some old-fashioned walls of prejudice are disappearing — like those that would deny a person's right to a friendly glass of beer now and then. Most Americans are learning that "walls" can get in the way of the persons inside as well as the persons outside.

Joe Marsh

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