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A Parable For Our Times

Once there was a little boy. When he was three weeks old, his parents turned him over to a baby sitter. When he was two, they dressed him up like a cowboy and gave him a gun. When he was three everybody said: "How cute," as he went about lipping a beer commercial.

When he was six, his father occasionally dropped him off at Sunday school on his way to the golf course. When he was eight, they bought him a BB gun and taught him to shoot sparrows. He learned to shoot windows and windshields by himself!

When he was ten, he spent his after-school time squatting at a drug store news stand reading comic books. His mother wasn't home and his father was busy. When he was thirteen, he told his parents other boys stayed out as late as they wanted to... so they said he could too. It was easier that way.

When he was fourteen, they gave him a deadly two-ton machine, wrangled a license for him to

drive it, and told him to be careful. When he was fifteen, the police called his home one night and said: "We have your boy. He's in trouble." "In trouble?" screamed the father. "It can't be my boy" — But it was!

MORAL: As the twig is bent... it is apt to snap back in your face.

Dentonomy 6:7 "And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children."

(Editorial from the Minor County Pioneer, Howard S. Dak, via the Stayton Mail and others.)

ODD ENDS...

It took Uncle Sam's Army to finally get our satellite off the ground which just goes to show that we can't get along without the foot-soldier... no matter what the Navy or the Air Force might think.

While were on that subject... wonder what our Sputnik is going to come up with for a name? So far all we've seen suggested is USNIK and IKENIK.

From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

The newest 4-H club in Morrow County is the Spoonlickers, a Cooking I club with boys and girls from the Heppner community. The club is led by Carole Ann Anderson and Celia Boulden, members of the junior leaders club. Officers for this new club are Jeanne Stockard, president; Kathy Ray, vice president; Patricia Van Winkle, secretary; and Douglas Anderson, news reporter. Other members are Darlene Anderson, Patty Collins and Judy Smith.

4-H leaders from the Columbia Basin counties will attend a leaders workshop at Condon on February 12 and 13. The workshop

TO THE EDITOR...

The private power companies, including the Idaho Power company, have no doubt already selected Mark Hatfield's campaign manager in his race for the Republican gubernatorial nomination. But if they have not, I suggest Mr Paul McKee frankly take over.

The open secret in Salem that it was the private power lobby which initiated the Hatfield boom has not yet been discovered by the press apparently, but the Unander forces should insist now on a complete revelation of the facts. Mr Hatfield is a "lobby candidate" and it's a limited lobby and far less democratic than a Republican nominating convention would have been.

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STAR THEATER

Thurs., Fri., Sat., Feb. 6-7-8

The Deerslayer

Les Barker, Rita Moreno, Forrest Tucker.

Plus

Bailout At 43,000

John Payne, Karen Steele, Paul Kelly

Sun., Mon., Feb. 9, 10

Operation Madball

Jack Lemmon, Ernie Kovacs, Kathryn Grant. Sunday at 4, 6:05, 8:10.

Tues., Wed., Feb. 11, 12

Roman Holiday

Gregory Peck, Audrey Hepburn. FAMILY NIGHTS.

will get under way at 1 p m on the 12th and will adjourn at 3:30 on the 13th. During the day and a half training session, leaders will discuss 4-H records, understanding club members, cooperation between the club leader and the parents and between the club member and the leader and other problems of the leader.

Hereford breeders will be interested in attending the Blue Tag show and sale at the Round-Up grounds in Pendleton on February 19 and 20. This sale is sponsored by the Oregon Hereford Association and will offer 67 bulls and 16 heifers. Sale of cattle will be judged at 10 a m Wednesday, February 19 with the sale scheduled for 11 a m February 20. Kirk Robinson, Heppner are the only Morrow county consigners. This sale has provided some top quality bulls for many of our breeders in past years.

Some interesting figures were released recently on production of various crops in Oregon during 1957. The study showed that Oregon ranked first among the states in 1957 in their production of filberts and second in the production of pears, prunes, sweet cherries and English walnuts. On the basis of harvested acreage for 59 fruits and crops, Oregon ranked 31st with 2,941,000 acres. The list excluded vegetables and melons. Texas was the first place state in harvested acreage of almost 24 million acres; Rhode Island was the low state with only 31,000 acres. Oregon raised nine of the ten principle processing vegetables in 1957 with a production of 275,300 tons ranking sixth in the nation. Interesting was the fact that Oregon produced 97.2% of all filberts grown in the nation; 29.1% of the sour cherries; 30.9% of the peppermint for oil and 20.8% of all pears.

Washington State college has announced that its scientists have produced a new product from wood residues that looks like brown marble, shines like glass, and wears like iron. It is a new board called "Flapreg," that is heavier than wood but only half as heavy as aluminum. It can be used to build everything from golf club heads to table tops, the college announced. In making the board the wood flakes are tumbled in a machine that looks like an automatic washer-dryer, then resin glue sprayed into the wood, the flakes come out dry and workable. Eight inches of flakes are then moved onto a press and 1200 tons of force compresses them into one and a quarter inches. All air is forced out of the flakes and the resin flows into every fiber of the wood. When the cooling process is completed, the finished pro-

THIRTY YEARS AGO

from the files of the Gazette Times February 9, 1928

According to the best available data, gathered in by C W Smith, county agent, the total yield of wheat in Morrow County for the season of 1927 came close to three million bushels. It was one of the largest yields in the history of wheat production in the county.

Krebs Bros. R A Thompson and a number of others of our sheepmen are in the midst of lambing at Cecil, with the weather conditions just right.

Adele and Francis Nickerson, children of Mr and Mrs F B Nickerson, who have been confined to their home for some time with flu-pneumonia, are now recovered and have returned to school.

Oscar Peterson was a visitor in the city for a short time on Tuesday from the Peterson farm south of Ione.

B G Sigbee, manager of the Star theater, is in Portland this week on business.

duct comes out. No finish is needed.

While visiting at the Krebs Brothers ranch last Saturday, we found them taking alfalfa ensilage from their trench silo built last spring and filled with the first crop of alfalfa last June. The Krebs were feeding the ensilage from their trench silo lambing corrals with lambing to start at once. In visiting with Dick and John Krebs, both were pleased with results to date of feeding ensilage. They remarked that they were having no waste whatsoever from ensilage while in the past there was a lot of waste hauled out of the feed rack where the ewes had eaten the leaves but left the stems. They also like this method of putting up their first crop of hay which gets away from the heavy loss from rain damage as well as being able to utilize the grass which is generally found in the first cutting without any waste. They also like the fact that they are able to hay a couple of weeks earlier getting it off the ground so that they might get an irrigation which otherwise they would miss.

They were taking silage out of the pit using a new type ensilage loader, the first to be used in the Northwest. They were comparing two different makes of loaders which they had at the silo. They were very much interested in this method of taking ensilage from the silo as a means of easing the job as well as speeding it up. Already they are making plans for enlarging their silo and improving it when it is filled this spring.

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS" By C WILSON HARDER

Shortly the new Congress will be faced with the problem of chickens come home to roost.

In 1956, with both the administration and Congress deploring the constantly creeping, and sometimes galloping, inflation, a huge road building program was enacted calling for the construction of 41,000 miles of highways at a cost of \$27 1/2 billion.

Congress will soon be faced with the fact that this program entered C. W. Harder into a period of constantly increasing labor and materials costs, will actually require at least \$40 billion.

When this program was set up, Congress provided for the financing with heavy new taxes on tires, on gasoline, trucks and buses, all naturally passed on to the hard pressed consumer.

In addition, these taxes are not delivering the anticipated revenue. So with extra costs, and reduced income, a very pretty problem is posed.

Perhaps the chief cause of this wide error, involving many billions of dollars, is slipshod planning. In presenting estimates of costs, the Federal Bureau of Roads relies on data furnished them by the various state divisions of highways.

It turns out these various state estimates were based on 1954 costs, and no allowances made for possible increased costs. Thus, roadbuilding costs in the meantime soared 12% or more.

Thus, there is presented here an almost unsolvable problem, © National Federation of Independent Business

unless Congress decides to curtail a part of this program to keep expenses in line with income. It previously forbid the project to go in red but insisted on highway program being put on a pay as we go basis.

But there is this one problem. If labor market remains tight, continual demands by big labor will keep costs going upward.

But on the other hand, if the labor market softens to the point where costs become cheaper, by the same token, there will be a curtailment in the usage of gasoline, tires, trucks and buses which are taxed for project.

Thus, in either boom times or slack times, the government cannot afford this project in the scheduled thirteen years.

And while in getting this program approved, considerable pressure was exerted by big cement and big machinery interests who stand to gain from the vast project, it is doubtful that they can persuade Congress to raise the money needed by levying new taxes. Indeed, there is grave doubt there is anything left to tax except air to breathe.

For a long time the nation's independent businessmen, expressing themselves on many issues in the nationwide ballot of the National Federation of Independent Business, has asked government to stop, look and listen, before plunging into more and greater expenditures.

Basically, as businessmen, they know it is impossible for government to spend so many billions wisely and intelligently. There is definitely a limit to efficiency in spending, and, as evidenced by this highway program mess, other situations, it seems apparent the point of efficiency has long since been passed.

Capital Parade by Murray Wade

POLLSTERS JOKESTERS

Four unemployment compensation beneficiaries had profitable fun this week with a group of GOP politicians—head them in hair shorts for hours principally at the local rumor factory just outside the elections department here at the Capitol.

They took a poll on three candidates for governor, Secretary of State, Mark Hatfield, State Treasurer Sig Unander and Governor Robert D Holmes. Salem traditionally a Republican city is high-

ly biased territory for a revealing poll—but the choice made the number one object of the poll more alluring to the vote-takers. While participating in the poll most "voters" asked, "How's the vote going?" Truthfully the answer was, "Holmes away ahead." This stirred Republicans and made Democrats hilarious. When accused of padding for Holmes the pollsters were indignant and offered to bet two to one their poll was correct within one per cent. They invited any takers to go along as score keepers. Some bets were reported made. If the reader wants to estimate, consider that the popular Mr Unander has been in Salem as State Treasurer for five years and resides here. He led the ticket in 1956 when reelected and polled 10,000 votes more than President Eisenhower. Salem is Secretary Hatfield's hometown. He also is very popular here. Governor

Holmes has been here one year. How did the poll add up? The pollsters won all bets. Of 400 persons who "voted," Holmes had 158, Hatfield and Unander were about even. There were only eight scattering votes. The explanation of the result is very simple—if you happen to think of it. There were two Republicans being voted for who divided the Republican vote. The Democratic Governor Holmes got almost 80 per cent of his party vote.

\$110,000 TO KILL MICE

The state emergency board Friday considered an earlier appeal for \$80,000 to help control mice infestation in south Central Oregon and \$10,000 research and voted to allocate \$100,000 to fight the mice plague and \$10,000 for research. The \$100,000 was given to the board of higher education and the \$10,000 to the experimental station at Oregon State College of Education in Eastern Oregon.

State Representative Duncan of Jackson County and Rep Wells of Union and Wallowa counties objected to granting the \$10,000 item set up for research, contending that a long research plan was not an emergency.

CURFEW LAW ENFORCEMENT

The state curfew law seems to be forgotten in some towns and sections of rural population. Not forgotten by the peace officers but by uncomprehending juveniles and mental stolid.

The law provides for issuing

citations to all juveniles under 18 found on any road, street, park or public place between midnight and 4:00 a m unless accompanied by parents, guardian or other authorized adult.

The effectiveness of inflexible letter-of-the-law enforcement has reduced curfew cases in the courts of Salem and Marion county particularly within the last year.

SALEM'S CHIEF OF POLICE

Warren reports there were 236 curfew citations made in 1956 and only 118 in 1957, a drop of 50 per cent which is also reflected in the crime docket. Marion county sheriff Denver Young has made sharp inroads in crime in Marion county the past year, but not fast enough he believes. He has schooled his deputies in new apprehension tactics so often necessary when juveniles are involved. "Our objective is to make Marion county bad for bad actors," the Chief and the Sheriff declare.

EYE STATE AGENCIES

Someone with a nose for news on the Legislative administrative organization committee stirred the bones of an old political chewing rag Wednesday by getting the committee to announce that a questionnaire that has been in the formative stage for months is now ready to be sent to all state agencies in order to get information on their functions, authority and responsibility.

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