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Farming and Prince Philip

Prince Philip recently stirred a ruckus in England by warning that England's entry into the Common Market might upset long established farm markets. This, he added, could change the structure of the nation, physically and socially.

Because the Royal family (his wife is Queen) is not supposed, these days, to dabble in politics, Philip's remarks produced an angry reaction in some quarters and a palace spokesman denied that he was expressing an opinion on Britain's entry into the Common Market, or that of the Queen.

But what Philip said in a moment of frankness—and he is known for his criticism of lazy industrialists and intrusive reporters—is true of most western societies. Many of the troubles of the United States can be traced in part to the rapid flight by masses of people from farms to cities.

A healthy farm industry composed of families rather than machines is the most dependable stabilizing ingredient in society but alas inevitable mechanization has forced millions from the land, often crowding them into already over-crowded cities, aggravating their urban problems. That's what Philip is talking about—and British entry into the Common Market, perhaps a great opportunity for the industrialists, may change English life more than anyone anticipates.

Sweat and Wait

Heppner was fortunate to have had cool weather as long as they did. It was so cold, the kids didn't miss the swimming pool.

But now it's something else again.

The City Council pursued a suggestion of Harley Young of opening the pool on a limited basis. With only one dressing room, it was hoped that the girls might swim one day and the boys next.

The report of the district sanitarian has been returned. After a thorough inspection of the facilities he says there are too many items that are in need of repair prior to use by the public.

The public health standards are very high and should be. It wouldn't be practical to attempt any halfway measures in order to provide limited use.

But the closing of the pool is sending more and more kids to the creeks. Now the water is low and some of the creeks have run raw sewage. One wonders which is the lesser of two evils.

A school bus might be used to transport Heppner kids to the lone pool on regular days. This way Heppner kids could still work in Red Cross Swimming lessons as well as get cool if Ione's schedule could accommodate them.

Don't Knock It 'Til You Try It!

We believe our readers might be interested in the following excerpts from a graduation address given recently by Dr. Eric A. Walker, president of Pennsylvania State University.

Pointing to the assembled guests of the graduates, Dr. Walker said:

"I would like you to look and see some of the most remarkable people ever to walk the earth!"

"These, your parents and grandparents, are the people who, within just five decades—1919 to 1969—have, by their work, increased your life expectancy by approximately 50 per cent; who, while cutting the working day by a third, have more than doubled per capita output."

"These are the people who have given you a healthier world than they found, and because of this you no longer have to fear the epidemics of flu, typhus, diphtheria, smallpox, scarlet fever, measles or mumps that they knew in their youth. The once dreaded polio is no longer a medical factor, while TB is almost unheard of."

"Let me remind you that these remarkable people lived thru history's greatest depression. Many of them know what it is to be poor, what it is to be hungry and cold."

"And, because of this, they determined that it would not happen to you, that you would have a better life. You would have food to eat, milk to drink, vitamins to nourish you, a warm home, better schools and greater opportunities to succeed than they had."

"Because they gave you the best, you are the tallest, healthiest, brightest and probably the best-looking generation to inhabit the land."

"And, because they are materialistic, you will work fewer hours, learn more, have more leisure time, travel to more distant places and have more of a chance to follow your life's ambition."

"These are also the people who fought Man's grisiest war. They are the people who defeated the tyranny of Hitler, and who, when it was all over, had the compassion to spend billions of dollars to help their former enemies to rebuild their homelands."

"These generations have made more progress by the sweat of their brows than in any previous era—and don't you forget it! And, if your generation can make as much progress in as many areas as these two generations have, you should be able to solve a good many of the world's remaining ills."

"But it won't be easy. And you won't do it by tearing down or belittling. You may, and can, do it by hard work, humility, hope, and faith in mankind. Try it."

(Burns Times-Herald).

Visitors at The Smouse Ranch

Paul G. Smouse of Los Angeles, Calif., is a guest at the Smouse ranch near Ione. He has been here for over a week enjoying the smog free air, the beautiful golden fields of grain, the preparations of harvest and renewing acquaintances with friends and relatives.

Sunday, he and his brother Kenneth attended a large family reunion at Moro, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orlow Martin. Among those present were Mrs. Henry V. Smouse of Portland; Mrs. Richard K. Baker and her four children from Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin and their four children from Kent, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wells of Vancouver, former residents here, visited several days with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Hudson. The Wells celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on July 22.



The Volunteer Firemen here quickly responded to a call to the Payne Second Hand Store Tuesday night after lunch. There seemed to be a short in the electric wiring but apparently no damage resulted.

Bruce Malcom said Tuesday they were hoping to keep the Heppner Lumber Company working for perhaps another couple of weeks in spite of the strike. They are beset with a number of problems. Where to store shavings and sawdust? The U. P. Railroad strike has shut down the particle board plant in La Grande where Heppner Lumber sells its shavings. Lots of lumber buyers have no way to get delivery by rail.

Kinzua Corp. has an annual vacation for two weeks starting next Monday. They expect to be back to work Aug. 16. But if the rail strike continues much longer they will be in a tough position, too.

Sheriff John Mollahan told us

Monday of one of the meanest guys around. It seems last weekend someone went to the Percy Cecil cabin on his pasture land, removed a pane of glass, stole an antique clock that was probably a family heirloom, replaced the pane of glass and left.

Property owners are getting very upset over this sort of thing and Sheriff Mollahan said the thing thieves overlook is that people are going to start shooting. One can understand how the victims feel but there may be cases of mistakes when innocent folks get killed.

We did a little exploring Sunday in the mountains. Paul Hissler very kindly stopped their pickup, pointed out some historic places up there. Mrs. Hissler had spent some lovely summers at Linger Longer, a cabin in a pretty meadow owned by her folks. Roads are being built into the Lake Pendleton area, one road to lead to the new U. S. Forest Service camp. As Paul had predicted, roads are a bit dusty but there are delightfully cool, green meadows. And one of these days the new lake will be a reality there.

We had stopped for a drink

of ice cold spring water at Cutsforth Forest Park. What's more delicious on a hot day?

Yesterday afternoon a NASA

team was in Boardman to inspect the Bombing Range and the Boeing space age tract. They

are looking for a site for a space shuttle station. The station

would hire 3,000 people. Yester-

day morning they had a meet-

ing in Ontario and flew over a

site south of Jordan Valley.

They have about 70 sites to

inspect. A rumor claimed they

had sifted through most of the

sites and top eight choices in-

cluded the two Eastern Ore. sites.

If their selection is based on

politics, we don't have a China-

man's chance. Technical require-

ments in this area, however,

might swing the pendulum to

favor Morrow County.

Adolescence and snow drifts

are about the only problems

that disappear if you ignore

them long enough.

Any time you think you have

influence, try ordering some-

one else's dog around.

Money may talk, but today's

dollar doesn't have cents enough

to say very much.

A good executive believes that

an assistant who did all the

work should get at least half

the credit.

Pioneer Ponderings



By W. S. CAVERHILL

Just An Echo

If you hear a voice saying, "We are building up a huge national debt for our children to pay", don't be disturbed. It is only an echo from your past. We don't say that sort of thing now, because neither we nor they have the means or intention to pay it. To do so would rupture our economy. We will just watch it grow with little comment. If you hear a voice, it is nothing more than an echo.

We as Christians who work

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor and Wife:

I was over at St. Anthony Hospital a few days ago. I was asked to attend the tumor clinic Dr. McGowan and Dr. Galligan has there.

I met a very sweet lady and her daughter, they said they used to be your neighbors, lived in back of your place. Asked me to tell you I met them and say hello to you for them. Forgive me I can't remember their names. But they spoke so nicely of you.

I am not able to get to church. I read quite a bit and see how the communists are gaining ground here in so many ways. I love God and my precious Savior and country.

I want to do something. May be this letter will stir up Christian people to see what's going on.

Thank you very kindly.

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en if I knew they were Communists" but I would pray for them and try to live so they could see Jesus and God in my life. I pray for ministers who touch the dear old Gospel as it is they will win though they may not be popular. God will bless them. It is through us Our hands and our feet we can that he can teach his Word. use in some way. So let's pray and read and listen and ask God to help us to be faithful and use us for His Glory.

Mrs. Ray Winslow

To the Gazette-Times:

Chuck and I are now back home in Honolulu and we wanted to express that we enjoyed the HHS 1961, 10th year reunion so much.

We want to extend our "Thanks" to Fern, Marlene, Doris, Shirley and the others who helped make the 1961 class reunion a success. It was very worthwhile to come over for it and renew old friendships with the classmates and meet their families.

Yours until we meet again in 1981, God willing.

Chuck, Diana and Trudi Smallwood Honolulu, Hawaii



CHRIS BROWN who recently received his second Bronze Star for valorous action in Vietnam.

Chris Brown Gets Second Bronze Star

First Lt. Chris Brown, son of brother Mark helped last year before leaving for the Navy.

Lt. Brown has six months left in Vietnam, and should be home before Christmas.

His citation reads:

"For heroism in connection with ground operations against a hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. First Lieutenant Brown distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 8 May 1971 while serving as a Platoon Leader with Co. D, 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry. On that date, an element of the company was conducting a combat patrol south of Chu Lai when an unknown size enemy force was detected approaching the friendly position. Before the friendly element could engage the insurgents, the enemy was alerted and began to deploy into defensive positions. Quickly assessing the tactical situation and the danger to which his comrades were exposed, Lt. Brown maneuvered from his relatively secure location and engaged the insurgents with a devastating volume of small arms fire. When complete disregard for his personal safety, he maintained his assault until he had engaged in routing the hostile force from their positions.

The following precautions may prevent a costly wheat fire which could cause loss of life as well as hundreds of thousands of dollars in destroyed crops and equipment.

1. All trucks entering grain fields should be equipped with exhaust pipes coming directly up from the motor with spark arrester attached.

2. All electrical wires on vehicles should be checked before harvest so there is no shorting by a wire coming in contact with frames of vehicle. Sparks from this cause have started many fires.

3. All tractors and combines should be equipped with spark arresters.

4. Combines should carry water barrels and soaked sacks to beat out small fires. Portable water pump cans should be kept in the machines and shovels hung on combines available from the ground.

5. Burn cheat grass where possible, from around all farm buildings prior to harvest.

6. A disc-plow or a double disc and tractor should be kept handy to each field to hitch onto in case of fire for discing around parked harvesting equipment at night or in case you are called to a fire. Do not rely on moldboard plows for making fire guards. Heavy stubble will plug them and they will be useless.

7. Do not smoke in the fields or on roads leading into the fields.

8. Carry hydraulic jacks and blocks on tractor-powered combines so that the pin can be removed from a stiff hitch and the tractor used in fighting fire.

9. Avoid making welding repairs in oil or near fields.

10. Remind truck drivers to take off emergency brake.

11. If you have a water tank available on a truck or pickup, please notify the commissioner nearest you and arrange to bring water to the fire when God wants it—in marriage. Now an article that made me heart sick. It was taking the I do's I read in the Journal yesterday out of marriage. Evidently man has come a long way when he thinks to even modernizing the Bible. I want no part of the new Modern Bible and sure think it's a disgrace to change the wedding vows.

The Communists acknowledge no truth outside of human experience as being eternal or universal. The Bible condemns the communist denial of God and his super natural Truth. We are Christians must boldly declare the superiority of God not just in words but in faith. We must awake to what they are doing to us; our schools, our homes and children. They are closing in on us and unless we awake and start to pray and fight back at them.

We as Christians who work and pray for the preservation and extension of