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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

I've heard it said that a little education is a dangerous thing. If that's the case, Mister Editor, we've got some schools that ought to be in line for safety awards. They ain't putting out no education at all, so they ain't going to git anybody in trouble. And I'm talking about colleges, not the schools that all of us out here in the country know about.

The fellers was talking at the country store Saturday night about how another college year is about over, and how all the young people will be overheard and underfoot looking for somepun to do, or at least somepun to git into this summer. The feller that runs the store said he hoped they do better than take to the roads on them little skinny wheel bicycles this season, cause nothing terrifies him more than to see a pack of them bikes weave in the wind when one truck passes and another is snorting behind em. Riding bicycles on the same roads with cars and trucks may be good exercise, he allowed, but it's bought to be hazardous to their health. He said he'd feel better knowing they were home in front of the TV, cause he'd ruther they have soft muscles than busted heads.

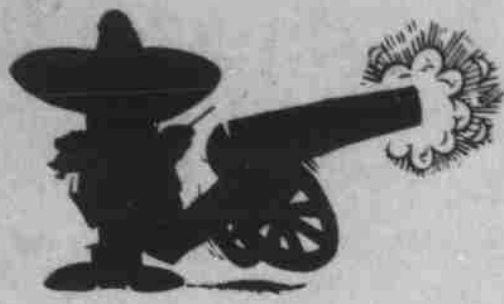
It was Clem Webster that allowed he couldn't see how college students could very easy tell when vacation time comes. From what he's been seeing in the papers, Clem said, their hole year is a vacation. Test scores to git in college are lower, but grades onct they're in are higher until we've got runaway inflation on A's and B's. Leastwise, Clem went on, grades are gitting as cheap as money where they still give grades. In some places they have done away with tests and grades so the students won't feel so tied down to somebody else's opinion of them. Clem said the thinking is that without worrying about pleasing somebody who can reward them with a grade, students can learn for the sake of learning.

It wouldn't be true to say that none of the fellers has ever seen the inside of a college. Ed Doolittle went to visit his daughter in the city onct, and she took him to a high class musical program at the university. Ed reported that while his girl was listening to the music, he snuck out and walked all over that campus. Other than that, a discussion of higher education by the fellers is pritty much a case of pooling their ignorance.

But that never stopped em before, so Ed follered Clem with a comment that with some of the courses no grade probable is better than any grade. Ed said it seems to him that most of the stuff they take in college is what we used to take up during recess. They can earn credit fer learning how to run a roulet wheel in some places, and until they got in trouble with the church that supported it one school was running a course in how to bet on horses. Just the other day, declared Ed, he saw where the University of Iowa is giving class credit for learning to throw a frisbee, and it was just one of 60 courses listed by the school as requiring physical skills.

Yours truly,
 MAYOR ROY.

FROM THE CORNER



By ERNIE CERESA

Now that the newspaper has changed ownership, one of the most frequent questions asked of the staff is, "Will the new owner make any changes in the paper?" The only answer I can give is, "I hope so."

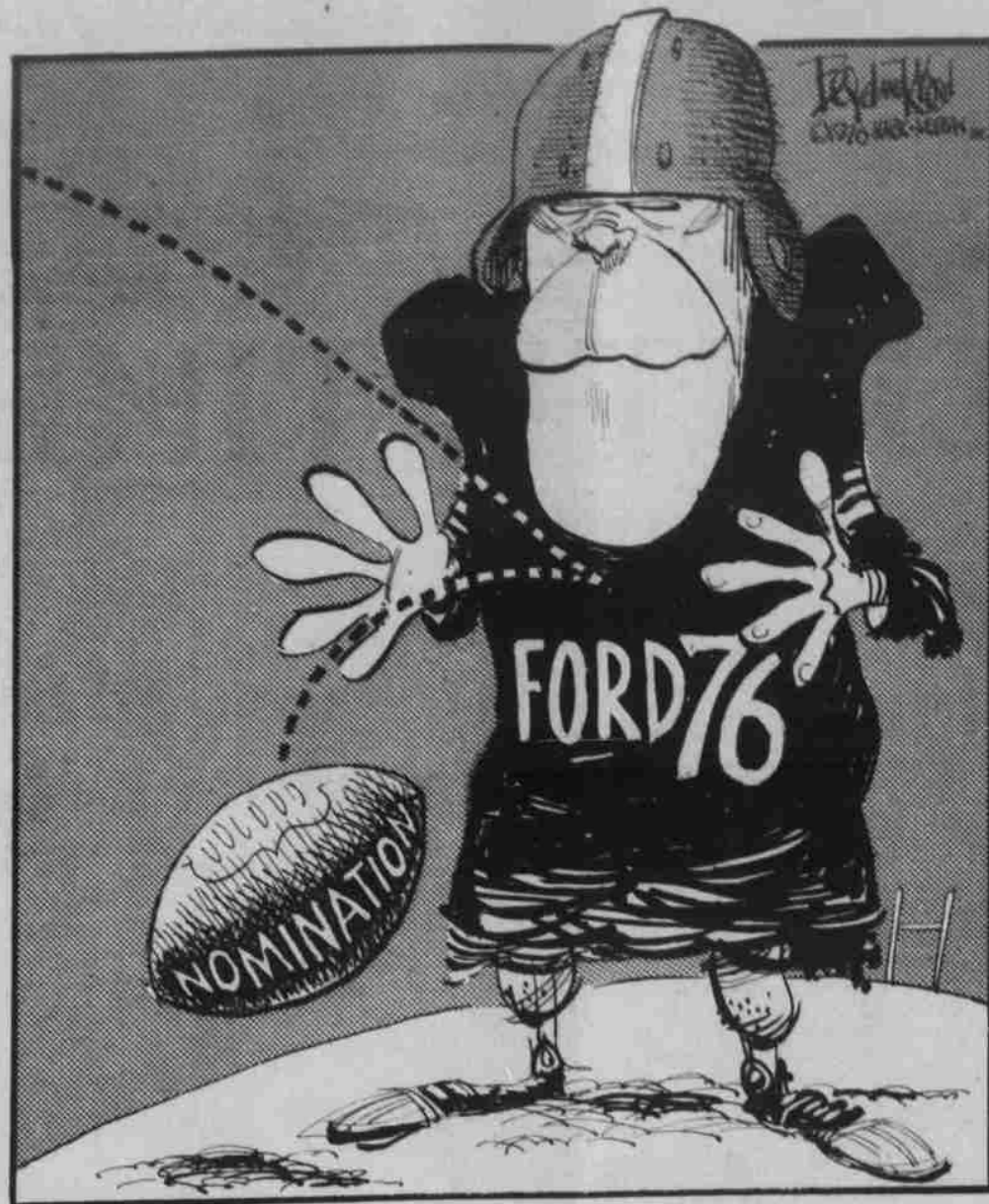
Let me explain my reasons for my point of view. Mr. Smith returned home from work Thursday and asked his wife, "What's for dinner?" She replied, "Stew." He remarked, "We had stew Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night and we are having stew again tonight?" His wife replied, "If you have eaten stew three nights in the past week, how come you refuse to eat it again tonight?"

Perhaps you may not see the connection between the stew and the newspaper, but most of us do not want to change our way of life and we do the same things day after day. Perhaps we don't want to change our way of life. Some people I know have worked in the same office at the same desk on the same floor for many years. They will probably continue to do the same thing day after day until they retire. For entertainment they go to the same places on the same night of each week with the same friends, they eat the same foods as the previous week and drink the same drinks.

If these people would only get up in the morning and try putting the other leg in their trousers first, put on the right shoe instead of the left, they might find they would enjoy something different.

We become slaves to our habits and we become afraid of any changes, simply because we do not want to try anything new or different in our life style.

We become like the man and the stew, we are in a rut. Well, last week the newspaper made a few changes and we hope to continue to make changes in our newspaper until we have one of the best weekly newspapers in the state of Oregon. We feel the people of this county deserve the best and we are going all out to bring it to them. In order to accomplish this there will have to be some changes. We hope they are to your satisfaction.



The mail pouch

EDITOR:

According to the latest American Monitor Poll, Eastern Oregon participants strongly oppose federal legislation that would require the registration of all handguns, and the Federal funding of new public works projects to create jobs for the unemployed. Local results generally reflected the views expressed throughout the state and nation.

The American Monitor Poll has interviewed 29,300 voters all over the country on these issues. The Washington-based 300-10 Action Plan, sponsor of the monthly poll, called it the nation's most comprehensive test of voter sentiment. George Millett, Executive Secretary of the 300-10 Action Plan, pointed out that Gallup and Harris questioned only 1,000 to 1,500 citizens compared to American Monitor's 20,000 to 25,000.

For this poll taken in March, a total of 1516 registered voters in Oregon responded. 500 were from district 2 represented in Washington by Representative Al Ullman. Other districts responded with 483 votes in district 1—Les AuCoin; 253 votes in district 3—Robert Duncan and 280 votes in district 4—James Weaver.

Nationally, 90 per cent of the voters questioned expressed opposition to registration of handguns, and 87 per cent voted against new federal projects to create jobs.

An important feature of the Poll is that it compares voter sentiment with the voting records of Congressmen on specific issues. On the public works issue, 73 per cent of the members of the House voted for spending \$6.1 billion for the program. This poll is conducted by volunteers, called Team Captains, in more than 300 Congressional districts. Results of the Poll are delivered to Congressmen to keep them informed of the activity and opinions in their districts.

The questions for May are No. 1, "Would you want your Congressmen to vote in favor of a \$5 billion foreign aid bill for fiscal year 1977?" and No. 2, "Would you want your Congressmen to vote for a comprehensive, uniform national health insurance program for all U.S. citizens?"

The American Monitor Poll is open to anyone wishing to have their vote counted.

CARL M. MARQUARDT
 Lexington

EDITOR:

In the final re-typing of last week's story about the Brosnan Family, regrettably, several lines were omitted. The paragraph about the second generation, John and Zetta, should have read:

"They had three children: Jerry, Jo and Margaret. Jo and Margaret now live in Arkansas. Jo has two sons and a daughter."

JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

EDITOR:

I would like to comment on some of the rash and general statements O.W. Cutsforth (my father-in-law) made in reference to the Great Volunteer State of Tennessee.

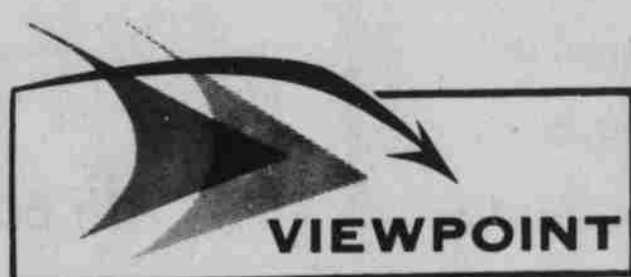
First off, the litter is here, but not to the extremes as Mr. Cutsforth states. East Tennessee covers a lot of ground and believe me there isn't a state that could possibly obtain that much litter without drawing the attention of the highway authorities.

Second, the entire country is not, or could be owned by coal mining companies, maybe Virginia. Tennessee is a cotton state and much farm land. In reference to houses, I'm quite sure Mr. Cutsforth did not search in every aspect as to who owns the homes. You go to Tennessee, and believe me there is PRIDE in our state. Tennessee has many historical places which are wonderland places. Some of the leaders came from our state and many died at the Alamo. I fail to see the point in Mr. Cutsforth making general statements of the State of Tennessee.

In light of the fact, my father gave him the opportunity to see the great Mississippi River for the first time. The people that Mr. Cutsforth was introduced to by my father were very well educated and by looking at them and the appearance of the home you wouldn't believe such. The Mississippi River is the result of there not being many houses due to the land erosion caused by the river.

So to end my statements I'm a Tennessean and proud of it and keep in mind one should not judge a great state by one section of it and not to mention very little research.

DENNIS R. WATSON
 Sgt., U.S. Army



A single sentence in a forest management bill before the U.S. Senate this week could seriously retard the practice of forestry on western national forests. An amendment to S. 3091 offered by Sen. Dale Bumpers (D-Ark.) would require the Forest Service to "assure that timber production is not a management goal in lands where the estimated cost of production will exceed estimated economic return."

H.A. Roberts, Executive Vice President of Western Wood Products Association, said, "If this means no timber would be harvested on slow growth sites, it would deal a crippling blow to the nation's timber supply. Lands east of the Cascade and Sierra crests would be particularly vulnerable to any requirement where dollar return to the federal treasury is the necessary criteria for selecting lands for timber management and harvesting to meet national needs for housing and wood fiber."

The amendment was offered to S. 3091, a bill which would amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974. The bill is sponsored by Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) to provide guidelines for management of 155 national forests by the U.S. Forest Service.

Even though timber growth on some western land is not as vigorous as on better growing sites, Roberts said it would be a waste of the national resource not to utilize timber from such lands. He said timber not harvested inevitably is destroyed by wind, fire, insects, disease and rot.

Roberts pointed out that timber growth on forests in the inland region of the West, including the Rockies, is relatively slow because of dry climate and smaller native tree species. He said that water, wildlife habitat, rangeland, recreation and wood fiber benefits are all enhanced by forest management. The major source of financial support for all of these benefits comes from timber sale receipts, said Roberts. He added that these receipts also support local communities and are a substantial source of funds for county roads and schools in the West.

Court receives eviction notice

Morrow County Court received an eviction notice to vacate its office in Irrigon by June 1.

The office space that must be vacated is owned by Knight's Catering Service which says it needs the space in order to expand its business.

Court members said last week that a major effort had been made to locate another suitable space, however, there is no existing space available. The possibility of purchasing the required land has been considered.

Justice of the Peace Ernest Jorgenson uses one of the offices leased by the court. The other is used once a month by the court to hold court sessions in the north end of the county for the convenience of the people.

It is used each day by some of the existing seven other agencies; extension service; juvenile department; mental health division; Children's Service Division; public welfare; county planning department, and the sheriff's department.

If no office space is located by the June 1 deadline, users of the office will have to operate from Heppner, with the Justice of the Peace operating from his home as he did until about three years ago.

Hospital Notes

Patients at Pioneer Memorial Hospital this week are: Arthur Stefani, Ione; Rose Pemberton, Spray; Geatta Cox and James Hams, Heppner.

Dismissed was Norman Rickert, Heppner.

BUILDING PERMITS

Morrow County's building permits for outside the city limits dropped considerably from the month of April building permits were issued for a total of \$28,586, while the totals for March showed \$108,444.



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Wednesday	60	45	
Thursday	67	38	
Friday	75	41	
Saturday	79	46	
Sunday	81	47	
Monday	75	51	.07
Tuesday	65	37	.01

Wheat

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White	3.36 May
Red	3.18 May

Ashmead retires

Bob Ashmead retired May 1, after being associated with Blue Mountain Telephone, Inc. since 1933. In that year Bob was employed for a time with the former owner, the late Sammy Johnson and was steadily employed from 1940 until 1948 when he, with his associate, Don Kyle, purchased the business from Johnson.

In a 1956 transaction Kyle sold his interests in the company to Ashmead and Bob has seen the Spray telephone system through its adolescent growing pains, so to speak, dating from the antiquated crank type telephone, complete with "rubber-neck" switch and a turn of the crank signaling "centrals" pleasant number please, to the now ultra modern system of radar and microwave equipment. A dream realized for the Ashmeads and a far cry from the barbed-wire lines of the 30s, serving the Paulina section.

Line miles have increased to more than 1100 with thousands of miles of carrier leads, Ashmead states. New office buildings and equipment also stand as part

of the many improvements. And the \$30,000 transaction of 1948 has grown, the Ashmeads selling out to Telephone Utilities, Ilwaco, at a better than one-half million figure.

Ashmead is a man who has climbed the ladder (pardon the witticism) of success with hand-forged spurs and a firm grip on his boot straps.

Bob's family joined him this past week in observance of his 65th birthday anniversary and he assured he will enjoy many more. His father reached 98 years and his mother, Effie, only recently passed away on the day she would have celebrated her centenarian birth date.

The Ashmeads have purchased a new home and plan to remain in Spray. And that is as it should be. Bob and Margaret are essentially an integral part of this community and it's people.

Lastly, Bob, be reminded of the adage, "behind" each successful man there is... the words escape me. I will say there must be a gal like our "Mag."

Oregon Beef Council

wins award

The Oregon Beef Council was presented with the first annual "Sizzler Award" for outstanding beef promotion activities during the year 1975. The presentation was made on Friday, April 23, at the annual meeting of the National Beef Industry Council, at the headquarters of the National Live Stock & Meat Board in Chicago. The award was presented to Oregon Beef Council Manager, Donald Ostensoe, by John Huston, General Manager of the National Beef Industry Council. Oregon won over 25 other state Beef Councils which made presentations. This award will continue to be presented annually to the state Beef Council with the most outstanding promotion program.

Beef promotion programs were considered for their creativity, originality, and overall effectiveness of pro-

motion programs. Judging of the promotion efforts was by a three person panel of non-industry specialists. Included were: Isabel DuBois, Food Editor, Chicago Daily News; Ed Bachtel, National Product Manager, Swift Fresh Meats Co.; and Jerry Greenfield, Public Relations Director, National Restaurant Association.

Earl Harris, Chairman of the Board of Directors, National Live Stock & Meat Board, stated, "I have personally been familiar with the programs and projects of the Oregon Beef Council for many years, and in my opinion they have continually done an outstanding quality job in selling the beef product to the American consumer. I want to add my congratulations to Donald Ostensoe and to the members of his council."



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