

Principal Says Gold Hill Not Eager to Break From District 6C

Editor's note: The following letter was received from Gilbert A. Mack, principal of Patrick and Hanby schools at Gold Hill, regarding the proposal to consolidate Gold Hill schools with Rogue River. Due to the current controversy regarding school district reorganization, Mack's remarks are of sufficient interest to be reprinted here in full.

The pulse beat has been counted. The contented cow is about to moo. The rumors from Rogue River way would lead even a person of some

intelligence to believe that Gold Hill is straining on the chain and is about to uproot the "tie post" in its eagerness to break away from District 6C, Central Point. It is being intimated that an official blessing for reorganization with Rogue River would be all that is needed to sever the strongest link. Those are the rumors floating quite steadily up stream from Rogue River. Rumors, like fairy tales, are interesting, sometimes even entertaining, but they are totally unreliable. The facts of the case are these: A conservative estimate of

those parents and children wishing to remain a part of District 6C is all of 99.9 per cent. To the parents and children of the Gold Hill school area, becoming a part of the Rogue River school system makes no educational, economic or emotional sense.

Advantage

Educationally speaking, we need not rely on the experience and wisdom of Harvard's Dr. James Conant to point out the advantages of Crater over Rogue River high. Just ask any Gold Hill eighth grader who has a gleam of high school in his eye. "Want to go to Rogue River?" "Man, what are you talking about! Do you think I look like a square?" And he will continue by easily giving you logical reasons, without teen-age jargon, why Crater can offer a better and more complete educational program.

Quadruplets Born To Mexican Woman

Colima, Mexico—(UPI)—Quadruplet girls, born Thursday on an isolated ranch, were reported "doing well" today in incubators at the Civil Hospital here.

All four of the girls were named Maria after their mother, Maria Guzman-Maria Regio, Maria de Jesus, Maria Guadalupe and Maria de Los Angeles.

They are the second quadruplets born in Mexico this year. Four infants were born Jan. 22 in Toluca.

SECOND CHILDHOOD

New York—(UPI)—The Brooklyn Industrial Office of the State Employment Services reported today that older people are getting second childhood eating habits. The office quoted industry sources as saying the tremendously expanded demand for baby food comes from middle-aged and older people on special diets or having teeth trouble.

SINATRA NAMED PRO

Las Vegas, Nev.—(UPI)—Frank Sinatra, whose hassles with the press are legend, has been named vice president of the Sands Hotel in charge of public relations, it was announced today. Sinatra is a part owner of the hotel.

Apartheid Father Succumbs to Stroke

Stellenbosch, South Africa—(UPI)—Daniel F. Malan, father of South Africa's Apartheid policy of total racial segregation, died Saturday of a stroke. He was 85.

The former prime minister suffered a stroke late last year and went into relapse Friday. Death came early Saturday at his home here.

The unrelenting individualist was a staunch champion of Apartheid and severing all ties between his British commonwealth country and Great Britain. Until his retirement in 1954 he fought ceaselessly

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have since extended the doctrine of racial "separateness" to church attendance, transportation and other areas.

Cancer in the U. S. kills more children from ages 3 to 15 years than any other of the known diseases.

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Quotes From the News

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Washington—Labor leader Walter P. Reuther, on eliminating crooks and racketeers from the labor movement:

"I want the people who are guilty of things like Mr. (Jimmy) Hoffa to go to jail because I think they're a danger to America."

Lisbon—Blonde musical comedy star Jacquelyn McKeever, here to film some shots for the Ed Sullivan television show, commenting on her ideal man:

"I love the European handkissing technique, but I miss those clean-cut, close cropped husky American males."

Washington—Rep. Frank Kowalski (D-Conn.) a retired Army colonel, in charging the armed services with wasting manpower by using enlisted men as houseboys and chauffeurs:

"Something has to be done by Congress or we are going to go down the path of complete waste."

Rio De Janeiro—Jayne Mansfield, on how merry-making Brazilians launched their annual carnival season by stripping her to the waist:

"I had these little red roses on the bosom of my dress. They started picking them. When the flowers were gone, they went after the dress."

Washington—Dr. Grayson Kirk, president of Columbia university, on the importance of home life in character development:

"In these days when our national standards of taste are deplorable, when violence and sex and crime pursue their dreary night round across the television screens of our nation, our serious parents have a special responsibility to teach their children to develop discrimination."

Alexandria, Va.—School Board Chairman Robert C. Howard, in announcing the city would comply with a federal court order to admit nine negroes to three white schools:

"It was felt we had exhausted all remedies."

London—George Lewins, father of twin boys his ex-wife allegedly put up for sale in Houston, Tex., on his efforts to regain custody of the boys:

"She flatly refused to send them, but I will fight for the return of my sons."

Bethesda, Md.—Dr. Sophia Lyon Fahs, 82, first woman ordained into the Unitarian ministry in 15 years, in criticizing the unconscious dishonesty that is hidden in much of what is taught children in Sunday school:

"The children deserve something better from us than we have given them."

Climate Control Prospects Said To Look Good in Future

Washington—(Science Service)—Prospects look good for weather modification in the future and the United States should start now to make plans for that time.

Three speakers stressed this theme at a public lecture sponsored here by Resources for the Future, Inc. Dr. Horace R. Byers, chairman of the University of Chicago's meteorology department, said that progress in scientific weather modification has been distressingly slow in the past dozen years.

The slow progress, he charged, resulted from trying to apply immediately principles too poorly understood, instead of performing the research necessary to understand the atmospheric processes involved.

Coming Within Grasp

However, Dr. Byers reported, hydrogen bomb explosions are now releasing energy in about the same amounts as the energy released by small tropical storms. This means that weather modification is "coming within our grasp."

Dr. Edward A. Ackerman, deputy executive officer of the Carnegie Institute of Washington here, called for a long-range program aimed at obtaining a working understanding of the "vast, very complex hydrodynamic system that flows around" the earth, resulting in weather and climate. He suggested responsibility for such a program be placed with an international planning and review board of meteorologists.

By doing so, Dr. Ackerman said, the U. S. can "show scientific leadership" that could forestall later problems in diplomacy. Ideas that may seem visionary today, he concluded, may be "tomorrow's weapon or tomorrow's disaster."

Ultimate Weapon

Sen. Clinton P. Anderson (D-N. Mex.) noted that climate control, or weather modification, may well be the "ultimate weapon." Weather warfare, he said, could be so applied that the operator of the modification could not only damage his opponent but escape undamaged himself, which cannot be said of mul-

ti-megaton thermonuclear blasts.

These are the "very real sociological and political implications of weather modification," Sen. Anderson said, and the economic implications are inseparable from these two.

He pointed out that it would not take long to bring the U. S. "to her knees" if another country could deny us at will our drinking water or our wheat crop, could alternately freeze or burn us, flood our cities and scorch our farms.

Senator Anderson warned against "toying prematurely" with such a diabolical weapon, and urged a high priority program for the study of weather control.

BIRD CAGE COMPLAINTS

Copenhagen, Denmark—(UPI)—Pet shop owners have banded together in a campaign against the manufacturers of bird cages. The shop owners have complained that the new bird cages are so small the birds can't turn around in them.

Emotionally speaking, joining with Rogue River would pull the individual roots of so many Crater students with such severity, that regardless of the type of "novocaine" used, heart-rendering screams would haunt the canyons of Galls, Kane and Sardine creeks for eons to come. Black drapery would soon kill all the velvety grass growing with such eagerness in the Lions' club's beautiful city park. Each day, when the sun rose, mourning not morning would open the day!

Indebtedness

Economically speaking, Gold Hill's back would break under the bonded indebtedness of two school districts. This inescapable fact will cause all Gold Hill folk to rush to the solace of a voting booth to voice a decisive "No!"

In their desperation, the good folks of Rogue River have violated about all the good laws of human relations, both in and out of books, in their approach. If one were going to sell a pink elephant to a group of people, surely it would be wise to mingle with the populace and have them "lend you their ears" wherein you could relate the exceptional qualities of the "critter" you wished to sell.

Instead of wooing the bidding public, Rogue River has slyly been whispering "all is well" in the ear of the auctioneer. Such actions are not only amusing, they are somewhat irritating.

Days of Piracy Over

Our neighbors at Rogue River should haul down the skull and crossbones from their school flagpole. The days of piracy were yesterday. Today we live in the space age. It is an enlightened age typified by actions and thinking based on scientific research findings—not upon wishful thinking. This is not the time for a union that could have easily taken place a few years back. The sting of the slap on the friendly hand of yesterday is still remembered. But not now with resentment and frustration, but rather with the feeling that a shove towards District 6 has had God's blessing.

We sympathize with our neighbors. They do have a problem. And because of it, we excuse their methods. Certainly an efficient and challenging educational offering for their children is a concern to us, as well as to them. However, going Rogue River's way is not the answer or the logical solution. If the energy of thought is used, a better plan should result.

So, in closing, we have to say, we're sorry, folks! You'll have to find another plan. As far as Gold Hill residents are concerned, it's Fiddlers Green on the West, to Blackwell Hill on the East—it's all of that, just as now, or it's fight, fight, fight!

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