

# Communications

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**Solutions Needed**  
To the Editor: Isn't it time for people who call themselves Christian and educated, to give God credit for the good done in the world? Isn't it time for political parties to stop using the security, prosperity and wholesome economy of the American people for party prestige?

We have some very definite problems to solve and fear of giving one party or the other an advantage should not deter a positive attempt to solve them. Now! Today! We expect the missile people to work together. We expect the defense personnel to work together. Why should not our political representatives work together? We pay them the same as the others. We endow them with much more responsibility. Why don't we expect them to come through with a fine performance? We do.

As the "Life" magazine of April 20 points out, our agricultural problem needs immediate attention. Both parties should get together at once

and work toward a solution. It's the only way to save our nation from future suffering. It is for that that we sent them to Washington and are paying their wages and bills. There will be other campaign material by 1960. Surely we have enough creative ability in political science to have drummed up some by then. Surely the power to create lies in the political field as well as in other. We just need to get over this idea of holding our issues to haggle about. Perhaps the citizens should refuse to re-elect all persons who had not taken a positive stand for constructive solution of the vital problems of the day. After all why do we send law makers to Washington? Maybe we better write them.

Frances Ray,  
Ralston, Wash.

**Taxes Still Needed**  
To the Editor: A sharp little folder came in the mail recently from a communication utility. It told of the unfairness of excise taxation and suggested cooperation from the general public for its repeal. It is quite possible for us to rear up on our hind legs, and with strong words and fist waving in the right direction, such could be accomplished.

But where would it get us? That chunk of tax taking would be brought right back under a different name. Much of our taxes are Russian-imposed. Instead of disarming after the Big Struggle for a world wide free way of life,

as agreed, the Soviet kept their war machine intact, adding to it new and more terrible weapons of destruction. Then they began throwing their weight around, snarling how they could reduce land to a shambles if we and our western allies failed to quit interfering with the descendants of Ivan The Terrible's gobbling up of small nations here and there.

So, to meet the challenge, we had to buckle on the old war harness that today is not the simple thing of gun-powder and shootin' irons it once was. War planes with guided and unguided missiles, with handy bases ringing the rabies-infected bear of the north, cost a heap of money. That's what we are paying for if we want to maintain our free way of life and to help others to do the same. It's just that grimly simple.

So, it seems to be what does not matter a d--- what name it goes by, we have got to tighten up our belts and pay taxes to our last staggering, nail-chewing best, including penalties for not paying on time, and call the Russian bluff, for bluff it has been, all the way through, to my way of thinking.

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**Book Praised**  
To the Editor: Let's stimulate every appetite in the entire country singing "Take Me to the Rogue River Valley, That's Where I Belong." She may be "by the river, where all heaven beams," but she is more apt to be in her kitchen cooking up some dreams from the new Rogue Chef Cook book, which is now on sale at Swank and the Grocereria.

It is unique in its decorative cover, and has an extremely large collection of choice recipes donated by a Rogue valley's culinary ar-

tists. It's an embodiment of recipes for cooking that will serve the purpose of good health. How wonderful for gifts to our friends at a distance. It advertises Medford's down town business places, and southern Oregon's out-of-the-world pears. Even the pear on the cover is a self confident chef that looks like his daddy on the 17th of March with his green bow tie.

Last but not least it has been 2½ years in the making, with six women as joint mothers of the idea, and numerous other Rogue valley personalities doing their part to make it a personality cook book that could be used daily as a chain that links appetites together. And as the old saying goes, the way to the heart is through the stomach. Let's all buy and boost the greatest valley in the world.

Emma Lou Carpenter,  
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**Is There a Need?**

To the Editor: Direct questions as to the duties of the new parks and recreation director have been answered only in general terms. It is pointed out that other Oregon cities are currently spending more than Medford in this department. Although undoubtedly accurate, these figures can hardly be considered a reasonable or satisfactory basis to determine whether or not Medford should increase its budget \$26,276 for personal services in this department.

It has been pointed out that currently gaps exist in our recreational program. A partial list of this program includes Cub scouts, Boy scouts, Explorer scouts, Girl scouts, Campfire girls and YMCA, which includes activities for both boys and girls. Our churches number in the dozens, most of which have youth programs which incorporate both indoor and outdoor sports and activities as well as study and fellowship groups. Our school system has a fine program of social and activity clubs as well as football, basketball, baseball, tennis and golf. We will soon have two swimming pools in addition to swimming, boating, waterskiing, fishing, camping and picnicking facilities within minutes of Medford. Excellent adult education classes are offered for those who are interested. We are well supplied with theaters, folk and square dance clubs. Local business firms sponsor leagues for bowling, softball and basket ball. Auto enthusiasts have supervised drag races in the Camp White area.

In view of this one wonders how significant this gap in our recreational program might be and whether or not our people, both old and young, really need governmental supervision to entertain themselves. The budget committee should omit the recreation item until a definite and clear need for such an increase has been established. John Niedermeyer,  
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Medford.

**Approves Veto**  
To the Editor: On May 13, 1959, there appeared an article in the Medford Mail Tribune stating that union official George Brown rapped Gov. Mark Hatfield for vetoing H.B. 72. Also, on May 15, another article appeared stating that the independent log truck drivers around Eugene staged a demonstration for the governor in protest of the vetoing of H.B. 72.

I was in Salem one day during legislation, and Mr. Brown was pointed out to me. My opinion is that Mr. Brown has probably never had very much to do with log hauling. However, I do believe he would have been very interested in the outcome had our governor not vetoed H. B. 72 and H.B. 29.

The log-trucker should remember that we are independent contractors, enabling us to haul where and when we want. Under P.U.C. we would be allowed to haul from point to point for a set rate. Every time a logger moved to a different area the trucker would have to apply for a new certificate of necessity, and, depending on the trucks in that vicinity, he might or might not receive it. On the other hand, there would be nothing to stop a logger from leasing trucks from the owners, and I am sure that this price would not be more than they are paying at the present, thus making the owner merely a driver under the direction of the logger's truck boss.

Independent haulers should remember road conditions. Rates for hauling may be set in the spring when the roads are in good condition, but may not see a water wagon or a grader for the duration of the season, while another

logger in the same area may water and grade his road frequently. Should the hauling price be the same?

Had H.B. 72 not been vetoed, neither would H.B. 29, which would have put the log hauler on a mileage tax. Thus, if the rates for log hauling had gone higher, the P.U.C. mileage rates, under most circumstances, would have absorbed the additional profits.

Mr. Editor, I am a one-truck owner-driver, and I sincerely hope that other truckers and interested parties will consider these points and then write Gov. Mark Hatfield a letter of thanks for vetoing these bills and allowing us to remain independent contractors.

Raymond B. Chamberlain,  
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**Get Busy!**

To the Editor: In addition to the many new projects springing up in our fair city of Medford, there is one kind of business that is sorely needed, and which would greatly contribute to attract the travelling public, as well as local folks. That is a first class cafeteria, catering to serving health foods and staffed by chefs possessed of the "know-how" in preparing nourishing foods that are "different," both in "eye-appeal," and taste.

The writer has looked over a large vacant store building on Bartlett st., now for rent, which would be a most ideal location and ample space, the former Army outlet store, just a "breath" off Main st.

The question of an up-to-date cafeteria being a much needed item has been discussed by Medford business people and others for some time past. Get busy!

Gus Hoagland,  
731 West Second st.,  
Medford.

**The Fighting Russians**

To the Editor: In the early logging days in Michigan, the postmaster had a store in connection with the post office. He sold shoes, woolen socks, red flannel underwear and a bottle of moonshine whiskey for 50 cents.

The Russians would go up to the postmaster and say, "Any mail for me?" The postmaster would ask him what is your name and this was the answer: "My name is on the letter" and that was all he could get out of them.

The boss was known as the "Bull of the Woods." If you wanted his job you challenged him to fight and if you won, you were the boss from then on.

Never heard of a Russian being as much as a straw-boss. One Irishman or a Swede lumber jack could whip the whole Russian army before breakfast.

They're dumber than that horse that swims the river two times every morning to get a drink.

A. C. White,  
523 North Riverside ave.,  
Medford.

**PILOTS TRIUMPH**

Portland -UP- University of Portland defeated Oregon College of Education Wednesday to finish its regular season with a 20-7 record.

**Good Job?**  
To the Editor: Hasn't our 1959 legislators pat themselves on the back and say they did a good job?

Is it a good job to cut medication on our aged? Is it a good job for nursing home owners to take a 5 per cent cut? Is it a good job for the Golden Boy of Oregon to write and say it was ex-Gov. Holmes' fault the welfare budget was depleted?

Was it a good job not to allow what the State Welfare asked for and then pat themselves on the back and look for the halo that wasn't there? I don't know if I could have done any better. But this much I do know. We better get more women in the senators' seats, at least they representatives, at least they won't be on a cocktail merry-go-round.

When a senator introduces a bill and doesn't know what the bill is for or when he wrote it, it's about time people wake up to the type of people they have elected.

And if Golden Boy of Oregon wants to pat himself on the back, he shouldn't write letters to people who write to him, making him out an idol with clay feet.

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**Albany Metals Worker Killed By Gas Fumes**

Albany -UP- A furnace operator died of suffocation at the Wah Chang Metals Co. reduction plant here Tuesday when he apparently stuck his head into a chamber used for processing metal and breathed argon gas fumes.

The victim was Donald Willis Raymond, 29, Albany. He was preparing to remove some metal from the tank when the accident occurred, plant officials said. Raymond's body slumped through the door to the tank, was noticed by two fellow workmen. A physician called to the scene pronounced him dead.

An autopsy performed later in the day by Dr. William Lidbeck, Salem pathologist, showed asphyxiation as cause of death.

Officials said the metal purification procedure on which Raymond was working was to first deposit the metal in the tank. Then argon gas is piped in and when the metal has been processed, pumps take the gas out and the metal is removed. Raymond apparently reached into the chamber before the pumps had cleared the tank of the gas, they said.

Wah Chang purifies metals for the Atomic Energy Commission. Metals used in the chamber Raymond was working with are columbium and titanium.

Oslo, Norway -UP- Authorities reported today that eight persons died in a fire which swept through an old folks home Tuesday at Konigsberg, 60 miles west of Oslo.

**TB Patient Arraigned As Bookmaker**

New York -UP- Robert McKinney, 27, a tuberculosis patient, was arraigned Tuesday on charges of running a \$50-a-day bookmaking business from his bed in Triborough hospital.

**Twining's Condition Claimed Satisfactory**

Washington -UP- The Defense Department reports the condition of Gen. Nathan F. Twining, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, "continues to be very satisfactory." Twining underwent surgery for lung cancer May 12.

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**No Nagging Backache Means a Good Night's Sleep**

**Autos Said Principal Pollution Contributor**

Washington -UP- Federal health officials have told congress that the automobile remains one of the principal sources contributing to air pollution in smog-stricken metropolitan areas.

They testified Tuesday that federal researchers were working with the automobile and petroleum industries on a gasoline catalyst that brings about more complete combustion and minimizes pollution from vehicle exhaust fumes.

Nagging backache, headache, or muscular aches and pains may come on with over-exertion, emotional upsets or day to day stress and strain. And folks who eat and drink unwisely sometimes suffer mild bladder irritation... with that restless, uncomfortable feeling. If you are miserable and worn out because of these discomforts, Doan's Pills often help by their pain relieving action, by their soothing effect to ease bladder irritation, and by their mild diuretic action through the kidneys—tending to increase the output of the 15 miles of kidney tubes. So if nagging backache makes you feel dragged-out, miserable, with restless, sleepless nights, don't wait, try Doan's Pills, get the same happy relief millions have enjoyed for over 60 years. Ask for new, large, economy size and save money. Get Doan's Pills today!

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