

Communications

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Editor's note: The Mail Tribune herewith bends its regulations, and prints an unsigned letter which is not addressed to the editor, but to particular individuals.

Come Home
Please come home, Louise, Vicky and Marie. I love you all, and would like to know if you're all well, and if you need financial help.

Nutrition and Arthritis
To the Editor: Dr. H. E. Kirschner, M.D., believes that the actual cause of a huge number of cases of Arthritis is starvation for Vitamin C.

Every doctor who prescribes aspirin or any other salicylate drugs for arthritis is condemning his patients to further troubles. The salicylate drugs commonly prescribed for arthritis actually rob the human body of enormous amounts of Vitamin C.

Thus we see the tragedy of thousands of agonized sufferers hopelessly taking salicylate drugs, and thereby robbing their bodies still further of the necessary Vitamin C needed to cure them.

If you have arthritis, throw out your salicylate drugs. Instead of those drugs, include large amounts of these foods in your daily diet: oranges, lemons, tomatoes, pineapples, green peppers. They are the richest food sources of Vitamin C.

Citrus fruits (oranges, lemons), although extremely rich in the needed Vitamin C, will combine with calcium and remove some of this very important mineral from the system. So extra precautions to keep well supplied with calcium must be taken when large quantities of citrus fruits are eaten.

Remember those important facts concerning arthritis, and apply them.

And finally don't forget that smoking is one of Vitamin C's worst enemies. Dr. W. J. McCormick of Toronto, Canada, has shown in tests that one cigarette cancels out 25 milligrams of Vitamin C from the blood stream about the amount you would get in an average orange.

A Challenge
To the Editor: First, thank you for your policy of respecting the individual. Though I seldom write, I still appreciate the column, as I'm sure many more do, including Mr. J. P. Wirth, who is the reason (along with any more who may feel like he does) for writing this.

This is not to call him names or any attempt to beat him down in any way, but, being a Christian, I must insist that I'm as sincere in my belief as he is in his.

Mr. Wirth, I wonder if you realize the seriousness of the step you have just taken? There can be no turning back, because you have climbed out on a limb, so to speak. Henceforth, you can know no real peace until you find out for sure. How do I know this? You have shown by your letter, you have a questioning mind. And questioning minds are never happy without answers to the questions they ask.

"So what?", you say. So this, my friend, I would give you a challenge—not between you and me, for neither could convince the other. Rather, I challenge you to begin a new hobby, I think you have courage, or you would never have written in. You will need it!

To grant pardons, relieve or commutation of sentence in any case where the convict has been twice convicted of felony, unless upon written recommendation of a majority of the judges of the Supreme Court.

As for the Supreme Court, it would have to establish a reasonable doubt as to Chessman's conviction. For valid convictions that will hold up in the courts, the accused would have to be proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, and in Chessman's case in 11 years of legal battles in the courts, he failed to prove a reasonable doubt as to his conviction.

The governor was right in his refusal to grant a reprieve and the Supreme Court made its decision.

However, I am against capital punishment for one good reason. The trial courts can make a mistake and sentence an innocent man to his death, in which case the damage could not be undone.

In place of capital punishment I would fix the punishment for capital offenses at life imprisonment without parole.

The people of California, Oregon or any state that has the death penalty in force, can abolish it at the voting polls. I have little regard for outcries of sentiment based on ignorance of the laws, as this question is in the hands of the people, not the government.

This issue was placed on the Oregon ballot last election and it was defeated. So the matter of capital punishment is the responsibility of the people.

Carl Bouma,
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Medford.

May
To the Editor:
Beautiful May,
Sunshine is bright—
Flowers are gay,
Stars out at night.

Birds are in flight,
Frogs croak a poem,
Ants are a-swarm
Building their home.

Nights are for dreaming,
Days are for work,
Even the lazy
Forget to shirk.

Soon 'twill be June
Coming around,
Then we'll complain
As hot day abound.

Mrs. Delbert Casey,
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Central Point, Ore.

Understanding
To the Editor: We would like to take this opportunity to thank your staff for their efforts on behalf of Understanding, Unit No. 20, of Medford.

Thanks to the generous amount of space you have afforded our organization, the local unit has enjoyed a considerably larger attendance at its meetings than might otherwise have been expected.

We who are engaged in the dissemination of information on flying saucers, the reality of life on other planets and the field of metaphysics always appreciate assistance from the press.

Again, our thanks,
Daniel W. Fry,
President,
Cleveland E. Twitchell,
Public Relations Director
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Pasadena, Calif.

Box Scores and Chessman
To the Editor: Would it be possible for you to find room in your paper to print the box scores of the two Major leagues and Coast League? There are so many of us Baseball (bats) Fans that like to follow individual players and cannot do so without a box score.

In answer to Mr. Floyd McCabe's letter in regard to Caryl Chessman. There never was a criminal who had any more chance to go straight than Chessman, but, he broke every law there was to break.

Regardless of what happened to him he could never pay for one crime he committed, the raping of a 17-year-old girl, who is still hopelessly insane, and must continue to live out her years in that condition.

George Walter,
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Ashland, Ore.

else would have to be left out. But if enough interest is shown, we'll look into it.

What's The Matter?
To the Editor: This religious controversy seems ridiculous.

I'm not a Catholic, but the Catholic church does believe in Jesus Christ; the Virgin birth; and the Bible; and, uses the Lord's prayer, and some Protestant passages are not doing that well.

America talks about atheistic Russia, and that Russian children are kept from religious services. Yet one atheist woman was responsible for removing scriptures reading and prayer from our schools.

Louis Cassels in the Friday, April 22, Mail Tribune, said that in some communities even reading a Psalm at opening exercise of school brought sharp protests from some parents.

What's the matter with America?
Our government was founded on the Bible and prayer. Our congress is opened by prayer, and has a chaplain. Our armed forces, have chaplains and religious services.

Why not our schools? If our children are not taught a belief in God, how much better are we than Russia?

No wonder we have so many delinquent teenagers. J. Edgar Hoover says most of the crime by teenagers comes from those who do not attend Sunday school regularly.

Mrs. F. H. Dressler
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Medford

Freedom of Speech
To the Editor: It is great to live. It is great to live in America. It is great to live in Oregon in Jackson county. I like the Upper Rogue.

It is good to live even in a concentration camp. Japanese who had become Christians demonstrated it right here in Oregon during World War II.

I am glad the editors in our America like yourself have always lived and died for individual liberty and justice and freedom of speech.

I have been much surer of your own attitude since I started writing to the editor myself.

Mr. Reece, I would like to ask, was your letter published the day you expected it to be? My own letters have been published promptly and all the others I know about have had the same treatment.

E. A. ardently advocated approval of the budget for school district 549C, yet he published scurrilous written letters that he knew would likely lead to its rejection.

To a Communist it is silly. To the Christian it is fundamental individual freedom, worth dying for.

Waldo P. Nye,
Prospect, Ore.

Bible's Proof
To the Editor: Mr. Wirth's article was very interesting. For 20 years I believed the same. Millions were being slaughtered in World War I.

I turned to the Bible to learn why. I learned, prophecy and common sense was my answer.

Prophecy written hundreds of years ago has been and is being fulfilled to the letter. The Bible tells what is coming, why, and when, the day and hour is not revealed.

Micah (5:2) foretold that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem; Joseph and Mary lived in Nazareth a week's journey from Bethlehem. The decree of the emperor of Rome forced them to go to Bethlehem to enroll, as we read in Luke 2:1-7, while there Jesus was born, fulfilling prophecy written over 700 years before. Zechariah (9:9) said Jesus would ride into Jerusalem on an ass, with its colt following; 548 years later this was fulfilled, as we read in Matthew 21:1-11. Psalm 41:9 said Christ would be betrayed by one of His disciples; over 1,000 years later, this was fulfilled, as we read in Matt/ew 26:23-25. The words Christ would say upon the cross were pointed out 1,000 years before in Psalm 111:1. Read them in Matthew 27:46.

There are hundreds of such prophecies in the old Testament and their fulfillment in the New. Look at science. "God hangeth the earth upon nothing" (Job. 26:7). Sounds silly, man can't match this, Copernicus was the first to prove this fact, 3,000 years after God had made it known. This earth with its billions of tons of water on its surface, yet none of it off, it can't be all on top of a round ball, without God it doesn't make sense. God maketh weight for the winds (Job 28:25). Galileo was the first to learn this fact 3,150 years later. The life of all flesh is the blood (Lev. 17:14); William Harvey was the first to learn this fact 3,115 years later. The elements shall melt with fervent heat (2 Peter 3:10). Today this is our greatest fear, since our discovery of nuclear fission.

God revealed these facts hundreds of years ago. Today we know by experience they are facts. They, with common

sense, prove the Bible to me, and God as its author.

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Medford

Charge is "Ridiculous"
To the Editor: As a Chaplain who has been in U.S. Government service for over 26 years, I find it amusing, if not utterly ridiculous, to find the National Council of Churches criticized as being infiltrated by "Communists."

Dorlan Woods, of Prospect, Ore., said in your columns on May 2nd: "Evangelization of military establishments is also under the control of the Council." Thus, by the dubious "guilt by association" technique, military Chaplains are "controlled" by a Communist-infiltrated Council of Churches! How silly, indeed, can you get?

In my own ministry as Army Chaplain over a ten year period I held and participated in a number of evangelistic missions on Army posts. In not a single one of them were the Chaplains "under the control of the Council." Chaplains of all denominations, including ultra-conservative groups, cooperated voluntarily in such efforts, and cordially welcomed speakers from all types of churches to assist them in their missions.

Among the many Chaplains with whom I served, in the United States and overseas, there were many who were not affiliated in any way with the National Council of Churches, either by church or denomination. Such a claim is typical of the utterly false and misleading propaganda that is using the smear technique to discredit cooperating Christians of differing denominational affiliations who believe in working together, instead of against each other.

Communism has found one of its most eager allies, albeit unknown to themselves, in those who follow the lead of a very small group of disgruntled critics of cooperative Christianity. Theirs is the mission to disrupt and to divide Christians, instead of fostering a "ministry of reconciliation" among those who differ from them.

This indeed is the true application of the quoted statement of J. Edgar Hoover: "Communists are able to secure ministers of the Gospel to promote their evil work." Unwittingly or ignorantly, this is what the critics of the National Council of Churches are doing in setting Christian against Christian, thus enabling our greatest enemy to divide and conquer us.

Henry W. Anderson,
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Who's An Adult?
To the Editor: Recently your paper carried a communication from a Mr. Robert Betschart of Medford. Mr. Betschart indicated his displeasure concerning the showing of "adult" movies to 18 year old members of our society. He is under the age of 18, not an adult. I should like to ask Mr. Betschart just exactly what an adult is? Is such a term to be defined on a chronological basis only?

The average movie produced and shown in the United States today is fictitious and unrealistic. The American people are constantly subjected to this fantasy on life from Hollywood. As a result of this pushing of these fairy-tales the average young American is usually quite unaware of life as it actually is. He has no real concept of himself or the world around him.

Isn't it possible that this environment of unrealism is as large a cause of what Mr. Betschart calls "sexual and mental aberrations" as any "adult" movie? This is a point very rarely considered by modern American Society.

I will agree with Mr. Betschart that there are a great number of illicit publications circulating in the country at present. But wouldn't it be wise to find the reasons underlying such a trend rather than attacking this trend directly?

A realistic outlook on the subject of morals might effect quite a change in the attitudes of some civic minded citizens—certainly in the attitudes of those who base their opinions on their own small emotional and sociological experience.

Mike Hartley,
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Denver 10, Colo.

Morse To Address
Oregon Young Demos

Portland—Sen. Wayne Morse is scheduled to return to Oregon to speak Saturday night at the annual convention of Oregon Young Democrats here.

Morse, a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, lost to Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) in Tuesday's District of Columbia primary. He is on Oregon's May 20 ballot.

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Democrats Boost Lead in Oregon Registration

Salem—(AP)—Oregon Democratic registration is faster than ever this year for the May 20 state primary, according to figures of the secretary of state's office.

Total registration shows the Democrats have a 55,581 lead over the Republicans—up nearly 7,000 from the 1958 primary lead.

Overall registration this year is 797,036.

1958 Figures Down
Total Democratic registration for this year's primary is 420,959. The Republicans have 365,377 with 10,701 independents and others.

The figures are down from 1958 by about 32,000.

Gilliam, Jackson and Joseph counties show a Democratic lead for the first time while the Republicans took over the registration lead in Lake county.

Biggest lead for the GOP is in Marion county and they have the edge in eight others for a total of 10. With Marion and Lake the other Republican counties are Benton, Malheur, Morrow, Polk, Sherman, Grant, Yamhill, and Washington.

Biggest in Multnomah
The Democrats have their biggest lead in Multnomah county—35,835.

Thirty counties showed a dip in voter registration for this year's primary. The six which registered a higher number this year are Benton, Clackamas, Crook, Curry, Washington and Morrow.

Milwaukie Man Hurl in Plunge

Parkrose—(AP)—Robert Leroy Hopkins, 23, of Milwaukie, was in satisfactory condition today after suffering serious injuries Thursday when his motorcycle fell over a 50-foot cliff near the old Rocky Butte quarry.

Two Multnomah county deputy sheriffs and members of the Parkrose fire department's rescue team brought Hopkins out of the deep quarry.

The sheriff's office said that Hopkins and Donn G. Eddy, 21, of Portland, were traveling along a trail on Rocky Butte when the accident occurred.

Hopkins suffered multiple lacerations of the head and face, possible fractures of the hip and leg, and possible internal injuries. The motorcycle landed on Hopkins.

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