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Trees by the Thousands

They aren't too much in evidence yet, but there are thousands and thousands of tiny trees in the ground and beginning to grow in Jackson county, that weren't there last year at this time.

In a few years—five or ten or fifteen—they will begin to be a considerable factor in the community. They will add beauty and grace to this lovely valley, freshening the atmosphere and the hearts of men.

Meanwhile those who planted them—students and adults alike—can watch over them, caring for them and delighting in their growth. There is a special delight in watching something grow.

THIS happy prospect is to the credit of the Eagle Point Grange, and for our money, their tree project is one of the finest community jobs that anyone has done, anywhere.

There are all sorts of projects which organizations do, and most of them have merit, helping people in one way or another, or improving the community. This tree-planting business, though, is unique, for it combines the prosaic with the esthetic, practicality with idealism, and generosity with do-it-yourself.

This is the second consecutive year the Grange has distributed trees, but this year they concentrated on youngsters, and just about every elementary school student in Jackson county will have received one before they're through.

A LOT of people deserve credit for this. Mrs. Edith Eden, who has been the moving force behind the Medford street tree planting (which, incidentally, is gaining national recognition as an example of how street tree planting should be done) has been an enthusiastic worker.

Ladies of the Grange, who spent many an hour seeing that each tiny seedling tree was properly wrapped and fertilized before it was given to a student, deserve our commendation.

But the largest share of the kudos should go to C. C. (Pop) Hoover.

He's just about worn himself out rushing around the county delivering the trees. He's spent hours and days and weeks planning the logistics of the project, and working like a dog to see that it was done—and done right.

WHEN Pop Hoover gets a bee in his bonnet, it really buzzes, and he has a way of conveying his enthusiasm and his drive to others. Their reward, as likely as not, is to see Charlie's face wreathed in a great big happy grin. "Only God can make a tree."

But sometimes He needs an assist in getting them spread around where they'll do the most good. And for this the Eagle Point Grangers, and Pop Hoover, should receive a hearty "Well done."—E. A.

The Home Rule Study

Despite all the publicity attending its doings, there still are misunderstandings about the intent and even the functions of the Jackson county home rule study committee.

It is a group of citizens who, for the past six months, have been meeting almost every week to discuss with each other, with various present and former county officials, and with others interested, county government—whether it can or should be improved, and, if so, how.

This is a group of sincere people, spending hours and hours in an attempt to do a job for their community.

IF ALL goes well, the result of their labors about a year from now will be a distillation of the advice and counsel they have received, of their own informed discussions, and of expert assistance, in the form of a county home rule charter.

Just what shape it will take not even the committee knows as yet. They don't even know if they can come up with a document which will satisfy all of them—let alone the voters and taxpayers of the county.

But, as a result of the first few months of work, they have come to the conclusion that county government needs some strengthening, some improvement, and, most of all, to be brought closer to the people and more responsive to their needs and desires.

SO, despite some premature conclusions to the contrary, it cannot be said that they are working with any preconceived ideas of what should be done, or will try to "railroad" anything.

They still are in the process of discussion and deliberation and gathering their facts. Their recommendations will come later.

But with their initial conclusion—that county government isn't doing the job for the people that it should do, and that some changes are in order—we can agree wholeheartedly.

And, among those who have watched county government "at work" in recent years, this opinion is fairly widespread.

BUT the details of the proposal—whether it will suggest minor modifications or a more sweeping change; whether there should be a large or small commission or council; whether there should be a single county administrator; whether offices should be non-partisan or on a party basis—these have yet to be determined.

The committee has a tough job before it, deciding which of the many proposals they have heard would be for the best interests of the people of the county. This is their first and most important consideration.

We believe the job will be done, though. And then, not now, will be the time for analysis. Meanwhile, all their meetings are open to the public. And the committee will welcome constructive suggestions at any time.—E. A.

Dennis the Menace



"NAW, JOEY, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT BY A 'COVERED WAGON!'"

Communications

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initial for publication is permissible.

Amended 23rd To the Editor: My Mother sent me this clipping from a paper from southern California. I thought it worth passing on:

Security Psalm The Government is my shepherd, I shall not want. It alloweth me to lie down on my job; it leadeth me beside still factories. It destroyeth my initiative. It leadeth me in the path of political paradox.

Not Welch Alone To the Editor: With some of the charges being made against the John Birch Society and its founder Robert Welch, it would be worthwhile to point out that most of the things that he advocates have been urged by other responsible sources for many years.

All The Way To the Editor: It is quite evident to me that you have read Mr. Robert Welch's "Blue Book," and I hope you intend to "look further into it!"

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Try and Stop Me By BENNETT CERF

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Richard M. Nixon To Begin 'Come Back' Trail Next Month; Spending Seen Issue

By LYLE C. WILSON Washington - (UPI) - For Richard M. Nixon the come back trail begins next month in Chicago.

If the newspaper reporting of Nixon's presidential campaign was a bad - a charged - the reporting of Nixon's progress on the come back trail should be good.

He will be discussing what everyone in and out of Washington is discussing these days. He will be discussing this:

"How is JFK doing?" On May 5 in Chicago, Nixon will make the first of a series of speeches. Des Moines and Detroit are on the schedule.

What Nixon has to say will come through loud and clear because the circumstances which aroused protests against reporting of his campaign speeches will not prevail this spring.

Federal Spending If Nixon listens to some of the advice that is available to him in Washington, he will challenge the Kennedy administration in the field of government spending.

President Eisenhower established the pattern for that challenge in a campaign speech delivered last autumn in Philadelphia.

President Ike had some questions for candidate Kennedy: "Will you establish or maintain a balanced budget?"

Will you increase government spending? If your spending program forbids a balanced budget, how will you pay the costs of your spending programs, by increasing taxes or by accepting an inflationary further increase in the public debt?

These questions are better now than when Eisenhower asked them last year. This is true despite the fact that the Kennedy accountants calculate that Eisenhower's final budgets were not, themselves, in the black. There is partisan dispute about that.

There is no dispute, however, about the 1961 and 1962 budgets as they are to be administered by President Kennedy. They will be deficit budgets. There is some dispute about how much in the red. The programs of the Kennedy administration as revealed so far are substantially spending programs. There is acute danger, if not the proven fact, of currency inflation in those programs.

There is a legitimate difference of partisan opinion on the subject of spending, budgets and deficits.

One side holds that certain desirable social and welfare objectives must be realized, if the nation is to survive, regardless of treasury deficits and further rotting of the U.S. dollar by inflation.

The other side holds that the nation cannot survive at all the destruction of the integrity of the dollar. These two points of view represent the basic political difference between the Democratic and Republican parties.

Nixon is competent to speak for the Republicans.

Dutch Have Complaints About U.S. Policies Regarding Them

By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst Dutch Foreign Minister Joseph M.A.H. Luns will visit Washington next week to air at least one new and several old complaints against the United States.

An old complaint is that the United States takes the Netherlands, a loyal member of NATO, for granted.

The new one is that the United States snubbed an invitation to attend ceremonies opening the first elected legislative council in the Netherlands New Guinea.

To the Dutch the new council marks the first step toward self-determination for the Papua population of New Guinea. U.S. refusal to attend the April 8 ceremonies in Holland is interpreted as an assessment of Indonesian President Sukarno who has designs of his own on the Dutch-held half of the huge island.

Bowed to Pressure The Dutch feel that it was with comparative good grace that they bowed to United States pressure in 1949 and granted independence to the East Indies islands which they had ruled for nearly 350 years and which today forms the Republic of Indonesia.

They question how the United States could vote in the United Nations for investigation of Portuguese rule in Angola and ignore Dutch efforts to set New Guinea upon the very path which U.S. policy advocates.

At the moment, New Guinea scarcely seems a candidate for self-determination. Controlled by the Dutch on the west and the Australians on the east, it is the world's second largest island, second only to Greenland.

Stone Age Land It is a land of jagged, jungle-covered mountains, marshy valleys and narrow, palm-fringed coastal plains. Many of its inhabitants still live in the Stone Age, wear no clothing and have never seen a white man.

Vast areas remain unexplored and are so impenetrable that only this year was discovered the wreckage of an American bomber lost in 1945.

World War II. The skeletons of its crew rested undisturbed in the fuselage.

Politically, New Guinea is a hot coal. Although Dutch New Guinea's population is not Indonesian, nonetheless the territory is claimed by Indonesia. Attempts to negotiate a peaceful solution failed and no wboth the Indonesians and the Dutch have built up military forces at their closest approaches.

In the Day's News

From Dallas, Texas: Representative John G. Tower, who CAMPAIGNED AGAINST President Kennedy's New Frontiers, and Senator William A. Blakely, who ran as a CONSERVATIVE DEMOCRAT, appear to be headed today for a run-off in Texas' special election to fill the vacancy created when Lyndon Johnson resigned as U. S. senator from Texas to become vice president.

With a lot of votes still to be counted, Tower led the list of 70 candidates with a vote of more than 320,000. Blakely was next with a vote of some 190,000. In third place was Representative Jim Wright, who campaigned as a MODERATE (a moderate is generally defined as half-way between a conservative and a liberal). Wright had about 170,000 votes.

Under Texas law, a candidate must poll a majority to be elected. If there is no majority, the two topers must fight it out in a run-off election.

There must be a lot of CONSERVATIVES in Texas.

Washington Report

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

KENNEDY AND DE GAULLE Washington-Andre De Gaulle has decided to meet with special courtesy and tact his most delicate problem in personal relationships, that with General Charles de Gaulle of France.

In this instance, politeness has become a foreign policy. Mr. Kennedy's agreement to go to Paris in May to see the French president, rather than have him here to the White House, is by no means a matter of form, though protocol does enter.

President de Gaulle is the only one of the Western Big Four, apart from Mr. Kennedy himself, who is officially a head-of-state. Of the others, Prime Minister Harold Macmillan of Britain is a chief (but not a head) of state. So is Konrad Adenauer, as chancellor of Free Germany.

In international protocol these seemingly dusty and fusty distinctions of etiquette are important - and particularly so in dealing with De Gaulle. Mr. Kennedy, as not only a head of state but also head of the most powerful state of the Western Alliance, could well have insisted that De Gaulle come here. Nevertheless, it is to be quite the other way round.

ALL Gaul was once divided into three parts, as it used to be said, again and yet again, in high-school Latin. And the problem Charles de Gaulle presents to his Western colleagues is divided into at least three parts - all of them tough.

In the first place, the old general's insistence upon France's "grandeur" - and thus on his own grandeur - is one of the big facts of Western life. He has no great interest in going out to see the other leaders; he likes them to come to him. Remote, haughty, incorruptible, he believes in the rights and privileges of the patriarch - and Mr. Kennedy has learned before this how to be deferential to his elders.

In the second place, De Gaulle has been a factor in the French position in Asia. The May meeting in Paris, therefore, between the young former Naval lieutenant and the old former generalissimo of wartime Free France will be Mr. Kennedy's most critical test in personal diplomacy. There was some evidence during our last administration that De Gaulle regarded even President Eisenhower as a rather junior soldiering type, notwithstanding the five Eisenhower stars.

President Kennedy will surely need to hope that his own less than exalted wartime risk will not be held too much against him. And what is never mentioned here officially, but will be a great factor nevertheless, is Mr. Kennedy's religious background, plus the fact that his wife, who speaks perfect French, will accompany him to Paris.

THE general is a type-figure of the traditional Roman Catholicism of France. For the first time he will be meeting in President Kennedy a leader from the Anglo-American side who is of his own faith and cultural tradition.

It may seem a fanciful suggestion but it is a fact all the same that this human circumstance is of high importance. General de Gaulle is a far more personal head-of-state - far less concerned by party ties and far less accountable to cabinet and other associates - than are the executive heads of government as we and the British know them. Personal likes and dislikes have 10 times more meaning - and 10 times the possible consequences for good or ill - with him.

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GETTING closer home: Oregon State Senator Ben Munn, of The Dalles, whose district includes Gilliam, Hood River, Morrow, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler counties, came up with a statement the other day to the effect that in his opinion residents of Wheeler would like to abolish their county.

He added by way of explanation that Wheeler is the second smallest of Oregon's 38 counties, with a population of only 2,709, and offered the opinion that a lot of its people think it is too small to support a county seat.

HIS remark appears to have stirred up a hornet's nest. Anyway, he got into the news with an explanation. He was just kidding, he says, and adds that apparently his kidding remarks were widely misconstrued.

He explains that of the 2,709 residents of Wheeler county, he must have heard from 2,700 - and they're all hopping mad. He wants it understood that he isn't sponsoring any movements to do away with Wheeler county.

WHAT about it? Personally, I can't help thinking that the people of Wheeler who are "hopping mad" over the mere suggestion that their county is too small to support a government of its own are in the right.

To be sure, a population of 2,709 isn't large. When the cost of government is broken down to a per capita basis, the individual's share of the total has to be comparatively large.

But - We've been getting a taste in recent decades of BIG government. The taste inclines to the bitter side. Big government tends to take government TOO FAR A WAY FROM THE PEOPLE.

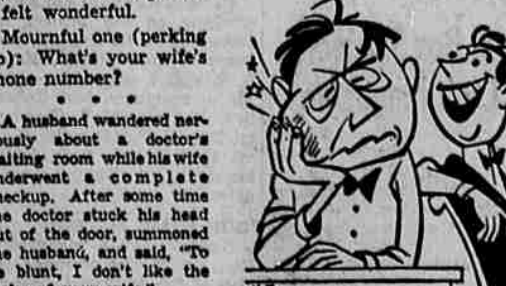
That isn't good - in this country, anyway. The farther government gets from the people, the more extravagant it tends to become.

NOBEL WINNER DIES Brussels - (UPI) - Professor Jules Bordet, discoverer of the whooping cough microbe and 1919 Nobel prize winner for medicine, died Thursday, Bordeaux, 80, contributed to the discovery of the Bordet-Wassermann syphilis reaction test and did research on the mechanism of blood coagulation.

UNION SHOW OPENS

Detroit - (UPI) - The AFL-CIO Union Industries show, a \$22 million exhibit displaying a variety of goods produced by union members, opens today at Cobo hall. Labor Secretary Arthur J. Goldberg and AFL-CIO President George Meany were scheduled to take part in the opening ceremonies.

The show contains 350 displays featuring the crafts and skills of nearly all segments of the trade union movement.



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