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Dangerous Precedent

To the Editor: Conservative Americans are sick at heart and infuriated because U Thant, UN Acting Secretary General, has, with our State Department's full support, outlined a program of economic pressure to help crush anti-Communist resistance in Katanga. On the same day President Kennedy asked the House to pass the \$100 million UN bond bill — money to be used to destroy our best anti-Communist friends in Africa. The United States Government has already outraged the entire free world by its vigorous support of the UN military operations against the peaceful people of Katanga. For this organization, supposedly designed for the preservation of peace and for the encouragement of "self determination of peoples," sent its brutal mercenary troops to subjugate by force, cruelty, and terror a people whose only offense was a strong anti-Communist desire to keep their necks from under the yoke of Communist tyranny. The Congo operation is a deadly and dangerous precedent being established by the planners in our Government, and in the UN, with the objective of the gradual disbanding of all nationalist military strength (as outlined in our Department of State's document No. 7277) while building up the UN forces so strong that no nation — not even the United States — can stand against them.

Where will that leave America? Right where Katanga is now. And let me warn you that the beastliness of the crimes which the UN mercenaries committed as part of the campaign to subjugate this little province has never been surpassed, even by the Communists.

These crimes have been described and documented by 46 eye-witness civilian doctors in Elisabethville, Katanga, in a booklet called "46 ANGRY MEN" (\$1.00 at American Opinion, Belmont 78, Mass.) the most devastating and revealing document as to the real character and aims of the United Nations I have yet seen.

Gentle reader and fellow taxpayer, it is your money

which is paying for the Congo operation and the dangerous precedent which it establishes. Have you written your Congressman, yet, urgently requesting him to vote against the UN bond bill?

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Gold Find Lost

To the Editor: Back in the depth of the depression days of the mid thirties, one citizen of Ashland, Ore., a monument stone cutter by occupation, on days when business was slack often took a rock sample pack sack along with a miner's prospecting pick and headed north in his sedan for Blackwell Hill on old Highway 99 where he trapped over open clearings in search of mineralized quartz or float formations.

Not taking close observation and notes of his samples he often tossed in the rock bag caused him some consternation when on one trip he came across what he judged was an out-crop of hematite, a rusty ore, about the top size of a cook stove lid. Taking the handpick and breaking off some pieces, he threw them into the rock collection as usual, not taking observations as future landmarks.

The only recollection he had at the time of the discovery was that looking in a north-westerly direction the town of Gold Hill was in plain view. To add more confusion to the location, when he returned home, some other events of the day had directed his thoughts to more important affairs. So the samples were forgotten for awhile, until an old sourdough, seeing the samples one day, took permission to mortar out the choice looking rusty samples. Sure enough, the old miner's judgement proved to be correct. After crushing and panning the pulp a long string of bright gold showed up in the pan.

There is only one cause to regret in searching for the hidden treasure, and that is, most of the ground in the area is patented or otherwise is held by mineral claims.

Bert Kissinger
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Zoning Ordinance

To the Editor: Your Wednesday editorial on zoning was, as usual, literate and well presented, but it left out those matters which are at the heart of the current zoning dispute. First, the law under which Phoenix was zoned was passed by the state legislature in 1959 in direct opposition to a vote of the people three years previously. If you sincerely believe this was bad procedure in the case of Daylight Savings Time, how do you justify it in a case involving the homes of many voters?

Secondly, there have been some strange procedures in force at the zoning meetings. The one on July 18, for example, had a rule that no observer could speak or ask questions unless he was a resident of the proposed area. Then, when it was time for the voting, the meeting was thrown open and everyone in the hall was allowed to vote. By a show of hands, no questions asked, it was determined how Phoenix could use its property of this type of vote was ruled out of order.

Third, you speak of zoning as a necessity to keep out wrecking yards and slaughter houses. Have you read the case? One details what portion of the kitchen may be used for making preserves. Another specifies that a sun canopy may project no more than 18 inches from the house. There are 20 pages of these regulations and it is these, not a passion for slaughter houses, that aggravates our neighbors to the south.

Oregon statutes provide that after three years of interim emergency zoning the question must be resolved by an open election of the residents. Interim zoning is not renewable. Phoenix was so zoned in August of 1959 by order of the county court so one would suppose an election should now be held. Not so. The latest bulletin from the district attorney's office states that the last three years of zoning were illegal so three more years are now in order. The county judge was apparently joking when he placed "Zoned" signs all around the area three years ago and the D.A. has only just now noticed them.

Finally, why should I, a Medford resident, resist Phoenix zoning? I don't. Phoenix is entitled to anything it wants. The point is when our vote is disregarded and the public utterances of the officials we elected seem undependable and contradictory, everybody is concerned. It matters not how good zoning may be — if it is forced in over the will of the people, Jackson county loses — and so does democracy.

Jane Gillaspie
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Editor's note: The philosophy behind zoning is good, but not all zoning ordinances are good, just as the philosophy of government by law is good, while not all laws are good.

Zoning and Eyesores

To the Editor: In your editorial page Aug. 22 you state the zoning system is for the protection of all property owners and that existing eyesores date back to pre-zoning days. Why then, did the city build a beautiful new school (Hedrick High) directly across the street from as bad an eyesore as could ever exist, without removing the eyesore? If we have a zoning system, why not enforce the rules to all property owners alike?

We were fortunate to only lose material things in the fire that resulted from this home. My wife has spent 23 days to date in the hospital recovering from burns suffered in the fire. I feel her suffering was needless. If someone would have enforced an existing rule this situation would never have happened.

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Fair Thanks
To the Editor: On behalf of the 4-H and F.F.A. members and 4-H leaders and F.F.A. instructors, I want to thank the Medford Mail Tribune for the space given to 4-H and F.F.A. in advertising the fair and printing the results from all classes.

Also our thanks to each and every radio station and the T.V. stations. It is cooperation such as this that helps make our fair a success.

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Concerning a Murderer

To the Editor: I am writing this in reference to the Elmer Jeffers murder case that took place here in Coos Bay.

First of all, may I assure you that the only miscarriage of justice was that he wasn't held for first degree murder.

Nursery Educators Plan Meeting Here

The Southern Oregon chapter of the Oregon Association for Nursery Education will hold its first meeting of the new school year Monday, Aug. 27, at 8 p.m., in the home of Mrs. Lois Barbee, 197 Clover lane.

One of the projects scheduled for the new season is a study course on observing and recording the behaviour of young children.

The group gives those working with pre-school children an opportunity to discuss, learn and observe with trained people in all related fields, a spokesman for the group said. Members of the Southern Oregon chapter also are members of the state organization and many belong to the national association with which the state group is affiliated.

"This is an organization of people, professionally and privately interested in bettering the standards of kindergarten, nursery schools and day care centers in this area," chapter representatives explained.

Officers for the coming season are Mrs. Jane Coverstone, president; Mrs. Doris Burkett, vice president and program chairman; and Mrs. Lois Barbee, secretary-treasurer.

Committee chairmen are Mrs. Audrey Brew, membership; Miss Colleen Hope, publicity; and Mrs. Fritzi Taylor, telephone and mailing. Heading subcommittees are Mrs. Ethel Tennant, nursery schools; Mrs. Taylor, day care centers; and Mrs. Roberta Forbes, kindergartens.

Southern Oregon area vice-president for the state association is Mrs. Irma Ashby. Among the projects undertaken by the group last school year was the April parent orientation meeting at Hedrick Junior High school.

Dr. Phyllis Butler, professor of education from Southern Oregon college, spoke on the benefits of kindergarten education and what makes a good kindergarten.

Dr. Butler emphasized the trend in pre-school education is away from the more formal work books and seat work to the more creative projects to stimulate interest, enthusiasm and curiosity in learning in the young child, and the tools with which he may explore, experience and create.

Two major workshops are held each season by the Oregon association. Those who represented the southern Oregon area at the workshop at Oregon State university were Dr. Butler, Mrs. Ashby, Mrs. Coverstone, Miss Hope and Mrs. Brew. Those attending the two-day spring workshop in Portland were Dr. Butler, Miss Hope, Mrs. Ashby and Mrs. Taylor.

Persons interested in the association's work may telephone Mrs. Erew at 772-8745.

On the Air

By ELEANOR WIESE

An hour-long radio version of "As You Like It" as performed by this year's Oregon Shakespearean Festival company will be played at 8 p.m. tonight on KBOY-FM.

Besides giving the armchair Shakespearean enthusiast an opportunity to enjoy one of the Bard's most popular plays, this will be a chance for playgoers like me who miss occasional parts of the speeches to hear the dialogue more completely.

As for television, this looks like one of those weeks when nothing looks particularly outstanding — mostly one repeat after another.

"The Riddle of the Lusitania" Monday night at 9 on KMED-TV should be interesting, however, particularly to viewers who remember World War I and the impact the sinking of the Lusitania by a German U-boat had on the attitude of the American public toward entering the war.

The program shows with film and photographs how the liner's sinking marked the end of the romantic conception of war when with great pageantry armies set forth to do battle on a field of honor and glory. The Lusitania disaster was the first major incident when innocent bystand-

ers became fair prey without warning in the game of war.

WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS at 4 p.m. Sunday, KMED-TV. America's female swimming and diving stars compete against each other and teams from Japan, Germany and Canada in the Women's National AAU Outdoor Swimming and Diving Championships from Portage Park, Chicago.

TWENTIETH CENTURY, 5 p.m. Sunday, KBES-TV. "The Week That Shook the World" follows the events and diplomatic maneuverings that took place the last week of peace before Hitler invaded Poland on Sept. 1, 1939. (Repeat)

THIS IS NBC NEWS, 5:30 p.m. Sunday, KMED-TV. The Peace Corps' pilot project in Chile, pre-empted last week by a news special, shows work done in an area badly hit by an earthquake.

STARLIGHT CONCERT, 8 p.m. Sunday, KBOY-FM radio. "As You Like It" will be followed by musical selections including: "Roman Carnival Overture"; Respighi's "Pines of Rome"; and "Les Preludes" by Franz Liszt.

DU PONT SHOW, 9 p.m. Sunday, KMED-TV. "Laughter, U.S.A." samples American humor from its beginnings through tent shows, wartime humor, vaudeville, silent films, radio to today's "sick" comedians. George Burns is narrator. (Repeat)

CIRCLE THEATER, 9 p.m. Wednesday, KBES-TV. Dope smugglers who hide behind diplomatic immunity are the dramatic study of "Merchant of Evil."

DAVID BRINKLEY'S JOURNAL, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, KMED-TV. Brinkley visits New Orleans to show how Dixieland jazz is declining in the place where it was born although it is popular in other parts of the world. (Repeat)

THE LIVELY ONES, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, KMED-TV. Originally scheduled for last week, Vic Damone's guests include Andre Previn, the Limerickers, singer Jack Jones, comedienne Dorothy Loudon and the Yale Chorus.

SPECIAL FOR WOMEN, 8:30 p.m. Friday, KMED-TV. The problem of an unruly, defiant child and the troubled parents trying to cope with him is dramatically studied.

White City Radio Station Planned

White City — Plans for the establishment of an amateur radio station for veterans at the VA Domiciliary have been set in motion through a donation by the Oregon State Elks association.

A check for \$1,000 to cover the cost of equipment was presented by Emil Kroeger, VAVS representative of the BPOE, to Director C. T. Jackson last week.

Approval by the department of medicine and surgery has been granted to "form an amateur radio society and obtain a club license from the FCC as have other VA stations."

An amateur radio station at White City would be available for use in station disaster calls as well as in times of national emergency, it was stated.

A radio club is being organized for informal discussions in station to station communications, especially among the various veteran stations. A class of nine or ten men interested in this branch of electronics is now studying the Morse code used. Supervision is provided by manual arts therapy.

Color Film Stated On Local Television

A color film of Alba, Italy, narrated by Pino Dutto, Alba attorney visiting in Medford, will be shown on KBES-TV Channel 5 between 6 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26.

Included in the film is a sequence taken in the office of Alba Mayor Alberto Cagnasso at the time of his telephone conversation via the Teletar satellite between him and Medford Mayor John W. Snider.

Robert Baccus, chairman of the Medford sister city program, will appear on the program with Dutto. The film is expected to last about 25 minutes.

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Poets' Corner

Conducted by Arnold Eugene Jenny

The Sweetest Joy

If hearts were made to force the blood through arteries and veins,
Nor ever feel the heavy weight of care;
If local chords were only made
To echo joyful strains,
And never learn the language of despair;

With naught to vex us or annoy,
With neither pain nor woe,
But life one blissful span of happiness,
We'd never know the sweetest joy
That's given us below —
To help a fellow mortal in distress.

—Jack Finel
Phoenix, Ore.

Cloud

Filigree cloud
Bedecked with sunbeam jewels,
Powdered hair upswep and shining,
Portentous and proud,
One touch of wind
Creates a snowy lamb
Drifting through the meadow sky,
Devoid of pretense.

Proud lady
Disdain the swain that counts you,
Hide your heart beneath brocade and lace.
One day,
With just one touch of love,
You, too,
Will be transformed.

—JoAnn Johnson
(Senior, Medford Senior High School, '62. Composed this poem "during a day outside" as part of an assignment in creative writing.)

The Golden River

Flowing the gray blackness,
Down the dark hills and the ugly sky,
Running through the eternal night of despair,
Flows a golden river toward a Tyrian sea.

No light pierces the dead and empty soul;
No life runs the veins of the living dead;
No life, no light;
But a river of gold, a stream of priceless gems.

Hate and fear have purged the day;
Despair has clouded the heavens;
The soul of man is dark and empty, empty —
Till flows again the golden river,
The golden cataract of hope.

—David Kerr
Gold Hill, Ore.

Countdown

Generous with money, a miser with time,
Engrossed in your world, oblivious to mine;
Blind to the special joys that fill the days of a girl,
Untouched by dimples' flash or the banner of a curl,
Ignoring a waiting heart, open for evermore;
Hurry and enter, my father, lest I gently close the door.

—Suzanne Griffith
Grants Pass, Ore.

Publishing Poetry

Publishing a book of poetry costs approximately \$3,000. Sales are considered good if they reach 1,000 copies for known poets, much less for unknowns. The most successful of the unknowns was Jack Hirschman, whose "A Correspondence of Americans" sold 700 copies. Robert Frost's "In the Clearing" sold some \$3,700 copies to date, still going strong. —New York Times Book Review, 5/27/62.