

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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## Cooperation of Schools, Parents Declared Important

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High school ends formal education for many students. Many other students attend colleges or participate in other advanced training.

The high school's purposes are twofold in that it must meet the present needs of students as well as prepare them to meet their future needs.

The parent's role is extremely difficult in working with teenagers. This age child needs guidance, but may not want it. Controls are more difficult to enforce than with younger children who are more dependent upon their parents.

**Cooperation Important**  
Cooperation between school and parents is most important. Unfortunately communication seems to decline at this level. The need for combined efforts becomes apparent as the broad aims of the high school are identified.

The teen-age student has developed abilities which allow him to approach experiences in depth. The student who is weak in fundamental skills will probably benefit from special individual instruction. He cannot participate successfully without the basic knowledge.

The health and social needs of a high school student are many. He should develop good health practices and understand the needs of his growing body. Physical activity, proper sleep, medical and dental exams and good eating habits, should be regular activities. Social adjustment is an area of concern. The school and parent should combine their efforts in supplying many satisfying and healthy experiences.

Perhaps social adjustment is closely related to the home. The family which is close, warm and realistic encourages a member to develop desirable attitudes. The proper approach to adult responsibilities grows from a proper approach to childhood responsibilities.

A student should develop the skills which will help him to earn a living. He needs guidance to make the best use of his abilities. His own understanding of his abilities will be a framework within which he can make decisions concerning his future.

**Constructive Leisure Time**  
The development of cultural interests is important in connection with the increase of leisure time. Probably the

**Chrome Wheels Are Taken From Firm**

Individuals who took two chrome wheels from Medford Electroplating company, 329 North Fir st., Wednesday night have been cautioned that if used on a car may cause a serious accident. Medford police said the centers of the wheels had been cut out in preparation for welding. If used on a vehicle, the outer rim holding the tire would come off. The wheels, valued at \$40, are 14-inch.

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**MISS MYSTERY**—Deputy Sheriff Harry Hansen holds little Miss Mystery, who is about 2½ years old. She knows her name is Becky and that she lives "over there" some place. That's about all that's known about the little girl who was found standing by herself on a Los Angeles street corner. The sheriff's department is trying to locate her parents. (UPI)

## Your Money's Worth

By SYLVIA PORTER  
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Editor's note: Sylvia Porter is on vacation. During her absence a daily column by Ralph McGill is being substituted. McGill is currently on a tour of African nations, about which he is writing.

**TO LOUISIANA IN A BOU-BOU**  
Conakry, Guinea: The Ecole de Cadres Techniques was in its first week. It is a U. S. aid program. Guinea, perhaps more desperately than any country in Africa, needs technicians. The 100 young Guineans were in three classes. They had been chosen from graduates of technical high schools. (The French basis of education was here poorer than in other colonies held by France. The background of many of those screened out by the tests reflected this.)

There is no more earnest seeking after education than in Guinea. For weeks before the school began, the selected students would come daily to the rooms of the French-speaking teachers and ask, "Messieurs, when will our school begin?" A visit to the classes found them intent on instruction. They were learning mechanical drawing, physics and mathematics. They will be trained as the first cadre of men who will know how to make tools and machines and to supervise the training of others.

One hears often the word "cadre." It is hardly possible to comprehend how the world is being drained of technicians by the newly developing countries and how abysmally short they are in supply. The Soviets, who turn out technicians in assembly-line fashion, have the most to offer. There are about 1,000 of them here. But not all have done well. They are not, currently, as respected as are those of West Germany, the United States, and Switzerland. At the Ecole de Cadres Techniques there were teachers from Israel, Switzerland, West Germany, and the United States.

One of the difficulties is, of course, that all who come here must be really fluent in French. Here again, the Soviets, with their truly massive institute of languages, has an advantage in that they can, and do, offer technicians in all major languages and in a surprising number of African and Asian dialects. Their quality is not always good.

The Americans here speak French. They are an inspiration to the visitor from the United States. Ambassador William Atwood sensibly has insisted that those who come be French-speaking persons. He and his wife both are fluent in the language.

English teachers must, of course, be able to speak French. Nowhere are there more dedicated U. S. teachers than here where the test is perhaps more severe than anywhere save the Congo.

The technical school project, for example, is in charge of Elmont James, a most competent and intelligent American from the Virgin Islands. The teacher who has been here the longest is James A. Hamlett, of Nashville, Tenn. He is a graduate of Fisk University. His educational background is exceptional. It has also a unique feature. He majored in French at Fisk. In 1952 he was the second Negro to be admitted to Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge.

Hamlett took his masters degree in languages at LSU. (This was two years before the U. S. Supreme Court school decision of May 1954 and makes all the more paradoxical Louisiana's opposition following the decree.) So good was his record that he had scholarships to the University of Mexico and to that of Barcelona Spain. In 1958 he became a U. S. teacher of English in Morocco. He came to Guinea in this same capacity in 1960 and presently is director of the English Language program for the U. S. Information Service in Conakry.

Out of his rich experience, and his sense of humor, came a story worth sharing. After a year in Morocco he went home on leave. His Western clothing was rather worn and in short supply. So, he wore what he had become used to wearing, the cool, long white robe called a bou-bou. He wore it, in fact, from Morocco to Louisiana. When he reached the United States it became really an asset. Way was made for him. The bou-bou was the equivalent of a rolled out red-rug of welcome and interest.

When he reached the Southern states and the then segregated transportation, the bou-bou desegregated everything for him. It was a passport to all situations. It amused him wryly that he, a Negro from Tennessee, was accepted because he wore a Moroccan robe, while citizens of his color were suffering discrimination and humiliations because they did not. It was a good example of the hypocrisy of the system.

Here in Guinea he is regarded as an exceptionally fine teacher. He is, of course something of a scholar in French literature, and he speaks better English than Ross Barnett.

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## Portland-Gresham Freeway Proposed

Salem—UPI—A bill calling for a \$40 million bond issue for a four-lane freeway from Portland to Gresham has been readied for introduction by Rep. Ross Morgan (D-Gresham).

Morgan said the stretch of road is one of the most traveled, and most overlooked when it comes to improvement, in Oregon.

## Lewis, Clark Choir Schedules Concert

Portland—The Lewis and Clark college Choir of Portland will appear in concert at the First Presbyterian church in Medford March 22.

The choir will be on its 15th annual tour. In 1962 the choral group was chosen as official "Choir of the Year" by the United Presbyterian church, and appeared in several national radio broadcasts.

The choir is directed by L. Stanley Glarum, whose choral compositions are now used by school and church choirs throughout the country. Some of his recent compositions will be featured on the program.

Among the 60 singers is Lynn Peterson, 737 Stevens St., Medford. She is the daughter of Harry Peterson and is a freshman.

## Group Forms for Better Management

Grants Pass—The local council of the Oregon Fish and Game commission met here Wednesday night at the Josephine county court house with 150 persons present to formulate a state-wide organization to unite efforts for promotion of "better management of state game and wild life."

The 150 applied for membership in the newly organized group and unanimously elected Chet Briggs president of the council.

Representatives of the council were selected to meet in Salem Tuesday, Feb. 26, with a legislative committee to urge passage of HB 1458.

This proposed legislation limits its open season for hunting deer and elk to 16 days per year and prescribes certain other hunting restrictions and establishes enumerated game reserves.

Passage of this legislation, the council members stated, would place in the state laws greatly needed changes in management of game.

The group also will urge passage of legislation to provide for an interim legislative committee to study the practices of game management and to recommend suggested changes to the next legislature.

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