

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

G. K. CHESTERTON once remarked, "The thing I hate most about an argument is that it always interrupts a discussion." Chesterton is also credited with the story of the wily bandit who finally was caught by the king's troopers. The king, an addict of games and riddles, told the bandit, "You may make a statement. If you tell the truth in it, you will be shot. If you lie, you will be hanged."



The bandit, without hesitation, put everything in a fine dither by declaring, "Sire, I am going to be hung."

Wes Lawrence, well-loved Cleveland scribe, received this little confession from one of his readers: "Perhaps I'm just a perverse creature, but whenever I read a story about the U.N., and see the name U. Thant, it brings out the I Thall in me!"

An American tourist gazed in awe at India's famous Taj Mahal. "And to think," he told his wife, "they were able to do it before anybody even had heard of such a thing as foreign aid!"

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SCHOOL NEWS

St. Mary's High

Mary Ann Carnegie, Editor: Mary Carol Leavens, Reporter
Elected to the 1963-64 Rally Squad were Mary Walsh and Kathy Zapell who will be seniors, and Anne Parsons, Susan Caperna, and Kathy Read, three of next year's juniors.
Tryouts for cheer leaders were held recently in the multipurpose room after school. Sixteen girls participated in the tryouts, six of whom were juniors and 10 sophomores. The girls were divided into groups of five for "Crusaders" and then into groups of two to do a yell of their own choice. The yell queen will be elected from the two senior girls on the student body officers ballot.

Four St. Mary's seniors spent the day with their counterparts in the Elks' sponsored student government day. Jim Webb, councilman, Ward II; Peter Naumes, superintendent of schools; Mike Stinson, fire chief; and Jerry Vakoc, city treasurer-recorder were the delegates.
Mike Stinson was elected by the senior class to replace Barbara Lewis, who was unable to carry out the position due to third degree burns.

New Constitution Intended To Strengthen Government

Editor's note: The House gives its verdict soon on a proposed new constitution. Interest has focused on a few substantive changes. This is the second in a series.

By ANN H. PEARSON
Salem - (UPI) - One intent of a new Oregon constitution is to strengthen each of the three arms of government - executive, legislative and judicial.

Trail Riders Plan Sunday Breakfast

The Medford Trail Riders will hold a breakfast ride, Sunday, May 5, at George McUre's Pioneer Village in Jacksonville, members have announced.
The public is invited. Breakfast will be served from 9 a.m. until noon.
Breakfast will be followed by a ride and all riders and the public are invited to participate in both.

It is on the executive branch that the legislative committees on constitutional revision have taken their firmest stand.
The committees have called for two statewide elective officers.
One, the governor, would be the chief of all state administration.
The other, the secretary of state, would be a "watchdog," a check on the administration, whose sole job would be to review state operations through post auditing.

As a second step in strengthening the executive branch, the new constitution would gather all the state administrative agencies, boards and commissions into not more than 20 departments.
Headed by appointees. The departments would be headed by officers appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate.
The governor also would have the power of removal. Below the department heads, career officers could serve.

Oregon presently has three constitutional elective executive officers: The governor, secretary of state and treasurer. Two more are provided for by law, the attorney general and labor commissioner. All five share administration, even though they may be rivals.
And Oregon now has some 140 agencies, boards, departments, and commissions, some of which are nearly independent.

It was only after consideration of many alternatives, that the legislative committee settled on two elective officers with separate tasks and a ceiling of 20 departments.
The decision was very close to the proposal made by the Commission on Constitutional Revision, which wrote the proposed document that the legislative committees have been revising.

It is the greatest change in basic governmental framework proposed in the new constitution.
The thinking, expressed by the commission and the committees, is this:
Today, authority is diffused. Officers and agencies can obstruct each other. When a job is badly done it is often difficult to tell who is to blame. Many boards and commissioners are safely isolated from the governor and the voters.
Under the proposed constitution, there would be a clear line of authority from top to bottom, and a clearer line of accountability from the lowest level to administrators, through department heads, to the governor.

Campaign Starts by TB Group on Chronic Cough

The Jackson County Tuberculosis and Health association, along with tuberculosis associations throughout the United States, is this month starting a campaign on chronic cough and shortness of breath, according to Chester Irish, president of the local association.
This marks the first nationwide educational effort in the broad field of respiratory diseases, Irish said, and is being done because it is felt tuberculosis cannot be eradicated until respiratory diseases are controlled. He added that these chest conditions which include such diseases as emphysema, bronchitis, asthma, fibrosis and cancer of the lung constitute the greatest single recurring cause of occupational disability among the young and middle-aged.

For the present, the campaign will consist of a program to urge individuals with chronic cough and shortness of breath to seek medical care.
As a step in this direction, Irish urged Jackson county residents to have a chest x-ray at the Sacred Heart hospital clinic operated by the association. The clinic will be open Wednesday, May 1, from 7 to 9 p.m. for the convenience of those who cannot attend the Thursday afternoon clinic.

Strengthen External Checks

The effect would be to reduce checks within the executive branch while strengthening external checks: The legislature, the courts, the "watchdog" secretary of state, the press and the people, who could fix praise or blame squarely.
Reorganization could not be done under the present constitution. It would have to be done under the new one.

The legislative committee did much soul-searching whether the House, Senate and people would accept changes in traditional offices and agencies. They decided it was to be written, this was one point on which they could not waver.

Court Records

JUSTICE COURT
(Gold Hill District)
Leann Margaret Holderness, no rear view mirror, \$5, suspended.
Larry Albert Anderson, violation of basic rule, \$20.
John Charles Bybee, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Vernon Eldridge Edwards, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Richard Ted Wright, overhang, \$5.
Louis Frederick Loring, no safety chains, \$5.
Jimmy Dee Boone, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Charles Evans Prichard, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Jim Damian Estremado, obstructed vision, \$5, suspended.
Joe Claude Piercey, truck speed, \$10.
Willard Hollis Wilcox, violation of basic rule, \$10.
William Henry McPherson, truck speed, \$25.
Steven Sidney Wareham, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Glenn Marshall Wade, disobeyed stop sign, \$10.
Clarke Ronald Miller, overhang, \$10.

Carson Henry Vehrs, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Hal Wilcox Grainger, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Earl Wilbur Case Jr., violation of basic rule, \$10.
Gordon Edward McCollum, truck speed, \$10.
Nathan Van Cyper, no operator's license, \$5.
Mark Leroy Porter, truck speed, \$10.
Steven Burton Simer, no vehicle license, \$5.
Ben Edward Adams, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Lester Harold Bramwell, violation of basic rule, \$10.
John Alan Carpenter, violation of basic rule, \$10.
MEDFORD MUNICIPAL COURT
F y Clyde Price, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Richard Mace Griffin, excessive noise, \$5.
Robert Allen Fitzsimmons, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Rita Faye Rowbotham, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Vernon Orlando Maupin, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Carl Louis Zehna, failure to dim headlights, \$20.
Lawrence Wayne Hobson, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
William Herman Paine, disobeyed stop sign, \$5.
Rhonda Kay Simmons, driving on wrong side of street, \$10.
Richard Eugene Wright, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Horace Franklin Peck, improper left turn, \$10.
Vincente Agnon Flores, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Clavin Theodore Gartin, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Bob Neil Clevenger, defective equipment, \$10.
Roy Allen Jenkins, violation of basic rule, \$5.
David Sherman Lehman, improper left turn, \$5.
Betty Ruth Ginet, no operator's license, \$5.
Ronald George Kaer, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Jack Paul Lowery, emerging from private driveway onto public street without stopping, \$15, suspended.
Gennie Eugene Bourn, no visible registration in vehicle, \$5, suspended.
Robert Duane Shangel, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Barbara Elaine Beer, defective equipment, \$5, suspended.

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4-H NEWS

Reese Creek Renegades
The meeting of the Reese Creek Renegades 4-H club was held on April 24 at 8 p.m. There was 16 members and 9 parents present.
Two new members were introduced. They are Jerry Moore and Marsha Robinson who will have dairy as their projects. We now have 17 members in our club.
Debbie Phillips gave a report on dairy and Ricky Allen gave a report on beef.
Kye Hopewell displayed the equipment needed for dairy animals and Andy Northrop displayed the equipment needed for beef.
We practiced how to tie knots.
Mrs. Northrop and Mr. Gardner were in charge of refreshments.
The next meeting will be held May 8.
Debbie Phillips, Reporter

Local Girl Vies For Miss California

A Medford girl, Linda Jo Waltermire, sophomore at San Jose State college, was chosen Miss San Jose in competition with 50 entries in the contest which ended at San Jose recently.
She will now enter the Miss California contest from which the Golden State's entry in the Miss America contest will be chosen.
Miss Waltermire, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Waltermire, 1109 West Main st., and a graduate of Medford High school, won first place in talent and in formal appearance. She placed second in the bathing beauty phase of the contest. The formal gown in which she appeared was one which she made. In the talent competition she sang two songs from Carnival, "Love Makes the World Go Round" and "Mira."
When Miss Waltermire was in school here she was active in Theatricals and Madrigal Singers and participated in the Shakespearean Festival in Ashland.
Her mother was unable to go south for the contest but was represented by her cousin, Mrs. Mary Reilly.

Portland Police Nab Man Wanted in Valley

Robert Royal Allison, 18, of 4 South Newtown st., was arrested by Portland police over the week end on a charge of car theft, according to Medford city police.
Allison is charged with the theft of a vehicle registered to Walter Eugene Clayton, 1209 Fortune dr. Allison will be returned to Jackson county to face the charge.

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