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**On Tax Revolt**  
To the Editor: In reference to the series of articles on the tax referral by Zan Stark. He speaks of "Tax Revolt," "Economy," etc. This is not a "Tax Revolt" and I don't think the people of Oregon want the state government to economize any more than they have. It is a revolt against high income tax. The legislature just keeps raising the ante on those that have paid practically all the taxes in past years. The people want every one to get in and help. The man that works in the summer and lives on job insurance through the winter, the tourist and some others. A cigarette tax would have helped some.

Anyway I think the "jig is up." They had better find another tax source.  
Could it be that high state income taxes are used for a purpose other than to raise revenue?  
Grace Etherton  
Cave Junction, Ore.

**Disgusted**  
To the Editor: This is my first letter to the Medford paper and will probably be the last. I was born and raised in Oregon and finished grade and high school in this state. But when my two teenagers came home tonight and told me what they were compelled to take for studies in high school I just simply blew up.

One, the oldest, has to take swimming and dancing lessons. Oh my aching back. No mention of the old three Rs.  
What, I ask you, when a kid finishes school, what good do dancing and swimming do him when he's looking for a job?

A big percentage of the boys and girls that do finish high school never have a chance or the money to continue their schooling and what they do learn in school in this day and age doesn't help them one little bit.

Maybe I'm behind the times, maybe I'm old fashioned, or maybe just old. But I can still out-work, out-fight or out-anything else 98 per cent of the so called people that set up the school program we have in Oregon now.  
Kids are made to go to school until 18 years of age, but the parents must shell out for entrance fees, also for a list of supplies made out by the school board. Then every week or two it's 5 bucks for this, 10 for that, and that continues the whole nine months. But still we have free schools—or that's what they tell us. What a miserable mess. No, I'm not mad, just thoroughly and down right disgusted.  
Guess I've written enough. Thank you kindly for listening.  
Gilbert E. Lee  
717 North Riverside ave.  
Medford.

**The Hands on the Clock**  
To the Editor: He was an active Communist for four years, then God came into his heart. Now, by word of mouth and books that he has written, he is telling others about Communism as he knows it and lived it. He will be in Medford soon to tell you about it. Remember the name—Kenneth Goff; remember the date—Sept. 19; remember the time and place—7:30 p.m. at Hoover school, Siskiyou Blvd. Come and bring your friends. The following is from his books:  
After joining the Communist Party there followed a rigid course of training in revolutionary techniques such as, how to seize a city, how to infiltrate organizations such as clubs, civic societies, political bodies, churches, etc., and how to poison water supplies. Fluoridation was discussed and how it is being used as a tranquilizer in the prison camps in Russia and that if it could be induced into the American water supply, it would keep the people docile during the encroachment of Communism.  
He worked in the N. A. A. C. P. which official records show has consistently affiliated itself with Communist movements. In his book, Reds Promote Racial War, is a photostat of secret minutes of the Young Communist League showing their connection with the N. A. A. C. P., also a map from the secret files of the Communist Party with blacked in area representing what will be the Negro Communist Soviet in the U. S. after the revolution. Ten million white people will be driven out of their homes.  
In 1946 the ground work was laid for the present forced integration that we see now sweeping our country. In schools our young white girls are forced to dance with Negro boys. In many places a Negro boy is chosen for prom King, a white girl for prom Queen. If the girl protests having to go out with him, she is expelled from school.  
Whether the Anglo Saxon Celtic races are conscious of it or not, they are slated soon for destruction on the Communist timetable of world revolution. In 1936 Eugene Dennis said that white civilization was the only remaining obstacle in the path of the final triumph of world Communism, and that once its

back is broken by war, depression and mongrelization, the Red Flag would fly over the parliaments of men. The Communist timetable is set for 1970 and the hands on the clock are moving rapidly.

Alice I. Black,  
812 So. Newtown st.  
Medford.

**May Win Someday**  
To the Editor: My attention was called to the policy of your paper while visiting my daughter, Mrs. A. J. Barber, in your city last May. The article that attracted most was the extract from Smedley Butler's book.

It is too bad there aren't more publications with such policy and editors with your courage. You deserve great praise in your good work.

A short time ago my daughter sent me several clippings from your columns. I was pleased with Senator Kuchel's speech and convinced of the truth it portrayed. If there were more publications such as yours this might in a measure be corrected. It is a crime that in a country that boasts of its might, as the U. S. does, it keeps its people in such ignorance.  
Your answer to Mr. Patterson's letter, appearing in the

May 16 Mail Tribune was heroic and is certainly most truthful in its entirety.

You surely are doing very good work. Keep it up, and perhaps justice and peace will someday win.

Alice Hedgpeth  
5655 North Gay ave.  
Portland, Ore.

**Proud To Help**  
To the Editor: Just a few lines to the people who are griping about Medford's new high school stadium, and the shacks on the front lawn of the high school.

Maybe these people do not know that this stadium was donated to the high school. Seats were sold on a 5-year basis to finance this project.

and it did not cost the taxpayers one cent.

The best thing the taxpayers can do to eliminate these shacks is to vote bonds for a new school.

Our family lives in another district but we have five seats in this stadium and we are proud our money can help this worthy cause.

Arthur H. Boye,  
Route 1, Box 193,  
Gold Hill, Ore.

**Coverage Liked**  
To the Editor: We want to thank you for the coverage you gave the Tudor Guild Summer Book Fair.  
The fair was very successful this summer, netting over \$300 for the Shakespearean Festival

actors' scholarship fund. This project would not have been successful without the support of the community in donating and purchasing books.  
We appreciate your cooperation.

Mrs. Edward Fitzpatrick  
Mrs. William Purdy  
Tudor Guild  
Ashland, Ore.

**Remove the Blot**  
To the Editor: It disturbs me no end to read letters in which bigots use, or try to use, religion to defend their prejudices. If these people could only realize the dark and wretched side of their persons being revealed they would be more discreet in their comments.  
It is not possible to use the Bible or the Christian faith to

uphold racial or any other kind of prejudice. God has created mankind to be one family and to live in harmony with each other and himself. I often think that Jesus Christ probably was too dark or had too big a nose not to offend some of our "so-called Christians." He came from a heritage that was neither light or dark, East or West, North or South, so that he might be the rallying point of humanity and the one who overcomes all of those petty things which keep men in hostility to each other.

If religion is to be evoked in regard to the racial problem, let it be the words of Ezekiel 45:9, "Put away violence and oppression, and execute justice and righteousness; cease your

evictions of my people, says the Lord God."

However, the silence of good people is more devastating to the cause of justice than the ravings of the hate mongers and the morally depraved bigot. Rabbi Joachim Prinz, President of the American Jewish Congress, said, "When I was a rabbi of the Jewish community in Berlin under Hitler, I learned many things. The most important thing I learned . . . under those tragic circumstances is that bigotry and hatred are not the most urgent problem. The most urgent, the most disgraceful, the most shameful and the most tragic problem is silence."  
Mail in support of Civil Rights Legislation is now so light as to lead Congress to believe the Civil Rights is really no national

issue. Christian people, in true brotherhood and out of a sense of Justice should write to their representatives urging passage of Civil Rights legislation, so that this blot on the national conscience can be removed.  
The Rev. William A. Saladin  
Chairman, Church and Society Committee  
Presbytery of Southwest Oregon  
Phoenix, Ore.

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**Sunset**  
Ah, wondrous glory of the night  
Betokened in day's afterglow —  
I sit beside the river's brink —  
The sun at eve is bending low.

Midst banks of fluffy, feathery clouds,  
Soft-tinted by the sun's last rays,  
A veritable wealth of gold  
And azure 'tis that meets my gaze.

And, as I watch, the scene is changed  
From blue and gold to silver-gray,  
Surrounded by a beautiful shade  
Of rose: a marvellous display.

What splendor! And 'tis doubly grand  
Reflected in the quiet stream  
That flows along with rippling song  
And sparkles in the twilight gleam.

A crescent of a moon o'erhead:  
The gorgeous picture seems complete.  
'Twas painted by a Master-hand  
With whom no artist can compete.  
—Lila Curtis Bates  
Eagle Point, Ore.

**The Artist**  
If only I could dip my brush  
In the last red tinge of evening's sunset beam  
And, spreading it o'er my canvas white,  
Transfix the colors of that lingering gleam  
That all posterity might feel  
The stir of Beauty throbbing in its heart:  
Then my life would be worth while —  
I'd be content to know I'd done my part.

In frenzied haste I seized my brush,  
But e'er my hand a single stroke had made  
The hue I sought had dimmed and gone.  
But, lo! I sought a yet more perfect shade  
And, seeking it, the two were lost.  
I tried again but fast the daylight paled,  
And then I knew that mortal brush  
God's glory to portray again had failed.

But why be sad when oft at night  
Across the canvas of the western skies  
God paints again the sunset gleam:  
All heaven's promise there reflected lies.  
So many see, yet are unmoved!  
No thrill of rapture greets that sight divine.  
How hopeless, then, where He hath failed,  
To reach those hearts by hands unskilled as mine!  
—Malcolm L. Melville  
The Manor, Medford

**By the Almanac**  
There came a time when the rich dark loam  
Was ready to "work" at our country home.  
The team would rest by the giant oak  
And my brother and I very seldom spoke  
Of the trout that lay in the deep cool shade  
By the river bank that the willows made,  
Until the almanac showed the date.  
Then off we would go with our can of bait  
And our hook and line and our fishing pole  
To spend a day by our favorite hole.

The zodiac, in that far-off day,  
Held a time for work — a time for play.  
—George McDonald  
Dufur, Ore.

**The Martyr**  
Her club work, though a thing sublime,  
Yet wrecked her long before time.  
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Upon her tombstone: "Clubbed to death."  
—Jack Finel  
Central Point, Ore.

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