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Who's To Blame?
To the Editor: As teen-agers and grown-ups press forward at high speed to organize a "Youth Center," let's bear in mind: Teen-agers who are setting juvenile records are the needy. This group seeks "attention," not "supervised recreation." Merely setting up a center where games, dancing, etc., are afforded will draw many — but it will not draw "needy." This groups will not walk four blocks to watch their school play ball — but this group will walk blocks to "homes" where no parents are at hand. Yes, this is the person(s) to blame. Homes like this (and there are many) lead the most worthy astray and homes like this teach the most worthy to resent his or her family and home.

According to most teen-agers, who supervise and set standards are "kooks" — and our children become friendless — after all, who wants to go to a home where you can not turn the radio on full — blast, where you can not make ten telephone calls within the hour, and where there most certainly will be no smoking allowed.

Look around your neighborhood and you will soon put your finger on the "trouble spots." It's not the town, it's not the area, it's not the teen-agers — it's "you" who are much too busy to guide and direct.

Unfair Law
To the Editor: Senate Bill 50 was introduced by the committee on Health and Welfare at the request of the Oregon Dental Examiners. It was written to benefit the dentists of Oregon at the expense of the people who wear dentures, and it should be repealed and our law makers should have their salaries cut and let the pressure groups that send them to Salem pick up the tab.

There was no health problem involved at least in the two labs in this vicinity, both were sanitary, both had a comfortable place to rest while one was waiting for his or her denture repairs and you always received prompt and courteous service and at a price most any one could afford to pay. Senate Bill 50 has changed all that, as both

have been put out of business so that the greedy AMA can get their hands in your pocket for an extra five dollars for an office call. Now you must go to your friendly dentist, he sends your dentures to a lab of his choice but not your choice, then in two or three days you get your dentures back, but you pay an office call plus the cost of the repair. Just a small crack in a denture can cost as much as ten dollars and you go without your teeth for two or three days.

This is legalized robbery in the first degree. There is no welfare involved, only what welfare the dentist receives out of the denture wearers. Being a dentist doesn't give any man a right to stick his hand in your pocket or mine just by calling Senate Bill 50 a health measure, which it isn't. In the name of justice and fairness to the many thousand of people who wear dentures, and to the men who's labs have been put out of business in the state of Oregon, this bill should be repealed. How much longer will the pressure groups be allowed to corrupt our law makers with their big contributions to campaign funds? Senator Newberry is chairman of the health and welfare committee and I sincerely hope he sees this in print.

John R. Schumpf, Route 1, Box 312, Central Point, Ore.
Leprosy Of Sin
To the Editor: A few weeks ago, I noticed in these columns an article by a correspondent from Prescott, Ariz., which reflected seriously upon the Christian religion and extolled the code of ethics set forth by Confucius of ancient China. It occurred to me that the writer was either unfamiliar with, or did not take at face value, the plain statements of the Scriptures which make it clear that — "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12). And then again Jesus's statement in John 10:10, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. . . I am the

Poets' Corner

Conducted by Arnold Eugene Jenny

From: Morituri Salutamus*
But why, you ask me, should this tale be told To men grown old, or who are growing old? It is too late! Ah, nothing is too late Till the tired heart shall cease to palpitate. Cato learned Greek at eighty; Sophocles Wrote his grand Oedipus, and Simonides Bore off the prize of verse from his compeers, When each had numbered more than fourscore years, And Theophrastus, at fourscore and ten, Had but begun his "Characters of Men." Chaucer, at Woodstock with the nightingales, At sixty wrote the Canterbury Tales; Goethe at Weimar, toiling to the last, Completed Faust when eighty years were past. These are indeed exceptions; but they show How far the gulfstream of our youth may flow Into the arctic regions of our lives, Where little else than life itself survives.

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
*Written for the 50th anniversary of the class of 1825 at Bowdoin College.

Violin
A voice steals forth from the throbbing strings,
A voice that weeps and a voice that sings
Unutterable, lovely things:
An alien thing that yet is mine;
A human voice, and yet divine;
A voice that surges from my soul,
Tears me apart and makes me whole.

A voice that wings my spirit far
To some familiar, lonely star;
Then hurls me from that silence sweet
Down to a hell of stark defeat;
A voice whose deep, relentless pain
Crucified my peace again.

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—Pearl Riggs Crouch
Ashland, Ore.

Our V. A. Farm
Oh, the beauty of our corn
On each wondrous, early morn
As we walk this veteran's bower,
Lauding vine and plant and flower.
Our sunflowers grown so tall,
Veteran farm "boys" all look small;
E'en the cucumber on the vine
Relieves our anguish as we pine.

"Only God can make a tree" —
Yet our veterans planted these!
We're all aglow and all elate
Strolling morns through our estate.
—William T. Cuddy
Roseburg, Ore.

The Vase
With deft brush in black, red and purple,
A friend sketched my mood.
A vase of swirling smoke emerged against the canvas —
Acrid melancholy.
Paint on, my friend, into the shadows of my mind
Until we find the sun and there are flowers.
—Betty Cullers
Salem, Ore.

the hole \$19 billion per year; repeat the 16th amendment; and don't forget, they own 52 per cent of you (Oregon) and 80 per cent of Nevada . . . just the beginning.

What sensible business man is going to invest and risk 99 cents to make a penny? That is taxation and unemployment for you.

J. R. McGee, 633 Carrington, Medford

Christian Profession
To the Editor: I should like to pay my respects to another writer appearing in Communications recently; and to two whose communications, sent me through the mail, were so crude and indecent that even their authors must have felt they weren't fit for publication.

First of all, I want to thank the Rev. Mr. Donald Krug of Central Point for his lucid exposition of Scripture references (10-25) which should clear away the confused and foggy notions others had revealed in these columns with regard to the Bible's teachings on race. Mr. Krug rightly pointed out that because the ancient Hebrews justified their prejudices against other nations or races, Christians cannot so justify theirs.

Our final authority is not to be found in erring ancients, but in the life and teachings of Jesus who repeatedly condemned discrimination against other children of God and taught his followers to show compassion and love toward all men, e.g., the parable of the Good Samaritan, and his injunction, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Responding to my recent comments on the race issue, one unconstructed racist in Jacksonville (who signed his name but whom I shall not disgrace by revealing it here) wrote me: "Your articles are about as stupid as any I have read. Why don't you shut up?" Another, whose letter was postmarked "Fortuna, Cal.," and bore the obvious pseudonym, "Henry Ward Beecher" (trust I have meant Beecher), perhaps to hide his true identity, said: "You expose your extreme ignorance . . . You must have Negro blood in your veins."

I'm quite willing to leave it to readers to judge who is "stupid" or "ignorant" in these exchanges. As for race, I'm white or Caucasian. As to blood, perhaps our neighbor below the hills, Red Cross, and others concerned with blood and plasma long ago discontinued all segregation, having learned that racial origin involves no basic differences whatever.

It really seems incredible how many people, while professing to be Christians yet reveal themselves to be such unlovely characters, full of hate and malice toward others who may not agree with them or who may be unlike them: forgetting Jesus' emphatic admonition, "Judge not, that you be not judged." Surely, such bigoted and uncharitable persons deny their Christian profession by their attitudes and conduct toward others. May the good Lord have mercy on them and enlighten their dark souls.

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Death Trap
To the Editor: In Oct. 20 M.T. Nelson Rockefeller states that it would be "disaster" to withdraw from the United Nations. Disaster for whom? Please read on and see.

It is an accepted fact among the right wing that the UN is the "baby" the very special creation of our alleged "Secret Government of the U.S.," the Council on Foreign Relations. And, according to Tax Fx No. 43 by Kent and Phoebe Courtney, Nelson Rockefeller is "one of the most prominent members" of, and "leading spokesman" for, Council on Foreign Relations. States this Tax Fax, "One of the prime goals of CFR is the disarmament of the United States," while possibly the main goal of CFR is "to destroy America's national sovereignty and put the U. S. under a Socialist dominated World Government." Any school kid could see that if we were to withdraw from the United Nations the achievement of the above CFR goals would be impossible.

The UN Charter was ratified by the U. S. Senate as a treaty. Therefore its provisions supersede our Constitution — and are being used to tear down that precious basic rights which it guarantees to its citizens.

Since Nelson Rockefeller was one of the biggest ducks in the puddle at the United Nations Organizing Conference in San Francisco, he cannot plead ignorance to the above facts. He most certainly must know exactly what went in to the UN Charter and the purpose of every ambiguous word and phrase. "Constitutions be Damed," says the Internationalist; by Dr. B. Bruce, states on p. 56 that Mr. Rockefeller "worked closely" with fellow Council on Foreign Relations members Alger Hiss, Harry Dexter White, and Leo Pasvol'sky, chief architects of the UN Charter, all three of whom were later revealed to be Communist agents.

Don't ever forget, it is the United Nations which is to take over our entire U.S. armed

forces and nuclear weaponry when the Disarmament Act goes into full force. It is the United Nations which will house the World Court with awesome power over U.S. citizens, the World Bank, the financial colossus whose strangling throats are already at America's throat, and the world government which will some day enslave the American people, bring them to their knees, and strip them of their wealth and freedom.

I submit that the UN is a death trap for America. I submit that pulling out of this anti-American organization will be a glorious day of reclaimed independence and freedom for the American people, and "disaster" only for Nelson Rockefeller and his "Council on Foreign Relations" colleagues and the world empire they are building via the UN and their tax free foundations on our blood, sweat, and tears.

Frank Koch, 412 S. First St., Central Point, Ore.

A Secret
To the Editor: I have learned a goodly secret "The abiding presence of the Lord That will give comfort to my soul As it touches my heart's cord.

I have found His strength Is the base of Christian living, It helps from temptation flee When His strength He's giving.

The comforter He promised, He will assure the assurance of His word, He'll never leave nor forsake, When e're I pray, 'tis heard.

I have drunk at His fountain, I am cleansed by His Blood, He gives me a melody, His song my heart doth flood.

Let us speak to God in confidence, Knowing His ear is open to our cry, Then let us listen for His answer, They'll be words of wisdom for you and I.

I know the confidence in His word, Have felt His strength and power, It loosens all of Satan's charms, Reveals God's own enchanting hour.

My hope is in His word, His law better than silver or gold, It gives a remedy for sorrow And many a blessing untold.

All points the pathway to heaven, It's a straight and narrow road, If we yield He'll fit us to a pattern To make heaven our abode.

Mabel Harmon, 1035 Cherry St., Medford.

Sportsmanship
To the Editor: On a recent trip down the Klamath River road there was much talk in the various stores and fishing lodges of the "poor sportsmanship" of some of the fishermen at the mouth of the Klamath. At Happy Camp for lunch we heard many of the fishermen talking and they are very unhappy with what is called a "hog line" across the mouth of the Klamath river.

Having never seen a hog line, my husband and I decided to see what all the uproar was about and so we went to the mouth of the Klamath and saw 300 boats side by side along the river and fishermen standing elbow to elbow upon the banks. Is this an exhibition of good sportsmanship? Many of the fishermen think this hog line is part of the reason for the decline of the salmon in the Klamath, Rogue and Chetco and Columbia rivers, as all the noise and beating of the waters frighten the salmon from coming up the rivers to spawn.

There is talk among the Oregon sports fishermen that in the next legislature there will be a bill presented to put an end to any such hog lines in Oregon rivers. I have been told by many of the old timers that there was a time when one could walk across the Slate creek on the salmon when they came up to spawn. Now if we get five up the creek we think it is remarkable. Most sportsmen come to Oregon to fish in the fall. If there are no fish they will not come. If we are to conserve our resources we had jolly well work at it and soon.

Genevieve Briggs, Whitewater Ranch, Wilderville, Ore.

Lawyers, Stay Home
To the Editor: Congratulations to you and to your Chamber Manager, Don McNeil, for criticizing the Oregon State Bar's decision to hold its annual meeting next year in Vancouver, B.C. Many of us disagree strongly with Portland lawyer Phil Roth, and feel that the Bar, which operates under the protection of state law, should hold its official meetings inside the state. The decision to go to Canada was far from unanimous and I doubt that many of the attorneys who voted "yes" fully recognized the implications of their vote.

I would hope the Board of Governors of the Oregon State Bar would reconsider the decision and resubmit the question of next year's convention site to the entire Bar for a written vote.

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Surgeons Told Birth Control May Be Answer to World's Health Woes

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Birth control may be the answer to many of the world's health problems, Dr. Robert W. Kistner of Harvard Medical School told the American College of Surgeons today.

And thus, he said in a speech prepared for delivery, the surgeons should follow the lead of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in adopting a resolution urging that "scientific research be greatly expanded in all aspects of human fertility and the interplay of biologic, psychologic and socio-economic factors influencing population change."

Kistner backed his suggestion with arguments that so-called "medical" reasons are not the only important ones in deciding whether to use birth control, but the economic and social problems are equally important and far more common.

Discusses Future Developments
In a news conference at the 49th clinical Congress of the College of Surgeons, Kistner also discussed some of the possible future developments of oral contraceptives and the existing situation.

In his formal report to the surgeons, Kistner said that the various social and economic aspects of child-bearing actually affect the medical aspects of birth control.

Family limitation and child spacing are of vital importance to a married couple, he said, if a wife has a disease such as incapacitating heart disease, far advanced tuberculosis or various other conditions limiting her activity or life expectancy.

In these cases, he said, the major problem is not that the mother will be killed or disabled in giving birth. Rather, it is the problem of "how will this woman, with limited activity, be able to deal with the physical as well as the economic aspects of having three, four or possibly five more children?"

"There are only certain familiar diseases and rare medical conditions which specifically contra-indicate pregnancy," Kistner said.

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At his news conference, Kistner said he believes a drug will be available — "in maybe 10

years, maybe tomorrow" — which will permit use of the so-called "rhythm" system of birth control without danger of conception.

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Religion in America

Protestants Donate Record Amount in Collection Plate

By ROBERT M. ANDREWS
United Press International
Members of Protestant churches in the United States put a record \$2,722,271.673 in the collection plate last year.

In reporting this, the National Council of Churches attributed the all-time high in church giving to an increase in total Protestant membership.

But, the council added, there was no corresponding increase in dollars contributed per member, so the average annual gift of the Protestant church-goer actually was less than in 1961.

He gave \$66.85 for all church causes in 1962, a decline of 3.1 per cent from the previous year.

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in these rites. Pope Paul VI must endorse the council's decision before it can go into effect.

The bishops, including two Americans (Archbishop Paul J. Hallinan of Atlanta, Ga., and Bishop James H. Griffiths of New York), are bringing in Biblical scholars, musicians and experts in English language style to help them translate the ancient Latin rites into their own tongue.

More than 4,000 rabbis, laymen and visitors from synagogues in the United States, Canada and Latin America are expected to gather in Chicago for the general assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Marking the 90th anniversary of reform Judaism in this country, the meeting is billed by its organizers as the largest Jewish convention in the nation.

The 50th anniversary of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the women's branch of the movement, also will be celebrated.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

AT GEORGIA TECH, they're still talking about a football game where the visiting team was clinging to a precarious lead, 14-13, with only a minute or two to go. The coach of the team in the lead sent in a new quarterback with instructions to run out the clock by use of simple running plays only. The new boy, however, had dreams of glory and when he spotted one of his backs apparently in the clear, he uncorked a forward pass in that general direction.

Out of nowhere the home team's speedster back flashed into the picture, intercepted the pass, and was off for paydirt—but to the amazement of the onlookers, the substitute quarterback who had made the pass overtook him and brought him down on the five-yard line. Seconds later, the final whistle blew.

Later that evening the Georgia Tech coach grumbled to the coach of the winners, "I'll never understand how that sub quarterback of yours ever overtook the fastest boy on our squad."

"It's simple," was the reply. "Your boy was running for a touchdown. Mine was running for his life."



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