

"THE PAPER THAT HAS NO ENEMIES HAS NO FRIENDS." —George Putnam.

Editorial Comments

HOW ALL OF US CAN HELP OUR NEW PRESIDENT

The American electorate, by the largest vote in our history, placed a new President in the White House. Whether he was your candidate or not, we ask you to get behind him, especially with your prayers.

The President, no matter how popular, how intellectual, how prudent, how humble he may be, can accomplish little without the co-operation of the Senate and the House of Representatives. Therefore even the members of these two branches of our legislature need your prayers also.

As your representatives it would not be out of place for you to write to the President and to the Congressmen and Senators of your state to tell them to pray and ever to be guided by principle and not by partisan political leanings, to think of helping our nation as a whole and even the world as a whole.

It is necessary that we continue our two-party system in the United States, one representing slightly over one-half of all the people and the other nearly one-half, but Democrats and Republicans alike in our government should try to arrive at the same conclusion after disengaging themselves from acquired prejudices, "walking humbly before God," and imploring His light to illuminate their own minds.

You should never have voted for a man who has no religion, because he is not likely to have clear-cut ideas of what is moral or immoral before God.

No matter what the prospects seem to be presently we have not any right to believe that the future of this nation will be safe and secure for us and satisfactory to God unless our political leaders, our press, and other media of propaganda foster the cause

of religion and morality. Almighty God is interested in nothing else.

The outlook is not good for the next generation because youth is being reared without any moral training. J. Edgar Hoover, in his most recent report, tells us that during the first six months of this year more than 1,000,000 major crimes were committed, and that the guilty ones were, for the most part, under 25 years of age; that the 18-year-olds were more guilty than those of any other age group.

These 18-year-old youth are, for the most part, still in high school. Their minds are being perverted by the filthy literature with which this country is actually being flooded. Public opinion should be aroused against this evil, this poisoning process, by every media of publicity, and those who should express their deepest concern are those who represent us in government, whether federal, state or local.

National repentance is needed, but individually those who realize this are the ones who must tell their representatives in government to set the example and plead with the citizenry to pray and to get on the right side of God. That accomplished the world would be more disposed to follow our leaders—and to profit by following.—From Our Sunday Visitor.

Editor's Letter Box

To the Editor: What a lot of reasons afloat, I hear: why the Republicans won the national election November 4th, 1952. It seems very logically: that Stevenson and Sparkman lost the election because they are Democrats, and it happened to be the Republican's time to win.

The great majority of the electorate have wanted the rain and the Republicans for quite some time, and now that they have received both, we should all be content at least until after inauguration day. Respectfully, DICK TURPIN.

FRANK EDWARDS Says:

What factory would hire a blind man to operate power machinery, polio victims to perform delicate assembly jobs, or advertise for skilled workers over 60?

The Roller-Smith Corporation of Bethlehem, Pa., has done all these things because its president, Albert Hubschman, has faith in the handicapped, thinks industry is missing a good bet in not hiring them.

Hubschman's firm employs 1,400 persons in three plants in Bethlehem and Allentown. As the only independent manufacturer of basic electrical equipment in the U.S., it competes with industrial giants like General Electric and Westinghouse. On the Roller-Smith production lines are many forkers who are termed "un-employable" by other factories.

Among the elderly and handicapped employes are many who have been with the company since its inception nearly 50 years ago. Included are a 71-year-old assembler; a system clerk who is 61; a draftsman, 60; dozens of skilled craftsmen past 50; a drill press operator who is 26 and totally blind; polio victims over 50; and men with artificial legs.

Company officials says that the so-called "over-age" and "handicapped" workers are settled, skilled and eager to make good. "Every employe must pull his share of the load and every employe does," says Hubschman. He has records to prove it.

Detroit

If you were being born again, would you choose Detroit as your birthplace? Detroit, Ore., that is. Plenty of things are new there these days, you see. A new city is now budding. These are the signs we see. A very fine new road leads to Detroit. Detroit is now in an entirely new location in the upper North Santiam canyon, an admittedly beautiful and scenic area. The recreational possibilities of that part of the canyon stagger the imagination. Detroit lake and all that it can mean is being born.

At present the City of Detroit is being kept alive by a basic industry, logging. The beautiful stands of timber round and about Detroit should continue the life blood of Detroit for many years. In the years ahead industry that converts timber into something other than boards should find its way to Detroit. Benton-Lincoln electric co-op is now positioning itself for just such a happening. Plenty of cheap electric power is a great temptation to any industry. The population of Detroit is not such that a great labor force is available for much industrialization. That is where the idea of where would you prefer being born again comes into the picture. Since being born again is not possible, the next best bet is a re-birth of hope and ambition. Detroit offers something very akin to that. Ask those who love and live there.

What the conditions, resources and people are that are mixed into the pot for the bracing brew of success we do not know. We do know that the labor of men's hands and a good earth go far towards any great show of progress. The upper canyon can draw upon very great natural stores of minerals and assorted products. The City of Detroit is girding itself with the needs of a strong-hearted community. A new dial telephone system will soon go into full operation in Detroit. The City of Detroit is now a duly incorporated city under the laws of Oregon. We cherish the thought that Detroit will serve as the reactor that will start a chain reaction for the good of the North Santiam canyon. We are confident that in Detroit live those who have the vision, energy and faith needed for the birth of an era of development unequalled in this canyon.

For those who are the descendants of those who sought in the gold fields of the West a new life, we point to Detroit, Ore. Yes, even mineral gold can be found there. We see in Detroit's beginnings the birth of a community worthy of respect.

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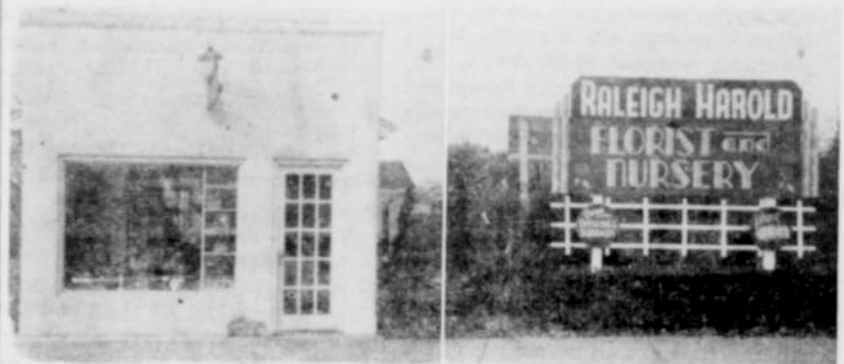
"The good education of youth," Benjamin Franklin declared in the early days of the founding of our nation, "has been esteemed by wise men in all ages as the surest foundation of the happiness both of private families and of commonwealths."

We concur with Benjamin Franklin that good education is basic to our American way of life. Only an informed citizenry can assure good government. Our material progress through science and invention is dependent upon knowledge imparted to youth and to adults. In no small degree, the moral direction of the nation which gives us our guiding purposes is cultivated through our classrooms.

The week of November 9 to 15 has been set aside this year for the annual observance of American Education Week.

We concur with the sponsors of the observance—the American Legion, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the U. S. Office of Education and the National Education association — that the public schools should focus its attention on the well-being of schools during this week. Our nation's future is being written in the educational programs in our classrooms today.—From The Lebanon Express.

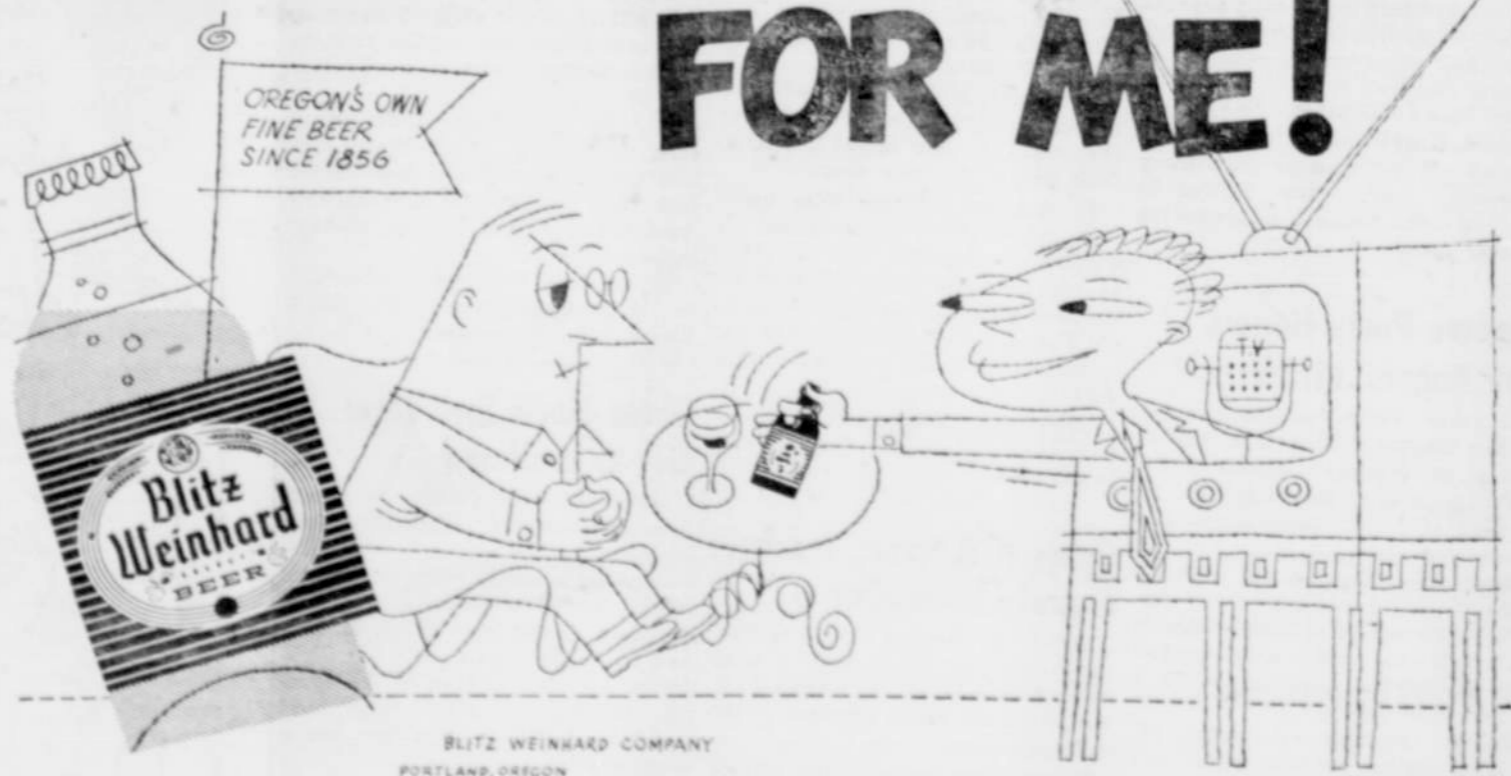
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