



AN UNNECESSARY AGENCY

The Oracle of Delphi, seated on the golden tripod throne at Mt. Parnassus in ancient Greece, had the populace seeking inspired advice, and treasures of the world were placed at her feet.

A new Oracle has been proposed for the golden dome of Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C. Its name will be the "Consumer Protection Agency" and it, too, will be the infallible expert on all things.

It will be the Oracle of the American consumers. It will interpret all the needs and wishes of the "consumers" to the hundreds of agencies, bureaus and departments carrying out the federal government's edicts and programs already protecting the consumer.

The CPA Oracle will gaze in its crystal ball and debate with other agencies on just what size of packaging will meet your needs; the size of the average serving; what advertising and promotion will be simple enough to understand and will not deceive you. Its scope will go beyond the everyday needs of the consumer by intervening in many other matters, from the determination of airline routes, to milk marketing orders, to labor problems.

The new Oracle will do all your thinking for you and speak for you as a consumer—whether or not it may hurt you as a worker, a farmer, or a businessman.

And you really don't need a crystal ball to tell you that, if congress goes along with the idea, your money will go to support this new agency along with the 1,000 other agencies of government.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Honored At Coffee

DETROIT — The Detroit home of Rev. and Mrs. Harold Roth was the setting Monday evening for a "farewell coffee" honoring Mr. and Mrs. Len Davis of Idanha.

The Davis's are retiring from business following 27 years of public service.

The couple and their son, John, (Dr. John Davis) moved from Bend to the old town of Detroit in 1947. They had purchased Roy Newport's general store and operated it for four years before moving to their present location. They moved to Idanha following the near completion of Detroit Dam in 1951 and opened Davis's Variety store which they have operated for the past 23 years.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Davis have been active in social and community affairs.

Mr. Davis was a member of the Idanha City Council for 20 years, and served as mayor of that community for approximately 10 years. Mrs. Davis was active in club and church functions.

The new owners of the variety store are Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mennis of Idanha. They will take possession the first of October.

The Davis's long and friendly service will be missed. However, we welcome the new owners and wish them success in their new venture.

The Davis's have purchased a home in the Stayton area, and plan to keep in contact with their many friends.

Bingo To Be Played In Upper Canyon Area

A free "bingo" party for oldsters in the Detroit-Idanha-Marion Forks area is slated for Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the social room of Detroit City Hall. The "fun" evening is being sponsored by Detroit Womens Civic Club.

Heading the community service is Mrs. Frank Hancock who may be contacted at 854-3351 for further information. The event is open to all area oldsters who wish to attend. Come and bring your friends.

Mrs. Hancock said if the first party is successful, plans will be made to hold the function twice a month. Refreshments will be served.

DETROIT IDANHA

By Boots Champion

The Detroit Ranger Station that has been on summer office hours will return to its Monday through Friday office schedule. Office hours will be from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. effective Sept. 24, 1973.

Host Crane Union up-ended Detroit 30-6 in the seasons first football (non-league) game Friday afternoon. On Friday, Sept. 21, Mohawk will host Detroit at Marcola at 3:00 p.m. Then on Sept. 28, Detroit will host Triangle Lake at 3:00 p.m.

A grade school football game, Detroit vs. Salem Academy, is scheduled to be played at Salem Thursday afternoon.

Visiting here for a few days at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Harold Roth and family, is Mrs. Roth's mother, Mrs. Frances Richards of Canby.

Sunday to Monday visitors at the Champion home were Mr. and Mrs. W. P. George of Salem.

Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

Recently in an editorial in one of the Salem dailies, the editor wrote about being against the death penalty. I believe he made some mention that he thought that it was not the thing to do as it was revengeful. So? I disagree vehemently with him. I still think that it is better to take the life of a criminal, proven guilty beyond any reasonable doubt, of course, than it is to let them loose after a year or two in prison. He was leading us to believe that we should rehabilitate the criminal. That is all well and good for some crimes—but rape, murder, bank robbing, plane hijacking. No way. Why turn them loose after they have had prison training, which many times does no good whatsoever. These dogooder programs of our prison reformers look good on paper, but when we get a criminal repeater, let him loose so he can perpetrate crimes on the public, we are benefitting no one. We have the expense of keeping this prisoner for some times many years, then run the risk of having them again turn their wrath on society.

I think we should start looking after our law abiding citizens, and place less confidence on prison reform plans. It will pay off in the long run.

I believe, though, that the only time the death penalty should be used is in certain major crimes, and those when committed by criminals who are repeaters.

To follow up my own observations on capital punishment, I just read in a release from U. S. Senator Bob Packwood, that 86% of the people whom he polled were in favor of the death penalty for certain crimes, 12% were against and 2% had no opinion. So you see, if these polls are worth the paper they are printed on and if the congress listens to the people, the death penalty would be back in force.

Other things that were of interest in Packwood's poll were on the question of whether the U. S. should provide economic assistance to North Vietnam. Of those answering this question, 90% said no; 8% yes, and 2% undecided. For aid to South Vietnam, 35% were in favor of assistance, 61% no, with 8% no opinion.

The question on whether we should export raw logs, of which some 3 billion board feet are going to Japan, 6% wanted to retain the present law; 85% wanted to phase out all log exports except when there is a surplus for our needs; 3% wanted to impose no limit and 6% had no opinion.

There were several other questions asked, but I felt these were of the most interest to us in this area.

I have always wondered just how much good it does to write to our senators and representatives—state or national—or even the city as far as that goes.

On the city level, one can see why so few turn out for the meetings. It appears to me that it does little or no good to register a complaint on any controversial issue, as the council does just as they see fit anyhow. If they want to get to the pulse of the people of our city, they'd better listen to what they are saying, or the first thing you know, the taxpayers will get a bellyful of their tactics, and boot all of them out of office and get a fresh start. Being on the council is a thankless job, but it can be handled in a more diplomatic way, or at least I think so—and one of the best public relations assets they can foster is to pay attention to what the people are telling them—not just going on bulling their own ideas through, regardless of public opinion. Time will tell, but I am a firm believer that when the public is aroused, you have a tiger by the tail. Maybe the people of Mill City are not entirely aware of where their money is being spent, and if this is the case, they had better get off their backsides and take a little interest in what city hall is doing.

Now that we have the fourth policeman in Mill City, I wonder if it would be possible to have one of them cover the corner of First and Broadway. There is a yield sign, so traffic coming south on First should yield to traffic coming north on First, merging onto Broadway. I for one have been nearly hit four times in the last two weeks, and I'm not alone. Someone, who evidently doesn't believe

Rummage Sale Being Held To Buy Treats

IDANHA — The American Legion Aux.—Idanha Unit #41—will sponsor a rummage sale Sept. 28 and 29 on the ground floor of the Idanha Fire Hall. A bake sale will be held in conjunction with the sale on the 29th. Doors will open at 10:00 a.m.

This is a good time to clean out those clothes closets, or to get rid of any other items you no longer use.

Ada Tompkins or Mrs. Opal Leming may be contacted by calling 854-3526 or 854-3469 respectively for pickups on Tuesday or Wednesday of the sale week.

Proceeds will be used to purchase Christmas treats for the children of the community.

Guest Pastor Slated For Idanha Church

IDANHA — Rev. Allan Tschigg, former pastor of the Pratum Church, will be the speaker at special meetings scheduled for Sept. 23 through Sept. 30, at the Idanha Community Church. Topic will be on "Deeper Life."

Monday through Saturday evening meetings will be at 7:30 p.m. Special music is also being planned. Rev. Arvin Johnson, pastor of the church announces.

Everyone is welcome.

in signs almost plowed into an oil truck.

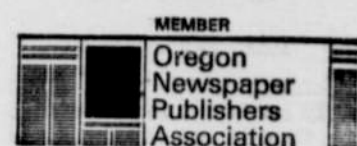
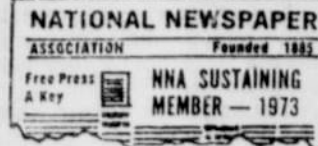
All the police would have to do is stand at the intersection and point up at the sign. If he would do that for a week, most people would then know the sign means what it says: YIELD! Certainly that would be of more benefit than sitting on a side street hailing some person exceeding the speed limit for a couple of miles an hour. Council members say the state is studying this corner. That means we'll all have long beards before anything is done. They'll have to study is for ten years before they can make any decision.

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