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It Ain't All Roses

(by George Long)

Recently brought to my attention was this letter to the editor published in the Blue Mountain Eagle. I felt it had a great deal of merit and was well worth passing on:

You were robbed last night but it wasn't anything new. It has been going on night and day all year long. It is undoubtedly the world's biggest heist. The total amount was \$200 billion.

If you were a wage-earner with a thrift account, life insurance, pension fund, social security account, savings, investments or checking account, the values have decreased 12%. That is the inflation rate for the year 1974. No one was spared, no one can permanently benefit.

It is known who was responsible for the rip-off but we haven't been able to do much about it. Our own government did this to us because we insisted on returning politicians to high office. My Webster's Collegiate dictionary defines a politician as "one primarily interested in political offices, or the profits from them, as a source of private gain." A lot of politicians were thrown out of office and into disgrace or penitentiaries or hospitals for the physically or mentally sick. The top man in our federal tax formulating committee seems to be unnaturally addicted to areas of inflation entirely out of line with fiscal or physical necessity. His glasses seem to be designed for creating the appearance of enlargement. Could he be mentally ill?

Since the first election of Franklin D. Roosevelt the most successful platform to high office has been one of fiscal irresponsibility — spending beyond our means — and paying the difference in devalued dollars. If you bought a government bond during the early days of the FDR administration it is worth 25% less than you paid and you have been paying taxes on the income all these years. Our federal government is partially bankrupt. "Inflation, disguised form of bankruptcy" (Adam Smith).

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Few remember the "good old days" when the federal government first learned to live on the cuff in a big way. This came along during the worst of the depression years in the '30's and in WWII when massive budget deficits became a way of fiscal life for Uncle Sam. No one worried about it because the experts said it really did not matter. After all, we owed it to ourselves.

Maybe it didn't matter. But with inflation running in double figures, the federal budget at \$300 billion a year plus and the national debt pushing \$500 billion, many people are beginning to think it did matter after all. Saving and a sense of economy are coming back in vogue, and perhaps the American people, not to mention Uncle Sam, can reclearn these old virtues. It costs \$55,000 a minute or nearly \$1,000 a second simply to pay the interest charges on the rising national debt. That adds up to about \$30 billion a year, or 65 percent of all the corporate taxes collected this year. Actually, it is not a case of deciding whether the federal budget should be balanced or not. It MUST be. There is no choice left.

If you want to find your senator these days, it appears that the last place to look would be the United States Senate. The Wall Street Journal reports that out of a total of 100, 44 Senators failed to vote on vital energy legislation in 1973. Important appropriations bills have passed with less than half of the senators voting. The main reason so many senators are not around is that they are making extra money on speaking tours, with the price of their silvery tongues ranging anywhere from \$500 to \$2,500 per appear-

New Gates City Council Takes Posts Dec. 19

GATES — The Gates City Council opened its meeting of Nov. 21 at 7:26 p.m. Present were Mayor J. Howard Jenks; councilmembers Doris Rogers, Jack Chappel and Tom Wood. Others present were mayor-elect Art Skinner, councilmember-elect Arthur Sowle, Alexis Winn, city recorder, Joyce Presler, Tommy Thomas, and Bill Dunn. City Attorney Mick Davis arrived later.

The minutes of the Oct. 17 meeting were read and approved. The bills were then read: general fund—\$1,628.14; street fund — \$136.55; water fund — \$902.73. The council voted to pay the bills, plus two bills presented to be paid from the water district bond.

A letter was received from Bert Wells asking the council to accept his resignation from the council. They did so but with regret. He gave no reason for the resignation.

On the Dec. 19 meeting, the new mayor and councilmembers will be sworn in. Mayor Jenks asked that present council members have ready a written report on the duties of their job and any uncompleted business or projects.

A later bill was submitted from the amount of \$10 for placement of the flag on designated days at the city hall. The bill was voted to be paid.

Elsie Martin, chairman of the planning commission, sent word that there were now two vacancies on the committee. She submitted the names of Gary Peterson and Jim Carey to fill the posts. The council appointed Mr. Peterson but it was noted that Mr. Carey lives out of town and the two posts for out of town were filled. The council appointed him an advisor, but he will not have voting privileges. Also, if someone from the city wants to fill that spot, he will have to step down.

At this time City Attorney Mick Davis arrived. He informed the council that the disclosure law is in effect on Dec. 5. However, it was brought forth that Gates defeated the Law 48-42.

Mr. Davis then went through the ordinances. There are several that need to be updated, and some of them need to be reorganized. The council decided to have Mr. Davis submit his updating of the ordinances.

The Mill City school district sent a financial report of the summer swimming program. Some of the council members and citizens had questions and these are to be looked into and then reported on at the next meeting.

The next city council meeting will be held on Thursday, December 19, 7:30 p.m. at the Gates City Hall. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

New Club Formed At Santiam High School



Bruce Luzader Photo

A Future Business Leaders of America chapter was recently begun at Santiam High School. The club has seventeen members. The only requirement for membership is that one has had a business course in school or is currently enrolled in such a class.

What is FBLA? It is a national organization for young people interested in the business future of America. It promotes preparation for a useful occupation and good citizenship. FBLA encourages youth involvement in society, politics, and the community. It pledges the belief that the future of a unified America lies in mutual understanding and cooperation of business, industry, labor, the home, the church, the school, and inter-

national peoples. The local chapter will contribute its services to the community to help develop the qualities necessary in becoming a business leader.

Among the planned projects are the March of Dimes and various money-raising events in the community. The group will appreciate community support.

Lions Club Members Host Wives At Dinner Meeting

Lions members and their wives met at the Frontier Inn Monday evening for a dinner meeting.

President Dale Kirsch appointed Charles Tate to check on the possibility of the local club sponsoring a "Name the Park" contest for the new city park, Lion Charles is to report back at the next meeting.

Guest speaker at the dinner meeting was Carol Tweede of the Mill City school district. Mrs. Tweede spoke on the local reading program. She told members of the club about the vision screening program that the local school has. She also said that the Linn County Health Nurse checks children in the summer between the ages of three and five. Mrs. Tweede also told local club members that she hoped, at a later date, the club could help with a new and better type of vision screening system.

Guests from the Stayton Lions Club for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rochetto.

The next meeting of the Mill City Lions Club will be Monday, Dec. 9, at the Frontier Inn.

Basketball Play to Begin Tues., Dec. 3

The Santiam Wolverines, defending State A Basketball champions, will open the defense of their title Dec. 3 at Willamina.

Santiam has all three all-conference players returning from last year: David Plotts, Roger Davidson, and Gary DeMain. DeMain also was selected as a member of the all-state team. Also on the squad this year are: Jim Rose, Jim Wright, David Etzel, Jim Cline, Jack Loftin, Bill Gabriel and Joel Hamilton.

Coach Bid Sanders believes that Santiam's toughest competition this year will be within the Tri-River Conference, with Regis and Salem Academy providing the best competition. He rates it a toss up between these two teams and Santiam for the league championship.

Santiam will open the league schedule in January against Jefferson at Mill City.

Coach Sanders believes that Santiam could repeat as state champions if they win the Tri-River Conference.

Robbers Hit Local Sportsman Center

On Nov. 20 between the hours of midnight and 5:30 a.m. someone gained entry into the Sportsman Center by forcing the lock on the front door of the building.

According to police reports, sixteen different firearms were taken and a numerous amount of shells and ammunition and other small items were also reported taken. The burglars appeared to have left through the back door.

Linn County deputies are investigating the robbery.

On Nov. 21, Linn County deputies checked out a car with California lic. #218GKL and found it to be stolen. Local officers followed it toward Salem and with assistance of the Oregon State Police and Marion County deputies apprehended the driver for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. Richard T. White was lodged in Marion County Jail.

At 4:48 a.m., Nov. 24, local officers stopped a car in Mill City that was reported stolen in Portland. Officers charged Michael Prostek with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and lodged him in Linn County Jail. A 15 year old juvenile, also in the car, was turned over to the juvenile authorities.

Freres Tob Bidder At Timber Sale

DETROIT — Freres Veneer, Lyons, was the apparent successful bidder at \$2,902,434.32 for an estimated 14,300,000 board feet of Willamette National Forest timber in the Horn Ridge Timber Sale conducted at Detroit Ranger Station Monday.

The firm paid \$252 per thousand for \$9,300 MBF of Douglas fir, \$132.23 above the advertised rate of \$119.77 per thousand.

Forty-five hundred MBF of Western Hemlock and other coniferous species sold at the advertised rate of \$76.74 per thousand, and 992 acres of all coniferous species of logs sold at the appraised value of \$88.21 per acre. There were seven qualified oral bidders. The Western Hemlock and other coniferous species of logs sold at fixed rates. The stand of timber is located near Highway 22 approximately 18 miles southeast of Detroit.

Tree Planting Contract Let

DETROIT — The largest tree planting contract ever awarded was announced by Willamette National Forest as part of one of the largest fall tree plantings in the history of the U. S. Forest Service.

The contracts involve planting five million seedlings over 10,294 acres. The largest job was awarded Oregon Reformation. Other contracts will plant the remaining 6,225 acres.

Forester Mahlon Hale, Detroit Ranger Station, said Monday none of the contracts have been completed due to snow in the higher elevations of the Willamette National Forest.

He said that 1,628 acres on the Detroit District had been scheduled for reforestation under three contracts in the U. S. Forest Service annual fall tree planting program, but over the weekend, snow in the higher elevations halted the tree planting. About 75% of the program was completed, he said.

The remaining seedlings will be heeled in at Mill City and Detroit and will be used in spring planting contracts on some 300-acre to be planted on the Detroit District, Hale said.

Snow, in the higher elevations not only knocked out a tree planting, but also the Mistletoe Whip Timber Stand and Improvement Program for the control of diseased and damaged trees, he said.

Firemen's Benefit Successful

The 30th annual firemen's benefit held Saturday night was termed a huge success. The event drew a large crowd and many residents were fortunate in winning prizes. Mrs. John Savage of Mill City was the lucky winner of the grand prize drawing, the \$100 bill.

All proceeds from the benefit go toward maintenance and updating of the fire equipment.

Five Santiam Football Players Selected for Conference all League

Five Santiam High School football players were selected for the Tri-River Conference all League for the 1974 season. Jerry Shepherd was named to the first offensive team and David Plotts and Vince Andermatt received honorable mention. On the defensive team, Bob Fadenrecht and Dave Plotts were selected on the first team and Lee Ohrt, honorable mention.

Santiam players receiving their football letters for 1974 season are:

SENIORS — Roger Davidson, Bob Fadenrecht, Brian Jones, Tim Hale, Chuck Holinger, Russ Lawrence, Lee Ohrt, Dave Plotts, Jerry Shepherd.

JUNIORS — John Bogle, Jim Crowther, Dave Etzel, Bill Gabriel, Rick Lady, Ted Moreland, Mark Moffatt, Maurie Richards, Jim Wright.

SOPHOMORES — Vince Andermatt, Vic Andermatt, Jerry Payseno.

FRESHMEN — Mike Bemis, Mike Davis.

MANAGERS Letter — Kevin Long, Bernie Thomas, Mike Ohrt.

Awards Presented At Pack Meeting

The first Cub Scout Pack meeting was held Nov. 20, 1974 at the Scout Cabin. This was the annual Father-Cub Cake Baking Contest. The cakes were judged by Frank and Wyoma Baechler.

While they were judging the cakes, Roger Penrose presented achievement awards to the following cubs who had earned them:

Bobcat award — Walter Gunderson, Yancy Jeleniewski, Kevin Ward, Jimmy Newman, Charles Earhart, Jerome Zynda, Keith Penrose, Randy Bilyeu, Les Van Dolah, Darin Goffin, Fred Smith, Frank Shepherd, Billy Loftin, David McAllister, Jeff McAllister, Louis Stodola, Greg Trout, Robert Gesner. Wolf award — Bob Herneisen, Pat Hastings, Kevin Poole. Assistant Denner award — Kevin Poole, David McAllister, Darin Goffin. Denner award — Myron Clark, Robert Gesner, Les Van Dolah. Naturalist award — Stanley Walczak, Scott Baughman, Kurt Syverson, Jerry Long, Brian Mumey, Patrick Krecklow, Rob Humes, Eyan Blan.

The winners of the contest were then announced. In the cub only division, first place went to Robert Herneisen; second place to Stanley Walczak and third place to Robert Gesner.

In the father-cub division, first place went to Brian and Jerold Mumey; second place to Jimmy and Dave Cook and third place to Darin and Warren Goffin. The sweepstakes winner was Randy and Elmer Bilyeu.

The cake auction then began with George Long as the auctioneer. There were 24 cakes auctioned.

Presbyterians Host Community Service

The churches in the Gates-Mill City area, more especially the First Christian Church, the Presbyterian Church, and the Community Church will have special services of worship on Thursday, Nov. 28.

The Mill City Presbyterian Church will be the scene for a community service at 9:30 a.m. Thursday. Choir, participation by laymen from three congregations, a meditation by the Rev. John C. Heidbrink, the new minister of the Mill City Presbyterian Church, will be used as part of the service. Miss Dolores Dishong, member of the Community Church, Mill City, will speak on "What Thanksgiving Means To Me." The community is invited. Child care will be available.

NOTICE

The recycling center will be open Sat., Dec. 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The center, which is a service project of the Jr. Woman's Club, was closed during the month of November.

Property Owners To Meet Wed., Dec. 4

The Mill City Rural Property Owners Assn. will hold their semi-annual meeting Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the Wayne Fuestman home.

The association meets twice yearly and all rural property owners are encouraged and welcome to attend.

On the agenda for the Dec. 4 meeting will be election of officers.

Cake Bake Winners



Pictured above are the winners of the Cub Scout Father-Cub Cake Bake that was held at the pack meeting Wednesday, Nov. 20, at the Scout Cabin.

Honor Roll Names Listed For Detroit

First nine weeks of 1974-1975	
SENIORS	
Lola Mohr	3.5
Kevin Hills	3.2
Cheryl Hamper	3.0
Vicki Monroe	3.0
Patty Tower	3.0
JUNIORS	
Greg Adams	3.7
Debbie Bittner	3.7
Anita Hills	3.3
Doug Kirk	3.3
Colleen Stalford	3.0
SOPHOMORES	
Stephen Higginbotham	3.5
Mike Daniels	3.2
Ellen Rogers	3.2
Teri Stedronsky	3.1
Mike Mohr	3.0
Estel Saner	3.0
FRESHMEN	
John Black	3.8
Sandy Mohr	3.5
Teresa Wright	3.1
Kathy Ketchum	3.0

Honor Society Plans Annual Toy Drive

The Santiam High School Honor Society will be conducting a Christmas Toy Drive, Thursday, December 5, at 3:30. They will be collecting any usable toys donated by the public.