

'Youth Views' DEMOCRACY

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of radio-essays, written by Klamath Union High students, for competition in the recent Voice of Democracy Contest sponsored by the Klamath Falls Exchange Club. Although our school was not this year's winner, we are proud of our KUHS' participants, and will print verbatim each of the 12 manuscripts, which reflect serious student thinking on a subject of terrific magnitude.)

I SPEAK FOR DEMOCRACY

By Judy Ellen Jones
I speak for democracy. For the democracy of a land that is strong and free. Free from the domination of a dictator. We have freedom of religion, of the press, of speech, of thought, and of assembly.

Our country was founded on the principles of freedom and our forefathers fought hard to preserve it. Our forefathers believed that "all men are created equal, they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," and our democracy preserves these rights.

Since time began man has fought for freedom. In 1215 the people of England forced King John to sign the Magna Carta. This was a petition of rights but has very little effect until 1629. We became a democracy in 1776 and since that time have remained an independent and democratic nation.

Our democracy believes in the education of all its inhabitants, not just a few, as in less fortunate nations. No matter whether you are the son of a rich man or a laborer's son you have an equal opportunity.

When the pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock in 1620 it was to avoid persecution in Europe. They were being persecuted for their desire to worship freely, in America they were free to worship the way they desired.

I believe in a democracy where men are free to follow their own choice in life. You aren't born to your position. If you are a laborer it is because you have no incentive to raise yourself. If you are an executive or the like it is because you are willing to work and gain respect not because your family had the job before you.

As our flag symbolizes, we are one nation which cannot be divided, and may it always stay that way. For as Abraham Lincoln said, "a house, divided against itself can not stand." We have stood as a democracy, representing the ideals of freedom and equality, for over a hundred and fifty years. We give liberty and justice to all our inhabitants.

We give the right of a fair trial by jury to carry out the due process of the law. No one can unjustly charge you of a crime and put you in jail without a trial.

On Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor stands our symbol of democracy, the beautiful Statue of Liberty. This is a beautiful sculptured statue of a lady holding a torch high above her head. It was given to the United States by France to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of American independence and to show the friendship between France and America. There is a light kept burning in the torch at all times as a symbol of our living democracy.

Our constitution provides for our democracy and freedom. It states that there must be three branches of government. No one of these can act without the consent of the other two branches, this eliminates any possibility of dictatorship. Some countries claim to have a democracy, yet they tell you how to vote, how to worship, and even how to raise your children. This is no democracy and the people should be pitied who have to live under it.

Someone may ask "what is democracy?" A democracy is a government where the supreme power is in the hands of the people. There are two kinds, the pure democracy where the people actually rule, and the representative democracy where the people rule themselves indirectly through the representatives they elect. The purpose of a democracy is the belief in and practice of social equality.

Our government is a representative democracy. For it is the people who elect the government officials. It is not only a citizens privilege to vote but it is his responsibility and he should recognize it as such.

We have a strong and bold nation standing for liberty and truth—a nation known as a democracy. That is why I speak for democracy!



REHEARSING FOR A radio program which is featured by the Radio-English class of Klamath Union High are (left to right) Orrin Armsbee; Joyce Howard, Sportstrait manager; Mike Murphy, assistant manager; Duane Epps, sports editor; and Roger Farrier, assistant sports manager. These students are practicing for the Klamath Sports Album, which is heard at 7:15 p.m. every Wednesday over KFJL. Mr. Charles Woodhouse is in charge of the program.

—Photo by Dwayne Prather

'Parents, Patrons' Set Member Drive

By BEV DORAN
NOW HEAR THIS! NOW HEAR THIS! An invitation to join the big crusade for a greater Klamath Union High School is underway. It began last Friday, November 18. THE PARENTS AND PATRONS DRIVE IS UNDERWAY!

The COST? Only 50 cents a parent!

Klamath Union High's four classes—freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors will compete with a \$25 prize for the year group soliciting the most members. If more than one student is in school from the same family, each student registering a parent will receive credit, even if both parents purchase tickets from the same student.

Parents and Patrons, under the supervision of President Ford Kimpton this year, will award a \$200 scholarship from its treasury fund to a deserving graduating KUHS senior who plans to attend an Oregon college.

GET ON THE PARENTS AND PATRONS BANDWAGON, and SUPPORT YOUR YOUNGSTER!

If you are a parent, you will receive this message which is to be sent to all KU students tomorrow. Don't pigeon-hole this correspondence. Support our school with your membership. Assist your youngster in pushing his or her class to the top for that \$25 prize.

Parents and committee members met with KUHS students last Friday and presented the challenge. Committee members for the drive are: Mrs. Cox, chairman; who will be assisted by Mrs. Homer Ellis and Mrs. Harry Molatke.

The organization also sponsors the Senior Banquet. Officers for Parents and Patrons this year are: Mr. Ford Kimpton, president; Mrs. Charles Larkin, first vice-president; Mrs. Jim Olson, second vice-president; Mr. Homer Ellis, treasurer; and Mr. Roy Premo, program chairman.



ROGER FARRIER, ANOTHER Klamath Union High senior, is an active participant in Radio-English, currently serving as co-sports editor.

—Photo by Guderian



RAY BENKHE, TALENTED Klamath Union High singer, will be missed when June's graduation claims him. Ray is active in Latin Club, and is also band president.

—Photo by Guderian

The Grapevine

By BEVERLY DORAN
Hello guys and gals! This week we will try something different since you haven't been doing much.

We will interview a girl which quite a few of you kids will remember from grade school. Since then she has seen many things and been many places. She is a red-head by the name of Ethelene Reed. She is a junior at the age of 18. This is her story see if you find it as interesting as this staff did.

Ethelene left here for Germany in the fourth grade in which she lived for about a year. Some of the characteristics of Germany she found interesting was the leather knee pants the men wear. Their women dress about the same as they do here.

Then she moved back here for another year, Massachusetts for a year, Klamath again for a year, Texas for about a year and a half. Guam was then the next step. She lived there for 18 months to the day.

"You would like Guam if you like tropical weather," Ethelene attended a Guamanian school in which there were 2,300 students and only 100 were Americans. The school was a quonset hut, and when it rained the mice ran loose. Next stop will be Oklahoma.

That's all for this week. Don't you agree that was an interesting story?



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BILL PERKINS, sports editor of the Klamath Krater, has turned in an excellent job in this position, which requires both writing skill and a "nose for news."

—Photo by Guderian

Scholarship Offered By General Motors

By FRED HEARD
Klamath Union High School senior students are being offered an opportunity to compete in the General Motors National Scholarship Plan, according to Principal Charles Carlson.

This plan, initiated early in 1955, provides for 100 four year scholarships, at least one in every state and 50 at large, to any college or university of the successful contestants choice and in any field of study he or she may select.

Registration for the second year of the plan is underway now. Eligible to participate are high school seniors, both boys and girls, who are United States citizens, and who plan to take the College Entrance Board examination in order to enter the competition for a General Motors scholarship award.

Selection of award winners in the General Motors plan will be the responsibility of a group of leading educators representing various sections of the country.

Full details about the General Motors plan, including registration dates for the examinations, are available at the office.

Pelican Poet

DESTINY
By Donna Pfeifferle

What is your destiny in life? To endeavor weakly against death Or take it in your daily strife, As one may take a deepened breath?

TIME
Time doesn't wait for man, It strikes when least expected Like a dusty-weathered clan, We'll never feel neglected.

The pendulum swings slow, It's ticking our life away, When it chimes, it's time to go, You cannot try to stay.



SHARON HAHN'S GRADUATION next June will remove another familiar name and face from Klamath Union High School's club activities' roster.

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'Big 'N Little Sisters' Slate Frosh Party

By LINDA GREGORY
Plans have been made for Klamath Union High's Big 'N Little Sister Party to be held November 31, in Pelican Court.

Two committees have been chosen to provide entertainment and to provide refreshments.

The party is an annual event for all junior and senior girls with their freshman sisters. The purpose of the event is to permit the freshmen girls to become better acquainted with the older girls.

Big 'N Little Sisters is one of the branches of Girls League of whom all KUHS girls belong. Officers for this club are Margie Anderson, president; and Diane Taucher, secretary-treasurer.

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