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Use of Autos

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Circuit Judge Charles Foster, who handles the juvenile court in Klamath County at the present time, attributes a great share of the present day juvenile delinquency problems to the automobile.

He recently stated that, in the future, one of the conditions of his probation for youngsters in trouble with the law would be a prohibition against his or her use of the automobile.

Explaining his intentions on this score, Judge Foster issued the following statement. Let me quote:

"Because I feel that much of our juvenile delinquency is caused by the improper use of the automobile by teen-agers who cannot or will not resist the great temptations and opportunities offered by it for delinquent conduct; and because I feel a juvenile appearing before me in juvenile court for delinquent conduct has proven that he or she is not yet sufficiently mature in judgment to properly use an automobile, it will be my policy as Juvenile Judge of Lake County and acting Juvenile Judge of Klamath County, as a mandatory condition of any probation that might be given that: (1) The delinquent juvenile, if owner of a car, be promptly required to sell or dispose of it; (2) The juvenile have his driver's license taken by the juvenile office, and not be permitted to drive (except in very unusual circumstances) so long as under a condition of probation to the juvenile office; and (3) Such juvenile shall not be permitted to ride in an automobile at any time unless accompanied by a responsible adult.

"These conditions of probation shall remain in force until such time as the juvenile has proven by his or her conduct to the juvenile office and Judge that his probation can be terminated."

In my opinion, this is a very commendable approach and should prove of great assistance to the youngster who does get in trouble.

It also serves as fair warning to all youngsters who possess cars that improper use of them can result in their losing not only their driver's license, but their car, also, if they own one, and the right to either drive or be in one. I would urge every parent to carefully study both Judge Foster's letter published last Tuesday, as well as his statement as given above.

I would equally urge every boy or girl to study both these statements very carefully also.

Progress?

By FLORENCE JENKINS

Every once in a while we find ourselves in complete agreement with Phil Hunt who edits Commerce for the Portland Chamber of Commerce. The Klamath Basin sort of claims him as its own, anyhow, since he married a girl from the Bonanza-Langell Valley area.

He pointed out this week that February 25 marked the 46th anniversary of federal income tax.

At birth, in 1913, income tax ticked Americans only 82 cents. Today the per capita tax bite is \$397.

In its infancy, income tax rates ranged from one to six per cent. Today they begin at 20 and soar to 91 per cent.

Forty-six years ago, the personal exemption was \$3,000. It is only \$600 today. A single person making \$5,000 in 1913 paid \$20 federal income tax. Today he pays \$818 on the same income.

The per capita income in 1913 was only \$358 and today the average is \$1,940. But while per capita income has increased less than 5½ times in 46 years, per capita tax payments have increased nearly 405 times.

A total of 80 million dollars in corporate and individual income levies was collected in 1913 toward a federal budget of 715 million dollars. Today's proposed 77 billion dollar budget for fiscal 1960 is nearly 108 times bigger. And the taxpayers will foot the bill.

The total 1913 tax take was distributed 70½ per cent for state and local governments and 29½ per cent for federal government. Today, with Americans asking more of Uncle Sam, the distribution ratio is reversed.

And to think that Oregon was the first state to add to that state income tax!

Features

Editor's Note — Following letter was submitted to LHM and was a copy of the letter and reply.

The undersigned member and member of the Klamath Falls Chamber of Commerce.

have naturally and rightly aroused our deep concern. As professional educators we welcome constructive criticism, but also feel obligated to repel negative attacks which seem calculated to tear down the morals and effectiveness of education and the respect for and pride in it which are traditional in most American communities. As parents and taxpayers we also oppose any forces which jeopardize the educational welfare of our young people.

Even the most casual observer of the educational scene today will note that the American public school system is confronted with two major problems: inadequate financial support and juvenile delinquency. Both of these have grown so critical that they have engaged the attention of Congress and national news services. Since World War II and especially since the advent of the "cold war," a major dislocation has occurred within our society. A large part of our population has moved to new areas; the birth rate has increased, and the stabilizing influences in our society—the home, the church, and the school—have had to face problems which, if not new to the American scene, are at least greatly aggravated. To date no quick cures have been found, but some progress has been made toward discovering solutions.

Our own community and school merely mirror the two crises that everywhere are engaging the resources and skill of school authorities. Like other high schools in Oregon and throughout the nation, Klamath Union High School has been beset by these twin problems of financing a rapidly growing educational system and of combating juvenile delinquency, neither of which has its roots in the school system itself. Our administrators have been striving to solve these problems with the resources at their command, although handicapped by adverse publicity which has clouded the real issues. We feel strongly that administrators and teachers are in no way responsible for creating these problems and that, far from being to blame, they are entitled to increased appreciation and support from the public because they have to work under such difficulties, particularly when they elect to remain here instead of moving to other towns where the community climate is more favorable to education. This point of view, however, has not been expressed in much of the publicity which has appeared locally.

Moreover, our school administrators have in the past seventeen years developed in Klamath Falls a school system which has a high academic rating, which up till now has adequately met the needs, both vocational and academic, of our young people, and which is free from debt that burdens most other schools across the nation. For all these reasons we feel that we should continue to support our present administration and should call on all other responsible people in Klamath Falls to do the same.

After thoughtful consideration of the issues, we recommend:

First, that a committee, consisting in part of classroom teachers and in part of citizens not connected with the school, be formed to study thoroughly and to evaluate the criticisms that have been leveled against our schools.

Second, that a program be undertaken to publicize the many accomplishments of our students and that all practicable methods be employed to strengthen our ties with the community.

Klamath Union Teachers Association
Howard Hall, President

SHORT RIBS

By Frank O'Neal



The Oasis

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)—Since the Oasis Dance Hall has been mentioned in several of your news stories, I feel that the general public should be informed of its functions.

You repeatedly refer to the Oasis as a teen-age dance hall. This is no longer true, although the Oasis originally was established for the teen-age trade. Now this is true only to the extent that we still do not sell intoxicating liquors.

Any one may come out regardless of age, color or nationality. We have a band that will play music to everyone's pleasure.

Daniel J. Duff
Route 3, Box 256

Thanks!

Tulelake (To the Editor)—Thank you, good people.

The many polio victims who were stricken before the Salk Vaccine, the many others who have been unfortunate in arthritis, birth defects, and other allied diseases, will have a good reason to enjoy the one spot in their heart for the generosity and enthusiasm of Tulelake in the recent March of Dimes drive.

Our quota of \$1,000 was exceeded by nearly \$200, better than twenty per cent, which shows that we are better people than we ourselves thought.

Particular thanks should go to the Kiwanis Club and Anderson's Flying Service who sparkplugged the "sky-high" operation. One of the most successful ideas yet encountered in the March of Dimes and ably executed.

The Merrill Moose Lodge in co-operation with Jock's Super Market and the Food Wholesalers, Bud Robinson of Sego Evaporated Milk and Pet-Ritz Pies, George Brent of General Mills, Inc., Jim Whalen of MJB Coffee Company, and Paul B. Walker of the Merrill Moose Lodge, are to be more than complimented on the terrific job that they did on the "Chili Dog" at Jock's on Saturday, February 7. Assisting was R. W. "Chick" Wakefield of Copco. It was quite neighborly to enjoy the Chili Dog and the visit with your neighbors. No one minded sitting on Jock's floor, vegetables, and groceries while visiting and he was very patient. My thanks to all of these people, including Tom Slaughter, who hurried over with the check for \$100.57 as the final donation.

The young people of Tulelake at the high school, the Rainbow Girls, and the Westminster Group certainly demonstrated that we have leaders in the offing here. Tom Mitchell and Don Brissenden disbursed the coin collectors, and collected them, putting up the "Bucket of Dimes," with Bill Roper taking care of the painting and signs with help from Jim McCracken, and others did a wonderful job. The Rainbow Girls with the cake sale at the benefit basketball game did a wonderful job of having a lot of cakes there for those who won them to enjoy. The high school, Rainbow, and Block "T" brought the outstanding amount of over \$400 for tickets, cake sale and pop.

Chairman Wayne Watman did real well with the Westminster Fellowship Group who sold the Blue Crutches for the "Block of Dimes." Our thanks to all you young people who sold and worked with the crutches that day.

The service clubs with their fines and donations had a lot of fun and did a lot of good toward the March of Dimes. We thank the Rotary and Kiwanis very much for eating beans that others may walk.

We offer personal thanks to Bill McBride, Emily and all of the crew at the Sportsman Hotel for the wonderful cooperation in filling out the cards, working on different projects, and their donations with

the service clubs. It is good to have a business like that in our community which helps us to make these community affairs work.

Mr. and Mrs. Childress of the Tulelake Reporter took the hall and ran with it on the advertising, promotional in the local papers. Also Mrs. Ruth King of the Herald and News in Klamath Falls, certainly gave us some nice write-ups in the paper. Thanks to our local papers from all.

Last but not least, were the many extra chairmen: Chet Main, herding the ladies around on their Mothers March. The mothers participating were Mrs. Lester Turnbough, Mrs. Doyle Haskins, Mrs. Howard Moore, Mrs. G. R. Atkins, Mrs. Tom Frey, Mrs. George Yost, Mrs. Richard Terry Jr., and Mrs. Marvin Rose. Pete Pederson with his Boy Scouts on the Mothers March in town, Virg Barron, Mr. Coyner, Mr. Allen, Gene Smith, Jim Meyers, Guy Fagg, Lloyd Jensen, Wayne Wattman, Lloyd Barber, and the many others who contributed so generously both in fun and service to make this program a success.

On behalf of President Chuck Boyden of Rotary, Secretary Helen Phillips, and myself, we thank you all.

Ed Greene

The soft life

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The soft life is hard on you.

That is the view of a couple of noted heart specialists who spoke here recently.

Soft living hardens arteries, they suggested, and hardened arteries can trigger heart attacks and strokes.

One of the apostles of the strenuous life was Dr. Paul Dudley White, the Boston physician who helped see President Eisenhower through his heart attack in 1955.

They say that a few years ago the silver-haired White trotted up the 13 flights of the National Press Building rather than wait for an elevator.

White is 72 and still hale.

The other specialist was Dr. Irvine H. Page, research director of the Cleveland clinic. He said that about the only people who find any use for legs anymore are women.

"The automobile has become a symbol of the soft life unnecessarily endangered among our fellow citizens by our slavery to automotive devices and to the rusting effect of our enriched diets," White said.

Page said that among the facts in arteriosclerosis thickening and hardening of the arteries are heredity, high blood pressure, exercise or its lack, stress, sex, and diet.

You can't change your parents, but with modern drugs you can control your blood pressure, and you can take exercise.

"We are a generation," Page said, "which seems about to give up the use of legs; women are the only ones smart enough to find a use for them."

Page said the "stress factor" has seemed overstressed. Anyway, "children and Russians being what they are, it is hard to see how stress can currently be much reduced."

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Eugenie Anderson, former U.S. ambassador to Denmark, on United States responsibility for the present international impasse:

"We have witnessed, indeed we are party to, a steady decline of Western influence in the Middle East. . . . We have witnessed, and we are a party to the tragic erosion of American prestige throughout Asia."

MELBOURNE, Australia—Evangelist Billy Graham, using the interruption of a fireworks display in his sermon at an outdoor rally:

"Unless the hearts of men change the sounds you hear now will be nothing compared to what could come from another war."

JESSUP, Ga. — Deputy Sheriff Otto Jones, acknowledging that Georgia has gained a reputation as a hard state:

"These people come spending love through here killing people and we have to arrest them, that's all."

WASH. — Agriculture Secretary Earl Browder, advising over price support of crops:

"We cannot spend ourselves to a great property, but we can spend ourselves to a great degree."

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Huls

Little Cerebrum WAS A CHILD PRODIGY—AT AGE SIX HE COULD DO CYLINDRICAL CALCULUS IN HIS HEAD—



SO WHAT'S HE DOING NOW? KEEPING TRACK OF THE ODDS FOR STONY, THE LOCAL BOOKIE—



REPELS MOTHERS
PASTOR ARNE, Klamath Falls (UPI)—Pastor Lewis Pyle dipped the tails of new lambs in a mixture guaranteed to smell so badly no fox would go near them. But he complained Wednesday that the odor was so strong the mothers wouldn't go near their cubs.

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FIX TRANSATLANTIC CABLE

MONTREAL (UPI)—Full service on the Transatlantic cable which broke last Saturday was expected by Friday. It was announced today. The newly-laid cable, which runs between Scotland and Newfoundland, broke at a spot some 200 miles east of Carville, Nfld. It curtailed telephone service from North America to Europe.

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PASTOR Freeman Schmitt of the Bible Baptist Church was elected vice moderator of the Conservative Baptist Association of Oregon at the annual association meeting held in Hillsboro last week. The association is composed of 140 churches with headquarters in Salem. Moderator is Rev. B. M. McLain, Portland.

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