

# Letters To The Editor

## Preserved

President Kennedy is expected to fly over the sand dunes south of Florence soon, after which he will probably say that this "unique area should be preserved for the public to enjoy."

The facts are: the sand dunes area is already "preserved" because it is administered by the U.S. Forest Service—some 19,000 acres along the coast from Florence almost to Coos Bay. Eleven excellent recreational areas with 272 overnight camp sites, boat ramps, access roads and other facilities are maintained by the forest service.

In addition, there are state parks, including Umpqua Light-house of about 3,000 acres and Honeyman of 522 acres. These two state parks outdraw Crater Lake National Park. There is no vanishing seashore here and no need of wasteful duplication.

The Neuberger dunes park project would also take in about 270 homes and private businesses. Although there is a provision in the bill prohibiting condemnation of homes, this means very little. Senator Ernest Gruening of Alaska has declared "sooner or later the home owners will be squeezed out." Conrad L. Wirth stated plans call for returning the area to wilderness and removing all housing. Wirth, director of the National Park Service, has written, "Another thing I would like to see is the elimination of private holdings in national parks." The agency can make it very inconvenient for home owners, as their water supplies, roads etc., depend on the park officials who don't want them there in the first place.

The proposed park would take in a large tract of private property which now helps through taxes

to support local schools, hospitals. Unlike the forest service, the park service locks up its holdings. Only two per cent of Yellowstone is used and about the same in Olympic Park where few of the 800,000 acres will ever be visited by vacationists.

If President Kennedy really wants to economize, protect home owners, and provide recreation for the American people he will speak out against this needless sand dunes park.

Dr. Thomas M. Hunt,  
Florence, Ore.

## Thanks

(Letter from Dagmar Henry, American Field Service student.)  
To the Community of Klamath Falls:

Hi, Pelicans, here I am back home in Germany, thinking of all of you wonderful people in Klamath Falls, my second home town half way around the world from here.

I want to say "thank you" to all of you who helped to make this year so great for me: my dear family, the AFS chapter, the kids and teachers at school and all the people of Klamath Falls. I will never, never stop being thankful for the fabulous time you gave me and all the fun I had and all the friends I made. It seems impossible to me that I won't see Klamath High's teams fighting for a long time.

This coming year for me is work because I'll have a hard time in high school. I hope only for one more year!

I know that I will see you again though I don't know yet when it will be. Half of my heart is and will always be with you.

I love you,  
Daggl



## WASHINGTON REPORT

### Radicals Called For Grand Jury Testimony

By FULTON LEWIS JR.  
WASHINGTON — A Federal grand jury has summoned for closed-door testimony leaders of a radical new group who advocate violent revolution to establish a "genuine workers' state."

Security officials reveal that Milt Rosen and Mort Scheer, former key operatives in the Communist Party, broke with their superiors several years ago. The two New Yorkers accused party boss Gus Hall of ideological treason in backing the Soviet Union in its long-simmering feud with Red China.

They charged Hall with a lack of militancy in fighting the class war. They denounced the United Front policy which he favored.

By the fall of 1961, Hall and the other members of the Communist hierarchy were forced to take drastic action. They expelled the two dissidents, citing their pro-Chinese sentiments.

With the expulsion of Rosen and Scheer, Hall found he had lost the services of several hundred young Communists who, too, favored the Chinese approach.

In late 1961, Rosen and Scheer formed Progressive Labor. They now claim 1,000 members, 90 per cent of them under 40 years of age. Approximately 250 are former members of the Communist Party.

The Progressive Labor philosophy has been described by Levi Laub, a dark-haired young man who led the recent tour of 20 Americans across Cuba. He says:

"We consider ourselves Marxist-Leninists. Whatever name you want to call us—Communist, Socialist—if it fits, we'll wear it. We defend the Communist Party's right to exist in the United States

and we're opposed to the sustained campaign against it."

The goal of PL leaders, Laub says, is the "establishment of a revolutionary Socialist Party in the U.S. The aim would be for the working class, people who don't have a stake in ownership or management, to seize control of the state."

Laub testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee on his return from Cuba, refusing to cooperate in any way. His testimony touched off a riot on Thursday, Sept. 12.

There were at least eight Progressive Labor members on the Cuban jaunt. All assumed leadership positions. An undercover agent for the FBI and CIA, Barry Hoffman, testified that PL members conferred with Chinese and North Vietnamese Communists while in Cuba. They had no contact with the Russians, whom they considered to be soft, according to Hoffman.

Several "elder statesmen" of the far left youth movement were on hand for the HUAC hearings. They included at least two top-ranking young Communists who quit the party for PL.

Jacob Rosen (no relation to Milt Rosen) led a U.S. delegation to the Moscow Youth Festival in 1959. There he dipped the American flag in salute to Nikita Khrushchev and later toured Red China. Identified under oath as a leading young Communist, Rosen took the Fifth Amendment when given an opportunity to deny the allegation. Since joining Progressive Labor, Rosen has been active in North Carolina integration activities.

Freddy Jerome, a 24-year-old son of V. J. Jerome, cultural commissar of the Communist Party, USA. The younger Jerome was also identified as a top young Communist and he too invoked his constitutional protection against self-incrimination. Jerome is now active in PL affairs in Manhattan. He is running the campaign of a PL candidate Bill Epton, an admitted former Communist for the City Council and editing the movement's official magazine, Progressive Labor.

Both Milt Rosen and Scheer have been called before a Brooklyn grand jury. So have other PL leaders who helped organize the Cuban trip.

Soft-voiced John Williams, number one economist in the U.S. Senate, won a typical victory the other day. He spotted in the fine print of an appropriations bill a provision that would permit the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, to pay \$30,000 salaries to a select group of anonymous employees.

This is some \$10,000 higher than officials of any other department may earn under civil service regulations. Williams got Sen. Lister Hill, Democratic floor manager for the bill, to agree that the provision would be dropped in a pending joint Senate-House compromise.



**EXPERIENCED PLUM CANNER**—One of Modoc County's most avid wild plum canners is Fred Ash, who pits, washes, cooks and seals all of his preserves. Now 88 years old, he averages 60 quarts a year, but says he used to can 175 quarts each season before he "slowed down a little."

## Wild Plum Time Keeps Alturas Pioneer Hopping

ALTURAS — When the leaves begin to turn to their autumn colors in Modoc County, it is Modoc wild plum time. One of the most avid, enthusiastic and busiest men in Alturas during plum season is 88-year-old Fred Ash.

He pits, washes, cooks and seals all his own preserves for the year. He says that when he used to own the old Sessions ranch in Fort Bidwell, he would put up some 175 quarts of preserves but now that he has "slowed down a little," he can only average 60 quarts a year.

Ash came to Modoc County in 1901 to work on the Fort Bidwell ranch he later managed and then owned. He was on the first board of directors of the Modoc County Fair — "in the days when all the board members chipped in \$25 apiece and the supervisors would give up \$500 for prizes" — and was an active member of the Surprise Valley School Board for years.

In 1948 he retired to Alturas

where he still carries on a busy life with his pluming, lodge work in the Odd Fellows, and taking care of his yard work. Last year, however, he had to hire a boy to do the lawn mowing. He keeps house and will proudly display his culinary work as he serves a buckaroo stew for lunch for his wife, Ethel.

He maintains that the wild plum preserves with any Modoc wild game, such as deer or birds, is about the finest and tastiest addition you can have to a meal. The Modoc plums are a delicacy on many tables during the holiday season.

The plums grow wild throughout the county and wild plum pickers in the fall are almost as thick in the hills as the deer hunters. Ash says he doesn't get around well enough to pick his own plums, but between his family and friends he is well supplied. He has nine living children, 18 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. "And if you add that all up it comes to 61, which isn't bad for an old fellow," he says proudly.

## Young Runaways Trade Wedding Vows

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — Seven years ago, on April 18, 1956, Mary Lee Davis was a flower girl at the resplendent marriage of Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier of Monaco. She was 7 years old. Saturday, in a strange sequel to that marriage, the same Mary Lee, now 15, was married to an 18-year-old Philadelphia youth. The following is an account of that marriage, as contrasted with the ceremony in Monaco in 1956.

By MIKE PEARY  
United Press International  
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI)—The bride wore yards and yards of pink and the pretty little flower girl wore swiss organdie embroidered with daisies at the story-book marriage in Monaco seven years ago.

Saturday that same flower girl, just 15 years old, tremulous, and wearing a simple tweed shift dress, gave her hand in another, but far different, story-book marriage.

The world watched, gawked and smiled when the flower girl's aunt, the radiant movie star Grace Kelly of Philadelphia and Hollywood, became the Princess of Monaco and consort to the dashing Rainier, one of the last

monarchs of Europe. There was a little sadness mixed with hope Saturday when Mary Lee Davis became the bride of her 18-year-old sweetheart, John Paul Jones Jr. of Philadelphia, in the street corner chapel of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

The brunette Philadelphia school girl, looking very much a teenager beneath her little black hat and black veil, was married in just five minutes by the Rev. M. R. Casady.

She gripped her young husband's hand at the altar as her father, the groom's parents, and two other couples watched. Then she faced reporters outside the church at the noisy, busy intersection of 9th and High Streets.

There were tears on the cheeks of the groom's father, architect John Paul Jones Sr. The eyes of the groom's mother seemed red.

The couple fled their Philadelphia homes a month ago so they

could be together. They lived in a cramped Des Moines apartment—John working as an encyclopedia salesman and Mary Lee as a coffee boss became suspicious and called police.

The parents, members of prominent Philadelphia families, hurried to Des Moines, talked to the youngsters, and gave their consent to a wedding.

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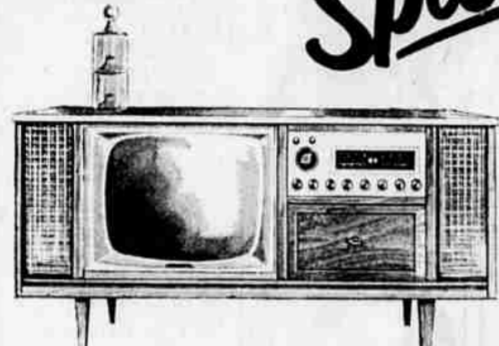
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## SAMPLE BALLOT

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### REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY REFERENDUM PETITION

Title and Statement of Purpose

1. **PERSONAL AND CORPORATION INCOME TAX BILL** — Purpose: To increase state revenues. Abolishes federal tax deduction. Lowers personal tax rates. Provides minimum tax. Increases corporation rates. Effective on or after January 1, 1963.

**ESTIMATE OF FINANCIAL EFFECTS:** If Ballot Measure 1 (Chapter 627, Oregon Laws 1963) is approved by the voters, it is estimated that the increase in state revenue over that which would be provided by existing law from personal income taxes will amount to about \$24,750,000 per year or \$49,500,000 for the biennium and the increase from corporate excise taxes on income will amount to about \$350,000 per year or \$700,000 for the biennium, based on present levels of income. The Ballot Measure also authorizes a possible "speed-up" of personal income tax payments withheld by employers that would permit an increase in 1963-1965 revenues by \$14,000,000, without increasing the tax liability of the personal income tax payer.

If Ballot Measure 1 is defeated, expenditures in the 1963-1965 biennium will need to be reduced by approximately \$60 million below the level of appropriations made by the 1963 Legislature, or other revenues must be sought, or some combination of revenue increase and expenditure reduction totalling approximately \$60 million must be made in accord with the requirements of Article IX and XI of the Constitution of Oregon.

STATE OF OREGON, SS.  
COUNTY OF KLAMATH

I, Chas. F. DeLap, County Clerk in and for the above named County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true facsimile of the Official Ballot to be furnished the Electors at the polling places in the various precincts of the County on the 15th day of October, 1963 Special Election, said ballot being prepared by the Secretary of State of the State of Oregon.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said County this 27th day of September, 1963.

Chas. F. DeLap  
County Clerk,  
Klamath County, Oregon

## Community Calendar

### TUESDAY

SWEET ADELINES, 8 p.m., meeting, VFW Hall.

AMERICAN LEGION AUX., Unit 8, 8 p.m., business meeting, Legion Hall.

KLAMATH COUNCIL PTA, 1 p.m., meeting, lecture room, County Library.

MERRILL CHAPTER WOTM, 8 p.m., initiation, Merrill recreation hall. Officers wear formals.

MALIN HOME EXT. UNIT, 8 p.m., meeting, "Color in the Home" lesson, Malin Park Community Hall. Year books distributed.

PAST NOBLE GRAND CLUB, Prosperity Rebekah Lodge, 12:30 p.m., potluck, Alma Cofer, 933 High.

YMCA SWIM, 7:15 to 8:15 p.m., rental period; 8:20 to 9:20 p.m., general public swim.

WOTM, 8 p.m., Moose Heart chapter night, Moose Home. Bring gifts for Moose Heart, Moose Home. Wear formals.

MIDLAND GRANGE HOME EXT. UNIT, 1 p.m., meeting, home of Nellie Motschenbacher.

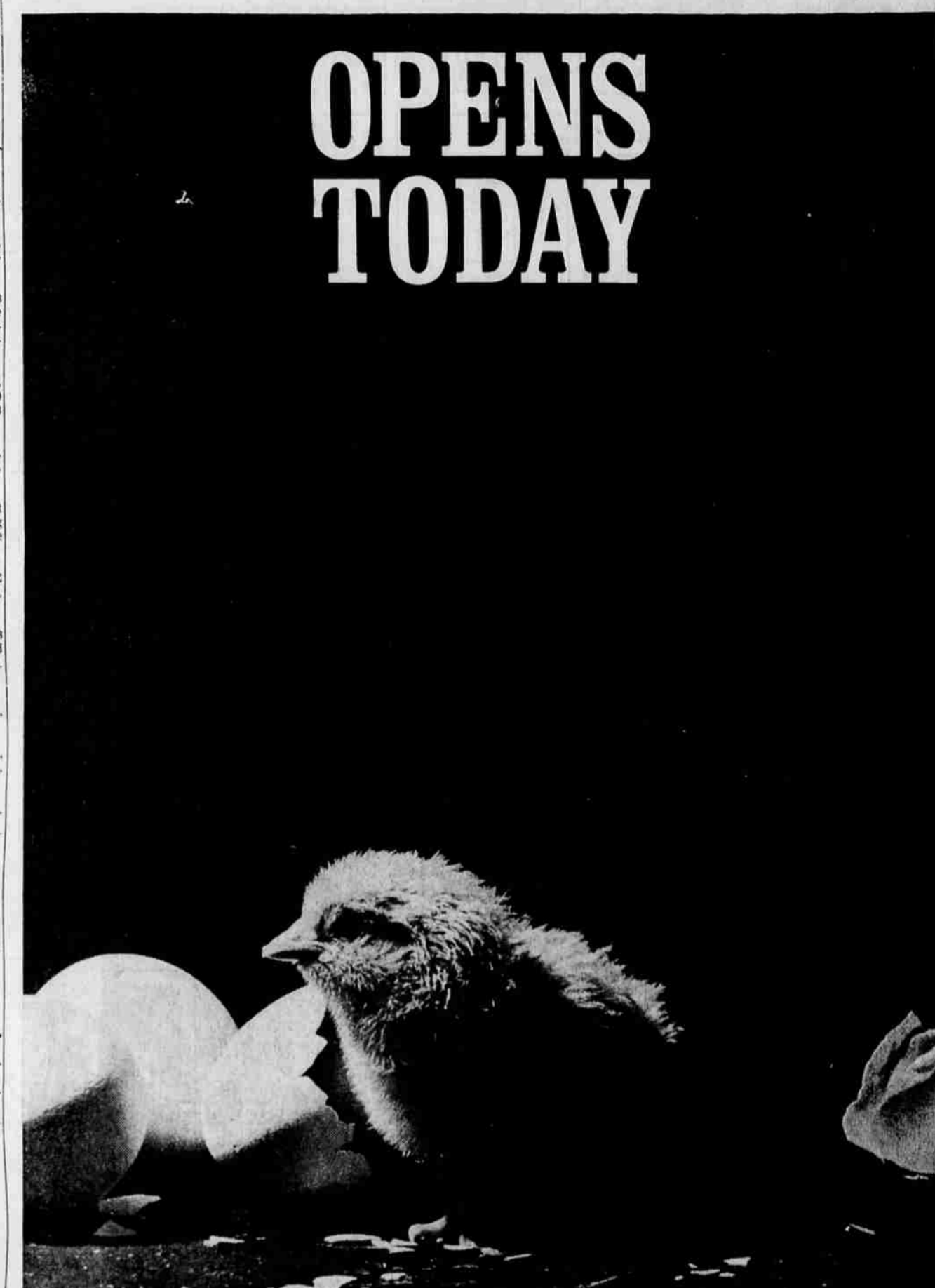
ALLA MAGE SKI CLUB, 8 p.m., meeting, county library. Old and new members. Refreshments.

### WEDNESDAY

PLAYERS' CLUB, 7:30 p.m., meeting, Legion Hall.

YMCA SWIM, 7:15 to 8:15 p.m., handicap swim; 8:20 to 9:20 p.m., adult women swim.

MIDLAND GRANGE, 8 p.m., meeting, Grange Hall.



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