



First Place—Kingsley Field Chapel



Second Place—St. Paul's Episcopal Church



Third Place—First Christian Church

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
What's a Liberal?  
What's a Conservative?

These questions have apparently been bothering the members of the Portland Junior Chamber of Commerce—as they have most of the rest of us who read the political news. So they decided to devote their meeting the other day to a debate on the subject.

They chose as debaters William E. Moomau, chairman of the Multnomah County Republican Central Committee, representing the Conservatives, and Dr. Frank L. Roberts, assistant dean of faculty of Portland State College, representing the Liberals.

Speaking first on the flip of a coin, Mr. Moomau said American conservatives have dedicated themselves to the conservation of the great documents that lie at the root of American tradition, such as the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

These, he contended, are the foundations of the American system of government and the American free enterprise economy. Conservatives, he argued, believe in keeping these basic principles intact and they oppose changes that tend to undermine them.

Progress, Dr. Roberts said in rebuttal, is the credo of liberalism. The mood of liberalism, he contended, is optimism. It thinks of human rights rather than property rights as the ends of public policy. CHANGE is an integral part of its methods. It has kept its fighting edge through the EMOTIONAL force of the reformist impulse.

"Liberalism," he concluded, "is a POINT OF VIEW. Let us be sensitive to the human needs for liberty, justice, individual self-realization, physical security, material necessities and for the greatest opportunity for all to share the blessings of our society."

Question:  
How did it all get started?  
It's an interesting story.

Historically, the terms Liberal and Conservative track back to the Tory and Whig parties in England, which began to fall apart in the mid-1800's. By 1950, two NEW parties emerged—the conservatives, led by Benjamin Disraeli, and the Liberals, led by William Gladstone.

The Liberals became stout supporters of "laissez faire" ("French for 'Let 'er Go, Gal-lagher"). They OPPOSED state intervention in the interest of the working class—which more or less lies at the root of modern liberalism.

Led by Disraeli, the Conservative party's program included extension of the VOTE to the working class (which hitherto in England had not been allowed to vote), passage of social legislation favoring the workers, and the reorganization of the Empire by extending self-government to the colonies.

# Kingsley Field Chapel Float Captures Christmas Parade Trophy

The day was overcast and cloudy, but even the weather failed to dampen the spirit exhibited for the third annual Herald and News Christmas Parade. Hundreds lined Klamath Falls downtown streets to witness the story of Christmas as told by 17-church sponsored floats.

The event was climaxed with the announcement of three floats judged the most outstanding and original, finalizing many weeks of planning and artistic labor.

The loudest cheer came from members of the Kingsley Field Chapel, who were finally rewarded with first place honors after producing an honorable mention entry for the past two years.

Second place went to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, last year's sweepstakes winner, for a colorful napkin-stuffed float entitled "Nativity For Everyone."

The focal point was a revolving square stand designed as a stable with the Star of Bethlehem mounted on top. Each side featured two youths, costumed to represent four races of mankind, kneeling in prayer. The characterizations were complete to various colors of make-up used on the face and arms.

Third place was awarded to "Christ Is Christmas," an entry submitted by First Christian Church. Constructed by the church's youth group for just under \$25, it featured paper angels suspended from a beautiful stained glass window and a Nativity scene.

Six people, dressed in international costumes, paid homage to the Christ Child, while a revolving napkin-stuffed glove at the rear of the float signified the general theme of the parade, "Christmas, For Everyone. Everywhere."

Pictures of all other floats in Saturday's Christmas Parade appear on Page 8-D of today's Herald and News.

The Kingsley Field Chapel float, "O . Come All Ye Faithful," also symbolized Christmas around the world with 12 members in authentic international dress and four members of an Air Force family kneeling before a manger scene.

Under the direction of Carl Donald Evans and Mrs. Carl Katzaman, workers were drawn from the Protestant Women of the Chapel, Protestant Youth of

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Weather  
Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview: Mostly cloudy with showers or snow flurries today and tonight, becoming fair Monday. Highs today and Monday 24 to 41. Lows tonight 18 to 24, except near 12 in the normally cooler areas. Variable winds five to 15 miles per hour.  
High Friday 44  
Low Saturday morning 41  
High year ago 47  
Low year ago 22

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## President Plans Talk Before UN

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Johnson announced Saturday he will address the U.N. General Assembly in New York Dec. 17 to assure the world that America is united under his new administration.

In a surprise, informal "coffee klatch" news conference with reporters in his White House office — unprecedented since the days of Franklin D. Roosevelt — the President also disclosed that:

—The Defense Department plans a series of major cuts in non-combat personnel at home and overseas to help reduce military spending next year by \$1.5 billion.

—Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara will visit Saigon next week as Mr. Johnson's personal emissary to "be sure we are getting maximum efficiency" in South Viet Nam's U.S.-supported war against Communist Viet Cong guerrillas.

—Johnson plans to see Mexican President Adolfo Lopez Mateos and Canadian Prime Minister Lester Pearson in Washington, probably early next year. A possible visit by French President Charles de Gaulle has not been decided.

—He believes his administration has made "very good progress in showing the continuity in our transition" after the assassination of President Kennedy.

—The administration is trying to "reduce anything we can" budgetwise for the fiscal year starting next July 1, but nothing has been decided.

—He will vote by absentee ballot in a special congressional election in Texas on Dec. 17 the day of his U. N. address, to fill the seat of Rep. Homer Thornberry, D-Tex., who resigned to become a federal judge.

Mr. Johnson unexpectedly called newsmen into his oval West Wing office just before noon to "have some coffee" and ask any questions they wanted. Not since Mr. Roosevelt was president 20 years ago has any chief executive answered questions in this way.

He said his U. N. speech — to be delivered at 12 noon — will be brief and will contain no surprises. He indicated he wanted to tell the world delegates, before they go home for the Christmas holidays, of the continuity in U. S. government since Mr. Kennedy's death and the sense of American unity.

McNamara, he said, will go to Saigon late next week after a Dec. 16 - 19 North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Council meeting in Paris to "make a few checks out there and just be sure we are getting maximum efficiency."

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PARADE AWARDS — The presentation of trophies and checks highlighted Saturday's Christmas Parade for the sponsors of the floats receiving top honors. Proudly displaying the awards are, from left, Jean Homer, First Christian Church, third place; Dennis Culver, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, second place, and Mrs. Irene Katzaman and Capt. Donald Evans, Kingsley Field Chapel, first place. June A. Johnson, Herald and News church editor, right, makes the presentations.

## Christmas Offer Rejected By West

BERLIN (UPI) — Communist conditions unacceptable to the West Saturday dashed hopes of West Berliners getting through the Communist wall into East Berlin for Christmas visits with relatives and friends.

West Berlin Mayor Willy Brandt rejected the terms attached to East Germany's offer to permit passage to the Communist sector for the first time since the anti-refugee wall was erected Aug. 13, 1961.

Brandt said in a television speech the Reds were trying to use the issue of Christmas passes for political ends that could pose a threat to the city. He said the West Berlin government could not allow that.

The East Germans reacted sharply, accusing the West Berlin government of "torpedoing" the Communist plan for a holiday relaxation of tension.

The opposing positions thus erased the hopes for holiday cheer and a break in East-West relations produced by a premature announcement on passes Friday night. About half the 2.5 million West Berliners have relatives in the East.

## Shooting Hours

December 9  
OREGON  
Open 6:50 a.m. Close 4:35 p.m.  
CALIFORNIA  
Open 6:50 a.m. Close 4:35 p.m.

## Crabtree Rules Violations In Elections Not Intentional

Violations of the state's election laws reported during a school election and two special elections held in Klamath County since July, 1962, were not made intentionally, investigation by the district attorney's office has revealed.

Information available to that office has indicated there have been technical infractions of the election laws "and those violations were of such a nature that they would have been a threat to our system of the secret ballot and orderly elections if committed with bad motives." District Attorney Dale Crabtree said.

The announcement followed a six-month exchange of letters between Crabtree's office and

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## Tight Security Planned

NEW YORK (UPI) — The tightest security precautions in New York's history will be taken Sunday when President Johnson makes a two-hour visit to attend the funeral of former Governor and U. S. Senator Herbert H. Lehman.

The President's Secret Service escort will be augmented by an estimated 5,000 New York City police, including 35 motorcycle patrolmen who will accompany the closed presidential limousine over an undisclosed route from Idlewild Airport to Manhattan's Upper East Side.

Johnson, making his first trip outside Washington as President, will be accompanied by a number of senators and congressmen. The presidential party arrives at about 12:15 p.m., EST.

(Special attention will be given to underpasses, overpasses

## Nature Delays Express Train

and all large buildings along the route." Deputy Commissioner Walter Arm told reporters in a briefing.

He said every window and vantage point along the 18-mile route from the airport to Temple Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue and 65th St., will be covered. Newsmen will not be allowed to meet the President at Idlewild, Arm said.

## Express Train

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## Four Klamath Falls Men Vividly Recall Pearl Harbor Attack 22 Years Ago



VERN FAHLGREN



PAUL CALDWELL

By DAN WALTERS  
It was a quiet Sunday morning in December.  
And then:  
"We saw those torpedo planes come in and the sun hit the torpedoes and they flashed."  
That was the first inkling Vern Fahlgren, now of Klamath Falls, had of the sudden and savage Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Dec. 7, 1941.  
Fahlgren, now part-owner of a beer distributing firm in Klamath Falls, was then a 19-year-old seaman serving aboard the battleship maintenance ship USS Vestal. The Vestal was tied alongside the battleship USS Arizona, which was sunk with the loss of thousands of officers and men.

Another Klamath Falls man who remembers that violent day is Paul Bryan Caldwell, a Klamath Falls city fireman, who then was stationed a few hundred yards from Fahlgren on the light cruiser USS Phoenix.  
He recalls:  
"When I got topside, I knew it was no drill. The Arizona blew up—the damndest explosion you ever saw. Fire and smoke everywhere."  
And still a third local man with a special memory of that day is Earl Carlson, a professional sailor who retired in 1939 after 23 years of service in the Navy.  
Twenty-two years ago Saturday, Dec. 7, 1941, he was aboard the destroyer

USS Craven, which was standing just outside Pearl Harbor with Task Force 14, commanded by the famed Admiral "Bull" Halsey and including the aircraft carrier Enterprise.  
He recalls chasing the Japanese fleet all over the ocean following the attack, without ever finding an enemy ship.  
These men were contacted last week and interviewed about their memories of that fateful day.  
A fourth Klamath Falls man, Vern Schortgen, now city building inspector, wasn't at Pearl on the day of the attack, but he arrived a month later and supervised the raising of two of the five battleships sunk by the Japanese—the California and the Maryland.

Fahlgren, 41, was not alone on the Vestal when the Arizona blew up a few feet away. Three of his brothers were with him. None of the family was hurt.  
But dozens of other men on the Vestal were killed and injured when the ship took two direct bomb hits from Japanese planes.  
Fahlgren recalls that on that morning he, his brother, and another man were standing on deck having a cigarette after breakfast when the giant of the sun off torpedoes slung under Japanese planes caught their eye.  
"The Arizona carried the (fleet) flag. That was the first target," he said. He said that



EARL CARLSON



VERN SCHORTGEN

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