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The Rabbits Were Benefitted

The longest and most expensive legislative session in the history of Oregon is expected to close at any time with the net result that many persons will be wondering about the net results.

The governor was extravagant with his promises during last fall's campaign, both by outright commitment and by innuendo, to spend more and tax less. The Journal questioned some of his statements following a political meeting in Nyssa and was reminded by local party members that "the man should be given a chance."

The governor has been given every opportunity to fulfill commitments and obligations with little heckling from the "Republican press" and with a fair amount of support from legislators elected on the Republican ticket. Few, if any of the legislature's accomplishments can be traced to the executive office. The "hated" 45 percent surtax was repealed and exemptions were increased—as promised—but most income taxpayers will actually pay what is equal to a 50 percent surtax!

The numerous state bureaus about which the governor, as a candidate, complained are still with us along with new "commissions", all of which have demanded and received larger appropriations. Corporations, the target of vocal political campaigners, have had their taxes boosted, then lowered by "offsets" while the small business man, the farmer and the wage earner have been struck by direct hits or ricochets from the state administration's poorly-aimed target pistol.

Salaries of some elected officials, who knew the "going pay scale" when they were candidates, have been increased along with that of appointive officials, to the tune of several million dollars.

The Oregon legislature adopted several "Memorials to Congress" and resolutions for recommendations on how to operate the federal government—yet our state government is obviously in need of advice that comes only from lobbyists.

Those who day-dreamed about lower property taxes with more basic school support are still waiting to enjoy that tax relief even though \$15,000,000 was appropriated to increase the support from \$80 to \$95 per census child.

Realism had to be faced about acknowledgment that school people and legislators are human beings and were in disagreement among themselves about disbursement of funds, what areas would be hurt and which would be helped.

The legislature again proved itself vulnerable to minority pressure groups that have upped the state spending. This is not necessarily in condemnation, but is to point out that idealistic promises cannot be fulfilled when human nature is involved.

This legislative session cost \$1,250,000 as compared with \$615,000 two years ago—and for what? Higher taxes, more restrictions, buck-passing of tax collection duties to small business and a wall around the state to discourage new business and industry?

From the banks of the Snake river in Eastern Oregon we repeat our previous contention that the greatest accomplishment of the 49th legislative assembly was the amount of fool-hardy legislation that was prevented rather than the amount of good legislation that was passed.

Maybe we're forgetting something, though. A bill was put through to reclassify rabbits as poultry!

Letters to Editor

Signed letters to the editor are welcomed and will be printed if they do not contain comments of a libelous nature or attacks on religious and racial groups. Publication of the letters does not signify the agreement of this newspaper with opinions expressed.

Dear Duane:

The 49th legislative session will soon be over and I will return home in order to pursue my normal activities as a lawyer.

My only purpose in writing you at this time is to thank you most sincerely for the generosity you evidenced in printing the legislative report which I mailed you from time to time. So far as I know, this is the only medium which I have for retaining contact with the people of the 21st district. I like to think that the people over there wish to keep informed as to the activities of their legislators.

Therefore, I honestly feel that the people of the 21st district are indebted directly to the newspapers because without them it would have been impossible for me to keep in touch with my district. I realize full well that you were under no obligation whatever to print any of my reports or any portion of them, and this knowledge prompts me to thank you more emphatically than ever. Your cooperation will never be forgotten.

With kind personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Anthony Yturri
State Senator

Guest Editorial

SPRING IS EVERYWHERE

By Mrs. Irvin S. Hart, Vale

Have you been driving through the country lately and noticed how pretty the cattle look on the lush green pastures? Have you noticed, how in late years there are more herds of one breed, uniform in color and what a beautiful picture they make—a spring of different from years past when travelers from the East would remark about mixed herds of cattle they saw while traveling on our highways?

Have you thought what has helped bring about these changes? Perhaps one of the greater interests has been stirred up by dairy clubs of three major breeds.

This is the 12th year for the Malheur Jersey Cattle club to be active in promoting a spring show where 4-H, FFA and adult breeders compete for top honors in showing fine animals.

This club has worked closely with county 4-H leaders, FFA instructors and county agents in carrying out this show and with 70 youths present at our youth day held early in March, we know dairying is here to stay and become one of the leading industries of the valley.

With the help of local merchants, chamber of commerce and banks we have been able to continue these shows and will bring before the people on the green lawns of the Nyssa grade school for the 12th time, come Saturday, about 100 of the best Jerseys in Malheur county with Harold Ewalt of Oregon State College doing the judging.

Help us get behind these youths, who have spent days getting calves in top showing condition and who are so eager to show them off, by coming out and boosting the show this year.

There will be lunch served on the grounds with all the free Jersey milk you can drink.

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Stranger In The County

By Bill Campbell

Kinda makes a fellow want to gulp. I leave Oregon and the whole state weeps for two weeks! Now that your little ray of sunshine is back you can expect better weather. At this writing I'm a little dubious, but you've got to admit that starting Monday beet thinning and weed chasing has again been going full blast.

Ugly rumor department: Just because Mrs. Alf Daniel left town the same day as I did, and just because we returned the same day is NO REASON for you to be suspect. She journeyed to Hot Springs, S.D. with Mr. and Mrs. Oluf Nielson who are remaining in the midwest for another five weeks. Lucinda returned via rail. Besides, I was under 24-hour surveillance of a cute little gal who NEVER got too sleepy—especially when we hit Hurley, Wisc.

Speaking of the police—which I wasn't—just how close can Bob and Clem get?

Might as well admit it—Tuesday I wandered over to the bridge and caught Leo Kellogg working. It's only fair to state, however, that he was touting the light end of the cross beam (wood not steel).

Doc Sarazin injected me with bitter words when I returned. Seems I called that scrub stuff they have in Michigan the "brush" and it should have been the "bush." Bush, or brush it still looks like kindling wood to me.

Doc also asked whether or not I had met any of his cousins. Seems he was born in the upper peninsula of Michigan—the town isn't even on the map—and was playing me with questions about that area. Don't know exactly who his relatives are, but there once was an Indian—maid.

Golly sakes! One surely learns the facts of life during the great Northwest. Got a kick out of the signs along the highway. Montana went all out for attractive eye-catchers which read: "eat beef and keep them." Attached to same were usually signs advertising beer. Neat trick if you can do it. Keep them, that is.

Speaking of Montana, Ye Gods! When you order a steak there the waitress staggers in with half a steer. Never have I eaten such delicious beef—so much—and paid less. The potatoes were also excellent. No doubt they buy the ones we DON'T get around here. (Last time I mentioned spuds Elmer Jaques shut me up by bringing me a 25-pound sack of number ones—they are all gone, Elmer.)

Speaking of Elmer, I've seen proud papas, but he's in his element when he watches his son Clark catch for the Nyssa Bulldogs. Clark, only a sophomore, has quite a potential as a ball player which delights Elmer, Nyssa's "Mr. Baseball."

That should be good for at least 10 pounds!

Let's go back a few paragraphs to my profound discussion about signs. I make the following observations: Burma Shave is slipping. . . the Stinker Station in Boise is on the ball. Got a bang out of one of their signs posted amid sage brush. There had been nothing to see BUT sage for miles and miles and suddenly appeared a sign reading "Ain't it monotonous!"

There were also signs that would make prohib's weep and the Oregon liquor board shudder. Huge signs advertised naughty places with such entrancing neons as "Elbow Room, BOOZE," "Milk.

Eagles Auxiliary Hosts at Social Night

The Nyssa Eagles auxiliary was host to a large representation of Eagles and auxiliary members and their partners from throughout the community and as far distant as Weiser, Nampa, Boise and Caldwell for a social evening at the Eagles hall Saturday.

The program included vocal numbers by Charlie Jones, a skit, "Grandma's Lye Soap," sack dance and a comical scene staged by Mabel Fanger and Mrs. Ward Lundy. Mrs. Ray Russell, in costume, served as interlocutor for "LaFoe's" appearance just after midnight.

Dancing to George Shurtleff's orchestra and buffet luncheon were also featured. Mrs. Eddie Taylor was general chairman of the event.

LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. John Briehl
May 26—Sermon: "Eternal Death."

The Women's Federation held a meeting at the church Monday evening.

The Rev. Briehl was guest speaker on the topic, "Problems Involving Migrant Workers," at the Baptist women's meeting in Ontario. He will speak on the same topic at the Saturday evening meeting of the Pomona grange in Willowcreek.

The planning committee for the spiritual growth program met at the L. L. Wright home last Wednesday night.

The first annual Mother-Daughter breakfast was held at the church Mothers day under the chairmanship of Mrs. Robert Fanger. Forty mothers and daughters were present.

Gas and Whiskey, "Girls and Gallons."

I just plain blushed mile after mile.

Come to think of it, 10 pounds would be plenty.

And this is plenty for this week. No, it isn't.

Just heard that Skinny Tensen got pretty cocky. In fact he accidentally drove one of his birds to town the other day. The peacock, no doubt upset by Skinny's driving, flew the coop when Tensen parked on Main street and it started to shop in Eder's Hardware. It took some doing but Skinny got the bird in hand which of course is better than two in the bush.

My thanks to George Rietenbaugh for this addition to the trials and tribulations of that Tensen man.

Say! How was that "SALAM LOAF" featured at Brownie's the other day?

Frank Biscardi shouldn't sleep too peacefully at night either. Had a long chat with Bud Swan at Richfield, Idaho. He told me ALL about Frank. Bud, as many of you know was an Adrian resident for 10 years. Golly, if I had that information BEFORE I wrote up Frank's life.

You're lucky, Frank.

And you'll be fortunate if you see the Jersey show this Saturday at the grade school grounds. No wonder that year after year they have the most beautiful lawn in town.

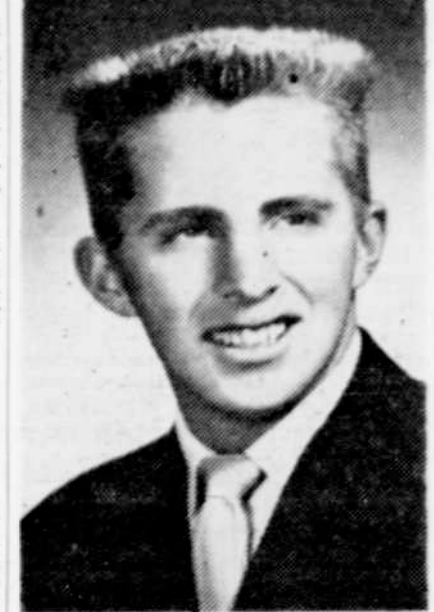
Glad to be back. More about our trip next week. I haven't even BEGUN to type yet.

Bye now, and YOU BUY NYSSA. (The grass ain't greener in the other states.)

Even five pounds would help. Bye — Bill.

Beus to Leave On LDS Mission

A farewell testimonial Sunday at 8 p.m. at the Nyssa stakehouse will honor Rodney L. Beus, prior to his departure for an LDS California mission. A farewell party will be given in his honor by the Nyssa Stake.



Rodney L. Beus

Mutual and Elders quorum May 29 at the stakehouse. Friends are invited to attend the farewell fetes.

Beus will enter the mission home in Salt Lake City June 5 and later leave for Los Angeles, where he will receive further assignment. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Beus and a 1956 graduate of Nyssa high school.

Vacation School At St. Hubert's

St. Hubert's religious vacation school will start May 27 and continue for two weeks. Instruction is planned for children from the first grade through the eighth, beginning with 8 a.m. mass and concluding at 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The vacation school will be held in the Nyssa grade school under the direction of two Franciscan Sisters from Baker—who will be guests at the Herman Towne home. They will be assisted by Mrs. Joe Dority and Mrs. Sam Smit of St. Hubert's parish.

Christian Church Notes

Morning sermon: The Christian Home.

There will be a CYF Singspiration at Weiser Sunday, 2:00 p.m. Evening sermon: "The Laver." CWF group meetings Thursday, May 23, 2:00 p.m. Group No. 1 meets at the home of Mrs. Leroy Pulliam. Group No. 2 meets with Mrs. J. C. Smith.

Friday, May 24, the Loyalty class will hold their party meeting at the home of Dolly Case.

Wednesday, May 29, will be a church social.

May 30, all available persons will go to Cove for an all day work session at the camp.

Daily vacation Bible school will start June 3. All children from 4 years through the 8th grade are welcome. An especially interesting program is planned for this year.

The Come Double class met at the church Thursday evening. Gus Liming, president, presided over the business meeting and presented the guest speaker, Rev. Paul Ludlow. His talk and the following discussion was appreciated by all. Mrs. Elvin Ballou served refreshments.

CONDUCTS CONFERENCE IN VALE MONDAY

Rev. Paul Ludlow of the Nyssa Methodist Church conducted the fourth quarterly conference at the Vale Methodist church last Monday evening. Mrs. Ludlow also attended the meeting.

Visiting several weeks at the home of her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Liming is Mrs. E. H. Watts of Tacoma, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beem and daughters of Boise were weekend houseguests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Russell. Sunday dinner guests at the Russell home were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hale and family.

Methodist Church News

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord."
—Is. 55:8.

Idaho annual conference meets this week, May 21-24, at Twin Falls, Ida. Attending are the Rev. and Mrs. Paul Ludlow and Mrs. W. W. Foster, lay delegate.

Thursday (Today), 1 p.m.—Woman's Society of Christian service will have officers' training day at the home of Mrs. Clyde Snider. All new officers as well as the present ones are asked to attend.

Thursday (Tonight), 7:30 p.m.—The Ma-Pa group will have its regular monthly potluck supper and meeting. All who have 35-mm. colored slides are requested to bring their best ones to share with the group.

Sunday, May 26, 9:45 a.m.—Church school for all.

11 a.m.—Mr. Ludlow's topic for the morning worship will be "God Out of Bounds."

7 p.m.—MYF and MIF groups regular meetings at the church. June 3-14—The Apple Valley and Nyssa Methodist churches are uniting in the vacation church school. All children from four years through the sixth grade are cordially invited. Some of the teachers have children under four and to release them it would be greatly appreciated if someone who feels she cannot each week volunteer as baby sitter from 9 to 12 one or more mornings. Please contact Mrs. Bill Wilson if you can.

Let the Bible Speak

Let us notice some questions and statements made by man and then see what the Bible says.

Man: God would not let any man go to hell.

Bible: Matt. 23:33 says, speaking of the Scribes and Pharisees: "Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?" Jesus' own words. See Mark 16:16, Luke 16:23-31.

Man: There is a great gulf bridged by baptism for the dead.

Bible: Luke 16:26-31.

"And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence."

Jesus gives no way by which man can cross the gulf.

Man: But wasn't the story of the rich man and Lazarus just a parable?

Writer: No! But even if it were, Jesus never misrepresented facts to teach a lesson.

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