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FBI Hoover Indicates Necessity For Change in Morals Thinking

MORALITY, INTEGRITY, law and order, and other cherished principles of our great heritage are battling for survival in many communities today. They are under constant attack from degrading and corrupting influences which, if not halted, will sweep away every vestige of decency and orderliness remaining in our society.

Certain groups, numerically weak but vociferously strong, appear determined to destroy all acceptable standards of personal conduct and sane behavior patterns. They seem bent on eliminating all ethical practices relating to our established order.

For instance, most citizens would be horrified to think that someday it might be legally permissible for a person to rise in a courtroom and hurl four-letter invectives at the judge without fear of punishment. "This cannot be," we say, "the court is inviolable. It administers justice under the laws by which we live." Law enforcement is an arm of the same laws. It is charged with the responsibility under these laws of taking certain action which ultimately is resolved in court. However, a move is underway demanding that profane verbal abuse directed at police officers be legally recognized as a constitutional right. If it can be argued that such preposterous action is legally permissible at the enforcement level of the law, could it not also be argued that it is permissible at all levels of our legal system?

History proves that the best interests of our Nation lie in a law-abiding, decent, and orderly society. We cannot live with lawlessness, unbridled vulgarity, obscenity, blasphemy, perversion, and public desecration of every sacred and just symbol. We should be alarmed when wide-spread recognition and monetary awards go to a person who writes a "satirical" piece of trash which maliciously defames the President of our country and insinuates he murdered his predecessor. We should be alarmed when some groups, under the guise of academic freedom and constitutional privilege, flood our college campuses with obscene four-letter-word campaigns and pornographic publications which violate all codes of ethics. And we should be equally alarmed when an enforcement officer making an arrest must fight for his life against assaults from onlookers who scoff and ridicule him for doing his duty.

Why do these conditions exist? Certainly, an overwhelming majority of Americans do not want their families exposed to indecent, immoral, and unlawful practices which plague our communities. But unorganized protesters carry little weight against organized crusaders of filth, immorality, and crime. If this is not the legacy we want to pass on to our youth, then it is high time we took action to improve conditions.

Let us stop persecuting enforcement officers when we should be prosecuting criminals. Let us stop defying offbeat dolts whose ability is measured only by how deep they can dip their poisonous pens into the pots of blasphemy, filth, and falsehood. Let us stop listening to half-truths and criticisms of time-tested ideals and start telling and selling the true story of democracy as we know it. In short, let us stop being led blindly toward the cavern of self-destruction by bogus Pied Pipers and get on with the perpetuation of the self-evident truths which, with Divine guidance, have served our Nation so well over the years.

April 1, 1967 John Edgar Hoover, Director.
(Reprinted from the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin)

Dr. Luther King Demonstrations Show Thinking on Civil Rights

We've heard many strange speeches in our time but the one that was delivered a few days ago by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in New York's Riverside Church is in a class by itself. Certainly it deserves close study by anyone trying to understand the mess we are in because it illustrates the befuddled kind of thinking that made the mess and keeps making it messier.

The Rev. Dr. King, as you know, called for a boycott of the Vietnam War and urged Americans to refuse to fight. There are some who look upon statements such as this as treasonable, and they do give aid and comfort to the Communist enemy. However, it would be wrong to call Dr. King a traitor.

A few months ago J. Edgar Hoover made a statement to the effect that Dr. King is sometimes careless with the truth. And in this speech Dr. King made some amazing statements for a gentleman of the cloth. A good example was his claim that "Twice as many Negroes as whites are in combat." Some might call Dr. King a liar for saying a thing like that.

But some will say, why shouldn't he know better? He's a doctor, isn't he? Doctors are supposed to have some brains. Certainly the Nobel Peace Prize people must have thought he was smart. Their image would suffer terribly if people thought they were handing all that money and publicity to any idiot with a complaisant personality. So Dr. King can't be stupid. But then how do you explain his asinine accusation that the U.S. is the "greatest purveyor of violence in the world today"? Hasn't he found out about the hundreds of millions enslaved behind the Iron and Bamboo Curtains? Who purveyed that violence and is still working at it without letup? And is he expressing sympathy for those slave-masters when he tells us we're "on the wrong side of the revolution"?

Some will say Dr. King is a Communist, and must be to say the things he does. We submit that would be a hard thing to prove.

Our only theory is that the reverend doctor is one of those tiresome orators who gets so carried away by his organ-like voice that anything goes--out of his mouth and into those waiting microphones.

It's the most charitable explanation we can think of for his hate-filled diatribes against these United States.

Vale Netters Down Bulldogs

Although five Nyssa netmen defeated their opponents March 27, at Nyssa, the Vale team overpowered the NHS team 7-4. Lorraine Wilson defeated Jones 6-2, 6-4. Gary Ross overpowered Kamo 6-1, 6-1 and Reid Saito defeated Humphrey 6-1, 6-2. In boys doubles Jim Farmer and Stuart Henigson downed Bashford and Harrod 6-2, 1-6, 6-2.

Winkle of Vale defeated Darrel King and Tropt defeated Jerri Ableman. In another girls single match, Condie downed Roxy Mason. In second boys doubles Palmer and Barker defeated Bruce Sarazin and Rodger Garner. In girls doubles Townly and Hart overpowered Joan Stunz and Lineta Stedman, Mikkleson and Hartley defeated Diana Okano and Anita Piercy. In mixed doubles Ferguson and Jacobson downed Nancy Seward and Bruce Jackson.

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Criminal Appeals Court with three judges. Passage of such a measure would alleviate the tremendous number of criminal appeals being filed by reason of recent U. S. Supreme Court decisions granting to persons accused of crime more and more leeway and rights. The criminal appeal trend has caused a backlog of cases in our own Supreme Court, and the Justices frankly admit that as a result, many decisions are being written hurriedly without the same consideration they used to receive.

The House defeated a bill that would have had the effect of combining Baker County (presently the 8th Judicial District), Morrow and Umatilla Counties (presently the 6th Judicial District), and Union and Wallowa Counties (presently the 10th Judicial District) into a new 6th Judicial District. This would have destroyed the balance that now exists, and virtually every lawyer and judge in the area was opposed to the bill, although it had the strong support of the Judicial Council. Quickies

There is still a lot of talk about "kooks" speaking on our campuses, and the House State and Federal Affairs Committee, of which Representative Bob Smith is chairman, this week passed out a measure requesting the State Board of Higher Education to "re-evaluate" its policies that resulted in the appearance of such speakers as Timothy Leary, the exponent of LSD, and Communist leader Gus Hall.

The story about Joe Uris, Portland State College Student Body President, being exposed as a Communist caused a lot of furor in the Legislative halls also.

The Senate approved a bill to allow cities to issue sewer bonds without vote of the people if the matter was not submitted to the people for a vote within one year of the time ordered by the State Sanitary Authority.

The House Judiciary Committee approved a bill that would require the Oregon State Bar to provide funds through its members to reimburse clients cheated by dishonest lawyers.

Senate Bill 536, which would have the effect of legalizing Bankamerica Cards, has not as yet been assigned to a committee. The Attorney General has ruled that such credit cards of the banks are illegal. No court decision has been made on the question, but the banks have had a bill introduced legalizing the cards.

And, in House committee action today, the Highway Committee has passed out a one-cent-per-gallon increase in the gasoline tax. The measure now goes to the Ways and Means Committee for their action, since it has fiscal implications.

I intimate no opinion on the merits, but I think the petition for certiorari should be granted. We have here a recurring question in present-day Selective Service cases.

What we also have here is a recurring question, as old as the Constitution itself, going to the doctrine of separation of powers. It is a novel thought (though it is not so novel that Douglas should think it) that the Supreme Court has some judicial authority that rises above the war powers vested in Congress and in the

President as Commander-in-chief.

implicit is the reasoning that a majority of the Supreme Court could make "war criminals" out of the 500,000 American servicemen now in Vietnam. All that would be required, in the Douglas view, is a judicial opinion certifying that this "episode" is an "aggressive war." If so, it violates the Treaty of London and thus makes criminals of fighting men.

One expects such a farrago of nonsense from Bertrand Russell, who has proposed a mock trial of Lyndon Johnson. But it is a bizarre experience to see the theory propounded by a member of the highest court in our land. ☆☆☆

TECHNICALLY INCORRECT — The papers said all American troops have now left France. Technically, that's not accurate. About 100,000 are still buried there.

Pity the Poor Congressmen

Apparently we have seen so much human suffering we are becoming callous toward it. We came to this conclusion when we felt not one whit of pity for the poor congressman who complains about going in the hole on the \$30,000 a year which they are paid in addition to their office expenses. The average member of the House has to get along on about \$100,000 a year which includes about \$70,000 for office expenses and staff. Senators average about \$160,000 a year in addition to their \$30,000 salaries.

One member of the House pointed out that his \$30,000 salary vanished like this: sending one son to college—\$3660; housing—\$1750; travel—\$2500; entertainment—\$1750; household and food—\$6000; maid (live in)—\$2160; newsletters to voters—\$3000; dry cleaning—\$600; utilities—\$1500; telephone—\$400; medical and drugs—\$840. This adds up to only \$24,160, but he had his daily incidental spending, contributions to charity and other items to add to the total. All in all he was steadily going broke.

Most of the members of the Congress seem to think that \$50,000 a year should be about the minimum salary, and they could use quite a bit more too for expense allowances. Since all they have to do to change the situation is pass a bill raising their salaries and allowances, it can be assumed that they will not have to suffer very long on this low income.

We know of quite a few wage and salary workers around Wallowa county who make about \$6,000 a year, or 20 percent of what a congressman makes, with no allowances for expenses. Before any of these fellows who have a wife and two children get their paychecks the federal government has taken out for income tax \$10.80 per week or \$561.60 for the year. The state will have taken out another \$2.10 per week or \$109.20 for the year. They will have had another \$5.06 per week, or \$263.12 for the year deducted for Social Security. These three deductions will lop \$933.92 off the \$6,000 per year. The worker will have a few other deductions, including workmen's compensation

4th Grade at Ore-Ida
 Tuesday April 11, Mrs. Spitzge's room went to Ore-Ida. We went because we are studying about industries. We stopped at the park at 10:00am to eat our picnic lunch. Then at 12:45 we went to Ore-Ida. The man that runs the Ore-Ida is Mr. Dale Mc Lane. Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Church, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Bierly, and Mrs. Staples went and helped take care of the group. We went through the plant at 1:00 p.m. so soon as we were done Ore-Ida was nice enough to give us some of their products that we thoroughly enjoyed.

By Larry Cunningham

Malheur County Disaster Plan Dated April 20

A special conference, intended to increase the participants' knowledge of what constitutes "disaster preparedness" for both county and municipal government, has been scheduled April 20 (Thursday) in the Weese Building at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario.

The conference is part of a series of 18 to be held in Oregon through May of this year as the result of a Division of Continuing Education contract with the U.S. Office of Civil Defense.

Invitations to attend the program have been sent to county and city officials within Malheur County, heads of private and public agencies, service organizations, and key community leaders.

Included will be persons who have some sort of "action" responsibility under disaster conditions (such as floods or "high wind alerts"), as well as individuals who are interested in extending knowledge and understanding of emergency conditions to the public.

The morning (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.) portion of the county-sponsored program will be presented by the Division of Continuing Education while the afternoon (1:00-3:00 p.m.) segment will be directed by the Federal Cooperative Extension

and may net \$5,000 if he is lucky.

Now this chap, if he sends one son to college, like the congressman, at \$3660 per year, will have about \$1340 left for the rest of the family. This won't be enough to pay for his entertainment, if he entertains like a congressman, and it will be only a little more than half enough for a live-in maid. What he will do for housing, household expenses, food, utilities, medical bills, clothes, insurance and a host of other bills, we will leave up to the imagination and the commiseration of congressmen who know what it is to suffer along on an insufficient income. (Wallowa County Chiefton)

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Area Homemakers To Hear Talk

A highlight of the April 27 annual Malheur county homemakers festival will be Guest Speaker Andy Landforce, Oregon State university extension wildlife management specialist. The meeting will be held at the district building in the Oregon Slope area.

Landforce will show slides of various beauty spots in Oregon as they apply to "family recreation". Being an outdoor enthusiast, his slides will show many kinds of inexpensive but highly rewarding types of recreation to delight every family.

The program, according to Mrs. Lloyd Campbell, county committee chairman will begin at 10:00 o'clock with morning activities including a safety demonstration, skits and award presentations.

The guest speaker will be featured in the afternoon, following a chicken luncheon prepared and served by women in the Oregon Slope area.

Luncheon tickets can be purchased from unit chairmen or at the door. Babysitting will be provided by women of Ontario Methodist church.

The public is invited to attend this homemakers festival, integrated its program into a community-wide concept that included civic, youth and women's activities.

For 20 years, the Grange, with the Sears Foundation, has sponsored a Community Progress Program, under which national contests are held among local Grangers for community-development projects.

The last \$10,000 first-prize winner, for instance, was the Grange in Spencer, N. Y., which with the Spencer Chamber of Commerce, converted a swamp in the middle of town into an attractive lake.

The young have always been encouraged to participate in Grange activities since the national organization's creation. Youngsters 14 and over have always been eligible for full membership, and for 91 years younger aspirants have been eligible for Junior Grange membership.

Junior Granges have instigated such following activities: summer camps, group discussions, nature studies, first aid instructions, bus tours and participation in National Grange competitions in the fields of art, photography and sewing.

Women have had an equal role in National Grange action since its founding -- an unprecedented position for any national organization at the time. (The Grange called for women's suffrage in 1855 -- 65 years before the 19th Amendment provided for this right.)

Today the Grange has widespread programs for women; besides homemaking functions in connection with Grange Hall activities (4,000 Granges have their own halls, which are used by their communities), and home economics, Grange women also participate in Grange activities as lecturers, officers and committee chairmen.

JAY-C-ETTES TO MEET Members of the Jay-C-ettes will meet at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 25 at the home of Mrs. Stanley Sisson, 316 King Ave., with Mrs. Rod George as co-hostess.

There will be a special speaker with election of new officers to follow.

Yell Leaders Chosen by NHS

Tryouts for varsity cheerleaders were also held during the Wednesday assembly. Girls chosen to lead yells for the coming year are Christine Burningham, Marcia Jackson, Connie Mitchell, Stephanie Wilson and Ann Zittercob.

Other participants trying out were Peggy Moore, Susan Bratton, Susan Hartley and Ruth Ann McGinley.

nhs annual staff reveals officers for coming year.

Annual Staff Reveals Officers

The 1967-68 yearbook staff for Nyssa High School is as follows: Marie Durfee, editor; Carolyn Winchester, assistant editor; Nancy Bock, business manager.

When choosing the staff, Miss Nihart, Tupelo Advisor, and the editor of the coming year, carefully examine grades and personality. A student on the staff must have good grades, especially in English and Typing.

Staff members are also chosen for their cooperativeness and dependability.

Those people who are thinking of working on the staff in future years are reminded that one year of typing is a prerequisite.

April 13--To Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith of Nyssa, a 5-pound, 13-ounce girl, Karla Mae.

April 14--To Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Keeton of Fruitland, a 9-pound boy, Darrell Wayne.

April 15--To Mr. and Mrs. Danny Apodoca of Ontario, an 8-pound, 8-ounce girl, Sonja Ann.

"Just Arrived"

AUDITIONS SCHEDULED FOR PIANO STUDENTS

National Guild of Piano Teachers will sponsor auditions for students of local instructors April 27-29 at 1074 S. W. 9th Ave., in Ontario. Mrs. Donald R. Mittelstaedt of Connell, Wash., will serve as judge for the event. She is a music graduate of Whitman college and completed two years of post graduate work in Europe.

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