



FORMER ENEMIES: A few months ago, these men were Viet Cong militia in an area that had been under communist rule since 1946. Now, re-armed and re-outfitted, they are fighting for the Saigon government. More than 200 of them, under their own leaders, came over to the government's side under the Chieu Hoi (Open Arms) program. The amnesty project employs advisors supplied by the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID).

Sen. Hatfield Sponsors Transportation Plan

The Sec. of Transportation would be authorized to develop a long range program of comprehensive regional transportation planning and coordination in a bill which is scheduled to be introduced in the Senate this week, according to Senator Mark O. Hatfield.

Hatfield said today that he is joining with Washington Senator Warren Magnuson in sponsorship of the measure.

He said the measure would "designate Transportation Regions made up of clusters of states, urban areas or parts of urban areas which have broad natural, demographic or economic relationships."

He pointed out that under provisions of the bill each region designated would be invited to establish a federally funded Regional Transportation Commission.

Such commissions would include one member from each state, he said.

He said that Magnuson, Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee of which Hatfield is a member, introduced similar legislation in the last session of Congress. "He feels, and I agree, that

the only way to approach our transportation problems is in an orderly and coordinated fashion," Hatfield said.

"As it stands now, each mode of transportation is being developed to a great extent without full consideration of all other modes and of the impact on the area," he said.

"This is resulting in such problems as the development of major airport facilities which, through lack of coordinated planning, are inconvenient to reach by ground transportation from the cities they serve."

Herb Sez ...

This old ginger snapping geriatric is sure going to miss a lot of his old favorites on TV this fall. Ed Sullivan, Lawrence Welk, Green Acres, Beverly Hillsbillies, Hee-Haw, Andy Griffiths, Jim Nabors and several others are being tossed into the trash can. Lassic is biting the dust also. The reason? It's not because these shows aren't watched, it's because the watchers aren't swingers. Wee tots and us old geeks aren't the big spenders we may be the big providers but that doesn't count.

It seems the powers that be have come to the conclusion that ages 18 to 35 are the sources of real spendable dough and this is no doubt true, but it seems sad in a way that so many of us will be forced to watch the Mod Squad type of show. Everybody should realize that the young marrieds are actually the biggest spenders. They must buy everything from the house to new furniture so, therefore, it's only logical for the buyers of prime time to want to direct their message to this group. TV time costs real dough and they can't afford to waste it on nonprospective viewers.

In the future we can expect to see less and less of the easy, comfortable comedy shows such as Green Acres (a lot of people will say "hurray") and more of the shows

Group Slates Rock Show During Festival

The Squaw Butte Rockhounds Eighth Annual Rock Show will be held June 26 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and June 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Armory building at the Gem County Fair Grounds at Emmett in conjunction with the Cherry Festival.

The show will have Gems and Rocks from around the world, representing eight different rock clubs of the North West Federation District as well as individuals from the local area. On display will be Fire Opal from the Spencer Idaho mine, also Garnets, Chrystals, Agates, Jaspers and Minerals. Among the displays will be Antiques and local Artifacts.

Featured this year for the first time in this show will be dealers, dealing in Gems, Rocks and Accessories.

Demonstrations will be numerous, some of which are Cabochon grinding and polishing, by Harold Johnson and John Bednorze; how to use a rock saw, by Ted Herman; and Sibley Sander and Polisher will be demonstrated by Frank Sibley of Bates, Oregon.

A Silent Auction will be in session with Grace Jorgensen and Harold Johnson in attendance. Kay Thomas will direct the sales of Grab bags and Pebbles, assisted by Bettie Fischer.

Kitchen chairman Louise Johnson will be assisted by Bonnie Beel and promises tasty refreshments for sale at the snack bar.

Under the direction of Show Chairman Carl Abercrombie, door prizes will be given every hour during the show with the Grand Prize going at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, the last day of the show.

Free overnite parking will be available for visitors.

Admission charge will be 50¢ for adults; children under 12 free when accompanied by parents.

intended to bring a message of some sort. We older people will learn to like it or stop watching.

I enjoy sitting in front of the boob tube. It's an absolute waste of time. I learn very little and am kept from learning more via books. I haven't the guts to turn the damned thing off. I just sit there like a wart on a nose accomplishing absolutely nothing. I can see one bright light in the future. If they keep running reruns of the reruns I may, just possibly, come out of my trance and do something worthwhile again. I'm not criticizing the local TV stations, they must make a living and have to cut somewhere and anyhow you should see what they have in other places like Seattle.

TVCC Law Students Can Transfer To EOC

Graduates in Treasure Valley Community College's Law Enforcement program may now transfer most of their transcript of courses to Eastern Oregon College, Earl McCollum, Director of Occupational Education announced today. Eastern Oregon College will begin a four year Law Enforcement program with the fall quarter 1971 and joins the list of senior institutions seeking students completing community college courses in police work. The others are Northern Arizona University, University of Puget Sound, University of Southern Colorado, and Washington State University.

"New Eyes" For Needy, Inc. Needs Old Glasses, Jewelry



When you're six years old, the world can be a wonderful place -- if you can see it. Tommy couldn't. He lived in a world of blurred images. School is tough enough when you're six. But it's even worse when your friends are learning to read, and you can't keep up.

To Tommy, letters were merely blurs; so were baseballs and faces. Because Tommy's father had long been out of work, glasses were simply out of the question -- until this year.

The boy's glasses were paid for by a volunteer organization hundreds of miles away, called New Eyes for the Needy, Inc., of Short Hills, New Jersey.

New Eyes, as it is familiarly known, has earned the reputation of being one of the most effective sight-saving charities in the world. It has helped many thousands of needy people obtain glasses -- here and abroad -- and it has never asked for a cent in donations.

Since its inception, almost 40 years ago, New Eyes has asked only for used eyeglasses and precious metal articles such as old watches, jewelry (real, costume and antique), good or damaged silver and dentures. The eyeglasses and glittering clutter are sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Inc., Short Hills, New Jersey 07078. Thousands of packages from all over the United States arrive in the neat stucco headquarters every year. There, volunteers, mostly housewives, sort out the glasses, separating those in plastic frames from those in metal frames.

Many of the 250 workers have learned to operate complex optical grading and testing equipment. They help fill specific orders from missions and hospitals in foreign countries where plastic framed glasses and sunglasses are sent.

The metal framed glasses have their uses, too. Through refining, they yield precious metals that are sold, along with the jewelry, to finance New Eyes funds in over 100 hospitals and health agencies throughout the United States. The money in these funds buys glasses for people who have nowhere else to turn.

Eastern Oregon College is placing emphasis on the area of sociology as a major with a minor law enforcement while the others offer a degree in law enforcement, McCollum explained.

In addition to these funds, arrangements have also been made in 48 states through health and welfare agencies whereby New Eyes purchases glasses for carefully screened persons, to whom no other private or public funds are available.

Last year 8,000 people were helped under this program. Tommy was one of them.

But, as public response has grown throughout the years, so has the volume of requests. Therefore, New Eyes needs more discarded jewelry and eyeglasses to do its job. As one New Eyes volunteer put it: "The wonderful thing about New Eyes is that we can ask people to send us things they no longer need."

And these gifts can bring vision to a little boy, like Tommy.



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