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Letters to the Editor

Editor's Note: The following is a copy of a letter from Larry Hatch to Sen. Bob Packwood.

June 23, 1977
 Senator Bob Packwood
 U.S. Senate
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Packwood:
 I have appreciated your replies to my previous letters regarding the U.S. sugar situation. I feel that you are interested in our problems. From the tone of your letters I also believe that we can expect you to support reasonable measures to correct these problems.

During the past few weeks I have received many compliments on the letter I wrote to you and published in the paper. Farmers and townspeople alike have voiced their approval of my views.

I have also received a number of comments on your letter to the editor of the Gate City Journal. This letter appeared in print on June 16th. You said at that time that I had failed to report the "Many other reasons" for your opposition to legislation involving quotas. I didn't mention these other reasons because at that time you had not yet mentioned them to me. In fact your idea of countervailing duties has not been mentioned in any of your letters to me; only in the one from you to the editor.

As you know, the economy of Eastern Oregon is very much dependent upon a healthy Agriculture. If farmers suffer, everybody here suffers. I believe that this will also be true for the country as a whole in the long-run. Agriculture is still the backbone of America's strength and we cannot allow this segment of our society to droop and still expect the national economy to hum along unaffected.

The idea of an international Agreement on sugar sounds good and would probably be a preferred approach over enactment of a U.S. sugar program if it could be done in a way that would be fair to all countries involved. This seems to me to be a remote possibility for the near future however. Since the Geneva meeting has ended without an agreement let's get on with a program for our own that will assure a viable sugar industry in this country. We can adapt to the international agreement when and if it comes into being. We don't have time to wait on the international treaty process. We're faced with immediate disaster.

Our sugar program should be designed to assure our consumers an adequate supply of sugar at reasonable prices. It must also provide growers and processors an opportunity to realize a reasonable profit.

It seems to me that in order to accomplish these objectives a system of quotas will have to be set up. Each foreign country which has the ability to supply us with sugar and which desires to do so should be assigned a portion of our requirements and made to agree to supply that quota - no more, no less. Those countries which fail to supply the agreed quantity would be penalized by losing their quota, or a portion of it. Domestic sugar companies could be treated much the same as foreign suppliers in the matter of assigning quotas. Each sugar

company could be assigned a portion of the total supply to be marketed by them and penalties for failure to meet quotas could be meted out. Each supplier would be responsible for making the necessary arrangements with producers to grow the crop needed to meet the quota. Government involvement in acreage allotments would be unnecessary.

Setting up a system of countervailing duties, as you propose, is a possibility, but it raises questions in my mind that I would like you to explain.

If I understand you correctly, what you are proposing is that we impose a duty on countries which sell sugar to the U.S. This duty would be equal to the subsidy which that country pays its growers to produce sugar. In other words, say the country of Timbuktu pays its farmers a subsidy of 2 cents per pound to grow sugar. Then when sugar comes from Timbuktu to the U.S. a duty of 2 cents would be charged the country of Timbuktu for each pound of sugar it shipped to us. This procedure would eliminate an undue incentive for foreign countries to sell sugar to the U.S.

My questions are these: 1. Wouldn't this policy of countervailing duties have 'restraint of trade' implications equal to or greater than a quota system? 2. Each country would have to be assessed a duty on an individual basis. What advantage is there to assigning duties over that of assigning quotas? 3. Someone would have to administer the program if we used duties. Would this administering be any less susceptible to corruption than would administration of a quota system?

It seems to me that countervailing duties would be more repulsive to our trading partners than would a quota assignment. If quotas are assigned in a business like manner they should be regarded in the same light as a contract. Whereas countervailing duties may be interpreted as an attempt by the U.S. Government to meddle in the foreign countries affairs. If a foreign government wants to subsidize its people to grow sugar that's their business. How much of that countries sugar we buy is our business.

Another aspect of this sugar situation which bothers me is the 'target price' concept that some are talking about. For example Secretary Bergland has been quoted as saying that we will set prices at less than 14 cents raw so high fructose corn syrup producers will have to struggle for a larger share of the market rather than having a "lead pipe cinch" on it. This kind of pricing he admits will drive many U.S. producers out of business, but he claims it will allow time to make the transition to other crops.

It seems illogical to me to set the price lower than 14 cents just to keep corn sugar from taking a bigger share of the market. High fructose is not going to gobble up the market overnight. Why not set the price where existing growers can make some money and leave corn sugar products free to develop. An approach such as this would buy us more time than would



TVCC ASSOCIATE DEAN, Earl McCollum, has been named to serve on the Governor's State Manpower Commission. McCollum will represent Eastern Oregon in decisions regarding federally funded programs.

a policy of low prices. If we continue to have the low prices we're faced with now and are forced to make a poor initial payment to our growers this fall we might as well forget about a 1978 crop. I hope you can understand the urgency of the situation.

To emphasize the point further let me tell you this. We have already lost our borderline growers. We've also lost some good, efficient ones. This year the only ones growing beets are the "died-in-the-wool" growers who have been with us through good and bad times. They planted beets on faith. They thought, with men in key positions who have agricultural backgrounds, that their needs would be recognized. They felt that some sound decisions would be made and that things would begin to look brighter again.

Senator Packwood, you are in a position to influence the decisions that must be made. We who live in Eastern Oregon are counting on you to help bring stability back into the sugar industry. Thank you once again for your past letters. I will be looking forward to hearing from you again.

Sincerely yours,
 Larry Hatch

Copies to:
 Sec. Bergland
 Pres. Carter
 Gate City Journal

Editor, The Journal:
 Have you had personal contact with the nursing home here?
 A relative or friend a patient there? Have you taken of your time to become acquainted with its facilities; staff, and programs? For the last several months I have been going there and it has been a revelation to me of where some of my tax money is being used. It is well to remember only in fiction that you find perfection, where there are working groups. The aged and ill can be querulous and only those who have been patient and understanding should accept this obligation. No hospital is free of some indifferent help.

But this is not the purpose of this letter to the public. It is to tell of the many advantages you will find in the nursing home. In the beginning, we are not a wealthy community yet we may look with pride at the modern building that houses the elderly. The rooms are spacious with wide windows bringing God's out-of-doors to those unable to walk out into it. A must to shut-ins, taking away the haunting feeling of inadequacy - no longer a part of the world about them. This has a deep importance. The halls are wide and well lighted. The inner court is their own garden. All this is subtle medicine to the patient.

Lets never lose sight of what a good nursing home means to any community and ours belongs to you and me. Our money makes it possible. In a manner we are the employers and as such should have the right to see it renders good services. How may you know of these matters unless you give your attention? The success or failure of any project rests on the staff and so carries a heavy responsibility. We can cooperate in this.

The nursing home is in truth the end of the road to most of its patients. Where they embark on the last boat and it must bring dignity. Here they have it. The home is like a family. The similarity in age give them grounds for communication.

Our community is cooperative with the hospital. Are you familiar with this? The

the Bible study each week and what could one study that would give more comfort when nearing the unknown? The churches rotate Sunday services. There are song fests, games, and where is to be found a more unselfish and devoted employee than **Marcie Robinson**. Her untiring effort made possible the dance program. Have you attended one? I have and it must be a great satisfaction to the staff to see the interest in the faces of those confined to wheel chairs. No doubt it revived old and dear memories. For a time they can lose identity with the present. We could wish for more **Marcies**.

The reception room is spacious and bright. A blazing fire is in the fireplace on cool days. A TV operates all day. All about the room are enticing deep chairs. Shelves are full of books for those who care to read. An atmosphere of home. It is good to know the state inspector gave us top rating.

Now let us take a long look at a community where there is no nursing home, and for the moment believe you yourself ailing and with no one conditioned to give you your needs for survival even though you have ample means to pay for them. It can happen, you know and does. Keep the thought you no longer are in control of your body. Where could you go? The nursing home is the only answer to this very real problem. Years ago we had none. In Salem we had a "Poor Farm". It was on the River Road. I have seen it. Too bad most of you have not. It was not pretty. Try to visualize it and then thank God for a nursing home.

If you have cared sufficiently to read this letter this far I ask you, make a friend of our nursing home. Learn how your tax money is being spent. Encourage the staff and do not be timid in suggestions to Jim Mattes. He is there with one thought only, to promote the best welfare of the patient and the hospital. If this letter reaches through to one person it will be time well used.

Bessie Long

How can I cut my electric use?



Lowering thermostat settings can put a real dent in the amount of energy you use for water heating. Most water heaters have two thermostats. You'll find them behind the removable plates on the front of your heater. On most models, the thermostats can be adjusted by hand or by using a screwdriver. Lower the setting to 120 degrees. That's hot enough for most household uses, although if you have an automatic dishwasher, you may need a somewhat higher temperature. **One note of caution: be sure you shut off the electricity to the heater before adjusting.** For more energy-saving ideas, call your local Idaho Power office and talk to an energy adviser.

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OBITUARIES

Christina Nein

Christina Nein, 1800 5th St., died early Wednesday, June 15, 1977 at Eventide of Greeley, Colorado.

Born June 11, 1896, at Saroffdoff, Russia, she was married to George Nein in Gering, Nebraska, May 20, 1917.

Mrs. Nein first lived in Loveland, Colorado after coming from Russia in 1905, then lived at Bridgeport, Nebraska and after marriage moved to Melbeta, Nebr. In 1925, she moved to Pine Ridge, South Dakota, where they farmed for 16 years. They came to Greeley in 1943. Her husband died May 22, 1976.

Mrs. Nein was a member of St. Paul's Congregational Church.

She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Vandewall of Nyssa, Oregon, Mrs. Elsie Choat of Vancouver, Wash., Mrs. Emma Berry of Greeley and Mrs. Esther Huber of Portland, Oregon; 12 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. John Adams of Wapato, Washington.

Obsequies were held for Christina Nein on Friday, June 17, 1977 at 1:30 p.m. from Adamson Memorial Chapel in charge of the Rev. Harold Harris. Organist was Mrs. Wallace Roberts. Songs were Rock of Ages and What A Friend We Have In Jesus. Interment was in Lin Grove Cemetery. Pallbearers were Vernon Owens, Floyd Nagels, Elton Burgets, Glenn Josephsons, Ronnie Horst and Harry Horst.

Adrian, Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Grace Lords

Services for Grace H. Lords, 80, Payette, who died Sunday, in a Payette nursing home, June 26, 1977 were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Payette Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Bishop Robert Michie. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery, under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Chapel, Payette.

She was born July 2, 1896, in Midway, Utah, was reared and educated in Ogden, and moved to Idaho Falls where she married Floyd Lords, March 21, 1921.

They moved to the Payette area in 1928. He died in 1973.

She was a member of the Payette LDS Church.

Surviving are two sons, Willard, Ontario and Vernon, Nyssa; two daughters, Mrs. Helen Hone, Ontario, and Mrs. Allen (Betty) Solterbeck Payette; a half-sister, Mrs. Hazel Stingley, Payette, 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

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CHURCH SERVICES

Park Avenue Baptist Church

Everyone is welcome to attend services at this Bible Teaching Church.
Sunday, July 3 - Sunday school classes for all ages, 10 a.m.
 Worship service in the sanctuary with message by Pastor Dale Mitchell, 11 a.m.
 Evening service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, July 6 - Prayer meeting and Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, July 7 - Youth Group meets at the Church 7 p.m.

Bible School will begin July 11-15. All area youngsters, ages 4 thru the 7th grade are welcome to attend. A friendly smile, a warm handshake and the words of the Lord await you at Park Avenue Baptist Church, on the corner of North Third Street and Park Avenue.

St. Bridget's Church News

MASSES: Saturday evening, 7 p.m.
Sunday morning 8 and 11 a.m.
Adrian, Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Adrian Presbyterian Church News

Sunday, July 3 - Church Services, 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School Classes, 9:30 a.m.

ANK Garden Club

A.N.K. Garden Club met June 21 with Jonsie Stam. After a lovely dessert and business meeting, the new officers were installed. They are Maude Poulton, president; Bertha Parecz, secretary and Mary Barnes, treasurer.

Agnes Ashcraft reported on State Garden Club convention she attended at Lincoln Park and showed favors and literature she received.

We then viewed Jonsie's lovely gardens.

First Southern Baptist

The Rev. Roy Webb continued with his series of sermons on "Sinning Unto Death." The public is cordially invited to come and hear Rev. Webb speak at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays.

Rev. Webb held services in the Malheur County Jail on Sunday, June 26 in the afternoon. Ken Landreth accompanied him to these services.

There will be a churchwide picnic, Sunday, July 3, at the Kiwanis Park in Payette following the Worship Service. Everyone is invited to bring some lunch and join in on the fun.

United Methodist Church News

The United Methodist Church and the Rev. Jim Monroe welcomes you to all church activities.
Sunday, July 3 - Prayer Service at the church, 9 a.m.
 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship, "Increase our Faith," by Rev. Monroe, 11 a.m.
Wednesday, July 6 - Devotions at the church, 10 a.m.
Thursday, July 7 - Noon Bible Class
July 8 & 10 - All church retreat at McCall.
July 11 - 15 - Vacation Bible School
July 16 & 17 - School of Missions, Nampa, Women Society.
August 5 - Ice Cream Social

Christian Church

Saturday, July 2 - Youth Prayer Meet, 10 p.m.
Sunday, July 3 - Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 5 - Board Meeting, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, July 6 - Youth Group, 8 p.m.
 Bible Study and prayer, 8 p.m.
Thursday, July 7 - CWF at Ola Chards 2 p.m.

Nazarene Church

Friday, July 1 - Closing program for Vacation Bible School, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, July 3 - Morning Prayer at the Church, 7 a.m.
 Christian Education Classes, 9:45 a.m.
 Children's Church, 11 a.m.
 Morning Worship with message by Pastor Russell, 11 a.m.
 Evening Gospel Hour, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, July 4 thru July 8 - Senior Adult Camp at Victory Cove near McCall.
Wednesday, July 6 - Bible Study at the Nursing Home, 4 p.m.
 Midweek service of Prayer and Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.

"Life's greatest tragedy is to lose God and not miss Him."

Faith Lutheran Church News

Sunday, July 3 - Worship Service with Holy Communion, 11 a.m.
Wednesday, July 6 - Church Council meeting at the Church, 8 p.m.
Friday, July 8 - Potluck Picnic at South Park, 7 p.m.
 A concert in South Park by "Timbrel" a singing group from Concordia Lutheran College, Moorhead, Minnesota, 8 p.m.

For the month of July the ladies of Faith Lutheran Church will be delivering Meals on Wheels.

Conservative Baptist Church

Sunday, July 3 - Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 Hi/Time, 6:30 p.m.
 Evening Services, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 5 - Women's Prayer Meeting at the home of Lilyan Zittercob

Wednesday, July 6 - Bible Study and Prayer, 8 p.m.

Friday, July 8 - Men's Prayer at Bauman's Inc. (July 1)

Pastor Don Beattie will bring the morning sermon. All are invited to our services throughout the week.

Our camping season begins July 1 for families. Juniors follow the July 10. Junior High begins the 17th and High School Camp begins July 24. If you wish your family to attend a good Christian Camp, contact Pastor Don Beattie.

PUBLIC NOTICE

MANDATORY IRRIGATION SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE: July 1, 1977

Nyssa residents North of Ehrgood Avenue may only irrigate lawns and gardens on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Nyssa residents South of Ehrgood Avenue may only irrigate lawns and gardens on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

This is a mandatory schedule and penalties may be assessed.

NOTICIA PUBLICA

IRRIGACION MANDATORIA PROGRAMA

EFFECTIVO: 1 Julio 1977

Residentes de Nyssa que viven "al Norte" de Ehrgood Avenida solamente pueden regar sus yardas y gardines en los dias de Lunes, Miercoles, Viernes, y Domingos, de las 6:00 en la manana - 10:00 de la noche.

Los residentes que viven "al Sur" de Ehrgood Avenida solamente pueden regar sus yardas y gardines en los Martes, Jueves, Sabados, y Domingos, de las 6:00 en la manana - 10:00 de la noche.

Este arreglo es un programa mandatorio y podria resultar en multa.