KEETON SNARES PRIZE IN LEGION CONTEST

Reading from left to right: Eugene Williamson, Commander of American Legion Post 190, Roy Freeman, Earl Keeton, Frank Foster, Bland Gaither Jr., Dave Burnett (not available for picture).

Commander Williamson extends congratulations to Earl Keeton on winning the contest that Post 190 gave to select a boy for Beaver Boys State. The American Legion of the Dept. of Ore. each year sponsors Beaver Boys State. Each Post in the state of Oregon sponsors one or more boys, Thomas Jefferson Post was unable to send two so they had a contest among five boys of which Earl Keeton was the winner. The purpose of Beaver Boys State is to teach the youngsters about the government of the state of Oregon and one of the boys will be selected as Governor of Oregon for the day. The boy's topic was "Why I Want to Attend Beaver Boys State." All the contestants' speeches were good, which made it doubly hard for the judges. Our only regret is we were unable to send all five.

Congratulations to you Earl, we feel sure you will represent our Post well.

Commander Williamson would like to take this opportunity to thank our chairman of Beaver Boys Committee, Ike Hammond, who worked so hard to make this possible for the contestants. Also our judges, Herb Amerson and Mr. Leveritt.

A lot of you Veterans when asked to join the American Legion asked the question, "What's in it for me?" In the last edition of the Oregon Mirror I tried to give you some of the facts of what the American Legion can do for you. I gave you some of the things the American Legion has already done for you such as the G.I. Bill of Rights, Veterans Hospitals, the instigators of World War I and World War II and now they are trying to get the Korean bonus. They take an interest in our community and its activities and many more things too numerous to mention. As has been said in the past, "United we Stand, Divided we Fall." So Veterans there is your answer to your question of "What's in it for me?"

If you were in the service between April 6, 1917-November 11, 1918, Dec. 7, 1941-Sept. 2, 1945, June 25, 1950-July 27, 1953 you are eligible for the American Legion. So come on Veterans, Join the winning team and help fight for yourself and your community. The dues of our Post are $6.00 a year.

EASTER PHOTOS

PIctured here are some of the Easter paraders of last Sunday as they strolled from homes to Churches and various other places throughout the community. While all this was going on, Baltzegar's camera was busy recording the beautifully attired Easter paraders. Easter was fun and very colorful, commemorating the resurrection of Christ.
“Our Community”

The term “Albina Area” is one of the many ways of defining a community here in Portland that is inhabited predominantly by Negroes.

The geographical location and the minority group who live in this community are known to all who read the daily publications or listen to the radio or watch TV. But how many people have given thought to what a community is?

A community is a group of people living together and depending upon each other, with no one person or group doing all the giving or receiving all of the fruits.

During the days of the pioneers, the family was the most important unit of community. It was a bond of family, a bond of home, and a bond of habitation. The scattered pioneer families banded together in time of need and for mutual protection.

With our modern cities, plants, improved transportation and communication the average family is no longer a community within itself. Dad does not have to hunt for his meal. Mother has no need to spin their own yarn and make the clothes for the family. Brother and sister no longer have to do chores around the house so that mother and dad might have time to take care of the basic needs. Theoretically our community is now the world. This in itself is good but we have kept the fact of community while losing the sense of community.

The amount of money we spend either in our community how many of us have given thought to what a community is?

Some people have not in the past, do not now, and show no indication of ever thinking about the community we live in.

To be leading the cheers and yelling for our own city rally squad at Jefferson High School was Dave Burnett.

Dave tried out along with other candidates to serve as a member on the squad. Fortunately enough Dave was elected and also among the other members in the squad he was picked to be Tall King.

Dave’s hobbies include playing the drums, dog training, spectroscopy, and sport writing.

Dave has won two first place trophies for his work in the All American Dog Show, David’s Gay toa Shepherd, was among 200 other dogs.

Also, Dave has been a sports announcer for KBPs and KPAC radio stations, announcing the highlights and play-by-play high school games.

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As a result of the days of the pioneers, the family was the most logical unit of production, and almost all endeavors of the employed low, the sum of our annual income spent on Williams Avenue alone in business establishments how many people have given thought to what a community is. The answer is almost no. The amount of money our money and with whom? Do we patronize those bus­nesses who are giving back those who do. During these days of mass unemployment is protection. How many of us have given thought to what a community is? The answer is almost no. The amount of money we. Do we patronize those businesses who are giving back those who do. During these days of mass unemployment is exploitation in the true sense of the word and we not to who is sharing and who is exploiting? Even though the employed low, the sum of our annual income spent on Williams Avenue alone in business establishments. The geographical location and the minority group who live in this community are known to all who read the daily publications or listen to the radio of TV. Some few, however, have given thought to what a community is. A community is a group of people living together and depending upon each other, with no one person or group doing all the giving or receiving of all the fruits.

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CLIFF CURRY
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
(Democrat)

Cliff Curry an accountant and local businessman has filed for the Democratic nomination for county commissioner. He stated his filing was precipitated by the gross inefficiency and expressed unwillingness of the present commissioners to cooperate with the City of Portland.

Curry, age 44, was assistant Budget & Fiscal Officer, Army Ground Forces, World War II. Presently he holds the rank as Captain Finance Dept., U.S. Army Reserve. He has had a wide experience in government, municipal, and public accounting. His government experience has included both budgetary accounting and disbursing of public funds. He practiced public accounting in Portland from 1948 to 1958. Presently he is with the Mobil Oil Co. as a dealer. His methods of administrative operation are frequently employed in the instructing of new company personnel.

Curry advocates the introduction of three principal changes in Oregon law.

(1) Permit joint ownership of a City-County stadium large enough to accommodate professional sports with adequate public parking and adequate egress. That is to say, the stadium must be built where it can be reached by two freeways. Further, that a re-manufacture of an existing facility will not be satisfactory, nor the use of public funds for the purchase of real estate.

(2) Amendment of the Liquor law to provide that those monies now returned to incorporated communities be specifically earmarked for sponsorship of a constructive rehabilitation program for the derelict. He believes such a program will reduce; law enforcement, welfare costs, juvenile delinquency, and return the individual which is now a social problem to a useful place in society.

(3) Amendment of the Motor Vehicle Code to require mandatory state wide motor vehicle inspection once a year. The program would be self-financed, accomplished under the supervision of the Secretary of State, Department of Motor Vehicles. Mandatory re-inspection would be required after any accident now reportable to that agency. The request for this type of legislation is based upon the improved highway safety now enjoyed by 18 states that employ the program.

Curry is a past president of Kiwanis of Parkrose, past Secretary of Parkrose Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Oregon Gasoline Dealers Association, and currently senior vice president of the Hawthorne Boosters. He is a member of Parkrose Lodge No. 179 A.F. & A.M. and of the Oregon Consistory. He is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Portland.

Cliff was born in Richmond, Indiana September 2, 1917, where he received his basic education. Subsequently attending night schools, the most recent, Multnomah College in 1946-7 studying Commercial Law and Advanced Accounting. He is married and owns his home.

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