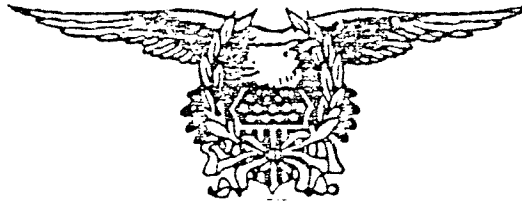


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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

A REPORT FROM YOUR STATE COORDINATOR - ROTTEN ROGER

Many of you people are aware by now that on May 17, 1988 the people of the State of Oregon will vote as to whether all motorcyclists are to wear helmets or not.

On Sunday, November 29, 1987 the State Steering Committee met at the Furniture Barn in Creswell, Oregon to start on the Plan of Attack on Ballot Measure 2. We formed an Argument Committee, a Trifold Committee, Information Committee, Ways and Means Committee, and a Media Committee.

At this time we have 5 arguments on petitions. We need to gather 1,400 verified signatures for each argument in order to get that argument into the voter's pamphlet free. If we do not gather enough verified signatures per argument, it will cost us \$300.00 per argument to put the arguments in the voter's pamphlet.

I would like you to think back this last summer and how nice it was riding down the highway with the wind in your face and enjoying the way you like riding your motorcycle. If you would like to continue riding your motorcycle the way you want to as an individual, please give me all the help, support and cooperation to get the signatures on these petitions so we can get our arguments in the voter's pamphlet. In order to do this, you need to contact your Chapter State Representative. They have the petitions for your chapter.

We have also formed a P.A.C. (Political Action Committee) called "Citizens For Freedom of Choice." For detailed information on this, you must also contact your Chapter State Representative.

Remember, if we all work together and educate the public about "freedom of choice", we can overcome Ballot Measure 2 and continue riding in the wind. Thank you all for your cooperation and support. I know we can do it.

Rotten Roger

NOTICE: Copies of chapter minutes are to be sent to the State Coordinator within one (1) week of the meeting. This is your Chapter's monthly communication.

Please send to: State Coordinator, Roger Hendricks
PO Box 4504
Portland, OR 97208.

DECEMBER 12, 1987 STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular State Board Meeting of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc., was held on December 12, 1987 at the Sundown Station in Creswell, Oregon. The meeting was called to order by Roger Hendricks at 12:59 p.m.

CHAPTER ROLL CALL AND SIGN-IN: Douglas County 2, Jackson County 1, Klamath Falls 2, Lane County 2, Lincoln County 2, Mt. Hood 2, NE Portland 2, Salem 1-1 late, SE Portland 2, St. Johns 2, and Washington County 2. Total of 21 voting representatives present.

TREASURER REPORT: See your State Representative for details.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Carolyn stated that we are down again this month with 751 paid members, down 14 from last month. Jackson County is the largest chapter with 126, SE Portland with 116, and NE Portland with 111. Carolyn is declaring a Statewide Membership Drive. It will start January 1, 1988 and it will last 3 months ending March 31, 1988. The chapter who brings in the most members at the end of the period will win a prize.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Need ads.

WAYS AND MEANS DIRECTOR: Barb stated that she has a dozen X-Large T-shirts and 3 XX-Large, 1 long sleeve T-shirt, and 1 sweatshirt. The 1988 year bars have been ordered.

HISTORIAN: Mike Stegmann put a scrapbook together. It has fliers, pictures, newspaper clippings, etc.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

- A. Arguments for the Voter's Pamphlets are finished. Roger is going to break up each individual argument and give two chapters one argument to get the 1,400 signatures statewide so that we can get the arguments into the Voters Pamphlets. The deadline for the Petition to the County Election Board on verifying signatures is 1/27/88. The deadline on getting the arguments in the Voters Pamphlets is 2/11/88.
- B. The Ways and Means Committee's main job is to raise funds for the "Citizens for Freedom of Choice" to fight the helmet law. Roger would like to have at least one member per chapter to help coordinate fund raisers in their chapters.
- C. All monies raised for "Citizens for Freedom of Choice" (CFFOC) must be turned over to CFFOC) ONLY. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES are they to go to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. first. The reason for this is that CFFOC has their own expense reports and records to file with the State of Oregon.

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DECEMBER 12, 1987 STATE BOARD MEETING (continued)

STEERING COMMITTEE: (continued)

- D. On January 27, 1988 the Trifolds will be available.
- E. Persons on the Steering Committee will have to go out and get prices for TV and radio coverage in your chapter's area. All the expenses for the news media or TV and radio will come out of CFFOC's funds. Roger has a schedule to start on March 20, 1988 to be on several Portland radio stations to talk against the helmet law. He will be working with all the TV network medias starting on April 5, 1988 in the Portland area.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Condon EMT's: Roger will be sending a check for \$312.00 to them this week for the money collected, with a letter.
- B. Legislative Pins: People who have pins left over need to distribute them out to the public. If you are out, Roger has plenty more to sell or pass out to help fight the helmet law.
- C. Officers Job Descriptions: Roger would like the ones who didn't turn them in yet to please think about getting them done and turned in.

New State Board Officers for the 1988 year:

Coordinator:	Rotten Roger of NE Portland
Vice Coordinator:	Ed Halkyard of Douglas County
Membership Secretary:	Carolyn Meerzo of NE Portland
Secretary:	Vicki Lechner of Lincoln County
Treasurer:	Joy of Douglas County
Newsletter Editor:	Vicky Petersen of NE Portland (appointed)
Education Director:	Rotten Roger of NE Portland (appointed)
Sargent-at-Arms #1:	Jerry of St. Johns
Sargent-at-Arms #2:	Pat Henley of St. Johns
State Run Coordinator:	Barbara Gallaher of St. Johns (appointed)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Douglas County is selling their annual 1988 calendars for \$5.00.
- B. St. Johns is selling warning posters 3 for \$2.00 and the money goes into the legislative fund.
- C. Barbara Gallaher would like to know when the chapter's runs are so she can get them into the Easyrider Magazine.
- D. Rotten Roger called each chapter up to pass out the petitions that each chapter will be working on to get signatures.

ADJOURN: 4:11 p.m.

Submitted by: Mike Rosu

STATE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

WE WILL BE FACING A ROUGH BATTLE IN MAY

The more people we have in our organization, the easier it will be for all of us to fight that battle. Therefore ABATE of Oregon is having a membership drive, starting January 1, 1988 and extending for three months to April 1, 1988. The chapter with the biggest increase in membership on April 1, 1988 will win.

Our total membership has been mid- to high seven hundred for too long. Let's break 1,000 paid members in 1988, before the final push to defeat Ballot Measure 2. Remember that renewals count too, because the membership drive is based on the BIGGEST INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

Let's get together and go after that person who has talked about joining ABATE but hasn't done it yet. Know someone whose membership has expired? Go after them and get them signed up again. Stuck for a birthday present? Give that hard-to-buy-for person a year's membership. Chapter have someone who has contributed above and beyond to your chapter? A nice thank-you is a year's membership from your chapter.

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	\$200.00 - 12 months		\$333.00 -12 months

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Hi, I'm Vicky, your new Newsletter Editor. Some of you will remember me from a long time ago, back sometime in the early 1980's when I was Editor then. I hope to be able to do this job to the best of my ability. We will have a couple of different little columns this time around. "Mother", our Membership Secretary, has consented to have a little column (kind of a biker-type Dear Abby, only in this case it will be DEAR MOTHER) inserted each month. So if any of you would like to write a little note to her, she will be happy to give you any bit of advice she can. Let's keep the letters clean, but funny. If you want to sign the letters, you can, if not, no biggy. Ask her advice about motorcycles, what to wear to the next ABATE function, what kind of dog food does she recommend for those faithful pets that we hold dear to our hearts (now me, with my darling dingos, recommend "High Pro," "Atta Boy" gives them gas), just silly fun things like that. Once we get the column rolling, I think we can have a lot of fun with it. Try to keep your letters short, like a paragraph or so. (Thanks Mother, I'm glad we thought of this!!)

Now, the other column we are going to have is a "WHAT'S HAPPENING OUT THERE?" column. I used to do this one before, and it was fun. It will be a little column done by me, where when I'm out and about and see something funny, or somebody says something totally off the wall, or does something totally off the wall, I will mention it in my column, but using no names. Just initials, or some little sign so you know who you are. I had a great time with this last time. I ran a little paragraph for about 8 months looking for my lost sunglasses, and you guys that remember that, when I lost them down at Camp Westwind, leaving them on the hood of my truck, I never did find them....So anyways, this is some of the little things we are going to have. Also, you will see some little quotes throughout the newsletter. These are some funny, some not so funny quotes I picked up throughout my travels. Also, I am a great fan of "Doonesbury," the cartoon drawn by Gary Trudeau, who got banned from the Oregonian, I believe, for speaking his mind. And seeing as this is a political year for all of us, I thought it would be something different to insert a couple of his little political cartoons. If somebody takes offense to this, though, because not all people like Doonesbury, be sure to let me know and I will cut it down, or eliminate it, depending on how many of you are in favor or against him. I don't want to hurt anybody's feelings, or have anyone upset by anything I put in this little rag, so if you have something on your mind, or have any ideas, don't hesitate to let me know. We will keep it confidential, as I am the only one to see what is written to me.

Also, we will have a LETTERS TO THE EDITOR column too, if anyone has any ideas about the legislative season, or has a gripe they wanted printed, or whatever. So feel free to voice your opinion. That is what this world is all about. Stand up and speak your mind! We are here to listen.

So, that is about all for this month. I want to thank everyone for getting in their reports to me on time, and those of you who were going to be late, thank you for letting me know in advance. It is much appreciated. We had a really good turnout on newsletter reports. The only two that didn't show were Mt. Hood (which due to the snow and ice didn't make it to my house) and St. Johns, but maybe next month!! Keep up the good work, all of you, and thank you for your support and very kind words when I was elected for this position.

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REPORT FROM YOUR NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR (continued)

Election time was the first of this month, and I want to thank all of the officers that held this Organization together for the great job they did, and welcome the new officers. Roger, you will do a fantastic job, I know. Ed, its great to see you again after all these years and have you back on the team. Mother, what can I say!! You are still hanging in there, doing a fantastic job as always. Joy and Vicki, I'm glad that you guys are on the team too, and I was really glad to be able to meet the both of you. So, thanks to everyone, and I know by this time next year, we will all be riding in the wind, with the freedom to choose.....Vicky

P.S. One more thing, if I misspelled anybody's name throughout this letter, my apologies. My word processor has a spell-check on it, but not on the names. Crazy computers. You think with a mind like theirs, they would know everybody automatically and be able to spit out those little misspelled names like crazy! Ah, the age we live in....

"It's shattering to be told your father stinks." - Julie Nixon

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"Once the toothpaste is out of the tube, it's hard to get it back in." - H.R. Haldeman, Watergate

"The only thing I liked in America was Peter Paul Mound Bars." - Charlie Chaplin

"DEAR MOTHER" COLUMN

Dear Mother:

My dog's birthday is coming up in May, and he will be the big 3. I want to do something special for him, but just can't seem to come up with anything exciting. Have you any helpful suggestions as to exactly what I can do besides the usual beer and milk bone party? He has no friends, except for his mean brother who has a tendency to beat up on any body (human or otherwise) and everything that comes around, so a party is out. I need something spectacular planned for him, as you know a dog doesn't often hit the big 3, for in people years that is 21. Help!!

Signed: Desperate

NEWSLETTER REPORTS

DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAPTER

Winter weather is finally here, but it hasn't dampened the spirit of our members. The Casino Night we held in November was such a success, we have already began making plans for another after the Holidays. Rumor has it some members are even working on craps and roulette tables for more gambling variety.

With the helmet issue vote only five months away, our chapter has started meeting twice a month. We are now meeting on the first and third Sundays at 11:00 A.M. For now, we are still meeting at Round Table Pizza in Roseburg, but we are hoping to take some of the second monthly meetings on the road to accommodate our members to the North and on the Coast.

Our 1988 Biker Art Calendar is now available either through your chapter's State Rep (\$5.00 each) or by writing PO Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97470 (\$6.50 each). We finally got some Oregon artists to enter our contest. Hopefully it will encourage more of you to enter next year.

By the time this is in print, our Christmas party for the Pitchford Boys Ranch will be old news, and it will be time to take down the Christmas tree. Hope your Holidays were happy!!

JACKSON COUNTY CHAPTER

We were happy to have all the guests at our November 15 meeting. Good to see our State Officers here locally.

Our Senior Dinner was the best ever, having served about 230 people.

The Toy Run on December 5 was a success and came off without a hitch. It should be aired in place of a 1/2 hour news spot one week before Christmas and again on Christmas day.

All of our new officers are in place and ready to go on the Measure 2 battle this year.

Have a safe holiday...Joe

KLAMATH FALLS CHAPTER

Many of our members know that elections have passed. We started calling people two weeks before, in hopes of getting more people involved. Right now I have no idea of how this worked out because this is December 10, 1987, and today I will start calling. The last meeting Mike, Christie, Chuck, Preston and myself decided to give it one more shot to get more people active. I know that many can not attend the regular meetings so we tried different days and times. If you have never been to a meeting at Inga's Cheese Haus, then you are missing some good idea sessions, and good company.

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KLAMATH FALLS CHAPTER (continued)

Some other things are going on. We are checking into making signs to place in interested people's yards saying "NO on Measure 2" in hopes it will get some unsuspecting votes here in the Klamath Falls area. If you are interested in posting a sign, then contact Mike at 882-0479 or Preston at 882-7070. By the way, our input in the "WHAT IS A.B.A.T.E." flyer is incorrect, and these two numbers are the ones to use to contact someone about Chapter business. If you do not know what this measure is, then you need to read more of the State Newsletters. This is the freedom we have been fighting for, and the reason most of us are still active in the Organization, to keep the lids off of our heads. I hope if anyone in this Chapter needs more information, they will feel free to call one of the two numbers above.

Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Mondays at Inga's Cheese Haus, so come out and get involved. It really sounds like a broken record, but please be involved because come one May (this May), a power larger than any one person is going to lay down the law, and if you enjoy the wind as much as I do, it is going to affect you.

Love and Respect,
Murge (Margy Jane Gunter)

LANE COUNTY CHAPTER

Seasons Greetings from Lane County!! We hope you all had a good holiday. Well, our chapter is now reorganized and raring to go, with many new brothers and sisters, and some old familiar faces. On November 15, 1987, we had an informal meeting at which many new and good ideas were presented to the chapter. Looks like a great year ahead for Lane County. We hope that every chapter will look at the year ahead of them, with as much enthusiasm and confidence as we have.

This will be the last article I will be writing since we now have a new Newsletter Editor, Dennis Hevle, a far better writer than I.

Until next month, ride FREE and SAFE.....Honda Bob

LINCOLN COUNTY CHAPTER

Our Senior Thanksgiving Dinner was a success again this year. The seniors had a good time, but I think we had the better time again this year. They were very receptive to our helmet law fight, and many proudly wore our buttons. The senior citizens seem to be the one group that gives us the most support in fighting mandated laws for adults.

Our Toy Run was December 6th, with a box full of toys donated and money raised to help Lincoln County's Mrs. Santa keep up with the growing list of needy kids. We would like to thank Moby Dick's for the use of their facilities, Terry Walton for providing us with his wonderful music, and all the participants and volunteers that make any event a success.

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LINCOLN COUNTY CHAPTER (continued)

We have elected our new officers for the coming year, and they are:

<i>Coordinator:</i>	<i>Randy Becker</i>
<i>Vice-Coordinator:</i>	<i>Jim Hurt</i>
<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Vicki Lechner</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Joe Aldrich</i>
<i>Membership Secretary:</i>	<i>Diana Thomas</i>
<i>State Representatives</i>	<i>Rich Rau and Art Fisher</i>
<i>Alternate State Representative:</i>	<i>Vicki Lechner</i>
<i>Ways and Means:</i>	<i>Rick Vester</i>
<i>Historian:</i>	<i>Charlie Van Hook</i>
<i>Public Relations:</i>	<i>Laurie Rau</i>
<i>Legislative Director:</i>	<i>Rich Rau</i>
<i>Sargent-at-Arms:</i>	<i>Bob Kitterman and J. R. Quarles</i>

A big thank you for volunteering your time to help the chapter and the state.

We are looking for ways to raise money as always. We plan on having a garage sale in January or February, and we have talked about a casino night, dirt bike and street bike poker run, along with our ever popular trap shoots.

'Til next time!! Vicki

NE PORTLAND CHAPTER

Greetings and happy holidays from the NE Portland Chapter. Here's hoping that 1988 is an even better year. We had alot going on in December in our chapter. We held the chapter elections, and I'm happy to say that we've gotten some new blood running through our chapter veins. Here's our list of new officers for 1988:

<i>Coordinator:</i>	<i>Pat Gleason</i>	<i>Vice Coordinator:</i>	<i>Trash</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Digger</i>	<i>Membership Secretary:</i>	<i>Bob</i>
<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Leslie</i>	<i>Ways and Means:</i>	<i>Anna</i>
<i>Historian:</i>	<i>Margie</i>	<i>Legislative Director:</i>	<i>Rusty</i>
<i>Sargent-at-Arms:</i>	<i>Peter</i>	<i>Summer Run Coordinator:</i>	<i>Trash</i>
<i>Education Director:</i>	<i>Sharon</i>	<i>State Representatives:</i>	<i>Rotten Roger</i>
			<i>Mother</i>
<i>Alternate State Reps:</i>	<i>Rusty</i>	<i>Toy Run Coordinator:</i>	<i>Martin</i>
	<i>Lorena</i>		

A big thanks to all of our old officers for the great job that they did, and for the new officers, we all have lots of faith in you.

And now for the great news: TOY RUN 1987!! We had a really great toy run this year, despite the weather and the few mistakes that were made. We collected over \$4,000.00 in toys and \$5,000.00 in cash donations this year. We had 300 plus motorcycles that rode up to the hospital and if you looked back and saw all of those bikes coming across the Ross Island Bridge, it brought tears to

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NE PORTLAND CHAPTER (continued)

your eyes, because I know it did me. Pastor Eugene was one of the best Santa's that we've ever had; he really knew how to make the kids feel good and come away with great big smiles on their faces. A great big pat on the back to our two Toy Run Coordinators, Mike Hodges from S.E. and Gary Martin from our chapter. You guys are the ones who really made it happen, plus the help of a few others that busted their butts to get this thing going this year...But all in all, the looks on the faces of all those kids at the hospital was all the thanks that we really needed. We have a few T-shirts and sweatshirts from the Toy Run left so if anyone is interested, contact either Lorena at 255-9493 or me (Leslie) at 287-5031, and we'll try and get them to you, but they are going so fast you had better hurry. The T-shirts are \$10.00, the sweatshirts are \$15.00 and the hooded sweatshirts are \$18.00.

Well, the work has just begun for the Legislative season this year. We all need to make sure that all of our friends are registered to vote so that we can be heard when election time comes, because were going to have one hell of a fight on our hands for the helmet bill. Get out there and start talking to people, pass out the flyers that your Legislative Officer has, and most important, go to your chapter meetings so that you will know what's going on. It's up to us to make sure that we don't have to wear helmets now or in the future, but you can't fight if you don't know what's going on.

Well, that is about all for this month, so until next month, ride free and happy holidays!! Leslie

SALEM CHAPTER

All of Salem Chapter would like to extend sincere wishes to all ABATE members, also their family and friends for a meaningful and prosperous New Year.

I'm sure you noticed that Salem's newsletter wasn't in last month. Well...the Lost and Found Department couldn't come up with it and their story to me was the "Newsletter Monster" ATE IT!! (Yes, it's similar to the "Cookie Monster" but this one eats up Newsletters.) Due to the Monster, Salem's playing catch-up!

Our Thanksgiving run was a huge success. A lot of people turned out and the Seniors we distributed to were full of appreciation. Tears of joy were abundant and for the most part there wasn't a "dry eye in the place." The boxes were full of good food, a special touch of "Flowers by Monique", and even blankets. Aurora Mein, Thanksgiving Coordinator did a great job putting things together. Thanks, Lady! We did have extra donated food which was given to the Senior Citizen Food Bank. Good work Salem, keep that special energy going. Without everyone's participation, it wouldn't have been such a great success.

Salem's 4th Annual Anniversary and Christmas Toy Run Party is something we all look forward to, and once again it was held in Independence at the Tap Room Tavern. The money and toys that were collected went to the State Hospital,

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SALEM CHAPTER (continued)

Adolescent Unit. Activities included lots of beer, a potluck (which included two turkeys) and a "Funny Money Auction." It was a super turnout!. The Toy Run itself is the 24th of December and Santa and his elf (at least one) are scheduled to be there, along with a possible police escort. Not to worry, we're not being escorted to the Jail, just the State Hospital!

Elections were held for our Chapter, November 25th. First, we'd like to thank the following officers for their dedication, the fantastic jobs they did, and the hope for their continued support: Vicki Mott, Chapter Coordinator, Butch Harbaugh, Vice Coordinator and Legislative Director, Stan Clayton, Sargent-at Arms, and Russ Hathaway, Alternate State Representative. We had a great year thanks to all of you and we appreciate all your hard work and sacrifices. Second, we'd like to extend a warm congratulations to all new elected officers:

<i>Coordinator and Treasurer:</i>	<i>Russ Hathaway</i>
<i>Vice Coordinator:</i>	<i>Knuckle-Head Lee</i>
<i>Legislative Director and Ways and Means:</i>	<i>Jack Hinkle</i>
<i>Secretary and State Representative:</i>	<i>Sister Sue</i>
<i>Membership Secretary and State Representative:</i>	<i>Rich Oltman</i>
<i>Alternate State Representative:</i>	<i>Mel Yeager</i>
<i>Historian:</i>	<i>Cindy Foster</i>
<i>Public Relations, Newsletter Editor and Alternate State Representative:</i>	<i>"CC"</i>

Once again, congratulations! We're all looking forward to another successful year.

Last but not least, Salem now has it's own hat!! Our Fox Creek symbol is on it, and it it looks great; you might even say "foxy!"

I know everyone is working hard on the Helmet issue. Let me just say an old cliché: "Together we stand, divided we fall." We can do this and keep those lids off. I have faith in everyone of you as well as ABATE. Ride safe but free!! "CC"

SE PORTLAND CHAPTER

Hello from SE Portland. Lots of things going on this month. We held our elections this month and the results were:

<i>Coordinator:</i>	<i>Mike Stegmann</i>
<i>Vice-Coordinator:</i>	<i>Terry Ritter</i>
<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Phil Schmidt (stays on for another term)</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Cathy (stays on for another term)</i>
<i>Membership Secretary:</i>	<i>Reno</i>
<i>Sargent-at-Arms:</i>	<i>Mike Hodge</i>
<i>Ways and Means Director:</i>	<i>Diane (stays on for another term)</i>
<i>Public Relations Director:</i>	<i>Mike Friend</i>

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SE PORTLAND CHAPTER (continued)

Congratulations to all. Be sure to attend our next meeting to show your support!

Our Steering Committee is rolling right along fighting the helmet law. We are currently working on a banner that can be used when we go to public events to distribute information on the helmet law. We are also working on petitions so we can get our viewpoints included in the voter's pamphlet at election time.

Something new this month...We are offering a \$50.00 bonus for the member ringing in the most new members by March 31, 1988.

Also, many thanks to all of you who helped support the Toy Run. It was the best yet - just keeps getting more successful each year. Much more is happening than I have room to write about here, so attend the meeting to get the full story!!

See ya on the road...Phil

WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAPTER

Happy Holidays from Washington County!! The Toy Run was a success!! We want to thank everyone who turned out, and those of you who didn't but donated toys anyway, thank you very much. Everybody had a great time, and the weather was cooperating again. The run came off without a hitch thanks to the combined efforts of some energetic people. Merchants donated gifts, member donated gifts, and just about anybody who knew about the run donated. A special thanks to Bill and Rita for bringing the whole thing together in a short time.

Probably by now, everybody knows Danforth dropped his bill (along with something else). He is now pursuing federal money for rider education. One thing most people didn't hear is his so-called "Killer Bikes". They turned out to be of the 250cc type. So much for large displacement bikes being killers. Maybe someday politicians will do a little research before they pull the trigger on the people!!

Enough of this. Again, thanks to everybody for an outstanding Toy Run. Get behind your Steering Committee for the defeat of the helmet bill. We all need to pitch in and do our share, even if it's only a small part, it helps. Together we can kick this thing in the pants. We may be small in numbers, but we are large in pride and beliefs, so lets dig in and go for it. 'Till next time...Don

"We Republicans are like McDonalds's; we have a wonderful product - our Egg McMuffin is called Ronald Reagan." - Rep. Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia)

COMMENTS FROM THE SALEM CHAPTER MEMBERS

I would like to thank the members of Salem ABATE who delivered and rode on our Thanksgiving Turkey Run. We had a great turn out and everything went beautifully. A special thanks to Butch and Cindy for all their help...

Ride Free...Aurora, Thanksgiving Coordinator

On Wednesday, the day before Thanksgiving, food that had been collected from many businesses in the Salem area were distributed to 30 needy families in the Salem Vicinity.

About 40 members were involved in this 3rd annual effort. The weather was clear and cold, but everyone who participated had a great time. There were more than a few tears shed by those receiving the food and other items, including blankets. At the conclusion of this food drive, everyone involved felt good about what they had done.

Our heartfelt thanks to Aurora Mein who coordinated the drive this year for a job well done.

Marvelous Mel

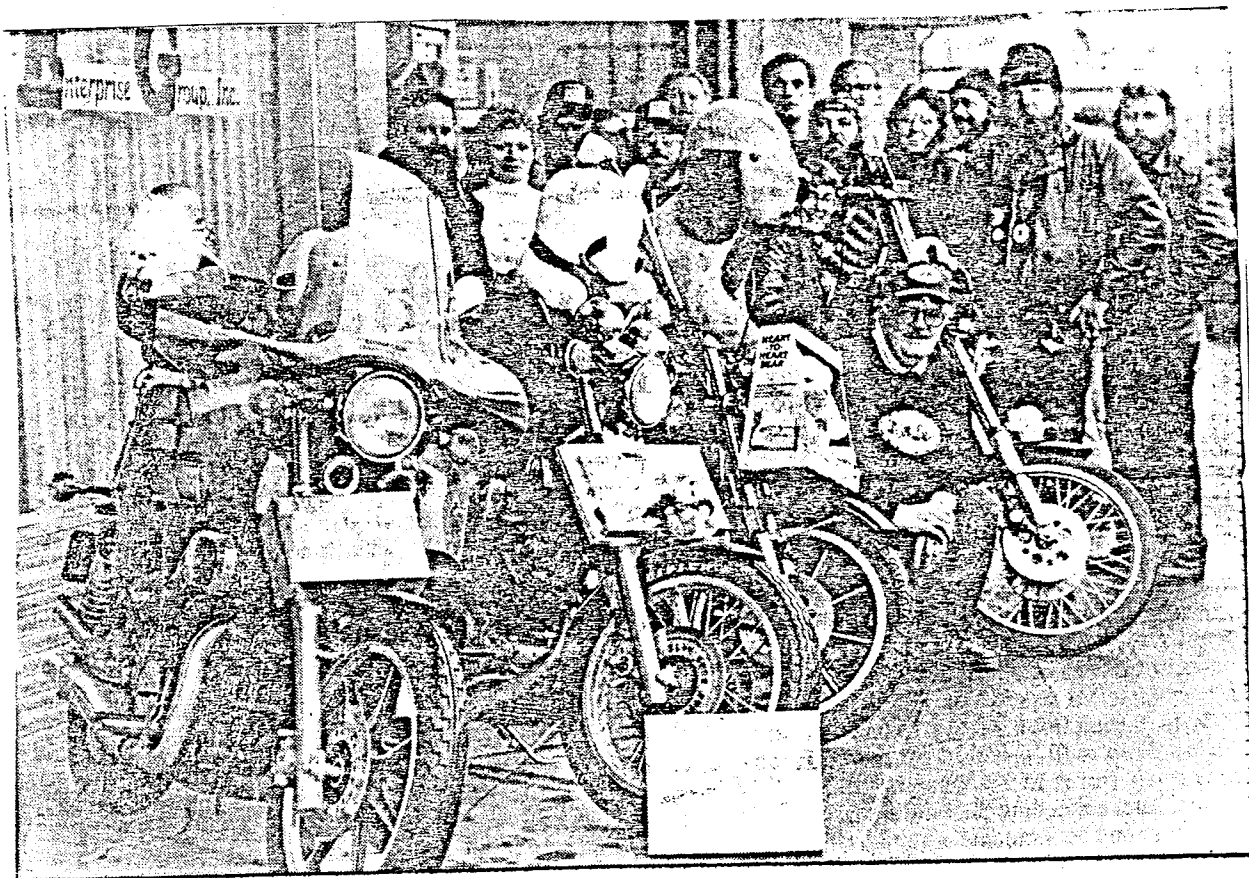
"When you go into court, you are putting your fate into the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty." - Norm Crosby

CC: I sure hope your bronchitis cleared up!! That was a real bummer, I know just how you felt having had bronchitis myself one or two times a year. Take care of yourself!! -Vicky, Editor

"WHAT'S HAPPENING OUT THERE?" COLUMN

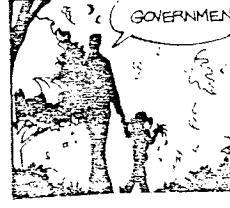
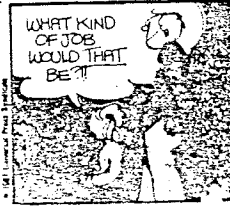
P.W., L.T., C.M., remember how much fun we had riding back in R.R.'s traveling circus? What a good time we had at the 'pit stop' where we almost picked up that adorable german shepard that followed us around the rest area. Just travelin' down the highway grooving away to R.R.'s wild "Judas Priest" tapes! Now I ask you, what more could you want! 'Specially when we got lost in the fog....We finally did find P.W.'s house, I think....D.R., just think what you missed out on, and B, too! Next time, don't miss out traveling with R.R. and his harem....

It looks like the Biker Spirit is spreading. Four of our NE Portland Chapter members (Moose, Icky, Igor and Pat) from Tillamook, riding along side of their friends, gathered for a poker run. All proceeds went to the needy children in their area. A big hand to their great efforts. Good work all of you at the Time Out Tavern, Tillamook, Oregon. Thank you Frank and Leilan (NE Portland Chapter members from Seaside, Oregon) for the beautiful doll you donated for the Toy Run.



RUN FOR THE TOYS – Tillamook County motorcyclists took a "poker run" up Highway 101 Dec. 5, and returned to the Time Out Tavern in Tillamook with donated toys and funds to help brighten Christmas for needy children in the county. According to Jack Trusty, Time Out owner, 24 riders on 16 motorcycles participat-

ed. They made stops at Bossio's Inn in Garibaldi, Harold's Club in Rockaway Beach and the San Dune Tavern in Manzanita, and netted \$526 for the cause. Trusty added that while riders didn't stop at the Bayway Tavern in Nehalem, the Bayway nonetheless joined in donating to the toy run. (H-H staff photo)



This was taken from ABATE of Wisconsin Newsletter:

MANDATORY TOILET SEAT BELTS

All over the country, politicians are jumping on the bandwagon to require mandatory seat belt use in our cars. But the other day there was a story buried in the newspaper that merits closer attention:

According to a study by the National Center for Health Statistics, you are more than three times as likely to suffer serious injury in our around your home as you are on the highways. Home accidents account for 38.7% of serious injuries, the survey indicated, compared to 10.8% on streets and highways.

Given these figures, one has to wonder why the politicians are so much more concerned with highway safety.

If the politicians really want to be our big brothers, you'd think they would give serious consideration to laws that would:

Require that hard hats be worn by every member of the family in which there is a kid old enough to throw a Fischer-Price toy at his sister.

Mandate safety goggles for any parent attempting to feed strained apricots to a 9-month-old.

Make it a felony to cram more than 500 pounds. of cosmetics in a medicine chest less than two inches deep.

Make it a crime for a child to bring home any pet with teeth.

Of course, these things will take time. If we're going to make our homes safe for human use, we'll probably have to take it one room at a time. I suggest that we start with the bathroom. And, as long as our politicians are into the seat belt business anyway, the first step seems only logical: seat belts on our toilets.

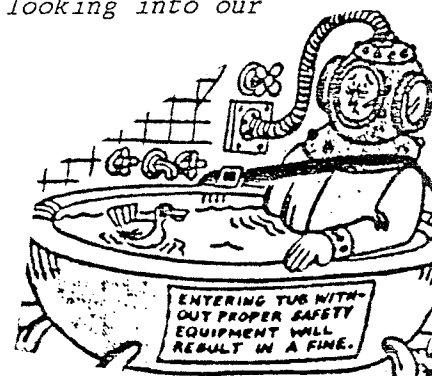
No matter how much time is spent in that room, an unbuckled occupant is an accident just waiting to happen.

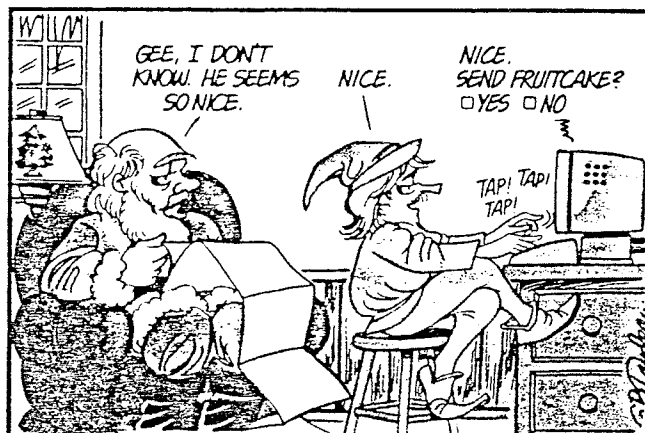
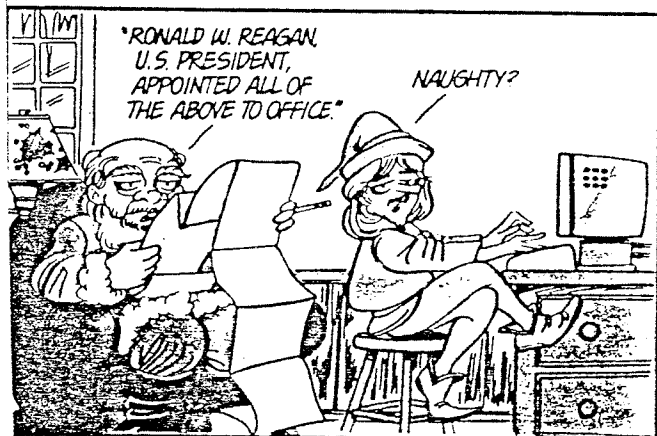
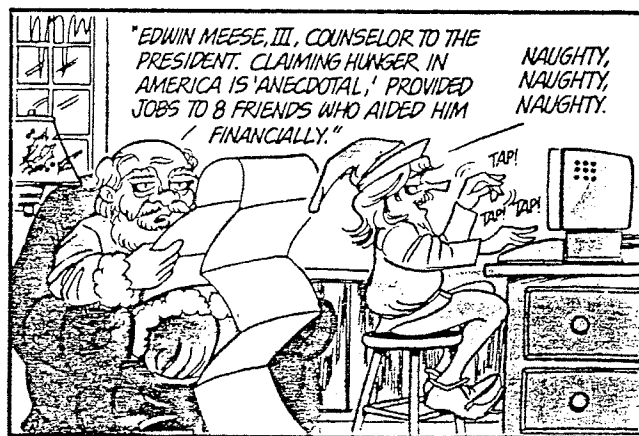
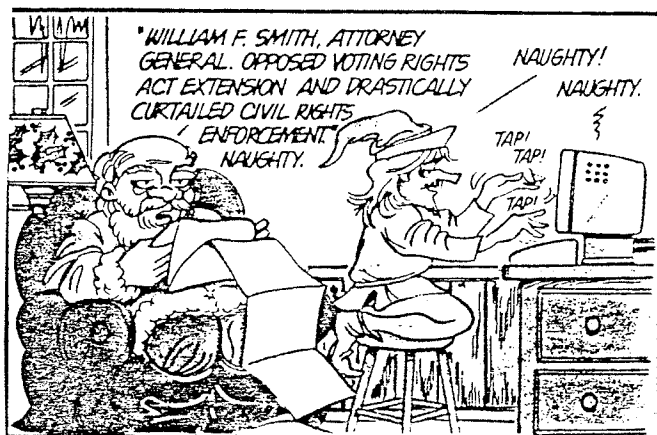
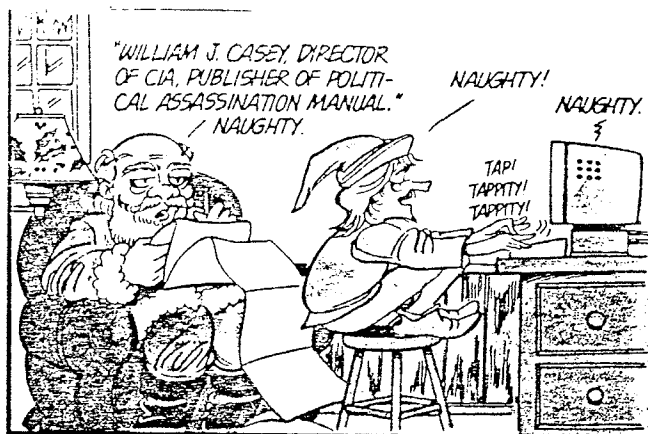
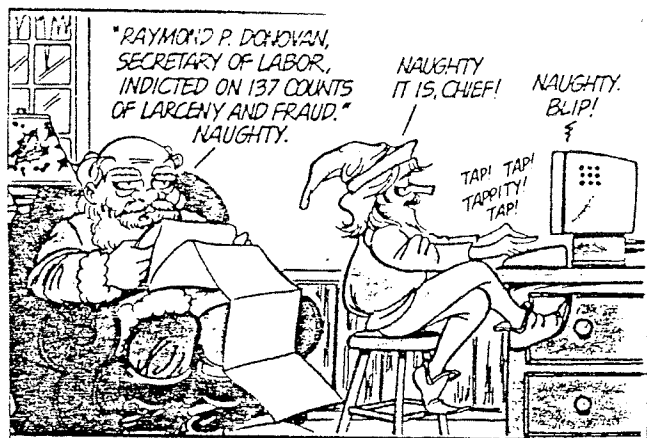
A variety of safety devices already are under study. A buzzer system that goes off whenever the occupant leans more than five degrees in either direction. An airbag that inflates automatically unless there is at least 20 pounds of pressure on the seat.

These are, you understand, only preliminary ideas and those of us lobbying for them will have to hold our water until the legislators are ready to plunge ahead. But now that they are flushed with success over the car seat belt, it can be only a matter of time until the politicians will be looking into our toilets.



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MY BEARD

My beard grows to my toes,
I never wears no clothes,
I wraps my hair
Around my bare,
And down the road I goes.

*poem & drawing by
Shel Silverstein
Submitted by "CC"

ARMY ORDERS MOTORCYCLISTS TO TAKE COVER

By: William Ryberg, The Des Moines Register

A new uniform of the day has been ordered for motorcyclists at the U.S. Army's Rock Island Arsenal and the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant near Burlington.

It includes helmets with visors or goggles, gloves, long pants, a long sleeved shirt or jacket, leather boots or over-the-ankle shoes, brightly colored clothing in the daytime and reflective clothing at night. The rule applies to drivers and passengers on motorcycles and mopeds.

Arsenal spokesman Paul Powell said motorcyclists who don't comply won't be allowed on the island. If they take off their equipment after pass-laws in both states have been beaten down by loud protests from motorcyclists.

Arsenal officials said the new reguing the gate they'll be ticketed if caught, Powell said. He said the rules don't apply to motorcyclists using the government bridge that crosses the island and links the cities of Davenport and Rock Island, Ill.

But Powell said the rules do apply to the Burlington plant, which is part of the Army command headquarters at the arsenal.

All of this appears to be a case of the U.S. military charging in where states like Iowa and Illinois have feared to tread. Proposed helmet regulations are based on a Department of Defense directive for all military installations. It stems from an increase in motorcycle accidents involving members of the military and civilian employees at military bases, officials said.

The rules could have an even more far reaching impact. Iowa National Guard officials are reviewing the Army directive to determine whether they apply to such places as Camp Dodge in Des Moines and to Iowa Guard members going to and from monthly drills, said Lt. Col. Jerry Kline, assistant Guard chief of staff.

Kline said he's already advised the members of his unit to comply with the new rules for the time being.

At the arsenal, the rules have drawn complaints.

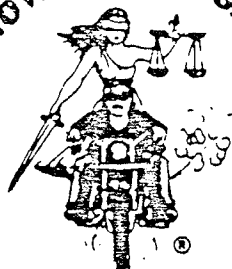
Motorcyclist Doug Fellows, 36, of Davenport, a meatcutter in the arsenal commissary, said he doesn't mind the helmet requirement but thinks the other rules are ridiculous.

"Gloves wintertime and summertime," Fellows said, "A hundred degrees, you're supposed to wear gloves?"

Fellow said he'll comply, however. "I'm going to do it because I have to," he added. "It's either do it or drive a truck with a camper that gets nine miles per gallon."

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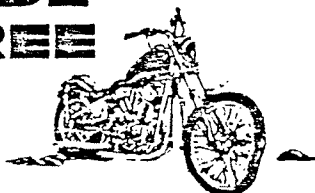
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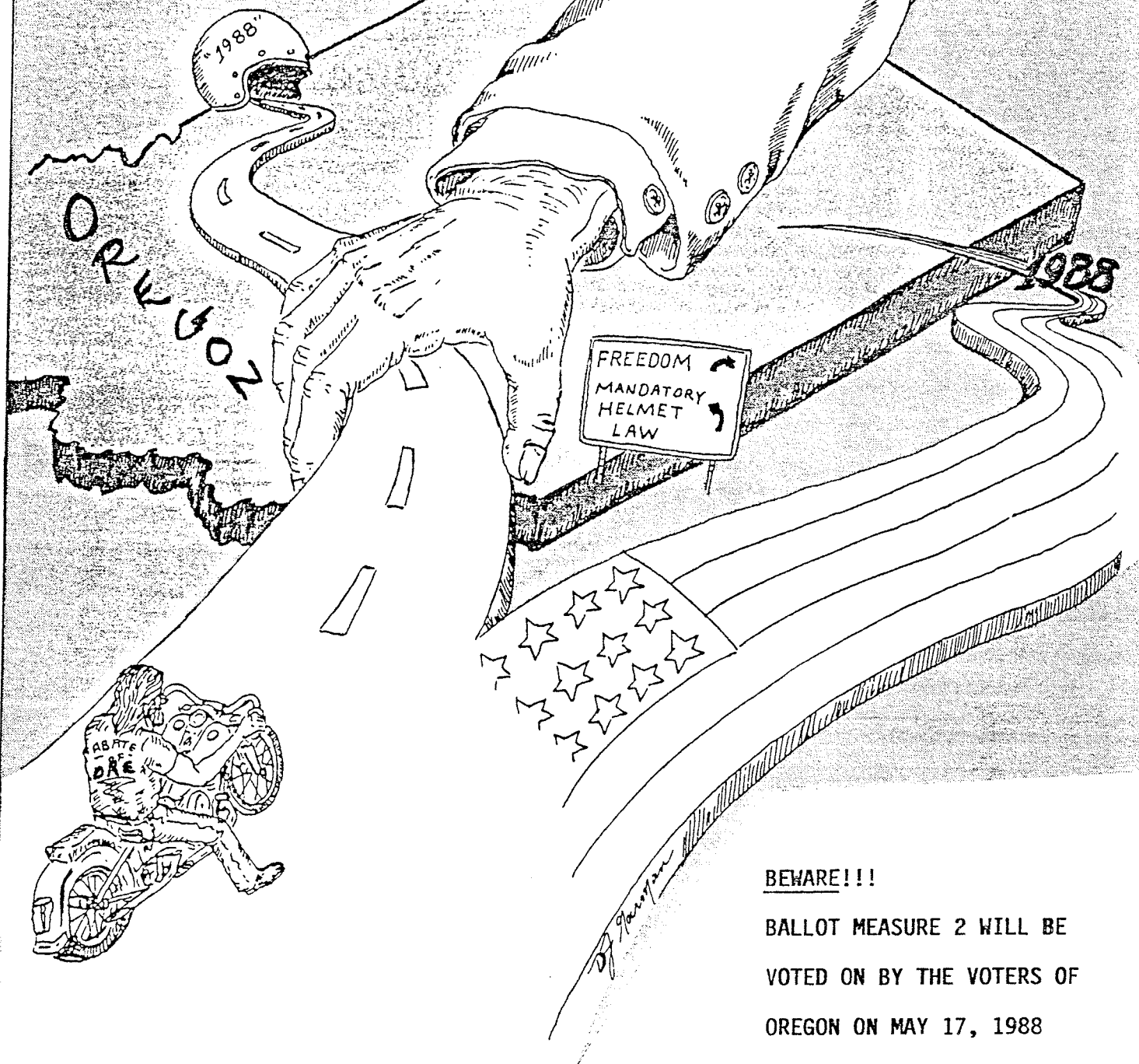
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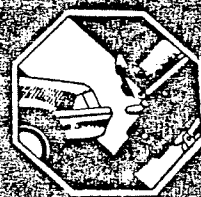
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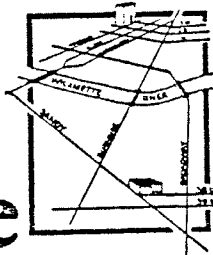
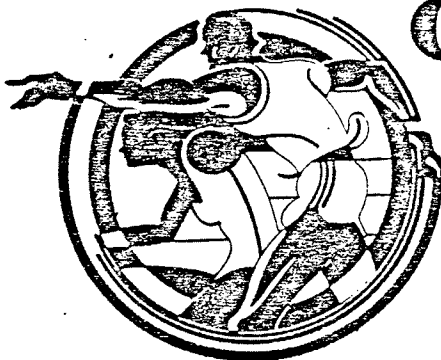
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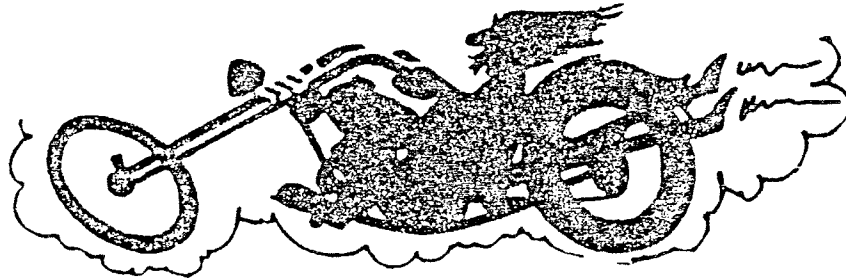
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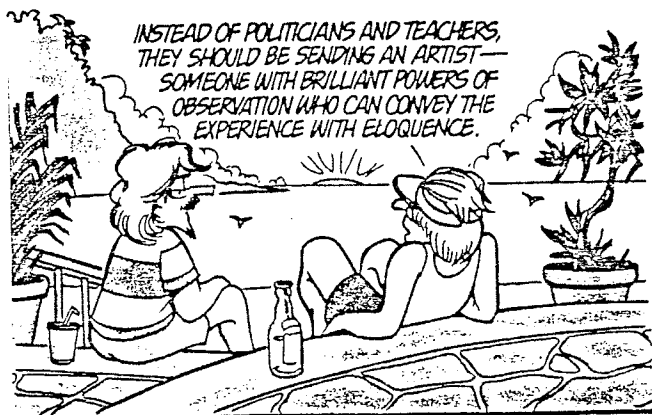
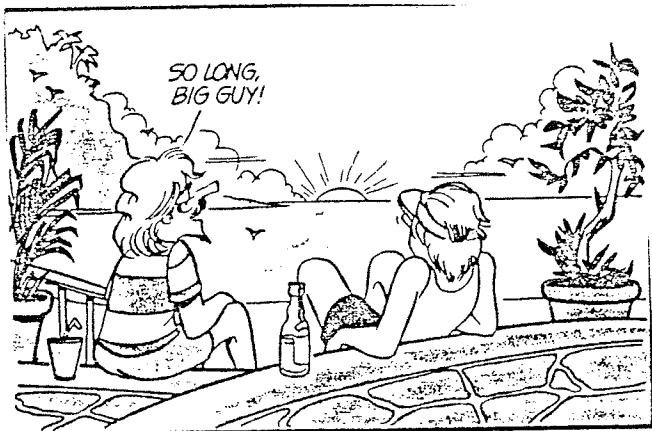
1. The right to ride free without fear of harassment nor prejudiced acts by law enforcement officials.
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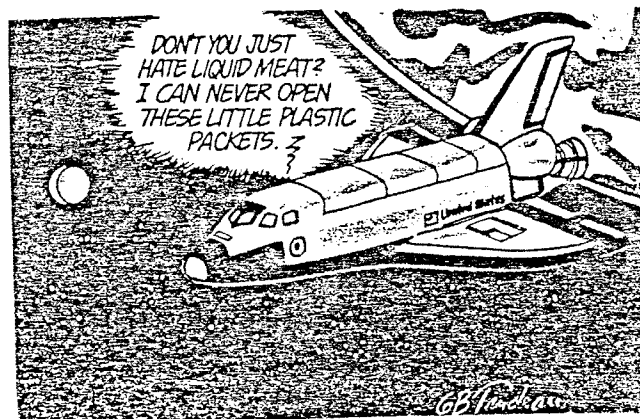
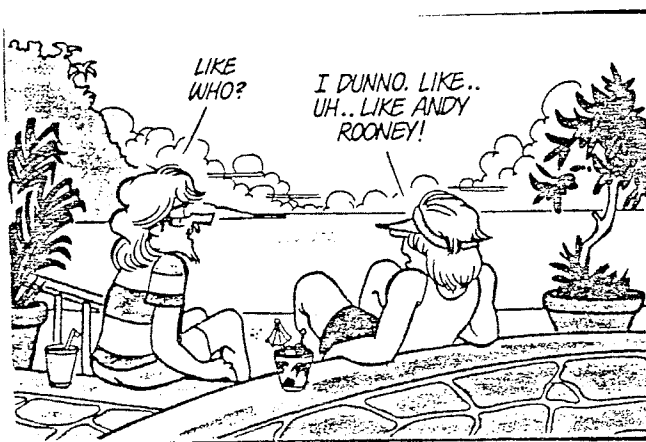
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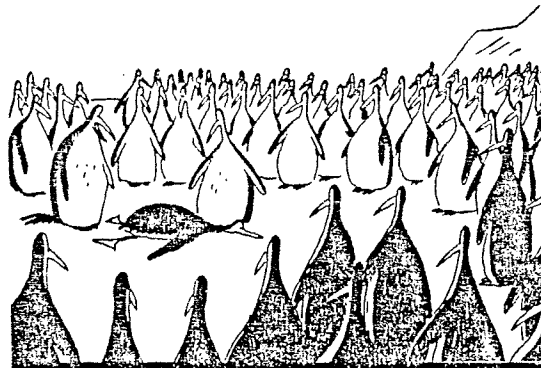
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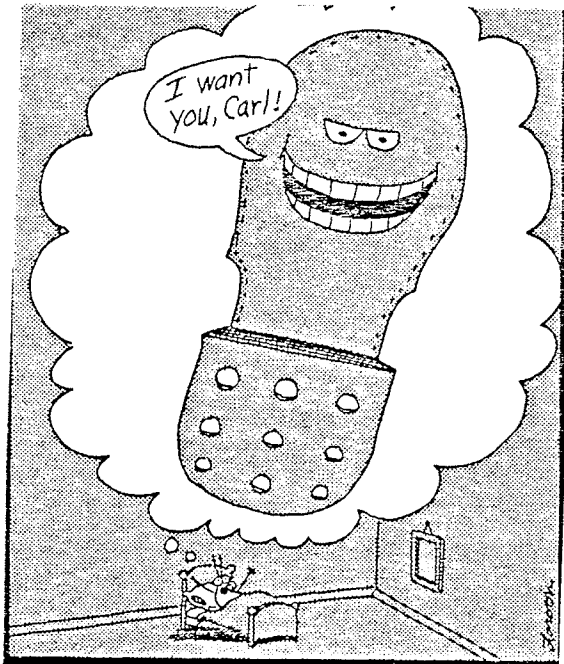
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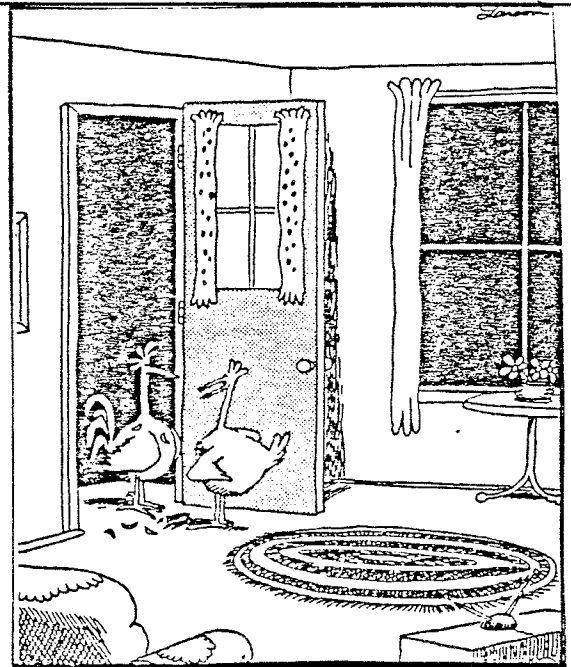
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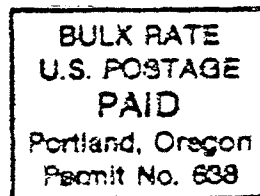
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