

MEMORANDUM

OREGON STATE POLICE

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 Salem, Bend October 4, 1984

To: Mr. John C. Williams, Superintendent

From: K. L. Lamkin, Major

Reference: CONCERNED OREGONIANS OF WASCO COUNTY

On October 2, 1984, between the hours of 7:00PM and 10:00PM, the above organization held a meeting at The Dalles High School with approximately 1,500 to 2,000 in attendance.

The purpose of the meeting was for discussion about what they considered to be the Rajneesh threat. It was co-chaired by Mrs. Lora Bently, 296-6689, and Mr. Alex King of The Dalles Radio Station, KACI, 296-2211.

There were four main speakers, Larry Ann Willis, Gary McMurry, Bill Bowerman, and Michael Stoops, 313 E. Burnside St., Portland, Oregon 97214, 231-7158, of the Burnside Community Council, Inc., who were introduced by Mrs. Bently. Five other speakers, Don Smith, Jim Comini, Wayne Fawbush, Bernie Smith and Art LaBrousse were introduced by Alex King.

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 Larry Ann Willis, running for the U.S. Senate, talked about the Rajneesh threat to the ballot box and why the police or federal authorities were not doing anything about the many automatic weapons in evidence at Rajneeshpuram. She indicated most of her information was obtained from the "Oregon Magazine", September, 1984. (Attached).

Gary P. McMurry, Portland Attorney, gave an excellent speech reminding everyone of the Constitution and the rights of others. He stressed that all people were protected by our laws and urged everyone to abide by the law.

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Bill Bowerman, Antelope rancher and *owner* of Nike, talked about the Rajneesh threat and also urged everyone to obey the law. Mr. Bowerman also praised the State Police, indicating they were giving them all the police service they were entitled to.

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Mike Stoops (*Mayor of Burnside*) talked about the plight of the street people and how they are being used. Stated he sent four to Rajneeshpuram himself for intelligence purposes. Also indicated that if these people were turned out this winter on the streets of Oregon towns, some were sure to die. He further noted that he did not understand why he, the Mayor of Burnside, was talking before the group and the Governor was not.

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Don Smith, Antelope rancher running for State Senator from District 56, also urged everyone to abide by the law and appealed for the people from out of the area, who indicated they were coming to Wasco County to vote, to stay home.

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Jim Comini, running for Wasco County Commissioner, stated he was the only Commissioner who had voted against the Rajneesh building permit. (He resigned after it was approved.) He also urged calm and for the non-residents of Wasco County to stay away from the polling place.

Wayne Fawbush, Legislator, praised the State Police for their involvement in protecting everyone in Antelope and Rajneeshpuram. He also urged calm and to leave the enforcement to the police. Mr. Fawbush also appealed to those who were planning on journeying to Wasco County to vote to please stay away.

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Bernie Smith, District Attorney, voiced the same concerns and urged everyone to remain calm and leave the matter to the courts.

Art LaBrousse, The Dalles City Police Commander and running for Wasco County Sheriff, stated that the only police agency prepared to handle a disturbance in the Antelope area was the State Police. Indicated if elected the Wasco County Sheriff's Office would also be.

Questions asked had to do with voting laws, tax laws, immigration, gun laws, why the U.S. Government has done nothing and why Governor Atiyeh has done nothing about this problem. Questions regarding street persons, why the State of Oregon (BPST) trained the Rajneeshpuram Peace Force and if the State Police were training the Rajneesh were answered by the writer.

It appeared to the writer that the majority of the audience were upset at both the Federal Governmental agencies and the State of Oregon for their lack of positive action against the Rajneesh. (State Police excluded).

The attached publication is widely read in Northern-Central Oregon. It would also appear that they believe its contents.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "K. L. Lamkin".

K. L. Lamkin, Major

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