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GRAND OPENING OF COLUMBIA DOME

Commissioner Mildred Schwab will open the newly built Columbia swimming dome to the public 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 3, at 7600 N. Chautauqua (N. Chautauqua and Baldwin St.).

To stretch City resources, the new dome was built over the existing Columbia pool, making it the first year-round Park Bureau swimming pool in Portland. Designed by City Architect Loyal Lang and Mel Kroker, the dome is three stories high and 120 feet in diameter, providing a huge deck area for classes and spectators.

Following the ceremony, the pool will be open free to the public Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m. Pool directors Mary Blake and Jacque Coan will be there along with North Portland citizens who have waited patiently for the opening. Construction on the project began last April and cost nearly \$300,000.

During the dome construction, the two pools at Columbia Park, which were built during the 1920's, were sandblasted, re-surfaced, new circulation systems were installed, and the existing dressing rooms were remodelled.

The dome features skylights and huge doors which will swing out in summer to outside sun decks for an indoor-outdoor effect. The roof is beam construction faced on the inside with tongue and groove decking, foamed over with $1-\frac{1}{2}$ " or urethane for insulation and coated with a fiberglass sheet for outside durability.

A complete landscape plan by Andrew Vincent awaits Council funding for implementation.

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COLUMBIA SLOUGH RECREATION PROJECT - CITY OF PORTLAND PROPOSED 40 MILE LOOP RECREATION SYSTEM

FOR Muse Hule, City of Partland

THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOL SEES THE "PROPOSED 40 MILF LOOP RECREATION SYSTEM" AS IMPRACTICAL AND NONSENSE THINKING. THE LENGTH OF SUCH A SYSTEM WOULD BRING MULTIPLIED PROBLEMS. THERE WOULD BE THEFT AND VANDALISM ON PRIVATE ADJOINING PROPERTY. IT WOULD FOSTER UNDESIRABLE GOVERNMENT CONTROL OVER PRIVATE PROPERTY. IT WOULD BE INADEQUATELY PATROLLED AND POLICED BECAUSE OF THE LENGTH. THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO HANDLE THE PRESENT PROBLEVS.

GOD WOULD NOT HAVE RECREATION TRAILS OR AREAS ALONG THE SLOUGH BECAUSE THEY WOULD HINDER THE DRAINAGE DISTRICTS IN THEIR NEED OF UNINCUMBERED AREAS TO MOVE EQUIPMENT AND CLEAN THE SLOUGH.

GOD WOULD HAVE A REVERSAL OF LAND OWNERSHIP TAKE PLACE WITH MUCH GOVERNMENT OWNED LAND BEING SOLD BACK INTO PRIVATE OWNERSHIP TO EASE INFLATION AND GENERATE TAX REVENUES.

PRESENTLY, GOD WOULD HAVE THE MANY UNDEVELOPED PUBLIC OWNED PARK LANDS BE DEVELOPED AND IMPROVED WITH NO FURTHER INFLATION BEING BROUGHT ON PEOPLE BY THE CITY, COUNTY OR GOVERNMENTS, BODIES, REMOVING MORE LANDS FROM THE TAX ROLLS OR CONTROLLING LANDS.

IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, I WOULD ADMONISH EVERY PERSON WHO HAS PERMITTED THE LONG TRAIL "PROPOSED 40 MILE LOOP RECREATION SYSTEM" SIN THINKING TO COME INTO HIS OR HER MIND TO ASK GOD, TO WASH AWAY THAT SIN WITH THE CLEANSING BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.

"IN MEEKNESS INSTRUCTING THOSE THAT OPPOSE THEMSELVES: IF GOD PERADVENTURE WILL GIVE THEM REPENTANCE TO THE ACKNOWLEDGING OF THE TRUTH: AND THAT THEY MAY RECOVER THEMSELVES OUT OF THE SNARE OF THE DEVIL WHO ARE TAKEN CAPTIVE BY HIM AT HIS WILL". SECOND TIMOTHY 2:25,26 BIBLE

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