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WE COVER A RODEO?

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The news editor has just handed us a clipping about a correspondent for the *Petoskey Evening News* (Michigan) who wrote the editor: "I will not send any news for Saturday because I expect to be so sick I cannot write and will go fishing instead." We understand the sly dig contained in the news editor's offering because we went to Reedsport last Saturday to cover the rodeo sponsored by the Reedsport unit of the Sheriff's Posse and wound up going fishing at Winchester Bay.

After seeing two exceptionally fine parades during the forenoon, we spent the afternoon as a guest of Howard Hinsdale, in company with Hinsdale, "Hap" Hogan and Walter Anderson, aboard Hinsdale's beautiful boat, *Judy*.

The *Judy* was built by the late Fred Schulte, renowned for his boat designing and building ability. Some of the Pacific Coast's finest fishing boats were turned out at his Gardiner shipyards. From experience gained through many years of designing and building, Schulte constructed the *Judy* for his personal use, but death came to him suddenly before he had time to fully enjoy the superb boat. The yacht was purchased by Hinsdale who, despite the pressure of his dozens of business activities, spends much of his time entertaining friends aboard the *Judy*—and it is marvelous entertainment.

The trip from Reedsport to Winchester Bay by water is a thrilling experience in itself, but cruising the water at the mouth of the Umpqua and catching salmon, as they are now being taken in that area by the hundreds daily, is really exciting. We had just the right kind of luck, each member of the party taking one fish and all of a size so there could be no bragging or boasting. Of course, we fell victim to the "first fish" jackpot, but we understand Judge Carl Wimberly took the boys at their own game earlier in the week, and also showed the "experts" a few things about catching fish.

We also had our introduction to a new type of lure "Hotterell" (plug for manufacturer) a transparent plastic device fashioned to the shape of a fishhead, with a flap to give it plug action. A pilchard or herring is fitted into the head and held by a "safety pin," and a trailing triple hook is held to the bait by rubber bands. Trolled along the bottom, this lure is the nearest possible approach to a crippled live fish, and is "knocking 'em dead" according to all reports.

Die-Hards Are Being Converted

It was not many months ago when we were not too popular with some very fine Reedsport people. Our efforts to halt commercial fishing for game fish resulted in much resentment. Several Reedsport residents, however, have voluntarily come to us recently to declare their "conversion." Experience with revenue produced by sports fishing during the past few weeks has thoroughly convinced them of the recreational possibilities for the lower Umpqua area.

And what business do you suppose is one of the leading beneficiaries of the switch from commercial to sports fishing? We thought we had most of the answers, but we certainly overlooked one of the most important. You'd never guess it, but the beauty parlors in the Reedsport area are being swamped with business as a result of the influx of anglers.

The reason is apparent when once we stop to analyze it.

A man and his wife drive up from California. While the man goes fishing the wife must go to the beauty parlor for repairs to her hair—do disturbed by the trip. Then, if she goes fishing with her husband, she comes in with her hair blown by the wind, filled with salt spray and her permanent ruined. Also she is sunburned and windburned and in need of a facial, so back she goes to the beauty parlor. And so, in addition to profits accruing to campgrounds, motels, hotels, restaurants, service stations, grocers, butchers, sporting goods dealers, and others, the hair dressers are getting a pleasing "take" out of the tourist dollar.

Given another season or two of recreational fishing in the lower Umpqua and we'll gamble that the people of Reedsport, like those of Gold Beach, who thought they were being ruined by prohibitions of commercial fishing, will be ready to fight anyone who dares mention putting nets back in the river.

A good example of what the sports industry means is to be seen at Ed Maher's dock where two men are kept almost constantly busy dishing out pilchards and herring for bait, taking in fish for custom canning and renting boats. Maher, who has the old Chase cannery, a former commercial plant, is remodeling to provide a custom cannery for sportsmen, with a fancy lithographed label bearing the name of the angler as printed on Maher's own printing press; a boat loft, where he will have rental boats and storage for privately-owned boats which inland owners may desire to keep available for weekend trips; loading and unloading ramps; bait and supply storage, etc.

We've often said that the Lower Umpqua area offers opportunity for one of the finest recreational developments on the Pacific Coast. The changing attitude of the progressive Reedsport people indicates the development will come about much sooner than we had anticipated.

Oh yes! We went to cover the rodeo. It was a fine show—so we were told.

OUT OUR WAY



THE RAZZBERRY JAM



"The principle of the thing!" Haven't we all heard it countless times? Confidently, haven't we all said it, too? Honestly, now, looking back on the controversy, was it really 'principle' or was it just a human opinion?

I remember a witty speaker illustrating the difference this way: "If the cause of the disagreement is whether or not to steal a lot to build a Sunday School on, by all means let the opposing side stick to their stand."

Then while the thought of his listeners was opened wide by the burst of delighted laughter, he drove home the point: "but if the discussion is simply that half of the ladies wish the length of the Sunday School curtains six inches longer than the rest of the committee wishes to have them—and in the meantime the Sunday School is going without curtains!—wouldn't it be a good idea if one half or the other conceded the six inches and make the curtains?"

Many years ago a group of earnest, lovely women decided to give a 'supper' and with the proceeds buy something or other

needed by the organization for its good work. One woman, determined she was right, insisted upon baked ham for the feature of the dinner; another woman, equally sure her notion was the better, wanted to serve fried chicken.

The upshot of it was that one faction quit the whole thing—let them have their baked ham! The remainder worked themselves to a frazzle, not only to make the dinner a success financially, but perhaps also to prove that baked ham was the better idea. What a pity that intelligent, earnest, really delightful women ordinarily, could somehow get tangled up in mere personal opinion to the point where some of them, yes, all of them without a doubt, were unhappy.

They could have drawn straws! They could have served both ham and chicken, couldn't they? They could have done anything rather than have discord enter into a group of women, each one really desiring to serve the organization (and raise the most money possible) for the need.

The principle of the thing—or human opinion?

In the Day's News

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shipments to the Marshall plan countries in Europe during the coming year (grain harvests there, he adds, are MUCH LARGER this year, so they won't need so much from us).

That WOULD be something. If we shipped less grain to Europe (while Europeans eat their own) there would be more grain here, which would tend to push prices down. Falling food prices always put the first dent in inflation.

SAWYER must have it figured out that Dewey's election is as certain as death and taxes, in which event he'll be out of a job anyway—so he might as well head to the line of hard, cold fact and let the chips fall where they may.

KEEP this straight in your mind: We can stop inflation ANY TIME WE WANT TO. The trouble is that we don't want to. Curing inflation WILL HURT. It's like pulling a bad tooth. The only reason anybody ever has a bad tooth pulled is that if it isn't done it will HURT WORSE LATER.

Question: Did you ever have a tooth pulled until you HAD to?

THERE are as many ways to stop inflation as to skin a cat. One way is to pass (and enforce) the right kind of laws. Laws are passed by politicians. Politicians don't like to DO THINGS THAT HURT in election years.

RANDOM siftings from the news:

During the early and tough days of the housing shortage in California, a man and his wife BY AGREEMENT slept three in a bed with another woman. The wife woke up one night and caught her husband making love to the other gal. Now (in New Jersey) she's suing him for divorce and alimony.

In Alameda a 23-year-old wife, BLIND and with two children to support, divorces her husband and tells the judge she WANTS

NO ALIMONY. She had testified that he frequently struck her and her seeing-eye dog and had often deliberately taken her near railroad crossings although he knew she was afraid of trains. She wants no more truck with the brute.

A LOT of the troubles in this world track back to THE KIND OF PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD.

ANOTHER random sifting: Dr. Albert Bellamy, dean of life sciences at UCLA, tells an atomic medicine seminar that the effects of atomic bomb radiation will "become manifest by strange discolorations, feeble-mindedness and haemophilia (bleeding that can't be stopped) and more female than male births."

Are you shivering? Well, he adds: "These manifestations will begin to show on descendants of blast survivors ONLY AFTER HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF GENERATIONS."

Feel better now?

Land Offices' Close Explained by Krug

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (Special)—Secretary of Interior J. A. Krug Monday acknowledged to Senator Guy Cordon that it probably would have been better to have held some kind of public meetings prior to closing the general land offices at Lakewood, Roseburg and The Dalles, Ore., but he nevertheless refused to rescind the decision to combine activities of the three offices in a central location in Portland.

"Even if such a meeting had been held," the secretary wrote, "I doubt if there would have been developed any facts which had not been brought to our attention previously in the course of the widespread discussion of the problem during the last couple of years with people in Oregon, members of the congressional delegation and other interested persons."

The secretary added "Our decision to rearrange the Oregon offices was based on administrative factors which were, in our estimation, so persuasive that they could not readily be modified."

By J. R. Williams

Proceedings Of Reedsport's City Council Reported

REEDSPORT—The Reedsport City Council met Monday night. Two members were absent. They were Councilman Unger, reported to be ill, and Councilman Richardson, taking his annual vacation.

The monthly financial statement showed a net profit of \$3,594.65 on the Federal Housing Project here during the fiscal year just ended. C. W. Wray of Coos Bay, city auditor for Reedsport, presented his annual audit report, and agreed to establish a filing system in the City Recorder's office in the near future.

Mayor Skaaluren appointed Cecil P. Willadsen of Portland, a government employee for the past 18 years, as city water and street commissioner to fill the vacancy left by the death of Charles C. Clarke last month. Willadsen has moved his wife and three children from Portland to the Housing Project here until he can find a house.

This appointment was confirmed by the council. Jack Bevin, Coquille contractor, announced that he had completed the new foundation for the City Building, the completed project costing \$252,86.

Robert Unger asked that the city assist in establishing a landing dock in Reedsport for amphibian planes, and Mayor Skaaluren said the Street Committee would work with the Port of Umpqua Commission on this project. The foot of Rainbow Plaza, the old ferry slip, was selected as the most feasible location.

C. A. Manschreck, owner of the Reedsport Lumber Company sawmill, asked permission to drive piling in front of city-owned property on Schofield River, known as the Flat-Iron, to moor log rafts to augment his log storage. Permission was granted providing the approval of Army Engineers could be secured.

Frank Seelye, local manager for the Central Lincoln P. U. D., asked approval of the council in locating a temporary sub-station on Lot 3, Block 25, on property owned by O. E. Williams. He said the installation would be well-fenced as a safety measure. This was granted.

Seelye also wished permission to establish a two-way radio transmitting station on the hill back of town, on city-owned property. This would be a temporary installation to serve until this property is logged off, cleared and platted. A permanent installation would then be made. This was also approved.

It was reported that the shipment of wood pipe for Winchester Bay had arrived, and would be laid soon. It was decided to have Irving Johnson, former city recorder, take charge of the Housing Units for the city. His office as bookkeeper for the Reedsport Logging Company is in the warehouse of the Housing Project.

LETTERS to the Editor

Asks Questions Regarding Community Hospital

ROSEBURG—We have read and heard considerable regarding a community hospital at a starting cost of \$300,000. Now if there is a chance of the taxpayers being involved, there is much information that should be told.

Is this proposed hospital to accommodate county charity patients? If so, the 50-bed hospital will not accommodate any public cases. Is the county to finance or partly finance it? If so, it becomes a not-paying hospital. Will the taxpayers be held responsible for its upkeep? What will be the manager's salary? If this is not a county charity hospital, will it be large enough to pay expenses, as a hospital is a very expensive institution?

We had a hospital a few years ago in the Perkins building. It turned out to be a very sad adventure for its supporters. Will there be a need for this hospital with the Mercy hospital building a \$500,000 addition and the Roseburg Sanitarium adding new and more equipment?

We wish to caution our county officials to be very careful with taxpayers' money in this venture. If the hospital is needed and will pay, let private capital finance it.

D. B. BOONE
Roseburg, Oregon.

VA Medical Units Get Pay Increase

Physicians, dentists and nurses in Veterans Administration hospitals and clinics will receive the \$330 yearly wage increase voted by the government employees by the 80th Congress. Dr. John L. Haskins, manager of the Roseburg Veterans Hospital, announced today.

New pay scales for employees of the agency's department of medicine and surgery are: Physicians, \$4470 to \$10,330; dentists, \$4470 to \$9700; nurses, \$2974 to \$5225.

Medical doctors certified by an American specialty board receive an added 25 per cent, up to a total of \$11,000 a year.

Doctors and nurses still are needed to complete staffs at most Veterans hospitals in the Northwest. Dr. Haskins said. Inquiries may be made to the nearest V. A. hospital or the medical director in the V. A. branch office in the Exchange Building, Seattle.

The archer fish catches insects by shooting them with drops of water.

New Oregonian Building Sold to Insurance Co.

PORTLAND, Aug. 17 (AP)—The Oregonian today disclosed sale of its new building to the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company for \$3,500,000. The newspaper said it had taken a 27 1/2 year lease on the property and an option for renewal for a similar period at the end of the first term.

The sale did not include equipment, the newspaper said.

PHEASANTS RELEASED

PORTLAND, Aug. 17 (AP)—The State Game Commission said today that more than 42,000 ringneck pheasants had been released in Oregon's restocking program.

Another 10,000 birds, reared in game farms by the commission, will be released in the near future. The birds were liberated in scattered sections of the state, selected for feed, cover and water.

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