

Defendant Files Counter Claim In Logging Dispute

Edward Birkenfield, defendant in a suit brought by Merle Weekly, as plaintiff, has filed an amended answer and counter claim against Weekly, asking \$10,000 damages and permission to resume logging operations over the plaintiff's property in compliance with terms alleged set forth in a contract.

Upon the original filing of the suit by Weekly and a motion asking for an enjoining order, Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly issued a temporary restraining order prohibiting Birkenfield from further operating over the plain-

tiff's property pending the prosecution of the suit.

Birkenfield cites in his counter claim a contract which he allegedly entered into with J. W. Ledgerwood, father of Weekly, for use of the property and an agreement by Ledgerwood to sell to him all the standing timber, including "barbies" and poles, located on the following described property:

The southeast quarter of the northeast quarter; the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter; the north half of the southeast quarter; southeast quarter of the southwest quarter, all in section 25, township 29 south, range 6 west, Willamette Meridian, all in Douglas County. The price listed was \$25,000, payable \$7500 in cash, and the balance of \$17,500 payable as the timber was cut at the rate of \$5 per thousand. The contract, dated March 1947, stipulated the timber be cut and removed by Oct. 1, 1949, and allegedly authorized Birkenfield to roll up certain fences and place cattle guards. The property allegedly has been sold by Ledgerwood to Weekly.

The original complaint of Weekly, asking the order restraining Birkenfield from hauling across his property and that he be required to replace the line fence between the adjoining properties, alleged that by removal of the fence he was prevented from using his property as a sheep ranch.

Hope Ahead for Doomed Child



(NEA Telephoto) Pamela Lamphere (right), 22-month-old child who must undergo a rare abdominal operation or die before she is five, gets a kiss of assurance from Christine Ulrich, 19-month-old child who survived similar surgery. Pamela is the object of a court fight which embraces both custody and the medical operation.

Support of Farm Prices Expected In Dewey's Talks

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—A Democratic farm vote challenge appeared likely today to be answered by a campaign pledge from Gov. Thomas E. Dewey to advocate a price support program.

Senator Barkley of Kentucky put up the sign posts for Democratic farm belt strategy with his assertion at Springfield, Ill., that farmers can choose in November between high prices under the Democrats or low prices under the Republicans.

Unless he changes his mind, Dewey is expected to outline a program under which the government would continue to put a loan floor under farm prices.

Loans on most major crops now are made at 90 per cent of parity, a formula aimed at keeping farm prices in line with the prices of things the grower buys.

Congress continued the present price support program for a year, but voted to put into effect on Jan. 1, 1950, a long range proposal under which loan floors would be slightly lower on field

crops but a little higher on livestock and dairy products. Dewey is expected to indicate any changes he may have in mind for this long-range program.

Its parity formula doesn't take into account the cost of hired farm labor, a point that Dewey said in Corvallis, Ore., last May must be given "consideration." Experts said the labor cost factor would raise the price level in most years.

During his Oregon campaign, Dewey outlined his ideas on general farm legislation.

He said essential points include soil conservation, irrigation to boost productive acreage, development of animal agriculture and its by-products, a strong parity price support program, better handling by the Interior Department of western resources and stabilization of the wool and sugar beet markets in favor of "substantial" production.

TOWN SUPERVISOR DIES

UMATILLA, Ore., Aug. 19.—(AP)—John M. Allison, McNary town supervisor, died of a heart attack here Wednesday.

Allison arrived with his family at McNary July 5 from the Portland Corps of Engineers district office. He leaves his widow and three children.

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It's Harvest Time in U. S. Capital, With Another Bumper Tourist Crop

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Let Maine rave about its potatoes. Let Iowa brag about its corn. Let Kansas holler about its wheat. Here in Washington we're busy harvesting a bumper crop, too.

I'm happy to report that, judging from the early sampling, we'll have a very fine tourist yield this year.

This is a strange town. Its biggest industry, of course, is government. Its next biggest is the tourist business.

The Washington board of trade estimates that 3,500,000 people come here each year to gawk at the sights. While gawking, they part with around \$60,000,000.

The Board of Trade figures end here. But the Edson statistical service, whose unreliability has never been questioned, chips in with a few other morsels.

It estimates that most of these 3,500,000 visitors will have their pictures taken while standing in front of the U. S. Capitol.

All too many of these will show the Capitol dimly, but give a wonderful view of Aunt Bessie's store teeth, which almost fit.

It takes 45 buses, and hundreds of taxis taxiing part-time, to tote these tourist to the places they want to see.

Popular Goals Listed
Bob Atwood, who manages a bus line, says these are the goals of the average visitor, in the approximate order of their popularity:

1. The White House.
 2. The Capitol.
 3. The Smithsonian Institution.
 4. The Bureau of Engraving.
- Outside The City—**
1. Mount Vernon.
2. Arlington.
3. Alexandria (all in Virginia).
- The high up Washington Monument also rates high up with the visitors, but it isn't on Atwood's list. That's because it takes so long to stand in line, waiting for

an elevator, that most of his buses don't stop.

In addition to such things as the apothecary shop where Mrs. G. Washington used to order castor oil, by the quart, historical Alexandria has a new attraction. Tourists seem impressed when the speller spouts:

"And here is the home of John L. Lewis."

Any tourists have strange ideas about our nation's capital?

"Yes," said Atwood, the misconception he likes best came several years ago when an old railroader chuffed into town.

He took one look at the large, mahomedomed building and cried: "Great scott, what a marvelous roundhouse!"

He seemed plumb put out when the bus driver told him that was no roundhouse—only the U. S. Capitol.

Liquor Addict Requests Term in Penitentiary

NEWPORT, Wash., Aug. 19.—(AP)—Harry G. Caraway, 38, asked the judge to send him to the State Penitentiary for a year instead of to the County Jail.

He told Superior Judge W. Lon Johnson Tuesday he thought he might break the liquor habit in a state prison.

Caraway had been sentenced to the County jail term after pleading guilty to a charge of attempted suicide.

He said he had served time in county jails "in nearly every state in the union."

The judge took the request under advisement.

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