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NOT CONSISTENT

G. Girard Davidson, assistant secretary of the Interior, is widely quoted in the press as opposing the Pelton hydroelectric dam on the Deschutes River. Mr. Davidson also is quoted as viewing with disfavor the power dam proposed by the City of Tacoma for the Cowlitz River, the project rejected by the Washington legislature. Mr. Davidson, it seems, holds the opinion that dams on the Deschutes and on the Cowlitz would be very, very damaging to migratory fish runs and would most critically interfere with Interior Department plans to rebuild the migratory salmon industry of the Lower Columbia River.

Mr. Davidson's fears, we believe, are well founded. Either or both of the dams undoubtedly would be very hurtful to the Columbia fishery.

But we have examined Mr. Davidson's reported statements very thoroughly for some reference to proposed dams on the Rogue River. So far we have found Mr. Davidson strangely silent about the Rogue River projects. Certainly (?) it must have been an oversight.

That dams proposed for the Cowlitz and Deschutes are private power projects and the dams projected for the Rogue are planned by the Bureau of Reclamation, an agency of the Interior Department, surely (?) couldn't influence Mr. Davidson in any way. Or could it?

We can agree with Mr. Davidson that dams on the Deschutes and Cowlitz Rivers would be detrimental to fish life. The Rogue River dam, figuring so prominently at the last session of the Legislature which voted an act to enable construction, would be fully as damaging to the state's fishery resource as either of the two dams Mr. Davidson so vigorously opposes. The Rogue River dam would cut off eight miles of the finest spawning water—water equivalent in fish production capacity to several dozen artificial hatcheries.

But Mr. Davidson doesn't mention the Rogue River in his statements to the press—at least in any report we've seen to date—and it causes our suspicious mind to wonder if perhaps Mr. Davidson may not be somewhat influenced by who proposes to produce power.

He points out that the Department is fully aware that the Columbia fishery is to be damaged by federal installations and that, consequently, it is anxious to preserve the fish propagation capacities of tributary streams below McNary dam. Not only is it proposed to preserve these streams as natural nurseries for the Columbia fishery, but the Interior Department will aid in improving migratory fish runs in those tributaries by large grants-in-aid as well as direct installations. And we presume (?) he means that all the flood control, power, and irrigation dams planned by his Bureau of Reclamation on the Willamette River, the Columbia's largest tributary are in the interest of the Columbia River fishery.

Nuts!
 If Mr. Davidson were sincere in his declared interest in the state's fishery he would be opposed to the Rogue River dam and would not hesitate to say so. As it is, and despite his denials that the issue of public vs. private power is not a factor in the Department's attitude, his failure to declare against the Rogue project, and the support of his Department for the "Rape of the Rogue" cause deepest suspicion that he is not as consistent nor as sincere as his statements would indicate.

The Bureau of Reclamation, aided by the Army Engineers, has mapped out a plan for development of irrigation and power that would completely destroy migratory fish species in this most famed of sport streams, providing the program is fully executed. The first step involves lowering the deadline for power dams, and the last Legislature authorized moving the deadline eight miles downstream. If this dam is built others doubtless will follow, until, as the last step, Copper Canyon dam, 530 feet high and 21 miles from the mouth, will be erected to erase every vestige of migratory fish from the Rogue.

Referendum petitions now are in circulation in an effort to prevent the Bureau of Reclamation from getting its foot in the door as the initial step in its program to destroy the Rogue fishery. The fact that this proposal originates in the Department of which Mr. Davidson is assistant secretary, while he so vigorously opposes two small private power dams because they would damage Columbia River fisheries, does not seem consistent.

Irish Republicans Throw British Labor Party Huddle Into Uproar

BLACKPOOL, Eng., June 11.—(AP)—Irish Republic demonstrators threw the closing session of the British Labor Party conference into an uproar yesterday with shouts and a shower of leaflets.

The leaflets charged that the ruling Labor Party "endorses the mutilation of the Irish nation and gives permanent power to an anti-democratic Tory junta in Belfast."

The demonstration was directed against a government bill which guaranteed that Ireland will stay divided unless the northern Ireland Parliament agreed to join the southern republic.

An Irishman flung the green, orange and white flag of Republican Ireland over a balcony and shouted repeatedly, "I protest in the names of the workers of Ireland."

He was still shouting as strong-armed stewards hustled him out of the hall. Other Irish partisans flung the leaflets from four

points in the balcony. When quiet was restored the party shouted approval of a program calling for more state ownership if the labor movement wins a second term in the 1950 election. One dissenting "no" came from a corner of the hall.

Former State Senator G. W. Holcomb Passes

PORTLAND, June 11.—(AP)—George Wallace Holcomb, former Oregon State senator, died here Thursday. He was 82.

Holcomb, retired president of the Holcomb-Dixon Company, served two terms in the Senate about the turn of the century. He also was author of a book on constitutional government, soon to be published.

A native of Windsor Locks, Conn., Holcomb was associated with the Oregon cannery industry before going into the real estate business.

There are no survivors.



Scapes from the MENDING BASKET

By Viahnett S. Martin

Who remembers the exciting days of November 1888 in Roseburg when votes were sold—yes, sold—at 10 cents each? It appears that even children's half-votes were not scorned—at any rate the results when the election returns were announced at the School Festival were: Mrs. Grover Cleveland 451 votes; Mrs. Benjamin Harrison 381 votes.

The climax to the evening's festivities came when it was announced that the balance of money for the school piano was raised, "all but \$5," and the \$5 was added next day and the money sent off, and now the piano was theirs!

We are indebted to Mrs. Orpha Collins for copies of two interesting clippings from The News-Review of that date: one, the School Festival write-up, and the other a copy of Mrs. Cleveland's (dare I put in, astonished?) answer to a letter from Mr. J. J. Farquar which accompanied the gift of a whip. A riding whip? A buggy whip? Mounted with silver, perhaps? Who can tell us the answer? Surely one of those half-voters remembers?

We don't have enough space for the enthusiastic approval of each member on program—sorry,

but I'll list the names of the participants: It was arranged by Professor J. B. Horner and his "corps of able-assistant teachers." Mrs. W. A. Smick called the meeting to order. Theo Belden led off with "At Home On the Farm;" Dollie Snyder sang, "Gathering Home;" Bertie Richardson delivered "One by One;" Maud Ragon and Carrie Landers joined in a duet (title omitted); Minnie Agee recited "The Topper;" Ora Bell and Mettie Rapp also joined in a duet (on the new piano—or did they sing?) "Go Let the Angels in."

Theo and George Beldon favored the large number present with a "musical dialogue; Lillie Glendenning recited "Saved by a Hymn;" Ora and Xenia Bell sang, "Draw the Curtain;" Echo Gaddis recited "The Old Man in the Palace Car;" Bertha Bellows and Zenia Bell sang "When There's Love at Home;" Regina Rast told "What Dollie Did"—and the Glee Club finished up the "literary part of the program."

Two hours were spent "feasting on good things."
 "Those attending the speaking at the Courthouse, by Hon. J. C. Fullerton were kindly invited to the Festival and about 9 o'clock joined the merry throng."

In the Day's News

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king sounds contradictory. They are not.

Monarchy and socialism both truck back to the leave-it-to-papa complex. If you have a hereditary king, you don't have to bother your head about getting a good ELECTED leader. You just take whomever happens to be born to the job and let it go at that.

Under complete socialism, you don't have to worry about getting ahead in the world. You just leave everything to the government.

JOHN L. Lewis calls another week-long strike. Lecturing the coal industry, he says it has "over-produced badly and the shut-down will help eat into the huge supply of coal already mined."

He adds: "This period of inaction will emphasize a lack of general stability in the industry and the dangers which will accrue therefrom if current harmful practices are not remedied."

That is to say: The work stoppage WILL HELP TO KEEP THE PRICE OF COAL UP.

Coal is a basic raw material. When the price of coal stays high, prices of other things tend to stay high. The higher prices are, the less your pay-check will buy.

Presumably, the higher prices stay the more money sellers can make.

It sounds almost as if the fiery John L. were saying to the coal operators: "If we stick together, an

BOTH do all right." (At the expense of the consumer.)

VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIAGE LICENSES
 HODSON-LEONARD—Ernest E. Hodson, Corvallis, and Onelda Frances Leonard, Roseburg.
 BUTLER-GEERTZ—Billy Jackson Butler and Margaret Maxine Geertz, both of Roseburg.

DIVORCE SUIT FILED
 GRIESEL—Maurice vs. Mamie C. Griesel. Married at Neligh, Neb., July 5, 1922. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged. Plaintiff asks that custody of their one minor child be granted defendant and offers \$30 a month support.

DIVORCE DECREE GRANTED
 HAMPTON—Gerald Elva from Herbert Albert Hampton.

CARTER—Berniece S. from Orvell G. Carter. Plaintiff granted custody of their three children and \$35 a month support.

MELTON—Benjamin B. from Kathleen Melton.

BRADY—Cecelia Mary from Vernon Roy Brady. Plaintiff granted custody of their one child, \$75 monthly for the child's support and \$25 for the plaintiff's support.

BARTON—Jean from Bob Orville Barton. Plaintiff granted custody of their one child and \$60 a month support.

SIDERS—Clyde L. from Dorothy L. Sidors. Property settlement ratified.

BURLESON—Almeda L. from Ben H. Burleson. Plaintiff's former name of Almeda L. Beatty restored.

WILSON—Howard A. from Anna G. Wilson. Property settlement ratified.

Remains of stone-age cakes, made of coarsely-ground grain, were found in the Swiss lake-dwellings.

Student Slain, Co-Ed Date Is Badly Beaten

BOULDER, Colo., June 11.—(AP)—The body of a Colorado University sophomore student, the victim of a killer, was found in Boulder Creek Friday.

The student, Roy G. Spore Jr., 19, of Denver, vanished last night after going on a date with a girl student in a wooded region bordering the stream.

Spore had been beaten terribly. There were severe wounds on his head and face.

Searchers uncovered the body beneath snagged driftwood about 75 yards downstream from the spot where the student disappeared.

The coed, Doris Ann Weaver, 18, of Twin Falls, Idaho, was suffering from head wounds. She told Sheriff Arthur Everson she was struck from behind by an unidentified attacker.

A large pool of blood was found on the creek bank and patches of blood led from there to the water's edge.

The attack occurred exactly seven months from the night that another Colorado University student, Theresa Foster, 18, of Greeley, Colo., was slain on a "lover's lane" road near Boulder Nov. 9.

Joe Sam Walker, a 32-year-old metal worker, was convicted a month ago of second degree murder in this slaying. Walker now is in the County Jail here awaiting sentence.

Rice Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Parson of East Sound, Wash., called at the Ernest Warner home Tuesday.

Miss Marjorie Shepherd went to Eugene Tuesday, where she received optical treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Edes of Lundale, Calif., arrived Wednesday for an extended visit with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lamar.

Mrs. Grace Grass left Thursday for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Nebraska and Iowa. She will also visit her daughter, Mrs. Darley Stewart at Vancouver, Wash.

Mrs. Lloyd Bridges of Drain visited Tuesday at the Frank Churchill home.

Master Peter Amorde of Sutherland is spending his summer vacation at the home of his sister, Mrs. Wayne Rice.

Miss Jackie Rathburn, daughter of Mrs. Charles Ward, is spending the summer with her grandmother, Mrs. Ed Rathburn Sr., at Spokane, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Castor of Portland spent the Memorial Day weekend at the homes of Ervin Rice and William Castor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Warner visited over the week-end with friends at Parkdale.

Claude Shepherd and Cecil Hartford of Boy Scout troop 44 accompanied their troop to the annual Jamboree held at the Winchester Rifle Range over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cullens and son visited Friday evening at the Jim Shepherd home.

Mrs. Lucile Bloomquist and sons of Corvallis visited over the weekend at the parental Phil Huntington home.

Mrs. Grace Grass of Roseburg is visiting a few days at the Cecil Hartford home.

Super-Western Dance Band Dated At Dutch Mill

Eddie Kirk, guitarist-composer and soloist, heads his cowboy band on the Capitol Americana label. His tunes, many of them originals, are popular among the throngs who like hillbilly and authentic western music; and Eddie's unique guitar stylings helps to make his record in band outstanding.

Kirk will appear in person with his orchestra at Kennedy's Dutch Mill Saturday, June 18, for a dance sponsored by the Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Eddie, born March 21, 1919, on a cattle ranch near Greeley, Colo., is the oldest of four children, and the son of a cattle rancher who taught his children to ride, rope and help with round-ups when they were young. As for young Eddie, he had such a good natured voice and mastery of rhythm that his father's ranch hands taught him all the songs they knew, and he was allowed at the age of nine to do some professional hillbilly singing and tap dancing with a small band in Greeley.

His rise to fame has been phenomenal. After working with several western groups recording for Capitol, he formed his own group, and in September, 1947, signed a Capitol contract. He has appeared in more than a dozen motion pictures, including four with Charles Starrett at Columbia. He has also worked in pictures made by MGM, Universal and Republic.

Boy Scouts Cut Ages For Entering Programs

NEW YORK, June 11.—(AP)—The Boy Scouts of America have announced a one-year reduction in the entrance ages for its programs of sub-scouting, boy scouting and senior scouting, effective Sept. 1.

In announcing the revision, Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, chief Scout executive, said the change was authorized by the organization's National Executive Board after a three-year study.

After September 1, boys may enter Cub Scouting at eight 1/2 instead of nine, Boy Scouting at 11 instead of 12, and Explorers at 14 instead of 15.

The tropical bread-fruit tree has many uses: its fruit is a dietary mainstay; its wood is used for canoes; its inner bark, for the manufacture of cloth; and its juice for glue.

Old Time Singer-Dancer Claimed By Death At 103

LONG BEACH, Calif., June 11.—(AP)—Death has taken Mrs. Clarissa M. Noxon, who sang and danced on Broadway before the Civil War. She was 103.

Born in Masonville, N. Y., she performed as her father's dancing partner at the age of 10 and several years afterward. She died yesterday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Jennie Elliott. Also surviving are a son, 21 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and 22 great-great-grandchildren.

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LET'S TALK ABOUT STERLING

If the purity of sterling silver is fixed by law, upon what does its quality depend?

Absolutely pure silver which contains no other metal is much too soft for use in making table silver. For this reason, a small amount of copper is added to the pure silver to give stiffness and wearing quality. Sterling is the name given to the silver alloy which contains 92.5% pure silver mixed with 7.5% pure copper. This proportion of silver to copper is fixed by the federal law; so that no matter what company makes sterling silverware, if it is purchased within the United States or her possessions, the quality is the same. Silverware can be of no better quality.

Upon what, then, does sterling value depend? The value of a piece of sterling silverware depends partly upon its weight, but more upon the quality of its design and craftsmanship. Some of the finest examples of designing and die-work may be seen in the "GRAND BAROQUE" pattern made by Wallace silversmiths, even though it is not as expensive as another silver pattern, "LAMARIE" made by Watson Silver Co., one of the heaviest silver patterns made today. We see then, that the value of sterling tableware depends upon the combination of the two factors, weight and craftsmanship.

Knudtson's invite you to drop in and see their many sterling silver patterns made by International, Watson, Wallace, Manchester and Lunt. Knudtson's will register your pattern so your friends can add to your service on occasions for gifts. At Knudtson's you can also arrange for easy budget terms.

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