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## A GOOD START

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The Bureau of Land Management is deserving of commendation for stipulations contained in the pending contract for sale of timber located in the Rock Creek watershed. The timber is to be sold at oral auction July 12.

The purchaser will be required to handle his operation in such manner that siltation will be reduced to a minimum.

The stipulations are contained in the contract because the Game Commission's trout hatchery is located on Rock Creek and previous upstream logging operations have seriously interfered with the hatchery.

But if the provisions are beneficial on Rock Creek, are they not desirable elsewhere? Would it not be good policy to include the same stipulations in EVERY timber sale contract?

The operator will be prevented from washing rock, used for road ballast, in the waters of Rock Creek or its tributaries. All ditches carrying drainage water must be run into settling or filter basins. Roads must be sloped away from the direction of natural drainage, which will cause surface water to lose much of its load of silt while seeking an outlet. Headers and wings will be required on all culverts, thus preventing runoff water from coming around ends.

These provisions are included because upstream logging on Rock Creek in the past has brought heavy loads of silt into the trout hatchery. Injunctions were threatened at one time against an operator who washed road gravel in Rock Creek. A desist order also was made against an operator who forded tractors and yarders across a shallow part of the stream, dragging logs through the water.

Silt stirred up by these operations smothered eggs at the hatchery, fouled feeding and brood ponds and caused considerable damage.

The forthcoming contract contains safeguards against repetition of these conditions. The stipulations are made only because of the presence of the hatchery in the watershed. But the same stipulations should be made in every contract.

Room exists for much improvement in logging practices which, to date, have not been overprotective toward other resources. We have lots of resources, so why bother with protection? But because we haven't considered the resources problem, we find our water table lowering year by year, our streams flooding in winter and running dry in summer, our fish and game population deteriorating, and our agricultural lands damaged. Much—not all—of this condition could be remedied by improving logging methods, and, more especially, by adding to them.

One of the first things that happens when trees are removed is that the topsoil is washed away and the ground opened for continued erosion. This could be stopped with a cover crop. Tons upon tons of silt are carried into streams to smother spawning beds and destroy food production capacities, thus reducing fish life. Because water runs off quickly from denuded land, carrying its load of abrasive material, it adds to winter flood crests while doing more erosion damage. This could be prevented through construction of artificial upland ponds, marshes and bogs, together with artificial filtering and settling basins on all drainage streams. Cover cropping and water retention facilities could be provided by the logger before he leaves the show and while he has heavy equipment on the job. He would be compensated by calculating his cost and deducting it from the purchase price of the timber.

When a farmer takes a crop off a piece of ground, he prepares the ground for a new crop. Our present logging practice is to strip off the timber and leave the rest to Mother Nature.

The logger is not doing this through malice, carelessness or negligence. It is done simply because that's the way it always has been done and modern methods call for getting out timber with little thought for the next crop.

The Forest Service in recent years has been holding out from timber sale revenues a small amount to be used for reseeding, but heretofore nothing has been withheld for water retention and erosion prevention. Yet water is as essential as soil and sun to new crop growth, while preparation of the land would greatly assist Mother Nature in her program of restoration.

The Bureau of Land Management has taken a long step forward in placing anti-siltation provisions in the Rock Creek contract. It is to be hoped that these stipulations will become standard contract features in the future, and that there will be added to them measures to halt erosion, retain water, and speed growth.

We believe loggers as a whole would be found very cooperative, once they learned to understand the program, for the man who works in the woods quickly learns to love the outdoors and is anxious to preserve its beauty and utility. We intend no criticism of the logger. He cannot be expected to adopt costly practices for which he is not compensated and for which no requirement exists. We believe he would be the first to approve amendments to forestry procedure to comply with established rules of conservation.

### Trees Halt Plunge Of Auto Containing 4 Boys

Four Camas Valley boys are very thankful for trees.

Traveling between Coquille and Bandon, their pickup truck rolled off the highway about six miles west of Coquille and was caught by a row of small trees just above the water's edge.

The driver reportedly was David K. Burke, 15, Winston, and passengers, each 14, were William George Woods, Neil Gordon Brown, and Robert Reade Ted-

rick. Woods suffered a minor arm injury when pinned under the cab. The boys had delivered a load of cherries to Coquille stores and were headed for the beach at Bandon when the accident occurred.

### GRASS FIRE

The Roseburg Fire Department answered a call to Sunset Lane on the Melrose Road Thursday afternoon to extinguish a grass fire.

## Steak Dinner Enjoyed Friday Evening



Picture by Photo Lab

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. High entertained the Rebekah degree staff, which recently participated in the convention at Coos Bay, at a delightful barbecue steak dinner in the attractive garden at their home on East Lane St. Friday evening.

A beautiful silver coffee service was presented by the group to

W. P. Fredrickson, captain of the team. Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Frauendiner, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McGhehey, Mrs. Frank Poole, Mrs. Ethel Swayze, Mrs. Fred Goff, Mrs. Mary Curtis, Mrs. Ada Hanna, Mrs. Glenn Beach, Mrs. Amy Kruse, Mrs. Alvera Peterson, Mrs.

W. P. Fredrickson, Mrs. Carl Nickens, Mrs. Faye Jensen, Mrs. Minnie South, Mrs. Gene Leonard, Mrs. Louis Neureiter, Mrs. Nina Coon, Mrs. Hazel Reid, Mrs. Mildred Gardner, Miss V. Vivian Logsdon, Mrs. Mary Alice Mortenson and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. High.

Visiting was enjoyed during the short hour.



By Viahnett S. Martin

"It's getting so," said a contractor one day, sadly shaking his head, "women don't even want to push a button!"

But even so, there are modern pioneers whom we see every day as we drive along the highways, who are very grateful to push a button on the blessed electric light switch! And there are pioneers who are beginning with the simplicity of the early days. Except—

The trailer was just off the highway when I first saw it. It tipped a bit for between it and the wooded slope above it was a ditch. Two cars were parked with it, fore and aft. There seemed to be a consultation of sorts going on up in the woods. Maybe the travelers were thinking of camping there that night?

The woods were of the usual kind here. Good sized trees with a tangled undergrowth. The next time I saw the trailer it had been drawn up into a small clearing, two deep ruts behind it showed its path. "Trees had been cut."

There were stumps all around it the next time I passed. And between two trees was stretched a clothesline on which hung tiny garments. Children lived in the

trailer! And that was their new home, no overnight stop. That's all I know of the little story. Just another young couple with courage and the pioneer spirit making a home in the woods.

But in years to come perhaps the descendants of that young couple will be writing the stories handed down to them by grandparents: "In those days my great-grandparents crossed the country to settle in Oregon. They traveled in a trailer which, in those days, was considered quite the last word in travel, in travel on the ground, I mean. Probably 50 miles an hour was the fastest they could travel!"

"And when they reached the spot they liked, they had to cut down trees to make a place for the trailer. The only heat they had and light, were through wires electrically charged. In those days people were just beginning to think of using the atom"—whatever they will be calling it in years to come!

"O Pioneers!" in your trailers and floor-boarded tent, with the same courage, the same hope, the same love and trust in each other, the same incentives — God bless you all!

## LOCAL NEWS

**Attends To Business** — Phil Strader of Glide was a business visitor in Roseburg Friday.

**Here Friday** — Mr. and Mrs. Gus A. Lindbloom of Dixonville spent Friday in Roseburg on business.

**Visiting Here** — Mr. and Mrs. Loy Baughman of Los Angeles are visiting relatives and friends in Roseburg.

**Visiting Here** — Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Ritter Jr., of Florence, are spending a few days here visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Ritter Sr.

**Convalescing** — Moyla Schaefer is reported to be convalescing satisfactorily at her home on South Deer Creek following a tonsillectomy Wednesday.

**Return To Eugene** — Mrs. Phil Evashenka and children, Darrell and John, have returned to their home in Eugene, following several days visiting relatives and friends in Roseburg.

**Return To Coos Bay** — Mr. and Mrs. George Hagquist have returned to their home in Coos Bay, following several days in Roseburg visiting the latter's father, Clarence Hess.

**Leave For Coast** — Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Berg of Portland have left for coast points, following a stop in Roseburg to visit the former's brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Horace Berg, in Laurelwood.

**Visitors Leave** — Mr. and Mrs. George Souise have returned to their home in Olympia, Wash., following a visit in Roseburg with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bistak, Mr. Souise was a delegate to the Northwestern district convention of Lumber Inspectors held there.

**Leaves For East** — Earl Henry of Roseburg left Friday for Portland to take the train for New York City, where he will spend the next six months working between that city and points in the Middle West for the West Coast Lumber Bureau of Grades and Inspections.

**Will Visit In Norway** — Miss Esther Fjeldseth, hostess at the Hotel Umqua, and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Skoog of Olympia, Wash., left this week by train from Portland for New York City to sail for Norway. Miss Fjeldseth plans to visit her family in Molde, Norway, and expects to return to Roseburg the latter part of September.

The Skoogs are on a combined business and pleasure trip to Norway and will remain there indefinitely.

**New Pressman** — Harold Taylor has accepted the position as pressman at the News-Review.

**On Vacation Trip** — Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Albrecht, 1124 W. Third St., Roseburg, left today on a brief vacation trip to be spent touring in Canada.

**On Training Cruise** — Lyle V. Doris, airman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Doris of Roseburg, is engaged in anti-submarine warfare training with Composite Squadron 11, which is based at the San Diego Naval Air Station.

**Leave For Idaho** — Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burr and son left Thursday for their home in Humesdale, Ida., following three weeks vacationing in California and a stop in Roseburg to visit Mr. Burr's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Burr. They formerly made their home here.

**Iowa Visitors Here** — Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith and daughters, Sharon and Dioneese of Shenandoah, Ia., are visiting at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. George Lawson and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Howard in Roseburg and at Winston with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Floew. They will leave for Minneapolis this weekend to spend a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Howard, before returning to Iowa.

**Back From Vacation** — Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Row have returned to their home in Roseburg, following a vacation trip and also a stay in San Francisco to attend the summer mart to secure new lines for Mrs. Row's Style Shop. They visited Mrs. Row's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Heston Wright, at their ranch at Montgomery Creek, Calif., stopped a few days at Mt. Lassen and in Reno and visited with Mr. Row's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Row, in San Leandro, Calif. They returned home via the Redwood Highway.

### CONTEMPT CHARGE

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly has issued an order directing Donald D. Hemingway to appear in court July 8 at 10 a. m. to show cause, if any, why he should not be adjudged in contempt of court for willful failure to comply with a decree of the court, dated Nov. 1, 1948. The decree was granted in favor of his wife, Frances Emily Hemingway, and provides for a property settlement and support money.

In 1934, average meat consumption by Americans dropped to 117 pounds, compared with 145 pounds in 1948 and 151 in 1949.

## Lutheran Chorus' Sacred Concert Well Received

By L. K. P.

An audience of more than 300 attended the Lutheran Hour Chorus sacred concert Thursday evening at the Roseburg Senior High School. The Chorus was sponsored by St. Paul's and St. John's Lutheran Churches of Roseburg and Sutherlin, respectively.

Members of the choir wore robes of wine-color with white shirts and black ties. Floor baskets of mixed flowers decorated the stage.

The audience was most enthusiastic and appreciative in applauding every number. "Sing Praises, Ye Faithful" by Bach, and "My Soul, Awake and Render," were probably the most popular with the audience. As an encore, the Choir sang, "Beautiful Saviour," the Lutheran Hour theme song and as they softly hummed the second verse, one of the members spoke on the topic of "Bearing Witness for Christ."

Rev. Mr. Kauth, who is traveling with the Choir, thanked the audience for such fine support and told of the work and accomplishments of the Lutheran Hour broadcast, which is sent to 26 different countries.

During the intermission, Mrs. Florence E. Perkey favored with piano selections. Following a short devotional service this morning at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, the Choir left for Medford, where it will present a concert tonight.

## Damages Asked In Elevator's Fall

A. J. Hochradel and Post 2468, Veterans of Foreign Wars, are named as defendants in a suit asking \$15,000 damages filed in Circuit Court by Robert J. Blumberg, who alleges he sustained injuries in the fall of an elevator Oct. 9, 1947.

The elevator was located in the building at 115 W. Washington owned by Hochradel, and in which the V. F. W. operates its post and a cocktail lounge.

The plaintiff alleges that he had placed a machine in the elevator cage, and the elevator was being operated by the manager of the post. After it had been hoisted 30 feet up the shaft, the hook came out of the eye-bolt on the top of the cage and the elevator fell to the bottom of the pit.

The plaintiff alleges he sustained permanent foot injuries, that he suffered pain, mental anguish and lost time to his total damage of \$15,000.

## In the Day's News

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gain through intelligent, sensible cooperation.

FOR the past decade and a half in this country we have been fighting over federal labor laws. This fight has degenerated into a STRUGGLE FOR POWER, with the Democrats backing too much power for labor and thus forcing the Republicans into the defensive position of backing too much power for employers.

It is bad business. In an all-out fight for dominant power between workers and employers, the economy of the nation is bound to suffer severely. It is beginning to suffer already.

It will suffer more as time goes on unless we change our ways and get more sense. Young Willkie proposes to the Young Republicans at Salt Lake City that Republicans change their ways and go about the solution of the labor-employer problem in an intelligent and reasonable manner.

IT is a fascinating proposal. It offers possibilities of mutual benefit through intelligent, tolerant cooperation, whereas our present trends offer nothing but unceasing and growingly bitter warfare. If you want an example of what unceasing and bitter warfare leads to, look at Europe today. It lies in ruin because its people have insisted on FIGHTING FOR DOMINANT POWER instead of working together for mutual benefit.

YEARS ago, a striking and forceful cartoon was circulated rather widely. It depicted two mules haltered together between two shocks of hay. Through a sequence of several pictures, they pulled and hauled and tugged AGAINST EACH OTHER, but got no nearer to the hay they wanted.

Then— A light dawned on them. One went "bz-z-z, bz-z-z, bz-z-z" into the other's ear. The other went "bz-z-z, bz-z-z, bz-z-z" back into his companion's ear.

A comprehending grin split their faces and they trotted amiably together over to one shock of hay and polished it off and then trotted together over to the other shock of hay and put it where it would do the most good.

If young Philip Willkie, working with his fellow young Republicans, can make the Republican party over in the manner he suggests, I'd like to enlist under his banner.

The plan he proposes offers an opportunity to GET SOMEWHERE worth getting to. I'm tired of biting legs and chewing thumbs and spitting out ears and GETTING NOWHERE.

That's about all the present tussle for power between workers and employers amounts to.

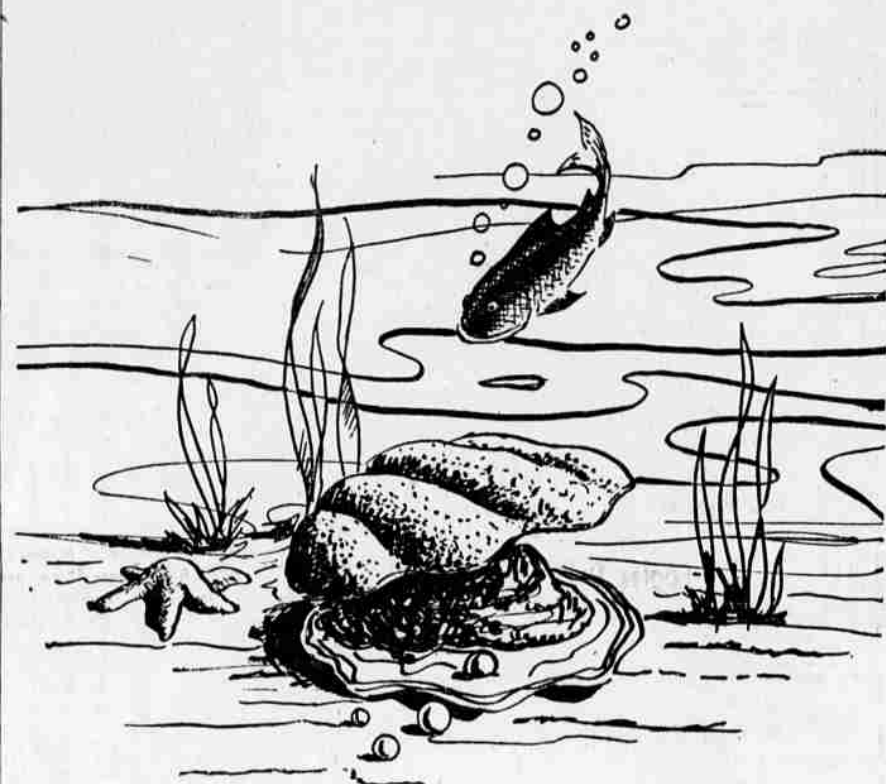
## TO TAXPAYERS:

The annual meeting of the League will be held at 10:00 A. M., Tuesday, June 28th, Circuit Court Room, Court House, Roseburg, Oregon, for the consideration of the 1950 Budget, the election of officers and such other business as shall properly come before the meeting.

You are vitally interested in the tax picture of Douglas County and it is only by your attendance at the Budget Meeting of the county that the county officials can know your attitude on tax matters. Make it a point to attend this meeting.

DOUGLAS COUNTY TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE  
 (Signed) R. R. CLARK, President

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## Gems of the Ocean

If three pearls were placed on a table before you—one simulated, value fifty cents, one cultured, value fifty dollars, and one oriental with a value of one hundred fifty dollars, could you identify each one? Chances are you could pick out the imitation easily, but only an expert with the aid of X-ray apparatus can distinguish between the cultured and oriental pearls.

The treasured oriental or genuine pearl has a natural beginning inside the shell of the pearl oyster, a mollusk twice the size of our edible oyster. The pearl begins when a tiny irritant, usually microscopic in size, becomes lodged in the flesh of the oyster. The oyster proceeds to cover this irritant with layer after layer of nacre, the beautiful translucent pearl coating secreted by the oyster. An oriental pearl a half inch in diameter is nearly a solid pearl. A fine white pearl this size would cost approximately \$280.

The cultured pearls are propagated artificially. Thanks to the diligence of the Japanese pearl culturists, cultured pearls are obtainable at a reasonable price which equal or nearly equal oriental pearls in lustre and beauty. After being sorted by X-ray examination, the healthy, three-year-old pearl oysters are opened and a sphere of mother-of-pearl is inserted into an incision made in the flesh of the oyster. The oysters are then lowered into the sea in cages to protect them from predators. After several years, they are raised and the pearls removed. The coating of nacre, in this case, is usually not more than one sixteenth-inch thick. A fine, white, cultured pearl a half-inch in diameter formed this way would cost about \$35.

The wearer of cultured pearls should not feel her pearls are "imitations"—they are not. In fact there are few oriental pearls sold today. Knudtson's have many strands of pearls in varying shades and sizes offered at varying prices depending on your wishes. A pearl necklace has no equal in any woman's estimations and therefore your choice of pearls should be careful and thorough. Be sure to shop around when looking for pearls but be sure to see Knudtson's displays of these rare gems of the ocean.

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