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DANGEROUS WATER

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Anglers planning to fish Winchester bay during the coming season are warned about a new danger. Improvement work at the mouth of the Umpqua river has narrowed the throat, Frank L. Taylor, Reedsport hardware merchant, reports. Tides now sweep in and out at approximately six knots per hour.

Current velocity is expected to scour sands from the bar, thus increasing water depth, but an extreme hazard is thereby produced for small boats. Small outboard motors lack power to buck such tides. If the wind is wrong, even heavy motors would find it difficult to make headway.

Winchester bay can be extremely dangerous at times. Storms strike suddenly, building up waves large enough to swamp small craft. Fishing normally is done close to the bar, where fish enter from the ocean to feed. Numerous narrow escapes have been reported, although no fatalities have occurred to date.

Use of the bay for sports angling is increasing annually by leaps and bounds. More and more boats are in evidence. Many of these boats are designed for inland waters and are lacking in size and freeboard needed for Winchester bay. Too many anglers are not skilled in handling boats in coastal bays, where conditions frequently are much different than in sheltered rivers.

Protection Is Lacking

The Umpqua Coast Guard station is undermanned and lacks equipment and funds to provide police and protection services. Efforts have been made to obtain larger allotments because of the extensive recreational use of the bay and the increasing danger. These efforts so far have been unsuccessful.

Members of the Winchester Bay Recreational Parks association do their best, with volunteer help and equipment, to police the waters. These volunteer workers lack authority, however, and frequently find themselves receiving insults from anglers to whom warnings are issued. Too, there is no organized service and watchers are not present at all times.

Undoubtedly Winchester bay will have its share of casualties. It is only through good luck and vigilance that no tragedies have occurred to date. Certainly the carelessness of some anglers has courted accidents.

Fishermen persist in the use of skiffs too small for the type of water being fished. Boats are overloaded. Operators venture too far out on the bar with inadequate boats and motors. Boats continually work into the main channel, the only route for commercial craft, slowing traffic to a crawl, while risking the danger of being swamped by swells. The edge of the bar teems with boats during an outgoing tide when motor failure could easily cause the craft to be swept out to sea.

A few tragedies may teach the needed lesson of caution, but that is a hard way to learn. It would be far better if anglers realized the danger surrounding them and practiced safety voluntarily.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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are served salt—but no pepper. At the same time, he added, he has been informed that the army has purchased nearly two million pounds of black pepper since last July 1. This amount, he said, was sold, is sufficient to feed more than ten million fighting men for ten years.

It might all be true. And I imagine it's true that the boys at Camp Rucker could do without pepper for a few days without any permanent harm.

And I'll confess that if on last July 1 (four days after the Korean war started) I had been charged with the job of buying enough pepper to keep the boys happy for the duration I might have bought a couple of million pounds of it.

Resides, I know some people who bought enough pepper to last at least several years and stashed it away in their cupboards—just in case.

More about pepper: When the pinch came, along toward the tail end of the last war, and it looked like there just WASN'T NO PEPPER, I thought

I was sunk. To me, a fried egg without a nice coating of black pepper scattered tastefully over it, is a loathsome object.

In this grave emergency, somebody smuggled me a can of the stuff. I was happy beyond measure as I scattered it liberally over the fried eggs and the mashed potatoes and the gravy and the what have you.

I didn't find out for weeks that it was this synthetic stuff that has about as much in common with real pepper as the paper shoe soles we used to get had to do with real leather. The point is I did not even know the difference until somebody told me.

That's why I think the boys down at Camp Rucker haven't suffered much because of their temporary shortage of pepper.

Just a thought in closing: Whaddya reckon would happen if a bunch of Russian conscripts KICKED ABOUT HAVING NO PEPPER? I don't know, but I have a notion that what they'd be told wouldn't be nice.

One of the very nicest things about our military system is the RIGHT of every citizen soldier to kick about his chow.

Scrapes from the MENDING BASKET

By Viahnett S. Martin

A very good dish to set before the king when he is cold, or weary, or just not feeling up to par, is an egg. EJ means when he says: "How about a bowl of that cornstarch stuff? I could just go for a bait of that..."

By which he means that he would like me to stir up a little cornstarch and sugar, 3 table-spoons of each is right for his usual "bait," add a pint of milk, a scant pint, either whole milk or canned milk with half water. Cook in double boiler, unless you want to stand and stir it every second for if it burns it's ruined! When thickened set to one side a moment or two.

Now into a warmed bowl break an egg, beat lightly, and pour in the "cornstarch stuff." If too thick, thin a little with more milk or water.

Use the beater to make sure the egg is thoroughly mixed in, and also add some vanilla or not as the requester states. Some do—some don't.

Be sure the dish is hot when you set it before the king. It is so insipid if cooled, and also might fail to "taste so good down." (Of course—no lump!)

Our boys used to "lick it down." It's perfect for a cold night, a bedtime snack; or for a fill-in when appetites are finicky.

Of course with boys you can add such things as nuts, red cherries, coconut all manner of odds and ends. But EJ prefers his straight, thank you. Sometimes I whip the white of an extra egg, sweetened and pile on top, but it goes down just as well "straight," when EJ is the requester.

The Big Wheel In The Nation's Capital



Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON—Administration politicians are badly stumped over what to do about the labor leaders who got sore and quit when Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson refused to let them run the defense program.

Nobody, not even the working men they profess to love, thought the labor bosses would jump off the bridge they had so carefully built to the back door of the White House. In fact, it was for union members that labor leaders labored in securing a price control agency and other clutches on the nation's economy. Or so they said.

When Wilson got rough, however, and told labor advisers on the various agencies, bureaus and commissions set up to control the economy that wage controls are a slice of the cake they want to eat, the gentlemen departed, wounded in pride and mumbled in sorrow.

All of this has a somewhat dizzy side to it. The labor bosses talked a lot about Mr. Truman being their boy in 1948 when he wanted to get back into the White House. Now they won't even give the President the time of day. It's either the first term for them or they won't play.

The cane-carrying Mr. Truman is strolling around the streets of Key West, Florida acting like a man without a care in the world. He left the piqued labor bosses back in Washington squarely in the lap of William Boyle, chairman of the Democratic National committee. It would have been nice to have dumped them in the office of John Steelman, the President's advisor on labor matters, but Steelman is already in labor's doghouse. He muffled the railroad strike, they insist.

Boyle, somewhat more than temporarily engaged in keeping his feet dry from the backwash of the Reconstruction Finance corporation scandal, wanted the job of placating labor bosses about as badly as he wanted leprosy. As any good doctor of politics knows, you don't try to bandage up a labor boss while he is still bleeding. The best bet is to let the wound heal by itself and then give him something nice to help him forget the scars.

Salt was rubbed in labor's wounds, however, when Mr. Truman invited Mobilization Director Wilson down to Florida for a chat. Not even Boyle's tears can wash out this irritant. Only a similar invitation will help heal the wounds. Philip Murray, president of the CIO, calls it the battle of the consumers, but his troops left the field of battle.

Everybody wants labor to have feeling tip-top, is to heat a can of chicken soup, and pour it slowly into a warmed bowl in which is a well-beaten egg. Keep well stirred as you mix; so egg will not look curdled.

Although my dad was not English he learned to like tea. (Tea that was made of boiling, boiling water, poured into a well-heated pot, and served in warmed cups.) For breakfast, or any time if he came in chilled, he liked to have hot tea poured into a well-beaten egg, then strained into a heated cup. EJ regarded that idea with horror. Never heard of anybody else doing it, did you?

The cornstarch recipe was my English Granny's, used for her large family; then my mother made it for Dad and me. EJ needed only one sample to be sold on it. But it has to be HOT, so you have to slide it down a bit cautiously at first, without a lump, and cooked till that starchy taste

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses
 WILLIS - HUDSON — Richard Gerald Willis, Eureka, Calif., and Rose Mary Hudson, Sutherlin.

Divorce Decrees Granted
 LAUBACH — Arthur C. Jr. from Alice V. Laubach. One minor child awarded parents of the plaintiff. Property agreement ratified.

STOREY — Vina H. from Walter N. Storey. Property settlement approved.

MILFORD — Alice M. from Wilbur F. Milford. Plaintiff granted custody of one minor child and awarded \$50 monthly support money.

WEEKLY — Helen from Orville Weekly. Property settlement ratified.

TAYLOR — Jesse from Rosie Taylor.

FISH — Blanche Eugenia from Walter D. Fish. Plaintiff granted custody of one minor child and \$75 monthly support money, in addition to restoration of former name.

TAYLOR — Jessie D. from George J. Taylor. Plaintiff granted restoration of former name.

SMITH — Arthur B. from Alice L. Smith.

POTTER — P. uline from Raymond Lloyd Potter. Plaintiff granted restoration of former name.

Recovery Of Money On Note Asked In Suit

Pete Marketta has filed suit in circuit court against Ralph F. and Beatrice Dowdy and others for recovery of a total \$8,156.47, allegedly due on promissory notes and advances.

In the event the money is not paid, the plaintiff asks mortgage foreclosure on certain real property. The plaintiff also asks that claims against the real and personal property held by the State Unemployment Compensation commission, the United States and others be declared inferior to his.

A suit for recovery of personal property has been filed against Fred E. Lockyear by the Sheen Electric works. The plaintiff company asks return of a generation unit with switchboard. In lieu of this, the plaintiff requests payment of \$2,000.

Many Drivers Penalized For Traffic Violations

Oregon drivers were convicted of 2,837 traffic violations during February and another 181 motorists had driving licenses revoked for driving while intoxicated, the state traffic safety division said today.

The February figures, coupled with those of January, bring the state's 1951 traffic violation convictions to 5,528. Drunk driving convictions for the two month period total 369, a slight increase over the same period last year. Oregon law requires courts to revoke the drivers license of anyone convicted of driving while intoxicated, the division pointed out.

These figures, the safety men said, are important in that they give an indication of the potential accident drivers in the state. National studies, based on accident experience throughout the country, show that drivers who disobey traffic rules and regulations are more likely to have accidents than non-violators.

Three Face Drunkenness Charges; 4th Fined \$50

Thelma Evelyn Helms, 35, and Thoy Elvan Helms, 32, both of Roseburg, pleaded innocent to charges of drunkenness on a public highway and were released on \$75 bail, reports District Judge A. J. Geddes.

Arrested by the state police on a similar charge was Ephraim Barringer, 47, of Oakland. Barringer is being held in the county jail pending payment of a \$50 fine, said Geddes.

Leonard Hugh Haney, 23, of Roseburg pleaded guilty to a drunk charge in district court and was fined \$50, according to Judge Geddes. Haney was also arrested by the state police.

British Annoyed By Propaganda Of Chinese Reds

By MILTON MARMOR

SINGAPORE — (AP) — Communist China's steady propaganda blasts against the British in Malaya are finally beginning to rile the usually placid Britons, who would rather do business with China than argue with her.

Peiping radio's insistence that Britain admit a team of Chinese Reds to "investigate conditions of the persecuted overseas Chinese in Malaya" and Chinese action in going over everyone's head to cable Prime Minister Attlee direct for admission here, evoked the comment "bloody rude" from one top-British source.

Concerned With Business
 However, the Reds' hammering has not affected the main concern of Singapore—more business. So the big subject in most newspaper and other circles is still America's ceasing to purchase tin because of "gouging" by producers here.

Nevertheless, more attention is now being given to the Communist assaults on the British. Newspapers still fume against the Americans who won't pay tin prices, but they are beginning to mention Peiping's proposed "Peoples Relief administration" mission to Malaya.

The authoritative Singapore Straits Times which generally reflects British opinion here, says "There is no doubt what the British government's answer will be to the demand." It added: "It will be best if the demand is entirely ignored."

No Answer Needed

The Times editorial said the official Chinese Communist press makes clear the intention of the proposed Red mission and "says the British government should instruct the federal government to annul all emergency legislation and release all persons now detained."

"There is no need," the Times continued, "to give it the dignity of an official answer. There are proper channels for any representations which Peiping may care to make and the fact that there has been no attempt to use them suggests that the Peiping government does not believe in its own propaganda."

Malaya has been harassed for nearly three years by terrorists lurking in the jungles. They are remnants of Communist-led Anti-Japanese guerrilla forces.

VAGRANT JAILED

Era Judith Staggs, 28, an Albany construction worker, pleaded guilty to a charge of vagrancy Monday and was sentenced to serve 30 days in the Douglas county jail, reports District Judge A. J. Geddes. Staggs was arrested by state police.

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