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CUTTING TOO FAST

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The Roseburg area has a backlog of approximately 44 billion board feet of merchantable timber. Of this 44 billion feet, private ownership covers about 13 billion feet, while 31 billion feet represents public domain, controlled by the Bureau of Land Management which handles O. & C. grant lands, and the U. S. Forest service, managing the Umpqua National forest. In round figures, private lands represent 30 percent of total volume, O. & C. 20 percent and national forest 50 percent.

During the year 1950 the cut from private lands amounted to 526 million feet, 70 percent of the total production, while 224 million feet, or 30 percent, came from the public domain.

If the timber tributary to the Roseburg area were to be managed on a sustained yield program, the total allowable cut would be 475 million feet — 145 million feet from private lands, and 330 million from public lands. Instead, in 1950, we cut 750 million, a 57 percent overcut. The rate of overcut on private lands was 275 percent, while timber on public lands was undercut 32 percent.

In other words we are cutting privately owned timber four times too fast, while we are cutting only two-thirds as much timber as is available under sustained yield from public lands, yet we have almost two-and-one-half times as much timber on the public domain, as on private lands.

Must Build Access Roads

Why should we be putting so much pressure on privately owned timber, when so much publicly owned timber is going uncut? The answer is found in the lack of access roads. We can't balance the cut because we can't get to the timber we should be removing.

Two roads are critically needed. One is the North Umpqua road, which should be built through to Diamond lake. The other is a shorter and less expensive road up the Steamboat creek drainage. Both roads are in the Umpqua national forest.

Other access routes, of course, are needed into other bodies of timber, but these two proposed roads would be of the greatest benefit.

O. & C. lands now are being operated at their full sustained yield capacity, although lack of access is keeping some tracts off the market. This is true particularly in the upper Smith river area.

The Forest service expects to be able to keep its South Umpqua district up to allowable cut through operator-built roads.

The Little river district is operating on a 100 percent overcut at present. Sales from Little river district last year amounted to 40 million feet — twice the allowable cut. This is not as serious as it sounds, for that area has a large percentage of ripe, mature timber which should be harvested before it deteriorates. But overcutting can be continued for only a short time. Within a few years the Forest service probably will be forced to reduce the Little river cut from the 20 million permissible under sustained yield to about 10 million per year, thus offsetting the excess drain now in progress. The burden then must be shifted to the North Umpqua. If access roads are not made available, mills will be forced to get along on less timber, and our economy will be badly hurt.

Public Funds Required

Little access road money has been spent in Douglas county, compared with the hundreds of miles of road built by operators. In areas where it is possible to move from cutting to cutting, operators do not hesitate to build roads into the timber they buy.

Going into the North Umpqua and Steamboat country, however, we find a much different problem. The canyons have been badly scarred by fires. Thus we find large stands of young timber, not yet ready for market, stretching for miles. Intermingled will be stands of mature timber which should be coming to market. An operator, however, can't afford to build five to ten miles of road to reach a tract he could harvest. The road crosses desert, jackpine country and various stretches having little tributary timber. The main artery should be built with public funds, after which operators would build laterals as they buy marketable tracts. The increased stumpage values resulting from access would more than pay road costs over a period of a few years.

One possibility would be for a group of large operators to pool their resources and build main access roads, with the guarantee that the timber would be reserved for their exclusive use. This would eliminate competitive buying and would freeze out small operators.

It is quite evident that if access roads are long delayed our economy will suffer. We already are impairing the balance between publicly and privately owned timber lands which, under a sustained yield program, should be cooperatively managed. We can hope for little relief unless Congress makes large sums of money available or permits cooperative action on the part of large operators to the exclusion of small operators.

We have a problem which needs immediate action. The question is how we can get that action?

U.S. Won't Be A-Bombed, Gen. Wedemeyer's View

PORTLAND — (AP) — Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer doesn't think the U. S. will become an atom bomb target.

"The Communists are enjoying success all over the world with their own weapons, with which they seem to be more successful than we are."

That is what the retiring 6th army commander said here after reviewing a parade honoring the 175th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

More than 2000 servicemen marched in the hour-long parade that was led by the Torch of Liberty.

On the reviewing stand with Wedemeyer were Vice Adm. Daniel E. Barbey, former commandant of the 13th naval district, and Gov. Douglas McKay.

In a speech at the civic auditorium, Wedemeyer urged Ameri-

cans to re-dedicate themselves to the spirit of the Declaration of Independence. He cautioned a long period of crisis lies ahead.

"The United Nations epitomizes the American effort to organize and function within a world organization in the interest of peace with honor. However, such a far reaching step in international relations will be a necessity to be attended by many stresses and strains before sound premises are established for effective operation," he said.

MOOSE TO MEET

A special meeting of men of the Loyal Order of Moose will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Moose hall. Special business is to come up for consideration, it was announced.

"As Soon As Moscow Invents Peace, We'll Declare It"



Fulton Lewis Jr.



WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON—President Harry Truman was just as prolific a letter writer back in March of 1917 as he is today. It is without Mr. Truman's permission that I offer this one to posterity. No one gets cursed in this missive. In fact, it is right pleasant, since it enabled the President's oil company to get \$262.50 from a widow.

As you have undoubtedly noted herein, I've been going on a bit about the period in the President's life when he was star salesman and treasurer of the Morgan Oil and Refining company. That was back in 1916-17 in Kansas City, where you could pluck a clump off the street and with a little persuasion separate him from his money in exchange for wildcat oil stock.

In this particular instance involving the widow, since deceased, oil salesman Truman sold her ten and one-half shares of oil stock at \$25 a share. The late Mrs. J. H. Best, of Monrovia, Kansas, parted with her widow's mite after she fell for bait in the form of a newspaper advertisement which extolled the sound financial virtues of the oil company. Mr. Truman owned one-third of the concern. The stock eventually was worthless.

Mrs. Best's letter, now in the hands of her daughter, Mrs. John Snyder, 1014 Santa Fe street, Atchison, Kansas, revealed to me a whole new avenue of investigation. It brings into the oil deal for the first time an outfit called the Atlas-Oklahoma Oil Lands syndicate. You'll see how in a minute.

It's been a long but interesting dig into the Morgan Oil and Refining company, but a syndicate is something else again. That has a nice flavor to it, smacking of real operators who know when it's time to bury burdensome oil stock floater with new titles and new stock issues.

As noted previously, Mr. Truman, with Dave Morgan, of Eureka, Kansas, and W. H. Lynn of Westmore, Kansas, in December of 1916 wrapped up their oil speculating ventures in the Morgan Oil and Refining company. They first ran 10,000 shares of stock off the printing presses, with a par value of \$1.00.

As you will note shortly, by some mysterious process the stock reached a value of \$25 per share within 90 days. In the interim period the President managed to shake off a few shares to friends for \$5.00. The whole operation was so profitable that the three Missouri oilmen — Truman, Morgan and Lynn — had a drugstore board

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Scraps from the MENDING BASKET

By Visahnett Martin

Santa Claus came early at our house. He put three little boys in the house across the road: Bruce, Claude and David Kruse. Oh yes, and their rather sad-eyed black spaniel, Chum. It seems that Chum has developed a kind of suspicious attitude where strangers are concerned. Maybe one was unkind to him, and so he is not hasty to do more than just eye a person not yet admitted to the status of a friend. But I passed inspection all right with the boys.

Whenever they arrived they would tumble out of the car and in all directions at once. It seemed quite characteristic of small boys that the moment the house was connected, the only dis-

have time to sit and look at such pictures, with none of the interruptions so constant then, that you realize what treasure-trove a lot of snapshots can be!

The trick in getting a story-picture of a child or a group is to get the child's attention on something else. Get him concerned with the way his kitty or his dog or his pet toy is going to look in the picture; he then thinks of himself as incidental. The resulting picture is the kind that looks unposed.

Well, we didn't take in the Yoncalla rodeo, much as we wanted to do so, but we have a front seat right now watching three small cowboys with shiny black and white hats putting on a performance without guessing how pleased two observers are across the way.

Hat Lost In Chase Leads To Capture Of Dude Robber

NEW YORK — (AP) — A yen for natty clothes brought robbery charges against a self-styled "actor-artist," accused of twice holding up the same downtown jewelry store for a total of \$220,000 in gems.

The 34-year-old man-about-town, Arthur Chesler, said he picked on the fashionable Jean Schlumberger, Inc., shop because people believe "lightning never strikes twice" in the same place. He even went back a third time, he said, but this time the store was wary and had a private detective on hand. The detective chased Chesler, who lost a Panama hat.

Police said they traced the hat, of an expensive and limited manufacture, to Chesler.

A bartender, Thomas Keenan, 28, also was arrested in connection with the holdups. Keenan was charged with criminally receiving stolen goods.

But neither Keenan nor Chesler, police said, produced the gems. Authorities said Chesler admitted the holdups and Keenan admitted trying to dispose of the loot in Miami, Fla., without success.

Keenan said he returned the gems to Chesler, police said, but Chesler said the bartender did not. Police arrested Chesler as he drove up to a brother's office in a \$135-a-week rented automobile. Keenan was picked up in his home as his 22-year-old wife, of Chinese and Irish parents, was preparing dinner.

Explosives Theft Hunt Bans Autos

HANSON, Mass. — (AP) — Automobiles have been barred from a section of Hanson and residents warned to remain indoors as much as possible until six stolen bottles of a top secret liquid explosive are found.

Police said 12 bottles of the liquid were stolen Monday night from the Hanover plant of the National Fireworks Co. and tossed from a speeding car by three teen-aged youths.

An intensive search of the area resulted in the recovery of six of the bottles.

State and local police continued their search for the other stolen bottles which, officials say, contain a concoction which if spilled and allowed to dry could be ignited by the slightest friction.

Three youths were quoted by police as saying they took the bottles from the plant, not knowing they contained such a powerful explosive.

Four persons, including three state policemen, were injured Tuesday in an explosion at a tene plant as they were investigating the burglary.

The plant is engaged in the manufacture of ammunition for the government.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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than at any other time of the war."

War and diplomacy are strange and weird and inscrutable.

Home front chatter—from Washington:

"The government began sliding back into the red today after chalking up a 3½ billion dollar budget surplus for the fiscal year 1951, which ended on Sunday."

As the Good Book (II Peter) so aptly puts it: "The dog is turned to his own vomit again."

Do you want to know how to cure reckless government spending?

It's absurdly simple:

VOTE THE INS OUT.

There is no other way to do it. As long as the spenders keep getting returned to office, they will conclude, naturally enough, that spending is what the people want.

Maybe spending IS what the people want. Maybe it is what you want. But did you ever stop to think of this:

Your personal, individual share of the federal national debt (not to mention state, city and county debt) is in the rough general neighborhood of \$1750. If you happen to be the breadwinner for a family of four (which isn't an unusual situation) your share of the federal debt is four times \$1750, or \$7000.

Do you reckon you've got that much back personally out of the past decade and a half of wild government spending?

On that point, Oregon's experience is interesting.

Sure we've had a lot of federal money (including boondoggle money) spent here. I've forgotten the exact figures, but Oregon regularly sends TO WASHINGTON about twice as much money as it gets back FROM Washington.

You know the cynical crack about the Truman tax dollar: "You send it to Washington and get a dime back." It isn't quite that bad, but here in Oregon we do send a dollar to Washington and get about four bits back.

We yell bloody murder about taxes, but so far we haven't done anything effective about them. The only way to stop high spending, which causes high taxes, is to vote the spenders out.

Grade School Entrants' Physical Exams Dated

Physical examinations for Roseburg students entering the first or seventh grade will start next month, Dorothy Kitchin, Roseburg school nurse, said Tuesday.

First graders will be examined at the junior high school building from 8 to 10 a.m. Aug. 20 to 24. Seventh graders will be examined Aug. 27 to 29 from 8 to 10 a.m. The examinations will be given by doctors of the Douglas County Medical society.

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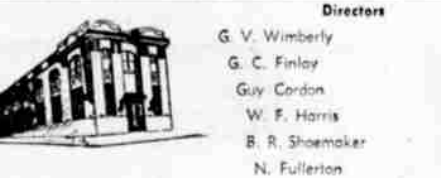
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Notes Secured by Loans	\$1,853,552.31	
Notes Secured by Stock	5,070.90	
Sales Contracts	904.03	
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock	30,400.00	
Government Bonds	100,000.00	
Home Office Building	24,000.00	
Advanced Borrowers	298.55	
Interest Receivable	89.28	
Cash on Hand and Due From Banks	203,443.97	\$2,217,759.04

LIABILITIES

Investment Stock	\$2,089,674.04	
Building Account Reserve	13,800.00	
Contingent Reserve	75,205.02	
Surplus	11,839.80	
Deferred Profit	1,928.79	
Incomplete Loans	23,062.37	
Other Reserves	2,249.02	\$2,217,759.04

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I, H. O. PARGETER, Secretary of the above Association, do hereby solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. O. PARGETER,
Secretary.

ATTEST:
S. J. SHOEMAKER,
President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of July, A.D., 1951.

W. F. HARRIS,
Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission expires November 17, 1952.