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PARK LANDS DONATED

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Winchester Bay's recreational facilities are to be greatly enlarged.

The Oregon State Highway commission reports a gift from the Menasha Woodware corporation, a Wisconsin concern, of 111.81 acres of land adjoining the old Umpqua lighthouse site.

Acquisition of this property was long the dream and project of the late Sam Boardman, the state's first director of parks, who developed the highway commission's park program. Boardman had worked for many years to add the most desirable tract to the adjoining state-owned park lands.

The south shore of Winchester bay is formed by a long peninsula. The forested and highly scenic spot was owned by the Wisconsin company. Announcement by the highway commission of acquisition of this tract contains the following bit of history:

The Umpqua lighthouse was put into service in 1857 on the south side of the entrance to the Umpqua river and — contrary to the biblical injunction — was built on the sand. It was undermined by high water in 1931 when the light toppled onto the beach. The present light, based on a rock, has been in operation since 1894, the only major change being in shifting the illuminating power from oil to electricity.

Large Park Created

Stretching south from the Winchester bay peninsula are the world's deepest sand dunes. Here is a little known area but one of great interest to scientists. It is known that three forests lie buried, one on top of the other, so deep is the sand.

What great cataclysms caused these growing forests to be buried at intervals hundreds of years apart? Will history repeat itself and the forests now growing also be inundated in time by the relentlessly creeping dunes?

Through tireless efforts of Sam Boardman, the state of Oregon acquired this sand dune park, stretching for miles along the ocean beach.

The highway commission's bulletin reports history of the acquisition as follows:

The park was started in 1930 by a gift of 200 acres of land owned by Douglas county. Between that date and March 1951, when the Woodware corporation made its gift of the 111-acre tract bordering on both sides of the coast highway just south of Winchester Bay, the park area had been gradually increased to a total of 2,747 acres both by gift and purchase. The total cost, \$4,397, went mainly to the federal government, with several small tracts purchased from private owners. The area secured by purchase totaled 1,392 acres while the remaining 1,355 acres came to the state park department by gift.

This extensive sand dune park is undoubtedly destined to become an important recreational asset. We talked recently with a resident of Winchester Bay, who was suggesting introduction of sight-seeing "dune buggies" — cars equipped with oversized tires capable of operating over the sand. Already sections of the park are being used for dune skiing.

Public Ownership Increased

Development of the dune park's recreational possibilities will add much to Winchester Bay attractions. Already we have at the mouth of the Umpqua river one of the Pacific coast's unique sports fisheries, which is growing much faster than the accommodations needed to handle the huge crowds of anglers. But recreational possibilities at the mouth of the Umpqua have barely been scratched. An all-year fishery could be developed. The state's sand dune park certainly will become a widely known attraction. Scenic boat excursions doubtless would be a drawing card during the summer season. Horse trails could be built to the streams and lakes in the adjoining hills.

An excellent job has been done by the state and county in protecting the public interest in this huge playground.

The county has acquired all water frontage around the bay shore, together with all riparian rights. The latest state acquisition brings into public ownership the last of the privately-owned land adjoining the bay and ocean. A small piece of ocean front is owned by the federal government as a part of the coast guard station. Because of this ownership protection, commercialism can never bar the public from access to any part of the recreational area.

The state parks department already has made some campground improvements to that portion of Lighthouse park acquired earlier. With the new addition from the Menasha Woodware corporation, it will be possible to enlarge camping and picnic facilities, now so badly needed during the summer season.

The gift from the Wisconsin company will greatly enhance the Winchester Bay recreational resource.

Shocking Narcotic Traffic Among Teen-Agers Calls For Severe Penalty

By SUMNER AHLBUM

For the teen-age victims, it began as a lark — an excursion into the unknown, like the first ride on a roller-coaster. Or it started as a challenge — the proof of daring so they could keep up with the crowd and not be called a "square."

Then the roller-coaster became something they couldn't get off. In place of "squares" they became "junkies," "mainliners," and other names in a strange jargon that is finally beginning to shock America. Instead of a lark, it was a down-hill ride with little chance for anything at the end but tragedy.

These were the youngsters the nation suddenly became aware of after their stories were aired in New York and later before the Senate Crime Investigating committee in Washington — stories of kids who but for the grace of God could be ours. These were the kids enmeshed in the growing drug perils, addicts whose lives are pretty sure to be ruined no matter what we do for them now.

How did it happen? Some blame it on a general breakdown in family life. Others say it starts in

the slums and breeds on delinquency, or that the new American credo has put too much emphasis on "being accepted by the gang."

All of these ideas, added together, are only part of the answer. The big factor is that the state that makes dope addicts is available — as available, in many cities, as ice cream and candy.

How can we stop it? By going to work on the real dope fiends. The fiends aren't the one who use marijuana, heroin and cocaine; they're too smart. They sell it, and the customers have to keep coming back for more and more, until they will do almost anything to get the "stuff."

The fiends are the "pushers," who like to get their customers young, because teen-agers are susceptible, and once they get started,



will get other teen-agers to go along with them. U. S. Narcotics Commissioner Harry J. Anslinger figures there are 10,000 youthful addicts now, triple the number since 1930. The fiends — the "pushers" — are willing to give away samples, the evidence shows, to get another steady customer.

For the peddlers, it's big business. And the overhead is low, overhead in this case being the price the peddlers have to pay when they're nabbed. Anslinger points out that the average sentence, up to now, has been 15 months. What with pardons, paroles, and commuted sentences, a peddler regards punishment like that as a vacation.

What would happen if we got tough? The same thing that happens when the rats find there's poison around the corn crib. In St. Louis, Anslinger points out, an 18-year sentence for a convicted peddler started the rest of them running out of town.

Other things would help, too. Although Anslinger doesn't agree, many experts put up a sound argument for education — a carefully planned program to drive home to our youngsters the horrible facts of dope. And it's only merciful that we take steps to provide hospitals where those who have already been victimized can be treated, even if the treatment is only a dim hope for escape from the nether-world of addiction.

There's a chance for the rest of our children. There are laws pending in Congress and in many states that would require minimum sentences of two, five and 10 years for first, second and third convictions of drug peddlers. There's even a proposed federal law with a death penalty for peddlers who sell to minors.

Taft Would Beat Truman, G.O.P. Senator Claims

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Senator Douglas (D-Ill.) said today he will not be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for president.

Douglas asked withdrawal of petitions being circulated in Oregon to place his name on the ballot for next May's presidential primary there.

Monroe Sweetland, Oregon state Democratic chairman, said after a White House conference with President Truman that a petition was being circulated to place the name of Douglas on the ballot. Sweetland said he told Mr. Truman that there is "overwhelming" sentiment among Oregon Democrats for the President to seek reelection.

Sweetland said Mr. Truman "listened" but gave no hint of his plans. This byplay brought an assertion from Senator Brewster (R-Me.) that if the President will make it clear he wants the Democratic nomination, the Republicans will pick Senator Taft (R-Ohio) as his opponent.

Says Taft Would Win — If the Democrats again nominate Truman, the Republicans will beat him with Taft, Brewster declared in an interview.

Told about the statement, Taft shrugged his shoulders, grinned and commented that "it's a free world."

Taft, regarded as a leading candidate for the GOP nomination, said he hasn't made up his mind finally whether he will run. However, Mr. Truman has named Taft as the man he would like to see the Republicans nominate.

"Senator Brewster is entitled to his opinion but he is speaking for himself, not me," Taft said.

MINOR FIRE PUT OUT

Roseburg firemen were called to put out a fire that started on a Southern Pacific railroad tie near the old swinging bridge early today, reports Fire Chief William E. Mills. He said the blaze was probably started by sparks from a locomotive.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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the buffer zone business. The Commies have been saying flatly they WON'T. They intimate this week that they MIGHT.

When business negotiations take that turn, it sometimes becomes possible to make a deal.

But then business men are so vastly much farther advanced in HUMAN DECENCY than nations. In this country, at least, business negotiations practically never break up in cutting and shooting.

There's an oddly interesting note from Buenos Aires.

A while back socialist Britain and dictator-ruled Argentina made a meat deal. Argentina was to supply Britain with 200,000 tons of carcass meat and 30,000 tons of canned meat a year. The deal was made in April and since then the British have been getting more meat.

Because they have been getting more meat to eat, the British people have been less peevish and since May the opinion surveys have shown the British socialist government to be rising steadily in popular favor. There was a while when the polls showed that an election would almost certainly return the Conservatives to power. Now it is doubtful.

Do you remember, away back in Rome, when the politicians worked on the theory that if the people's bellies can be kept full they can be handled, but if the people's bellies get empty LOOK OUT?

The Roman politicians, who

were smart, imported corn from Africa and did it out to the people in the form of a SUBSIDY to keep their bellies full. In addition, they provided free circuses to keep the people entertained so they wouldn't get to meditating on their ills and troubles. (As a result, the smart politicians stayed in control of the Roman people through long and eventually DISASTROUS centuries.)

In Britain, the socialist politicians have been importing meat from Argentina to keep the meat eating Britons happy, and in lieu of circuses have been giving them free false teeth and spectacles and picking up the bill when they go to the doctor.

But now the wicked Argentines are cutting down on the meat! What will happen in Britain as a result? I don't know. But history tells us that when the corn got scarce in Africa and the Roman people's stomachs got empty the devil was to pay in Rome.

That raises another point. Why is Argentina cutting down on the meat?

A dispatch from Buenos Aires this morning says: "The Argentine shortage is due largely to recent droughts and RELUCTANCE OF RANCHERS to ship meat to the markets because of their dissatisfaction with both prices and government administration of the meat industry."

So, you see, a failure on the part of dictator-ruled Argentina to supply meat enough to socialist Britain to keep the people's tummies round and comfortable MIGHT GO SO FAR AS TO UPSET SOCIALISM IN GREAT BRITAIN. Isn't politics wonderful?



Why is it, I wonder, that an assembly of people gathered at some public meeting, not a church meeting, will race sometimes through the beautiful words of the Lord's prayer as if the one idea were to get to the "amen"? I have often wondered about that — haven't you? Can you really pray, as who ever in charge of the program will ask the audience to do, when the words are galloped through that way? I can't. All I can do is gallop, too, or resort to silent repetition of the words. I wish whoever is program chairman would electrify the audience by adding to that invitation to repeat the Lord's Prayer — "and let's take our time about it. There's no hurry."

Well, that's off my mind! Now I'll ruminate on another item connected with the dearly-loved Lord's Prayer. It's the forgiving of ourselves, along with the forgiving of others. We ask to be forgiven as we forgive. Well, why should we make an exception of forgiving ourselves? Don't we do that very thing when we drag some hoarded regret or remembered embarrassment out of our mental attic and shake the cobwebs off it, and do a little agonizing over it?

If a thing is not forgiven until it is forgotten, why don't we just refuse to stow it away again in the mental glory-hole? Why don't we just really forgive ourselves and forget the incident? How much easier it is to forgive someone else than it is to forgive ourselves!

Maybe it's because I'm trying to get rid of things for which I am not likely to have room in a smaller house that, as I washed the breakfast dishes, I fell to ruminating about an incident that

happened long ago in my school days. Quite without any knowledge that a remark made in the hearing of another young girl, a stranger, would be quite cruel, I tossed the words out. The startled looks on the faces of several girls in the group told me I had said something wrong. . . . I explained later in privacy. The girl was thoroughly sweet about it. She forgave me and I feel sure she forgot it! But did I? No, indeed, there it has been in my mental glory-hole ever since, waiting to be dragged out and agonized over. Well, this time I shall forgive myself. I shall forget it!

MISS VEDA CAMPBELL HONORED AT BRIDAL SHOWER RECENTLY

Miss Shirley Baker, assisted by Miss Alta Jean Campbell, entertained at a delightful bridal shower party recently at the Baker home on North Pine street in compliment to Miss Veda Campbell, whose marriage to Edward Allen Holloper, will occur in the near future.

Games were played during the evening and prizes awarded the winners, after which the guest of honor opened her gifts.

Miss Baker and Miss Campbell served refreshments to Miss Veda Campbell, the guest of honor; Harriet Riggs, Joan Clark, Juanita Gibson, Carol Firman, Phyllis Pond, Patsy Mardin, Janice Parks, Betty Jane Jones, Susan Stearns and Patsy Moore.

Those sending gifts, who were unable to attend were: Ruby Walters, Jackie Olson, Barbara Rose and Charlotte Aubart.

Local News

Ill At Home — Mrs. Ada Chapin of Roseburg is ill at her home on Union avenue.

Home From Portland — Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Newland of Roseburg have returned to their home in Laurelwood after spending several days in Portland on business.

In California — Mr. and Mrs. William R. Anderson of Roseburg are in California, vacationing. They are the owners of Anderson's Grocery on Harvard avenue.

At Wharton Home — Mr. and Mrs. G. W. (Bill) Wharton of Salem are spending the weekend in Roseburg visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wharton.

At Mohr Home — Miss Macelle Paul of Portland is spending the weekend in Roseburg as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mohr, 1919 Fairmont street.

Son Born — A son was born Aug. 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Gale Madison of Elkton. The baby weighed nine pounds four ounces and has been named Dwain Gordon.

Returns Home — Tom Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor, of Roseburg, has returned to his home after attending the summer session at the University of Oregon. He plans to take up architecture.

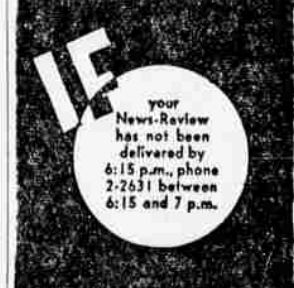
Returns Home — Mrs. Ralph Smith and son, Ronnie Dean, of Sweethome, have returned to their home following a week's visit with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Glenn Brady, and their sons, Bill, Tom and Joe, of Roseburg.

Leaves on Visit — Mrs. Foster Butler of Roseburg has left for Bellingham, Wash., to visit her son, Robert L. Butler, and family. From there, she will go by plane to Danville, Calif., to visit her son, C. M. Butler, and family. Mrs. Butler expects to be gone five or six weeks before returning here.

Here From California — Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. James and daughter, Julie, of San Mateo, Calif., are spending their vacation at the home of Mrs. James' parents, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hirt, 205 E. Roberts street, Roseburg. Last week the Hirts and Jameses went fishing at Lake Talhenneth and Winchester Bay. They reported excellent catches. Wednesday they motored to Eugene. The James family will return to San Mateo next week.

To Portland — Mr. and Mrs. William Wallace of Myrtle Creek were taken to Portland the early part of this week by their daughter, Mrs. Frank Flochini of Roseburg. The Wallaces are on their way to Davenport, Iowa, where they will visit their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Jr. and family. Dr. Wallace is attending the Palmer School of Chiropractic there. Mrs. Flochini returned to her home in Roseburg.

Here On Visit — Mrs. D. R. McKillop and son, Ross, of Long Beach, Calif., arrived in Eugene Tuesday by plane and was brought to Roseburg Thursday by her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Watson, and children, Mary Ann, Martha Gay and Lawrence, of that city. The Watsons returned to Eugene Thursday evening. Mrs. McKillop and Ross will spend 10 days in Roseburg visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Bubar, on South Chadwick street. Mrs. McKillop is the former Pauline Bubar of this city. Mrs. Watson was formerly Gay Bubar.

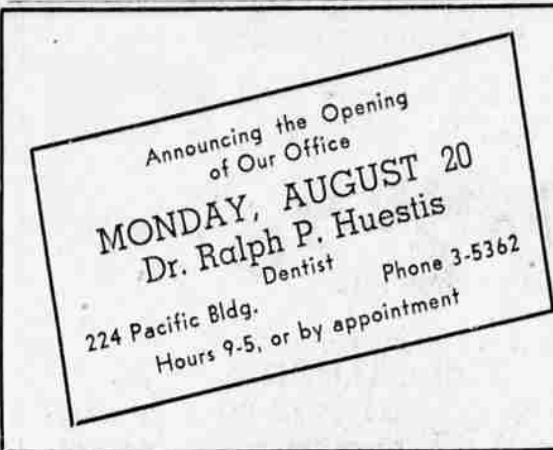


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