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COMMENDABLE EFFORT

Charles V. Stanton

The current issue of the Oregon State Game Commission bulletin carries a picture of Diamond Lake on its cover. The lake, it is stated in explanation of the cover picture, is to be the scene this summer of the largest trash fish control project ever undertaken by the Game Commission.

The experiment at Diamond Lake will draw attention from all over the world because of its size and importance. If the experiment is successful, as there is every good reason to believe it will be, it will restore to Oregon a prime recreational asset. It will rehabilitate a vacation spot that should attract hundreds of thousands of tourist dollars every year.

Diamond Lake once drew anglers and sightseers from all over the world. People came to look and remained to fish. It was an exceedingly productive lake. It was, in fact, the largest rainbow trout egg-taking station in the world. Despite the millions of eggs taken from the lake, it maintained ample population.

Deterioration started when trash fish were introduced by thoughtless anglers. Roach minnows were brought from Klamath lakes to be used for bait. The roach, which resembles a small chub or shiner, is a member of the minnow family. It remains small, but has tremendous reproductive rate.

Lake Abundant In Feed

Anglers brought the minnows in pails and used them to catch rainbow trout. If they had a few live minnows left at the end of the day, they dumped them into the lake.

For a few years the lake's trout population, feeding on roach, managed to hold its own. Then the production rate of the roach began to take effect. The minnows became so numerous the trout couldn't eat enough of them to check their spread. The roach consumed the lake's natural food. Trout population rapidly decreased in face of this competition.

Diamond Lake was able to provide a great abundance of food prior to the introduction of trash fish. Much of this food was in crevices or in weed patches big trout could not reach. The roach minnow, however, has had no difficulty in destroying the brood stock of marine life which gave the lake its original abundance.

The Game Commission has contracted for the digging of ditches to permit the level of the lake to be lowered by from five to eight feet. This will greatly reduce the water area. Approximately 100 tons of rotenone will be mixed into the water. Rotenone causes fish to suffocate. It is expected that all fish life will be destroyed.

Season Opens May 1

Prior to poisoning of the lake, sports fishermen will be permitted to take as many as possible of the game fish still remaining. The season will open May 1. Bag limits have been relaxed. The commission is anxious to have the game fish harvested rather than destroyed with poison. Following the destruction of the trash fish, the lake will be planted with various types of marine life suitable for fish food. It is expected that these food sources will become well established before the lake is restocked with trout next year.

In the event the experiment is successful, and Diamond Lake is restored to its original fish producing capacity, it will rapidly return to its former status as one of Oregon's principal vacation attractions.

Oregon has a tremendous recreational potential. We have barely scratched the surface of our great outdoor resource. Despite the fact we have neglected our opportunity, the tourist industry has become our third largest source of income. By restoring depleted streams and lakes, opening roads into our mountain area, developing winter resorts, exploiting our year-around coastal sports fishery, maintaining our big game management programs, and otherwise utilizing the vast resources available to us, we can greatly expand our tourist income.

The Diamond Lake experiment, which is being undertaken chiefly with funds made available by the federal government, will be an important chapter in the restoration program the Game Commission has undertaken.

The current issue of the Game Commission bulletin contains other information concerning efforts to improve fish populations in coastal waters, increase pheasants and waterfowl, and preserve our big game.

The Commission is to be commended for doing its part in managing the resource. If other agencies were as aggressive in working toward building up our recreational resources, the State of Oregon would profit by many millions of dollars annually.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — The average man would laugh today if you told him that 10 years from now he would be wearing ruffles on his swimming suit—or a polka dot tux.

But aren't we heading that way? Since mums took over the spending of the whole family clothing budget more and more husbands are being dressed in their wife's mental image of a man.

If some designer sells one woman the idea her husband would look better at the beach in a ruffled bathing suit, don't think it wouldn't catch on, boys? It would!

Soon other wives would want their husbands in ruffles—and then all American husbands would be wearing swim suits with ruffles, except a few dirty, scratchy old bachelors, who take pride in upsetting all schemes of women, whether they are sensible or not.

Naturally the ruffles would be teeny-weenie at first. Women know you can haul a mile a mile if you just coax him along an inch at a time. But the ruffles would get larger and larger. This style of men's bathing suit would last until the ruffles got so big that 100,000 husbands caught their hands in them and drowned, unable to swim.

Then, to safeguard the breadwinner, a ruffled men's swim suit with an inflated rubber bustle

would appear on the market. And don't think wives wouldn't snap them up for their husbands.

I ask you, fellows, how would you like to catch a view of yourself in the mirror in that kind of high beach style—a sad-faced, waddling penguin in bright gay ruffles?

If you think this is an exaggeration, ask an elderly man today how his mommy made him dress when he was a boy in the "Little Lord Fauntleroy" period. He will probably still break out swearing at the memory of himself in velvet and long curls.

The question I raise is: If men don't go back to buying their own clothing, and buying them on the basis of personal comfort and commonsense, aren't we in danger of letting wives herd us into a "big Lord Fauntleroy" period? Velvet's already creeping back into men's stores. Curls may be out of the picture for us lucky bald-



Bruce Biassat

The other day a political candidate was quoted as ascribing to his opponent a "sinister internationalist liberalism."

We won't mention any names here, since it isn't necessary to the argument. But we'd like to suggest that this kind of talk is pretty foolish in present-day America.

In the first place, one must assume that the candidate who uttered these words favors a contrasting outlook, which he might want to describe as "nationalist conservatism."

That's all right. But we have always understood that one of democracy's central ideas was to offer the citizenry at least two opposing viewpoints, so the voters would have a choice. The right of choice is fundamental to the notion of popular government.

To label the opposition outlook as "sinister" is to suggest instantly to the electorate that it is not a legitimate alternative. The logical extension of that tactic is to propose that there be only one viewpoint, the one held by the "Nationalist conservative" candidate. Where, then, would be the choice?

Just how "sinister" is it in this country to be an internationalist or a liberal? Obviously, America has always had strong liberal strains in its political texture. Some historians insist that basically the American people are pretty conservative. Some would disagree. But none denies the existence of liberal elements, and none would discourage them.

There are fuzzy liberals, misguided liberals, phony liberals, just as there are wrong-headed and confused conservatives. But that is no reason to damn either category wholesale. We need both.

headed fellows. But are they? How about wives who are willing to follow any new style themselves, whether it suited them or only brought out their hidden, repulsive features. Since they took over buying male clothing too, they have begun to make men also a cowardly sheep-like victim of so-called fashion.

Fifty years ago when men were men and carried their own money in their own wallets you could get for \$15 a fine blue serge suit with a vest and two pairs of pants. A man's necktie was wide enough to protect him from pneumonia where the vest didn't. He wore high button black shoes that kept his feet dry even if he had to tromp through a snowstorm. His socks warmed his legs to the knees.

What has happened since mama started buying papa's clothing? Everything a man used to wear either has been taken away from him or shrunk beyond recognition. All he gets back now is more new colors—colors the rainbow never heard of—such as charcoal blue and charcoal brown, and charcoal green. I hate to give away my age, but I do remember when charcoal was a fuel instead of a department store adjective.

Oh, they took away the vest and the extra pair of pants, and now they're turning their noses up at the double-breasted suit, the fat man's best friend. They took the buttons off the shoes, put in laces and shrank them down to ox-fords. Then they took away the laces and put on tassels, and now men's shoes come in 27 colors, and high heels are on the horizon.

The sock shrunk to the ankles but sells in 47 colors. Same with ties. They are so thin now that to put in more than one color they have to run the stripes side-ways. How can you tell a tie salesman today from a ribbon clerk? Certainly not by the ties.

The male swim suit with ruffles is sure to come unless husbands—right now!—start selecting and buying their own pants again, no matter who in the family wears them once they get home. Whether we are wearing boys' Back to the honest suit with a vest and two pairs of pants—or forward to Hattie Carnegie and the polka dot tux?

Their existence is one assurance of a range of choice in politics.

As for internationalism, right now this country has a whole jumble of policies which by any fair measure can only be described as internationalist in character. Membership in the UN, in NATO, the foreign aid programs, collaborative arrangements for the defense of the Pacific, these and others have won consistent bipartisan approval from Congress and the Executive Branch over the post-war years.

Is President Eisenhower "sinister" because he supports and furthers these policies? Are the members of Congress who back them also "sinister"?

The answer is no, and the men who hold nationalist or isolationist views are not to be so damned, either. Again, we must have this range of choice.

We ought soon to have had enough in this country of political argument whose real logic leads to a singleness of outlook and one-party government.

New City Hall Talked At Meet

The Oakland City Council took up several minor items at the meeting this week, according to Correspondent Edith Dunn, but the big business was discussion of the new City Hall and library.

A bond issue of \$10,000 was recently approved by voters. Minor items included a report that a fine will be charged anyone dumping garbage along the road to the garbage dump.

Also the dog ordinance covering dogs running loose will be enforced, the council said. Dog owners will be given copies of the ordinance which prohibits it.

Harry Smith, an insurance agent, was present at the meeting and explained clauses in the policy on city equipment.

Also received was an item in which Martin Bros Box Co. asked for a contract for fire protection. It was reported that baskets will be put up in the city park for basketball.

Released Prisoner Faces Charges Of Taking Tools

PORTLAND (AP) — A portable power saw and drill recently were reported missing at the state prison in Salem. Police are accusing a man recently released from the penitentiary of carrying them away with him.

Police said the man is Harry Erickson, 27, who was released from the prison March 20.

The tools were pawned in Portland. Police said Erickson told them the tools were given to him by another former prisoner, who recently was paroled.

The police said Erickson had served a term in prison for passing bad checks in Linn County. His wife, convicted on the same charge, was released 17 days after he was, they said.

Erickson is being held as a fugitive from Marion County.

Funeral Services Held For Portland Girl

PORTLAND (AP) — Private funeral services were held Friday for Diane Hank, 16, Portland high school girl whose body was found tied in blankets near Washougal, Wash., Feb. 26.

Officials here released the body for burial Wednesday without announcing the cause of death. The State Crime Laboratory had conducted extensive tests to try to determine the cause.

The girl was reported missing early in January. She had spent the previous night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wey Him (Wayne) Fong, who have been charged with contributing to her delinquency by serving her alcoholic drinks. They denied any knowledge of her death or disappearance.

Possible Draft Changes Viewed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top Pentagon official said Thursday the Defense Department may ask Congress soon for a drastic revision of present draft and reserve training laws.

Asst. Secretary of Defense Hannah told the Senate Armed Services Committee the new program will include:

1. A requirement that thousands of youths within the 18-26 age draft bracket take only six months of active duty, and then be required to attend regular drills and active training under reserve units, including the National Guard.

2. A requirement that men completing two years or more active service continue to attend regular National Guard training for most of the eight-years of service now obligated but not enforced.

3. A new set of limits on the size of both regular and reserve forces of all services, to be determined by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hannah, who is in charge of manpower and personnel matters for the Defense Department, said the new program now is near final approval by President Eisenhower, the National Security Council and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

ALIMONY DRIVE-IN
MUSKOGEE, Mich. (AP) — A drive-in service for alimony payments has been established in Muskegon.

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Reynolds Mingles With Crowd As Property Is Sold

CLIO, Ala. (AP) — With an embezzlement charge hanging over his head and his home being sold from under him, easy-going Royall Reynolds mingled nonchalantly with the throng as his personal property was auctioned off to help pay depositors in his merchants exchange.

About 1,500 bargain hunters and souvenir seekers laid out \$35,021 for the ex-banker's new brick home, 30 building lots, two automobiles and other items.

Bidding started at \$20,000 on the spacious home and within two minutes it had been sold for \$26,500 to Mrs. G. C. Reynolds, the aunt by marriage whose court order tied up records of the little unincorporated bank and led to discovery of a \$75,000 shortage.

Reynolds chatted throughout the three-hour sale with friends in the crowd and often commented on the original price of an item brought up for auction.

Mayor Dan Easterling said the sale brought in between \$8,000 and \$12,000 more than was expected, and the auction official said he would not have believed used furniture would bring that kind of price "if I hadn't seen it for myself."

Nixon Believes Major Action Chance Reduced

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Vice President Nixon said Thursday night, "the chance for another aggressive action like the war in Korea has been reduced virtually to a minimum because of the fear of retaliation which the men in the Kremlin and Peking have."

The vice president was applauded at another point as he told approximately 4,000 persons attending a \$100-a-plate Republican dinner.

"The major aim of this administration's foreign policy is to keep from sending American boys, if we can, to fight in Indochina or any place else in the world."

He said the "long-range answer to defeating communism without war" is "the mounting of a great ideological offensive which makes it clear to the world that the United States is militarily strong—not because we want war but because, where Communists are concerned, a policy of strength is the only one which will lead to peace."

Stateless Seaman Gets Chance To Come Ashore

WASHINGTON (AP) — Charles Slania, the stateless seaman who was prevented from re-entering the country by the McCarran Act, came ashore free of restraint Wednesday for the first time in a year and a half.

Slania was put on 30-day parole by immigration officials to give him a chance to round up witnesses for an application for permanent residence in the United States.

The 57-year-old machinist had spent the past 18 months on the S. S. Trojan Seaman, unable to land because he lacked proper passports or visas.

His trouble began with passage of the McCarran Act in 1952, while he was at sea. It invalidated papers he had formerly used, and since then he has fought efforts by his captain to pay him off in a foreign port.

Convict Must Be Fattened Before Being Starved

CANON CITY, Colo. (AP) — State prison officials have to fatten up Ferman Espinosa, 33, before he can be put on a bread-and-water diet as punishment for escaping. Espinosa, serving a life term for the Denver murder of his common law wife, climbed over the fence last Friday and eluded guards for five days—days in which he didn't have anything to eat.

Espinosa has been placed on a soft food diet in solitary. Guards said they'll give him solid foods before he has to go on the bread-and-water diet.

Woman Sues As Accused Murderers Are Acquitted

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — A Criminal Court jury needed only 55 minutes to acquit Dr. Francis Fielding-Reid and his wife of second degree murder charges in the death of George L. Crim, West Palm Beach hardresser.

Crim's widow, Leah, filed a \$50,000 damage suit in Circuit Court two hours after the verdict was read, charging the Fielding-Reids caused her husband's death last Christmas morning as the climax to a drinking party aboard the Fielding-Reid yacht.

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