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RED HAT DAY

Charles V. Stanton

You soon will be reading and hearing about Red Hat Day. Perhaps you already are familiar with the program, but promotional effort has only begun. Throughout the month of September, Red Hat Day will be vigorously advertised.

Oregon's Red Hat Day campaign is attracting nationwide attention. Next year it probably will be adopted by many other states. Congressman Harris Ellsworth carried commendation of the effort before Congress during the closing days of the session.

The plan, as I am informed, originated with the Portland Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America. It was immediately endorsed by Governor Paul Patterson, whose administration has been outstanding for its conservation program.

Governor Patterson appointed a five-man committee, of which Representative John Amacher of Roseburg, who served as chairman of the committee on Fish and Game at the last legislative session, is one member. The chairman is L. C. (Jack) Binford, Portland, past president of the Oregon Division of the Izaak Walton League. Other members include H. F. Thomas, Valselet Lumber Company; Ben Buiman, editor of the Oregon Grange Bulletin; and Walter Holt, manager of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition and a former agricultural extension agent.

Purpose Outlined

Red Hat Day has a five-point program:

1. Better sportsmanship.
2. Respect for the rights and property of others.
3. Firearms safety.
4. Observance of the game laws.
5. Prevention of range and forest fires.

These five points are summed up in the Red Hat Day pledge: "To be law abiding, to respect the rights and property of others, to be careful with fire and firearms."

A chairman has been appointed to direct the Red Hat Day campaign in every county. G. Lloyd Hayes, director of the Cascade-Siskiyou Forest and Range Experiment Center, Roseburg, is the director for Douglas County. Chairman Hayes now is completing his county organization and is preparing a program of activities.

Red Hat Day was originated following a conference at which concern was expressed because of increasing vandalism, incidence of fires caused by campers, the continuing game-hog problem, accidents resulting from improper use of firearms, and the growing tendency of Oregon landowners to close their lands to all sportsmen.

Sportsmen as a group do not criticize landowners for posting their property. The abuses suffered by landowners at the hands of a very small minority group of vandals and litterbugs justifies such closures. But sportsmen hope to gain access to more land by removing causes for closures.

Cooperation Sought

Red Hat Day is designed to build a greater public awareness of the need for better sportsmanship and safety and to bring about more cooperation in controlling actions of irresponsible hunters.

Virtually all major agricultural, forest, conservation and sportsmen's organizations in the state have joined as sponsors. Through this activity it is hoped to bring about a situation in which the true sportsman will be welcomed on private land, persons now acting in an irresponsible manner educated to the importance of decent conduct as an essential factor in continued enjoyment of favorite sports, the development of a higher degree of caution with respect to the use of fire in the woods and the handling of firearms.

All these things cannot be achieved in one year, nor in two years. But, if continued over a period of time, it is quite possible that the continued emphasis on these factors will result in major improvements.

That is the purpose of Red Hat Day, which is to be observed September 23. On that day every person willing to pledge himself to a code of sportsmanship is asked to wear a Red Hat, the type of hat generally worn by the hunter or protection as he goes into the woods. Persons willing to adopt that code for individual conduct will be asked to sign pledge cards. Badges are being furnished pledge signers.

Prior to the date of the celebration, sponsors of the event will be wearing their Red Hats as a badge of their endorsement.

If you believe in the code as listed above, dig out that Red Hat of yours and put it on your head and wear it from now until Red Hat Day. You can wear it proudly, if you're a good sportsman.

Hal Boyle

MARTHA'S VINEYARD, Mass. (AP) — Vacation notes: It is a wonderful experience to introduce a child to an ocean. This has been a crowded and happy time for our daughter Tracy Ann, who isn't quite 26 months old. During a week's stay on this historic old whaling island off the Massachusetts coast she enjoyed her first dip in the Atlantic Ocean — and had her first romance.

One of the odd things about parents is that they always hope their children will like the things they do. All my life I have loved wind and rain and the sound of water, and I wanted Tracy to feel the same way about them. She has shown signs of being a real child of nature. She likes to try to catch a breeze in her fingers, to go wading in the rain, to pat flowers and tree trunks, and watch the moon come up.

But I was afraid the ocean might seem overpowering to her. A recent summer storm overwhelmed her with its sudden violence. It was the first time she had ever really noticed a storm.

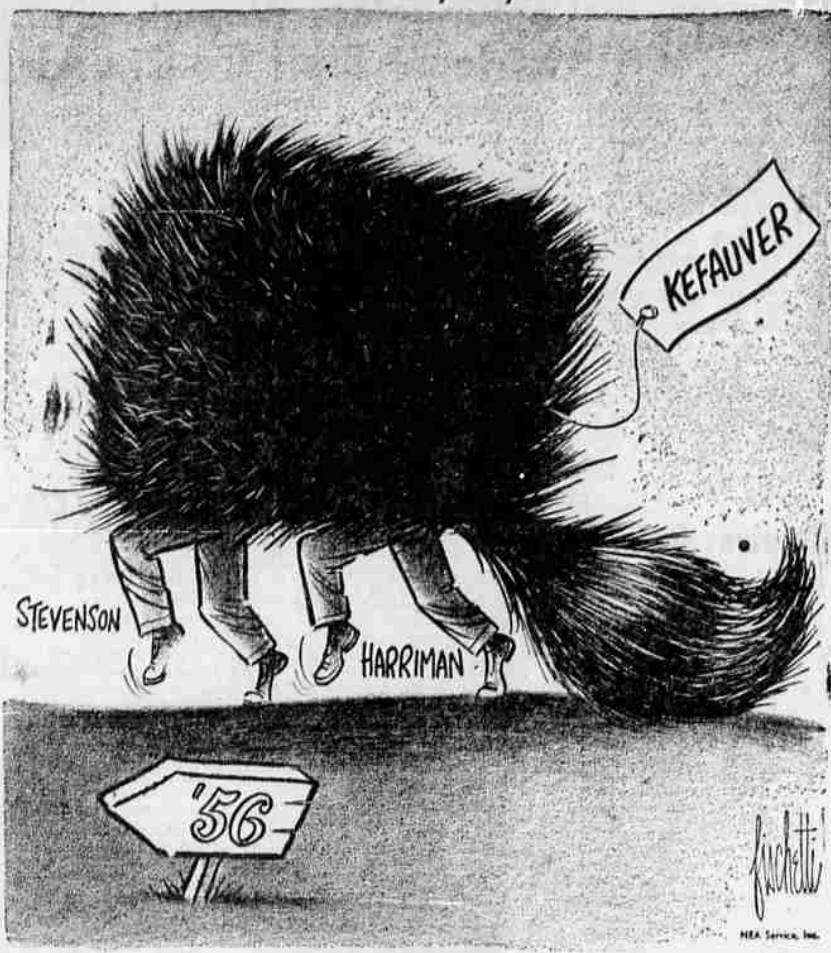
She looked out the window in awe, then backed away, startled. And every time the lightning flashed or the thunder rolled, she said in a small placating voice (as if she herself were the cause of all this uproar in the sky): "Excuse me, please, lightning. Excuse me, please, thunder."

But Tracy made friends with the ocean on sight. Dressed in her first bathing suit, she stepped to the edge of the beach, squinted out at the sail-studded sea with the air of a connoisseur and announced gravely: "Big water. What's it doing, Daddy?"

That rather stunned me. How can you explain the mysterious and manifold enterprises that keep the average ocean so endlessly busy? No one really knows half the things that are on an ocean's mind.

Tracy stuck a pink thermometer in her big toe — into the water, and pulled it back. "Cold," she said. The surf moved in and covered her ankles. "Big water — it comes at you," she said, as if she had made a profound discovery, as indeed she had. A moment later

Three Coy Boys



Business Gets Set For Competition Over Free Dollar

By WALTER BREEDE JR.

NEW YORK (AP) — Business got set this week for what may be the hottest battle of all time for your spending dollar.

The battle was expected to be in full swing by fall, reaching its climactic stage during the Christmas shopping season. But its beginnings were already apparent as the economy, half way through its busiest August yet, hummed along at close to record levels.

Signs of developing competition, and of steps being taken to meet it, were visible at several points. In Detroit, a new, automated V-8 engine plant was formally opened by Chrysler's Plymouth division. By Nov. 1 it will be turning out 1,000 engines a day. John P. Mansfield, Plymouth president, said he's counting on the plant to push Plymouth ahead of Buick this year in the race for third place in auto sales and production.

In New York, retail jewelers were told to stop fighting each other, and to stop forcing "outside" competitors for luxury dollars — the travel agent, the stock broker, the florist, the appliance store, the auto dealer. The attack will come later in the year — the biggest nationwide promotion campaign jewelry retailers and manufacturers have ever attempted.

The stepped up fight for consumer sales was reflected, too, in king-sized advertising budgets. Printer's Ink magazine said advertising expenditures in 1955 would set an all-time high of \$4 billion dollars, with newspapers and TV leading the way.

Tumble In Alps Kills Two Climbing Novices

ERMAT, Switzerland (AP) — Allen Crawford, 22, of Denver, Colo., and a 19-year-old Englishman, Roger Phillips, fell 3,000 feet to their deaths while returning from the summit of the 13,600-foot Matterhorn Friday, police reported Monday. The two men were relatively inexperienced climbers, the police said, but made the dangerous ascent without guides.

ter she was prancing waist deep in the water, and I had to restrain her from wading right on over to Europe.

Most young ladies complain there aren't enough young men at a resort. Tracy hasn't had that trouble. Soon after we returned to our apartment a young fellow with a nose full of freckles looked up at Tracy in the window and called, "Hi, stupid."

Flattered at this mark of esteem, Tracy replied, "A new record." A moment later the little boy appeared in the doorway and said, "I'm Davy Crockett, an' I'm more'n 6 years old."

Tracy was even more impressed. She has heard a lot about Davy Crockett in the last few months but had never hoped to meet him in the flesh. She invited him in for a cookie.

Even when it turned out he wasn't actually Davy at all — he was Billy Young, our landlord's son, and only 4½ years old — she didn't mind. A girl expects a story, and Tracy told her a tale for the first time. "I was out on a boat one afternoon, and then cookies and a romp with Billy before bedtime."

But the golden days are over. We returned to the city Wednesday. Billy didn't want to say good-bye. As his mama led him away, he waited. "I want to stay with Tracy."

Tracy looked down from the window at her departing tearful lover with what I am afraid was a smug expression. All along I had thought Billy came only for the cookies. But Tracy knew better. She knew he came to see her.

She is smiling in her sleep now, quite happy at the prospect of going home, leaving behind her the first ocean of her life — and her first Billy — with no regrets.

Somewhat I wish she could stay that way. Why are children so eager to grow up and learn the sadness that lies in the passing of any summer or the saying of any farewell?

Reader Opinions

Unpopularity Forseen For County Zoning Law

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The position taken by Mr. Edward H. Geissler, of Canyonville, relative to the new county building code was well taken. His letter stated fully the reasons building restrictions that are county-wide will not solve the problem the sponsors intended it should.

Shortage of housing, high rentals and the absence of proper home financing, are, as he stated, the very conditions that are the cause of so many jerry-built homes in the county. Instead of approaching the matter intelligently, the county planning commission chose to enforce the will of the minority over the majority of legislative fiat.

That the plan will prove increasingly unpopular is a foregone conclusion. It will take some active explanation when the backwash of public opinion becomes more fully resistant to the code. Proper publicity and educational effort to explain the position of the commission to the voters would have been the proper approach. Already the voters have expressed themselves that they wanted none of a county zoning law. In our opinion the county zoning law was a good measure, but inasmuch as it was turned down through the democratic process of the ballot, there can be no criticism of the result. But even here, the responsibility for the defeat of the act at the polls was largely due to lack of public education as to the merits of the plan, and an undue reliance on the part of some of the sponsors that turned honest thinking people against it, regardless of its desirability.

As one who is in favor of county planning, having served a number of years on the oldest county planning board in the Northwest, one regrets the precipitant action for two reasons. In the first place it will mean another law that will be ignored wherever possible by the homebuilders. Furthermore, the mechanics of administration are inadequate for a county reaching from the Pacific ocean to Crater Lake, with shoestring valleys running in every direction through trackless wilderness.

The final, and most important, reason is the fact that it will create a lasting resentment against county planning and hamper the growth of this desirable adjunct to community progress. It is to be hoped there will be no arbitrary action in an attempt to enforce an unpopular edict that was never approved by the electorate.

W. K. PEERY,
MILWAUKEE, OREGON.

Conscientious Finder Of \$20 Must Retain It

SALEM (AP) — It was all the Salem Police Department could do Sunday to ease the conscience of a Seattle man and still make him keep the \$20 bill.

The Seattle visitor, Stanley H. Crane, had found a \$20 greenback on a Salem street as he was leaving town six weeks ago and Sunday was his first return trip.

He brought the money to the police station to be returned to its rightful owner.

Police Sgt. Walter Esplan examined the bill, decided it was indistinguishable from any other \$20 bill, and told Crane he had a legal right to keep it.

The visitor insisted he would like to trade it for a Police Department receipt. Esplan declined. At Crane's insistence the sergeant searched the records for anyone who had lost \$20. No luck.

Finally, with reluctance, Crane left, still holding the \$20. He was back in a few minutes, however. He wanted to leave his name and address with the Police Department — just in case.

Hells Canyon Decision To Be Subject Of Probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — The long-smoldering Hells Canyon power fight will come under the scrutiny of two Senate subcommittees during a series of public hearings here next month.

Sen. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), chairman of the judiciary anti-monopoly subcommittee, said here that his group and the interior subcommittee will conduct the hearings.

O'Mahoney said the two subcommittees will investigate the circumstances surrounding the Federal Power Commission's recent action in licensing Idaho Power Co. to build three low level dams in the Hells Canyon area of the Snake River where a high federal dam has been proposed.

The federal dam site would be flooded out by the backwaters from the low level dams which Idaho Power has been authorized to build.

O'Mahoney also said the subcommittees will probe the "proposed merger of the Puget Sound Power & Light Co. with the Washington Water Power Co., both Washington State private utilities."

The two groups also will take under consideration, O'Mahoney said, past, present and contemplated Interior Department policies dealing with the power preference clause in operations of federal hydroelectric projects.

Floating Radar Stations On Duty Off Pacific Coast

SEATTLE (AP) — The disclosure that Navy floating radar stations are on duty off the Pacific Coast, pushing the first line of defense far to sea, was made by headquarters of the 13th Naval District Monday.

Radar-picket ships have operated off the Atlantic Coast for the past three years, but this is the first time the Pacific Coast has had this type of defense.

The Navy said three picket ships rotate on the search for possible enemy attackers. The first of the ships, the Haverfield, returned to Seattle from an initial two-week patrol. The second ship, the Savage, is now at sea and the third member of the squadron, the Wilhoit, is in Seattle awaiting her turn to go out.

"If a plane fails to identify itself, the 'watchdog' ship radios land-based aircraft at McChord Air Force base which will intercept the unidentified plane," the Navy said in briefly outlining the function of the picket ships.

Sen. Morse Asks Rules On Booster TV Units

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Morse (D-Ore.) Sunday urged the Federal Communications Commission to issue regulations soon on operation of booster television systems.

The systems are used to carry television to small communities. Existing rules, the senator said, "are a stumbling block to the type of inexpensive, short-distance booster station needed in many small communities" such as Oatridge, Prineville and Sheridan in Oregon.

"It is the responsibility of the commission to make television service available to everyone and the citizens of small communities should not be penalized because of the slowness of the commission in formulating a set of regulations," he said.

Massachusetts Reports 68 New Cases Of Polio

BOSTON (AP) — Sixty-eight new cases of polio were reported Monday to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

The new cases brought the state total for the year to date to 1,674, with 1,236 of them being reported since Aug. 1. A year ago this date Massachusetts had only 100 cases. Boston reported 18 new cases Monday.

Bruce Biossat

Almost from the moment the first A-bomb was exploded over Japan in 1945, scientists spoke of nuclear energy's vast possibilities for peaceful use. But until now no one has spoken boldly of harnessing the fury of the H-bomb.

That prediction was made at the U.N. Atomic for Peace Conference in Geneva, and with it the eyes of mankind could lift still higher as they contemplated the future. Within 20 years, it is said, the hydrogen bomb process may be tamed to provide a new and potent source of fuel.

The forecast is stirring not only because it casts a great new light over a process which up to now has been linked solely with the most awesome destruction. It arouses the hope of an almost inexhaustible source of energy.

Dr. Homi Bhabha of India, president of the conference, spoke of fuel as plentiful as the heavy hydrogens of the oceans. "If men can indeed make the oceans the source of their future fuel supplies, one haunting fear of modern civilization — exhaustion of its energy sources — may pass within a generation or two."

But even without this prophecy, the news of nuclear energy from

Geneva is greatly heartening. For an addition to the U.N. conference, many nations are taking part in an industrial exhibition of atomic power and other devices. And the word from this unprecedented show is that the peaceful use of this energy in addition to the U.N. conference, is advancing rapidly.

Atom power reactors, which can generate electricity for industrial and other peaceful purposes, already exist in America and the Soviet Union.

The United States plans upwards of a dozen more, but Britain is projecting no less than 25. Other European nations likewise have such reactors in the planning stage.

Britain's programming reflects a serious prospect of fuel exhaustion within the next few decades. Within that time the British expect to develop atomic power to the point where it will meet 40 per cent of the country's power needs. Ultimately, it plans to satisfy at least 80 per cent of its requirements from nuclear sources.

Forecasts have it that by 1975 the steadily enlarging demand for energy will make fuel supplies an acute problem in most industrial lands. Conventional sources such as coal, oil and hydroelectric power are seen as insufficient. This is the industry's great opportunity.

Again, all aside from the hopeful prediction on harnessing the H-bomb, the promise of the future is heightened by reports that an element called thorium, four to 10 times more plentiful than the uranium presently relied on for atomic fuel, may become the chief source of atomic power. Uranium's relative scarcity always has been a big stumbling block.

A few weeks back another meeting at Geneva produced smiles but no substance as Big Four leaders approached issues that might turn the world's nuclear power loose in ruinous war.

These new gatherings at Geneva deal with substance—the real substance of a better, brighter life that men may hope for if the statesmen who control this prospect keep ceaselessly aware of the blackness of the alternative.

In The Day's News

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"reserves" are expected to total about one billion, 55 million bushels — or only 35 million bushels more than on July 1 of this year. That would be the smallest carryover increase since July 1, 1933.

Current wheat stocks are now about FOUR TIMES the 258-million bushel carryover on July 1, 1952.

It's a big problem, as everyone knows, with many angles — including the political ones.

But I still think it would be better to feed the surplus wheat to livestock at prices competitive with other feed grains instead of stashing it away in ever-increasing quantities to hang like a menacing thundercloud over the markets.

But let's get away from the crops and the weather and talk for a moment about MODERN highways. We're planning some interesting developments along that line in Oregon.

The Bandfield Expressway, leading out of Portland to the east, is a divided highway. In the center strip it is planned to plant a screen of ornamental shrubs to shield night drivers from the headlights of cars approaching from the other direction.

I think everyone will agree that it is a splendid idea. Blinding headlights are the chief menace of night driving. On two-lane highways, there is no satisfactory solution of the problem. But on modern divided highways a screen of shrubs in the center will provide an astonishing amount of relief.

It might as well be added that the time is coming when all of our main highways must have four or more lanes. These multi-lane highways cost a lot of money, but they handle a lot of traffic. There is a lot of traffic already, and it will increase steadily in the future as our country grows.

On the new multi-lane highway from Portland to Salem that is nearing completion another interesting experiment is under consideration. It, too, has to do with planting.

The idea is to plant the sides of the road, beginning at the right-of-way fence, with a heavy screen of wild rose bushes. As everyone knows, wild roses produce a tangle of vines that is difficult to cut out. The thinking is that a car going off the pavement out of control would be caught in this tangle of vines much as a trapeze performer who misses his hold is caught in the protective net beneath and saved from serious injury.

At any rate, it is an interesting proposal, and I hope it is given a trial.

Son Of Red To Fight Air Reserve Ouster

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, (AP) — Airman F.C. Stephen Branzovich of nearby Farrell, Pa., said Monday he will fight the U.S. Air Force's attempt to give him a dishonorable discharge from the Air Force Reserve as a security risk because his father was a Communist.

Branzovich is scheduled to appear before a special Air Force Board at Mitchell Air Force Base in New York Tuesday, Aug. 30, to answer charges.

The 22-year-old Branzovich said he was given two alternatives by the Air Force—either face a hearing, or sign a prepared application for an undesirable discharge. He demanded a hearing, saying in a letter to Air Force officials, "I am only accused of being the son of my father."

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