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PLYWOOD JUBILEE

Charles V. Stanton

Douglas County residents will have an opportunity this weekend to see the sensational Jubilee Show, sponsored by the Douglas Fir Plywood Association.

The show will be in Roseburg Oct. 14 and 15, and at Oakland Oct. 17. Exhibits were collected from the exposition held in Portland in June. The show will be presented in all principal communities of Oregon this year, marking the 50th anniversary of the industry.

The first plywood panel was produced in June 1905 and was displayed at the Lewis and Clark Exposition in Portland that year.

The plywood industry grew at a fairly even pace until the time of the Second World War. Defense demand for plywood for building construction, crating and scores of other uses at that time caused a large increase in production.

Industry leaders were fearful a critical decline would follow the war. The Douglas Fir Plywood Association, organized to supervise quality standards among its members, and to promote markets and research, engaged in an energetic campaign to enlarge the peacetime market for plywood. So successful was that campaign that production has remained steadily on the upgrade. So many new uses for plywood have been promoted that, instead of a decline in manufacture since the war, new mills have steadily added to volume until approximately 500 loaded freight cars are shipped daily from the Pacific Northwest to markets throughout the world from the 110 mills in the area.

Private Enterprise In Action

The Douglas Fir Plywood Association has given the nation an exceptional example of private enterprise in action.

Instead of passively accepting anticipated losses, the industry spent large sums of money in research and promotion. New uses for plywood were developed and, through advertising, were "sold" to potential customers. New markets were developed to offset the drop in demand for defense uses. People were educated in the use of plywood in "Do It Yourself" campaigns.

Through these cooperative and privately financed efforts, the plywood industry has continued its growth and is contributing an estimated \$183,000,000 annually to the economy of the Pacific Northwest.

By developing new uses for plywood, the association's research program has created many new industries. These new industries, in turn, create more employment and thus provide more plywood consumers.

Our national economy depends upon mass production. Mass production means a high level of employment. With a high level of employment people have money to buy goods. The more goods people buy, the higher the rate of our mass production. The plywood industry gives us a fine example of how the cycle works.

The show being brought to Douglas County will be a revelation to the great majority of viewers. Aside from those directly connected with the industry, few people are acquainted with the number of uses for plywood. This show which can demonstrate only a part of those uses, because of limited space, will, however, surprise and please spectators.

It is recommended to everyone for its educational and entertainment features.

GIVE THE UNITED WAY

The United Fund campaign now is in progress throughout Douglas County. Last year the county made an excellent record in reaching its quota. It is to be hoped that even a better record may be established this year.

Frank Jenkins in his column "In The Day's News" recently presented a thought that should be frequently emphasized.

He pointed out that while impoverished workers in Egypt are giving a day's wages to buy implements of war, workmen in the United States, enjoying the highest standard of living to be found in the world, are asked to give a day's wages to the United Fund to help the underprivileged and unfortunate.

Compassion and generosity are virtues reflecting our way of life. Collectively we can accomplish miracles, while individually our field is limited.

The United Fund organizes our charitable service and relieves the pressure of constant solicitation. We should keep in mind the fact that the United Fund embraces not one but scores of worthy organizations and govern our contributions accordingly.

Hal Boyle

LANCASTER, Pa. (AP)—When the question of picking the American national bird was brought up, Benjamin Franklin said to those who spoke for the bald eagle:

"They are damn pirates. I want the turkey."

He peers, as they did on occasion, overruled the wisest scientist-businessman-diplomat — perhaps the most all-around man — the world has known.

Franklin preferred the turkey as a symbol because he thought it was more typical of this land. Many civilizations had used other eagles.

And old Ben, who had many fores, knew the bald eagle had a habit of preying on a hawk called the osprey. It would wait until the osprey dived and caught a fish, then attack it in mid-air, force the harried hawk to drop its earned prey—and dive and grab the reward itself in its powerful talons. Such robber tactics, Franklin felt, shouldn't symbolize the young American nation.

Perhaps through tradition, perhaps because the bald eagle is one of the world's most magnificent looking birds, perhaps because the founding fathers were weary of Franklin's perfection and the fact he looked like a homely home-grown turkey himself, they turned him down and made the bald eagle the emblem of our land. So he is.

The bald eagle isn't bald at all. It got the name because of the white feathers on its head, and it could just as well be called the "bald-tailed eagle," too, because it roosts on white feathers.

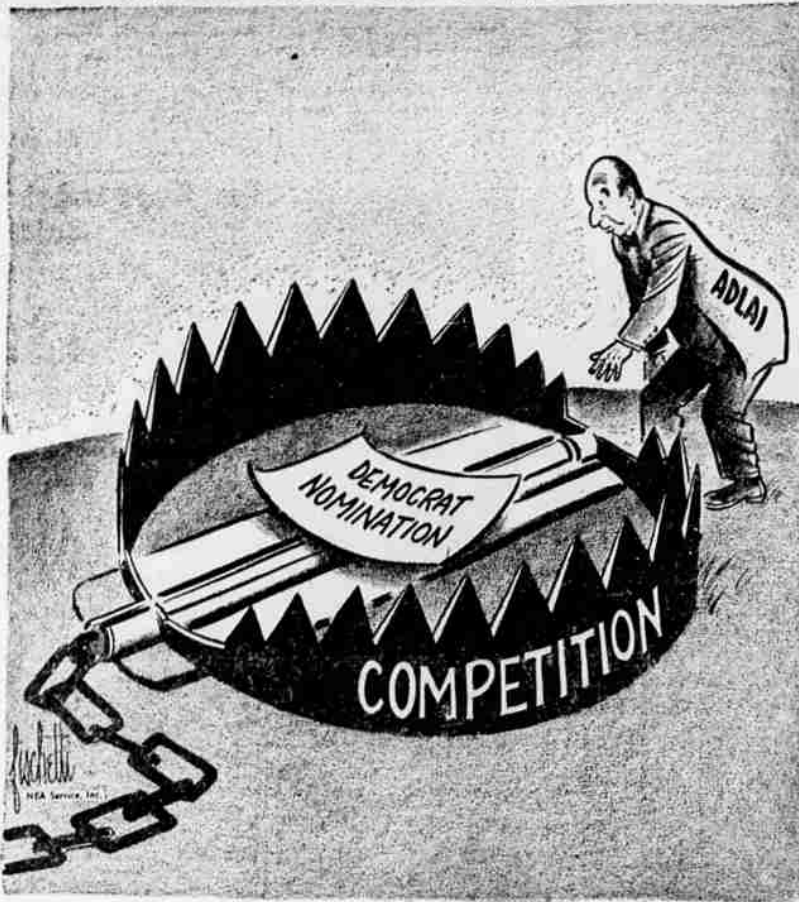
The news I have today would interest bird-loving Benjamin Franklin, to whom America was a life-long loving notebook of discovery.

The news. While bald headed men in the United States are muzzling mightily, the bald eagle is dying out rapidly.

Says Herbert H. Beck, retired head of the chemistry department of Franklin and Marshall College: "At the present rate of decline of the bald eagle, I feel that by the year 2025 the Great Seal of the United States in Washington, D.C., will represent a bird that lives only in memory. It will be as gone as the dodo."

This is not an hysterical judgment.

A Fellow Could Get Hurt Around Here



Scouts Of Both Parties Angling For Farm Votes

By DON WHITEHEAD

WASHINGTON (AP)—Democratic and Republican scouts are prowling the farm belt these October days checking the political temper of the farmers and then trying to project their readings into the 1956 presidential year in terms of votes.

No one yet has found a fool-proof method of discovering how the farmers will vote. Nor can one say confidently that farmers will vote as a bloc any more than drugists, electricians, fishermen and golfers. But the guessing game goes on and there is no vote which is studied, analyzed, watched, wooed and feared more by politicians than the farm vote.

At the present time, messages from the farm belt are reported to be encouraging to the Democrats because farmers are not happy about farm prices and their own economic position in relation to the industrial world. The Republicans are concerned because a discontented farm belt could mean trouble at the polls.

12 Million Votes At Stake
There are about five million farmers in the country today. With their wives and children of voting age they probably total more than 12 millions. And how they vote is tremendously important.

Three years ago presidential candidates Adlai Stevenson, Democrat, and Dwight Eisenhower, Republican, pleaded their cases before 100,000 farm folk gathered in the open fields near Kasson, Minn. The throng listened to their speeches, standing almost silent, giving no hint of favoritism for either man. You felt as though here was a giant jury gathered to pass judgment on the two parties.

The bulk of the farm vote went to Eisenhower. But the farm jury must judge again in a few months. And the politicians are trying to find out whether the verdict will be the same.

Louisiana Gains Undersea Oil Lands Far Beyond Three-Mile Limit By High Court Ruling

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court Monday rejected a government request that it fix Louisiana's seaward boundary at three geographical miles from its shore.

Ownership of underwater oil reserves worth untold millions of dollars are involved in the dispute.

The Justice Department had asked the tribunal to strike down Louisiana's claim that its boundary extends into the Gulf of Mexico for three leagues, or about 10½ miles.

The Supreme Court's refusal of the government's request was announced in a brief order which gave no reason.

The order noted that Chief Justice Warren and Justices Clark and Harlan took no part in consideration of the case. The vote thus was 6-0.

The court's action leaves Louisiana free to begin leasing for oil exploration submerged lands extending the full three leagues into the gulf.

To Review DuPont Case
In its first working session of the new court term, the high tribunal issued a large number of orders. Among other actions the justices:

1. Agreed to review dismissal of the government's civil anti-trust suit against E. I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co. and General Motors Corp.

The government's suit sought to force the Du Pont company and the Du Pont family to dispose of their stock interests in General Motors and United States Rubber. The legal action was begun in June 1949 and was described as the biggest anti-trust case in United States history.

Gambling Cases Acted On
2. Granted Gambler Frank Costello a review of his New York conviction for income tax evasion. The Italian-born Costello is under

sentence of five years in prison and \$20,000 fine. He also faces deportation proceedings.

3. Denied gambler Joe Adonis a review of his conviction for perjury for telling a Senate Crime investigating committee he was a United States citizen. Adonis, whose real name is Joseph Dolo, was sentenced in Federal Court here to 8 to 24 months in prison.

4. Agreed to review a decision of the Federal Anti-Racketeering Act does not ban the use of force and violence by a union in making feather-bedding demands.

Red Appeal To Be Heard
5. Agreed to hear argument on appeal which said "the fundamental question" involved is the right of Communists to make a living. The appeal was filed on behalf of Mrs. Doris Walker, Cutter Laboratories of Berkeley, Calif.

6. Agreed to review a decision that "fair trade" price fixing may be extended to drugs sold on prescription.

7. Denied columnist Westbrook Pegler and two Hearst corporations review of a trial in which they were ordered to pay \$175,000 libel damages to Quentin Reynolds, author. A U.S. District Court jury in New York made the award. It assessed Pegler \$100,000, the Hearst Corp. \$50,000, and Hearst Consolidated Publications, Inc., \$25,000.

Chamber Speaker Assails Liberals
GEARHART, Ore. (AP)—Louis B. Lumborg, vice president of the Bank of America spoke Tuesday at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce regional Better Business Relations Conference here.

Some 75 business executives from the West Coast attended Monday's opening session and heard F. Gann Chance attack liberalism and job security in pro-Chance, president of the A. B. Chance electrical appliance manufacturing company of Centralia, Mo., said that liberals should be classed with "fellow travelers, Reds and Socialists" because, he said, liberals support fellow travelers and "place security above liberty."

"Liberty is the antithesis of security. We cannot have liberty and security. We must choose between them," he said.

Saudi Arabia Weighing Offer Of Russian Arms
CAIRO, Egypt (AP)—Another Arab country, Saudi Arabia, today weighed an offer from behind the Iron Curtain to sell it guns.

The offer came from Moscow. Crown Prince Faisal, Saudi Arabian premier and foreign minister here for a conference of Arab foreign ministers today, confirmed reports Russia has made the arms offer. He added "nothing definite has been decided."

The disclosure came on the heels of an agreement by Egypt to swap cotton to Czechoslovakia for armament.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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or less everywhere but in Nevada. To report this income from illegal enterprises would be tantamount to confessing THE CRIME. So they fail to report it. Hard-boiled Uncle Sam isn't directly concerned with how these fellows make their money — sampling for the most part, being forbidden by STATE laws. So he goes after the TAX MONEY, which they failed to pay.

Being nearly 500 BILLION dollars in debt, the old gentleman with the chin whisker NEEDS it. That's how it comes that Mickey and "Bones" and so many of their ilk are in trouble with the federales.

Bouncing back to Mickey, he returned to Los Angeles when he was released from McNeil's Island. He was greeted at the airport by his wife, three carloads of police and A HORDE OF NEWSMEN.

The newsmen were there because experience has taught them that Mickey is a character the public likes to read about.

Admittedly, that isn't good. But — Here I am writing about it. And here you are READING ABOUT IT. We should BOTH be occupying ourselves with better things. I should be writing about the large and complicated problems that confront the world and our

nation and our state and our community — and offering serious and well-considered advice as to how to solve them.

And you should be reading CONSTRUCTIVE stories of human achievement and human betterment — of which there are so MANY in the newspapers and the magazines and the books.

But here we are spending our precious time with trash.

That's life for you. In this world so much bad is mixed with the good and so much good is mixed with the bad that we never know quite where we're at. Besides, we're all human.

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