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OPTIMISTIC REPORT

By Charles V. Stanton

Amazing developments in the utilization of wood fiber and chemicals are making pronounced changes in manufacturing processes, Vondis Miller, supervisor of the Umpqua National Forest, reports following a week's visit at the U. S. Forest Service experimental laboratory in Madison, Wis.

New pulping processes, he reports, have caused the plastics industry to turn to wood as a source of supply, with the prospect that the plastics industry soon will become a major consumer of wood. Industries that previously have depended upon straw, cotton and other fibers to provide basic elements for manufacture of plastics, have developed low-cost processes for utilization of wood pulp and are converting rapidly to these new methods, Miller states.

Another interesting development, he says, is found in the utilization of chemicals released by pulping processes. Lignin, the chemical which binds the wood fibers of a tree, is fast becoming an important and valuable byproduct. Sugar recovered during the pulping process also has become an object of wide experimentation. One new usage is the substitution of a fraction from wood sugar in the manufacture of explosives.

The Forest Service laboratory, Miller says, has made much progress in the development of pulping processes using a limited supply of water. Heretofore the pulp industry has been handicapped because large quantities of water were required. New methods whereby pulp may be produced with a smaller amount of water increases the opportunity for production. Other processes provide recovery of much of the fiber previously wasted, thereby reducing pollution from effluent.

Hardwoods Utilized

Processes promising an outlet for many millions of board feet of waste materials in Douglas County have been developed at the experiment station, Miller reports. These new processes permit the use of hardwoods in pulp production. Hardwood fibers are combined with the longer fibers of softwoods to produce a very excellent grade of kraft paper.

Douglas County has some 300,000,000 board feet of hardwoods, mostly scrub oak and madrone. These are weed trees of no current value. They are fast growing trees. They may be grown on poor soil. They thrive on hillside land.

When the pulp industry comes into Douglas County, as it undoubtedly will in the comparatively near future, our thousands of acres of scrub oak and madrone trees suddenly will become valuable forests. We will be able to put a large part of our marginal lands into production of these trees, furnishing income to the land owner who can cut logs during periods when agricultural activity is slack.

Wood Use Changing

The report by Miller on his recent trip to the Madison laboratory where the U. S. Forest Service is constantly seeking new uses for wood, points up the fact that an industrial revolution is in progress concerning the use of wood.

Until a very few years ago wood was suitable only for timbers and boards. The saw was the principal manufacturing tool.

In more recent years we have seen the development of the plywood industry, the utilization of waste in hardboard, softboard, chip board, insulating board, and many other such products.

Now we are observing most rapid expansion of the wood fiber industry.

Through chemical treatment, wood is broken down into its fibers which then can be utilized in the manufacture of paper, container board, plastics and hundreds of other products, including fabrics and buttons.

Excellent progress is being made in recovering and utilizing the various materials released through the pulping process. Heretofore most of these materials have been poured into streams as waste, creating a problem in pollution. It now appears, however, that some of the products from effluent soon will be more valuable than the primary fiber products, and that effluent will no longer be wasted to pollute streams, but will provide a source of materials for a large manufacturing industry.

Hal Boyle

CONNLEY'S CREEK, N.C. (AP)—Two of the Southland's greatest claims to fame are grits and Southern womanhood.

The exact virtues of each remain something of a mystery to the rest of the country, so on a trip here I decided to find out the answers to these puzzlers as my special public service for 1956.

Now that my researcher's are over, I'm not sure whether I'm any less confused than when I began.

Let's take grits first. Like most people I had assumed you mined grits, just as you do salt or coal. Well, it turns out that isn't true at all. No one knows just how that old myth got started.

"Grits come from corn," explained my host at breakfast on Monday morning. "They're just hominy ground up and cooked. There just ain't any food better than country ham, red-eye gravy and good old grits. Have some."

He pushed over a plate. I gingerly spooned up some white grits in which swam some golden butter.

"Some damfool Yankeeek claims grits taste like library paste," said my host, genially. "What do you think?"

"Why that's ridiculous," I replied.

My host looked so pleased that I didn't have the heart to add that the real difference is—library paste tastes colder than grits. Grits, to me, didn't taste like anything except a mouthful of lukewarm cotton.

"You have to be born to 'em to really appreciate grits," continued my host.

That, I gather, is the real secret. Personally, I'm afraid I was born 45 years too late.

Now about Southern womanhood. What makes it so extra special?

"We have the prettiest girls in the world," explained one man I asked. "The farther south you go the prettier they get. That is, they do until you reach Atlanta. Below Atlanta the quality thins out some."

That didn't seem to be the whole answer. So I asked two young ladies—Mary and Margie (they insisted I not use their last names)—what they thought was the difference between Northern and Southern girls.

"There is a coldness about Northern girls," said Mary, who is married. "They aren't as warm or talkative when you meet them. They are more aloof."

"Yes," said Margie, who is single. "And Northern girls are surer of themselves. They know exactly what they want. They have definite opinions on everything. And they know how to chase a man. My, I wouldn't know even how to begin."

Mary arched her eyebrows at this as she glanced over at Margie but said nothing.

"Southern girls are much less aggressive," continued Margie. "Our menfolk don't like us to speak out too much. You want to know what Northern girls have

Congress Chat

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH, M. C. 4th Oregon District

Recently I was invited to be the Republican "key-note" speaker at the 1956 Bi-partisan Mock Nominating Convention at the Washington State College in Pullman, Washington. It was a most interesting experience. I have been hearing about these mock conventions staged at colleges and universities throughout the country but had never seen one before. I do not know exactly what I expected to see when I walked into the "convention" hall in Pullman. Certainly it was not the scene which met my eye. What I saw gave me the feeling that I had actually walked into an auditorium where a real—not a mock—national convention was being held. The students had not only created the atmosphere of the national convention but they made it look real. There were the state names held high on poles. Most "delegations" were dressed in some distinctive manner to represent their states. There was even an organ in the corner of the hall used, as at the big conventions, to quiet down the demonstrators.

All of the speeches and all of the proceedings at the mock convention are by students except the key-note speeches. Mr. Arnold Olson, Attorney General of the State of Montana and presently the Democratic candidate for Governor of that State, was the Democratic key-note. I made the key-note address for the Republicans. And speaking of party affiliations you may be interested, as I was, in the party lineup of the W.S.C. convention. Republican delegates numbered 387, Democrats 385 and Independents 117.

Readers of these weekly letters will recall that I have been pointing recently to some of the outstanding scholastic achievements of the young people in our Fourth

Congressional District. Now there is another item for the already impressive list. Two of the three young men chosen from Oregon to enter the United States Air Force Academy this year are from our district, Michael R. Chesselet from Bandon and Lloyd E. Smer from Grants Pass. To be selected as the Air Cadet from Oregon a young man must survive in a very tough competitive elimination system. First, each Member of the Oregon Delegation (six of us) nominates 10 men. These nominations are made on the basis of competitive civil service examinations. Then from the 60 nominees the Air Force again conducts some tests and finally picks 3 out of the 60. My congratulations to the successful candidates—they really earned their appointments.

It begins to look as if our successful battle in the House of Representatives to increase the authorization for timber access roads will be lost in the Senate. The Senate committee reported the highway bill with the access road items reduced back to the present authorization. The authorization now is \$24,000,000. We increased it in the bill as passed by the House to \$27,000,000. The Senate committee chopped off the meager \$3,000,000. Unless it is restored in the Senate Floor or in conference we have lost the access road battle for this year.

Senate action on the big highway bill, of which the access road authorization is a part, is expected soon. The bill is restored in the Senate Floor by the committee is somewhat different from the House version but it is assumed that the differences will be successfully compromised and that there actually will be a highway bill through Congress before too long.

Reader Opinions

Distorted Opinion Said Given On Fluoridation

ROSEBURG — (To The Editor)—In replying to your editorial of Thursday, May 10, 1956, let me state that I am not emotional about the subject of fluoridation, therefore I must be factual. I belong to neither health nor diet cults nor do I belong to any religious or

ganization which would prevent my using fluorine or any other type of medication. In view of the aforementioned remarks I am in a position to give practical scientific consideration to the subject.

I am a graduate of Oregon State College in the school of dentistry and have had extensive work in nutrition. I therefore cannot swallow all of hallyhoo about the wonders of fluoridation.

The public was given a distorted picture of the fluoridation question through two different articles in The News-Review and through an advertisement paid for by the dentists of Roseburg which was in the same paper May 12, 1956, urging the people to vote for fluoridation. These specific instances are listed below:

1. Mr. Stanton's editorial stated only the opinion of Mr. Stanton, completely disregarding all of the scientific study made by qualified men of the medical profession in opposition to this program.

2. Dr. Donald Jeppeson's scientific approach to the subject in his address to the Chamber of Commerce was not printed in full in the newspaper. The scientific and convincing facts which would have given many people a different aspect of the subject were completely excluded from the newspaper account of his talk.

3. I made a point of being present at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon at which Dr. Bruce Hetrick and Dr. Donald Jeppeson gave the pros and cons of the subject. Dr. Hetrick stated that he was sorry that the local medical society had not approved fluoridation. Yet in an advertisement in The News-Review two days prior to this statement, his name, along with many other dentists in Roseburg, was signed to an advertisement which stated that the local medical society had approved fluoridation.

I believe in a free press and in the rights of individuals to make up their own minds about issues. I further believe that it is the responsibility of the free press to present to the reading public both sides of controversial issues in their entirety.

I further believe, too, that my living just outside of the city limits should not exclude me from a chance to vote on something which affects my own water supply.

WANDA MATSON
Roseburg, Ore.

Here For Visit — Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mollison of Portland arrived Monday to visit at the home of the latter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Banning, and with other relatives and friends.

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House Committee Slashes Billion From Foreign Aid

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House Foreign Affairs Committee voted Tuesday to slash more than a billion dollars out of President Eisenhower's \$4,900,000,000 foreign aid program.

Chairman Richards (D-S.C.) said the committee voted 18-11 in closed session to cut a billion dollars from the three billion dollar Eisenhower program for new military assistance abroad next year.

This, plus another 109 million dollar reduction approved out of the \$1,900,000,000 economic aid request, would take a total of \$1,109,000,000 out of the program to bolster other countries against communism.

The House group acted in the face of continued administration insistence that any substantial cut would endanger the security of the United States.

But Richards, who supported the one billion dollar cut offered by a Republican committee member, Rep. Fulton (Pa.), said there would be enough carryover funds from past years to let the administration keep right on with its military assistance program.

In The Day's News

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ton and you'll be spun around to the door of the dining room.

And so on. I suppose the final step will be a button that will whirl you to the door of your bedroom and activate a mechanism in your chair that will hurl you into your downy couch. All you'll need then will be clothes that will unzipper themselves in your flight from the chair to the bed.

There's always a fly in the ointment.

WITHOUT EXERCISE, how will you ever get tired enough to sleep?

Getting back to the dining room—to the door of which you will be spun by your Lazy Susan.

What will be on the table when you get there?

The teletype answers that one. A new process freezes a batch of meat and then puts it in a vacuum chamber that takes out every drop of water. The stuff will then, when properly packaged, keep for years at room temperature.

All you'll need to do when you're whisked around to your place at the table is to pour boiling water over the slab of dehydrated meat that will be on your plate and wolf it down.

But—Again—Without EXERCISE, how will you ever be able to work up an appetite?

Then there are to be airplanes that will travel at 4,000 miles per hour. You can eat your breakfast and climb onto one of the things and go around the world and be back home in time to get to work along with the rest of the crew.

And so on—ad infinitum.

But, after a week-end spent in tabulating votes so that the people may know without delay just who got elected, what we newspaper people are yearning for is a gadget into which all the ballots can be dumped and the final tally taken out all nicely typed on a sheet of paper some two and half minutes after the polls close.

Ho! Hum!

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We newspaper people are still sleepy—and how!



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Unauthorized Man Said Soliciting For Pictures

An unidentified man, representing himself as a representative of the Wilson Studio, 1058 W. Harvard Ave., Roseburg, has been reported to studio owner Mrs. Erma Wilson.

Mrs. Wilson said the man told one woman he was employed in the Portland "home office" of the Roseburg firm, and said he represented the local firm.

Mrs. Wilson emphasized Tuesday that such is not the case. She said her store did not have a solicitor for photographs out, adding she believed "someone was pulling a stunt."

Circuit Court

Complaints Filed
F. A. Wallace and A. F. Hearn, doing business as Bonded Credit Co., vs. Douglas E. Hendrick. Plaintiffs seek \$1,154.93 allegedly due Tonkin Motors, Inc., on purchase of car.

Dismissal Orders
William Castor vs. Elva R. Headings. Suit settled.

Wanda B. Schosso, administratrix of estate of William Castor, vs. Elva R. Headings. Suit settled.

Wanda B. Schosso, administratrix of estate of Addie I. Castor, vs. Elva R. Headings. Suit settled.

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses Issued
PATTON-FOX — John Dewey Patton, Days Creek, and Patricia Anne Fox, Myrtle Creek.

BIBLER-DICKSON — Noelan L. Bibler and Freddie A. Dickson, both of Roseburg.

WORKSHOP SLATED
Portland Summer Session's Aviation Education Workshop, the first of its kind offered by Oregon State System of Higher Education, is scheduled to begin July 9. The four weeks workshop will have two locations — Portland Air Base and United States Naval Air Training Station, Seattle.

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Republican Vote 65.1 Per Cent, Democrats 56.6

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
In last Friday's primary election, 65.1 per cent of the registered Republicans and 59.6 of the registered Democrats cast ballots. There were 378,778 Republicans registered for the primary and 382,128 Democrats.

Multnomah County figures showed 69.3 per cent of the 115,524 registered Republicans voted, and 65 per cent of the 137,597 registered Democrats.

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