

Lumbermen Fear Timber Depletion

12 Billion Feet In County Affected In Taxation Plea

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Rising taxes on timber threaten to seriously deplete private timber and upset the stability of the county's economy.

So said spokesmen for timber holders of the county at Monday's county Board of Equalization public hearing at the courthouse.

They asked for a cutback in the tax rates being ordered this year by the state Tax Commission.

The state commission has set stumpage values this year at \$27.50 per thousand board feet. A depletion factor of 32 years is allowed, leaving a true cash value as set by the commission of \$8.80.

The ratio of 23 per cent of true cash value set on timber then leaves an assessed value of \$2.02.

The rate involves about 12 billion board feet of private timber in the county, according to George Neuner, attorney for several of the timber companies represented.

Neuner insisted the stumpage values are too high, and the depletion period too short. He proposed an assessed value of about \$1.55 per thousand as more realistic.

He used figures of mills he represented to show stumpage values ranging from \$20 to \$22.

He also produced other figures which he said indicated a depletion period of 35 years was a more equitable figure. He insisted this was more equitable when log production, freight car loadings and general economic conditions are taken into consideration.

The depletion figure is theoretical. It is based on total timber to be taxed and the present cutting rate. It is the theoretical time the timber would last if the present timber were cut at the rate it is being cut.

40 Years Recommended
Bruce Cowan of Longview, representing International Paper Co., said the company's cut in its holdings on the coast of Douglas County indicated a depletion figure of 40 years. He estimated stumpage values at \$19.50.

Lumbermen taking the floor to protest the state rate were James Whipple of Drain, Fred Sohn of Roseburg, Kenneth Ford and Thomas Clark of Roseburg and Bud Johnson of Riddle.

Sohn, an owner of Sun Studs Lumber Co., said all costs have gone up and the added burden would tend to squeeze small operators out of business. He said a lower assessment was necessary to protect investments and continue the stability of the community.

Johnson of the C and D Lumber Co. of Riddle said the private holdings of the county are the "backbone of the economy." He continued that rising taxation will force private timber holders to cut their holdings faster. "If taxation forces us to cut faster, the county soon won't have any timber to tax," he concluded.

Stations Close In Eugene Area
EUGENE (AP) — More than a dozen service stations closed last weekend in Eugene-Springfield area in a move protesting pricing policies of the major oil companies.

The closure came a week ahead of a threatened statewide Memorial Day shutdown.

Seven of the stations which closed for the day were independent Chevron stations.

Most stations here are selling regular gasoline at 31.9 cents a gallon, several cents below their usual price, as a price war continues.

Student's Death Ruled Drowning
YAKIMA (AP) — The death of Henry A. Sherwood, 17, during his suburban high school initiation May 19, was officially declared an accidental drowning Monday.

Athletes being initiated into the Moxee Letterman's Club were paddled while they dove in and swam across a small pond. But Yakima County Prosecutor Ray E. Munson said investigation showed this had nothing to do with Sherwood's death.

An autopsy showed the sophomore drowned. A blow over his right eye could have caused a mild concussion, but Munson said this was not connected with the drowning.

Drain Grade School Sets Wednesday Exercises
Drain Grade School will hold its graduation exercises Wednesday at 8 p.m. with 41 students receiving diplomas.

Valedictorian Kathryn Hess will give the welcome address. Musical numbers will be presented by the seventh and eighth grade choir, followed by a play, "The Natives are Restless," presented by members of the graduating class.

MEETING SET
Azalea Sunshine Club will meet Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Bob Gaedecke.

Hatfield Signs Income Tax Bill, 17 Others Into Law

Other bills signed today:
Hospital Change Okayed
SALEM (AP) — Gov. Mark Hatfield today signed House Bill 670, which increases state income tax receipts by about 10 million dollars a year.

It eliminates the federal income tax deduction in computing state income taxes. It also reduces the present rate schedule of 3 to 9.5 per cent to 2.5 to 7.5 per cent.

If it is not attacked by referendum, it will become law Aug. 5 and apply to income earned this year.

Hatfield did not favor the bill, preferring instead proposals to increase taxes in lower brackets.

Other bills signed today:
HB555—Reducing the tax on capital gains if the money is reinvested in Oregon.

HB1078—Appropriating \$2,500,000 for salary increases for state employees.

HB1090—Appropriating funds for state institution building construction.

SB17—Making it illegal for employers of six or more persons to discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of their age.

SB44—To retire judges at 75 years of age, provided the people authorize it in 1960.

SB45—Giving the Supreme Court wide authority over trial courts.

SB246—Changing the Unemployment Compensation Commission to the department of Employment, and replacing the three-man commission with a single director.

SB249—Making it illegal to discriminate because of race or religion in the sale or rental of property.

SB510—Changing the tuberculosis hospital at The Dalles into Mid-Columbia Home for chronically ill mental patients.

SB584—Adopting a new appeals procedure for the Supreme Court.

SB100—To prevent rapid fluctuation of the level of streams between hydroelectric power dams.

SB116—Giving the Board of Health power to regulate trailer parks.

SB133—Creating a state commission to supervise and promote scholarships for Oregon's university and colleges.

SB163—Transferring jurisdiction over Oregon Technical Institute from the Board of Education to the Board of Higher Education.

SB172—Requires persons getting unemployment benefits to have worked 20 weeks in a year.

SB188—Giving Board of Higher Education power to regulate parking and traffic on its campuses.

SB202—Permits divorce courts to require either the husband or the wife to move out of the house during divorce proceedings, if necessary in the best interests of the children.

Minister Lodged On Murder Charge
PORTLAND (AP) — A minister was accused Monday of first degree murder.

A Portland detective signed the complaint accusing the Rev. Carl Linton Anderson, Portland, of killing Frank Johnson, 35, here Friday night.

The minister, 59, earlier had been booked on a manslaughter charge.

Police quoted the Rev. Mr. Anderson as saying he pulled the trigger after Johnson hit Mrs. Anderson in the face.

Johnson had been the suitor of the Andersons' daughter, Mrs. Darnease Blue, 30, who still is in serious condition from injuries suffered when she tumbled out of a second story window two weeks ago.

Johnson was in the room with the woman when she fell, police said.

Two Dillard Teachers Take Other Positions
Three Dillard School District teachers have resigned their positions.

They are Dale Olson, Charles Pazler and Mrs. Crystal Wilson, according to Superintendent George Corwin.

Olson, Douglas High School social studies instructor, has accepted a position in the Eugene school system while Pazler, a seventh grade teacher at Douglas, has accepted a position in the Portland schools. Mrs. Ted Peterson, News-Review correspondent, said.

SCHOOL END NEWS
School will be out at Glendale Thursday at 2 p.m., reports correspondent Mrs. G. B. Fox. All classes will be dismissed at that time.

Eighth grade promotion exercises are set at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the high school, and high school commencement exercises are set tonight at 8 in the school.

Hospital News
Mercy Hospital Admitted
Medical: Mrs. Robert Crites, Mrs. Jack Houston, Oakland; John Frohnmader, Mrs. Shelby Broxson, Fred Miltenberger, Eugene; Clifford Briggs, Myrtle Creek; Clarence Malitz, Sutherlin.

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Dulles' Body Lies In State In Capital

WASHINGTON (AP)—John Foster Dulles' body was brought to lie in state today in a quiet vaulted chapel of imposing Washington National Cathedral.

Just at noon, the sky gray above, a hearse carrying the flag-draped casket arrived at the chapel entrance.

Six servicemen carried the casket through a chapel door above which were inscribed the words "The Way of Peace."

Mourning members of Dulles' family followed the casket into flower-decked Bethlehem chapel for a private few moments.

In the chapel, where Dulles' body will lie on public view for 24 hours, are plaques commemorating other high personages who were buried from the cathedral, including another secretary of state, Cordell Hull.

Dulles' casket was placed in the center of the chapel between 10 marble columns topped off with red velvet.

Many officials of the diplomatic world in which Dulles traveled so extensively had gathered at the cathedral before the body arrived.

Palbearers Present
Standing in the doorway of the chapel were some of the honorary palbearers, selected by Dulles' widow. Among them were Adm. Arthur Radford, acting chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and undersecretaries of state Herbert Hoover Jr. and Douglas Dillon.

A large wreath of white carnations in the chapel carried a gold letter white ribbon "The Diplomat Corps." Another wreath was sent by the Organization for European Economic Cooperation.

An honor guard from the armed services will stand watch until the funeral service Wednesday.

For the funeral, the casket will be moved from the chapel into the great cathedral.

Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery across the Potomac from Washington.

Dr. Roswell P. Barnes of New York, secretary of the World Council of Churches, offered a brief prayer. Dr. Barnes will conduct the funeral service Wednesday.

When the chapel was opened to the public at 12:40 p.m., about 150 persons were lined up to walk past the flag-draped casket.

The white altar of the chapel had six small lighted candles and two white bouquets.

Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Senate Democratic leader, announced the Senate would adjourn tonight out of respect to Dulles. Senators will attend the funeral in a body.

Dulles was a former Republican senator from New York.

Outboard Jaunt Started By Pair
NEW YORK (AP) — Two men have left here to cross the continent in an outboard motorboat.

They are John Edwin Hogg, 67, of San Jacinto, Calif., and John Dahl, 30, of Columbia University student. They expect to wind up their 5,200-mile waterway trip at Astoria, Ore., some 60 to 80 days from now.

The entire trip, except for a 400-mile portage over the Continental Divide, will be on lakes, rivers and canals. The itinerary includes the Hudson River, Lake Champlain, the Richelieu River, the St. Lawrence, the Great Lakes, and the Mississippi, Missouri, Snake and Columbia rivers.

Tennile Grade School Pre-School Clinic Delayed
Tennile Grade School has canceled its pre-school clinic, previously scheduled for June 1, due to the illness of first grade teacher Mrs. Thelma Baker.

Parents can obtain information on the clinic Friday at the school during the school-centennial picnic, reports Mrs. Walter Coats, News-Review correspondent.

Sackett Buys Hotel
COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — Coos Bay newspaper publisher Sheldon Sackett Monday reported he had bought the Tioga Hotel here for \$275,000.

The purchase was made in the name of Central, Inc., a subsidiary of his World Newspapers. Sackett said he purchased the hotel from W. A. Ruslight of Portland.

LOCAL NEWS
Zonta Club will hold its last meeting of the season Wednesday, May 27, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. S. L. Kidder on SE Stephens Street. Rita Barcus and Laverne Vonschultz will have charge of the initiation and installation ceremonies. The retiring president, Billie Tauscher, and Erma Plett and Verna Denton will have charge of refreshments.

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City Of Hope Drive June 23

A unique California medical center which specializes in free treatment of persons afflicted with venereal diseases will benefit from a door-to-door fund-raising campaign slated for June 23 in Roseburg.

Contributions raised in the one-day drive will go to the City of Hope in Duarte, near Pasadena.

The City of Hope is a non-sectarian medical center founded originally as a tuberculosis hospital in 1913, said Roseburg campaign supervisor Mrs. Irvin Giedd. The center since has expanded its work to include treatment of cancer, leukemia and other blood diseases and heart and chest ailments, including TB.

The City of Hope last year treated some 26,000 patients, all free of charge. Public donations account almost wholly for the \$18,000 needed daily to operate the huge plant.

Mrs. Giedd said volunteer workers will contact homes in their own neighborhoods during the campaign, with each marcher contacting a maximum of 20 homes. She urged persons interested in the project to contact her at ORchard 3-7485.

Hoodlums Said Due For Death
NEW YORK (AP) — The Post said here that several men who attended the 1957 Apalachicola, N.Y., crime convention have been marked for execution by gangland leaders.

Attributing the information to underworld sources, the paper said the doomed men were those likely to talk under police investigation.

"The pressure that brought the summary decision to permanently seal the lips of some of the Apalachicola delegates came in federal indictments against 27 of them last Thursday on charges of obstructing justice," the Post declared.

Thirty-six other men who attended the meeting were named in the indictment as co-conspirators but not defendants.

The paper said the action "shook the security of the crime overlords. They haven't been so worried since Abe Reles began to sing about Murder, Inc., in the 1940's, the seven men to the electric chair."

"The top boys have passed on the word to get rid of those most likely to talk."

More Need Seen For Farm Credit
BAKER, Ore. (AP) — A group of credit production associations have been told farmers are going to need more credit.

Paul Matson of Spokane, president of Spokane's Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, said that "farmers expanded to cope with the narrowing income margins must operate more efficiently. This will require substantial outlays for machinery, equipment and labor saving devices."

He said this will result in a greater reliance on credit. "Consequently," he added, "the substantial growth in credit extended by production credit associations in the past few years can be expected to continue."

Italian Wine Makers Plan Portland Social
PORTLAND (AP) — Italy, looking for a greater market for wines, is planning a wine-tasting social here June 11.

Some 1,400 Oregon residents have been invited to drop in at a downtown hotel and sip some 40 wines and liquors.

The affair is being held in conjunction with Italy's exhibit at the Oregon Centennial Exposition next month.

Sutherlin Eighth Grade Promotion Scheduled
Seventy-six eighth graders in Sutherlin Junior High School will be promoted Thursday at exercises at 8 p.m. in the high school gymnasium, reports correspondent Barbara Liesinger.

Featured speaker will be Ralph Dyson, athletic director for the Sutherlin schools. He was selected as speaker by members of the graduating class.

New Babies Set Record
WASHINGTON (AP) — More babies were born during the first three months of this year than in any other first quarter.

Reporting this today, the National Office of Vital Statistics estimated there were 1,034,000 registered live births in the first quarter.

That was 1.7 per cent more than the previous first quarter record set in 1957.

Power Potential Of Alaska Claimed Victim Of Neglect

SEATTLE (AP) — Alaska's power potential lies like a hibernating giant, kept asleep through federal neglect, while neighboring Russia is fast catching up with the U.S. in electrical production, Sen. E.L. Bartlett (D-Alaska) said Tuesday.

Less than one per cent of Alaska's gigantic hydroelectric power potential of more than 50 million kilowatts a year has been developed, Bartlett said in a speech prepared for delivery at the opening session of the American Public Power Assn.

"Uncle Sam, as Alaska's keeper during our 92 years as a territory, did not live up to his responsibilities — not only in power development, but in the whole gamut of governmental activities."

Whenever possible, local political subdivisions and consumer groups should develop power projects, he said.

"When and where local government cannot handle the needed power jobs, we should ask the federal government to tackle them."

Policies Thought Beneficial
"The Northwest has for many years revered — and still does — to the thunderous collision of public and private power interests. From these battles have emerged policies and procedures which I believe to be in the best public interest."

Some 600 delegates from all sections of the country and Puerto Rico were expected for the three-day public power meeting. Other speakers will include Vice Adm. Hyman C. Rickover, Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.), Interior Undersecretary Elmer Bennett, economist Leon Keyserling and a TVA power manager G.O. Westensauer.

In his prepared annual report, association General Manager Alex

Pay Increase Plan Announced By State
SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Civil Service Commission announced Monday a tentative plan to increase salaries of state employees by \$4,700,000 over the current budget period beginning July 1.

The commission said it would hold a public hearing June 17-18 on the plan. The state Emergency Board, a legislative committee, must give final approval before the plan can be put into effect.

The salary increases, mostly amounting to \$20 to \$25 a month, would go mainly to technical, professional and supervisory employees.

The commission said the salaries in the lower paid jobs now are competitive with what is paid by private industry.

The Legislature appropriated \$2,500,000 for salary increases in departments subject to legislative appropriation. An equal amount is available for increases in departments which produce their own revenue, such as the Highway Commission.

The Joint Ways and Means Committee recommended a \$3,250,000 appropriation. It was cut \$750,000 in the closing hours of the recent session.

Sportsmen Pilots Form Chapter At Roseburg
A new organization for all those interested in flying, either as a business or for a hobby, was organized last week at an evening meeting at Horn's Appliance. The club has been named the Sportsmen Pilots of Oregon.

Robert Horn was elected to head the committee on membership. Mrs. Van Svarverud was chosen secretary.

All interested persons are advised to contact Horn.

Escaped Con Captured
PORTLAND (AP) — Four hours after trusty James M. Wheeler, 43, walked away from the state prison farm at Salem he was captured in Portland.

Two detectives took him into custody on Southeast Union Avenue.

Police said the Wheeler—who was serving a five-year term for robbery—had hitchhiked to Portland.

Boy, 12, Tries Threats
BEND (AP) — A 12-year-old boy picked two names at random from a phone book, and sent them extortion letters, Police Chief John Truett disclosed Monday.

Truett said the boy admitted sending the letters, which threatened death if \$1,000 was not paid. The boy has been ordered to appear in juvenile court.

SENTENCES COMMUTED
HAVANA (AP) — A military appeals tribunal in Holguin, Oriente Province, has commuted the death sentences of four convicted war criminals to prison terms ranging from 20 to 30 years.

Driver Meted Jail, Fine
Everett Earl Perry, 19, Box 65, Whistlers Lane, Roseburg, pleaded guilty in District court Monday to a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail and fined \$150.

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