

Game Department Watching Lake

The fishing season started in the high lakes today, and most lake fishermen will be watching the result of the first big weekend at Diamond Lake.

The reason is that success over the weekend will pretty well set the trend of visits to the lake during the summer season.

The fishermen will be giving it particularly critical attention because last year's opening weekend was a bad one. An estimated 6,000 fishermen turned out for that first weekend, and only 385 fish were caught. This amounts to an average of six-hundredths of a fish per fisherman.

The state Game Commission has taken steps to improve the situation by changing the type of fish stocked in the lake.

After the lake was poisoned to kill out the trash fish, which were eating all the bottom food in the lake in 1954, the lake was restocked with a Canadian trout called Kamloops. When fishing was opened again, the first year's catch was about 61,000 fish for the year. But the catches soon began to fall. By 1961, the catch

was down to 30,000 fish. By last year, it became evident that Kamloops was not the type to draw the fishermen.

Last year and this, the state Game Commission has been stocking with a couple of new breeds. They are the Oak Spring stock (a fall spawner) and the Willamette stock (spring spawner).

A total 485,000 fish were planted last year, and another 500,000 are being planted this year. Many of these should be of catchable size this year, but the future depends heavily on data collected from this first two years of planting. Probably one of the two types will be selected for the regular stocking program.

In the meantime, the Game Commission is watching closely this weekend in hopes of getting an indication the new program is progressing successfully. The 1964 plantings will depend on the results of the studies taken on these test plantings of 1962-63.

Let's hope the results are favorable so Diamond Lake can again become the fishermen's magnet it has been in years past.

Reapportionment Raises Ugly Head

The wraith of reapportionment has come back on the state scene with more impact than it had last year before the general election.

At that time, a strong movement was under way to change the apportioning method for determining senators and representatives to include area consideration, as well as population. The voters turned it down overwhelmingly.

Now the Senate is playing fast and loose with that decision again. Actually, a minority of the Senate is thumbing its nose at the voters' decision. It has gained its power because of the work on the proposed revised constitution. It is using the constitution provision as a blackjack because of the two-thirds majority which is needed to put the constitution before

the people in a general election ballot.

It takes only 11 votes to scrap the constitution vote for 1964. Realizing this, the minority, made up primarily of Eastern Oregon senators, has added its rider of a new plan for reapportionment weighing both population and area. The senators indicate they will not approve the constitution without the rider. A vote Tuesday appeared to have killed the possibility of bringing the new constitution to the people in 1964, but the following day, it decided to reconsider.

The House was willing to leave apportionment alone. So should the Senate. But above all, the constitution's future shouldn't be dismissed this year on the basis of a question which has already been decided by voters.

THE LIGHTER SIDE:



Men In Congress Breed Set Apart

By DICK WEST

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Members of Congress do not say what they have said until they say that's what they said.

This is one of the things that set members of Congress apart from our ordinary mortals.

When you and I wait a remark into the thin, translucent air, it is, for good or bad, gone forever, never to be retrieved. As Omar Khayyam put it:

"Nor all your piety nor wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

Obviously, Omar Burleson, the poet, never met Omar Burleson, the congressman.

Strike Many Lines

In the transcript of debates and certain other congressional proceedings, Burleson and his colleagues can indeed cancel half a line. Yea, half a line and more.

Neither piety nor wit is needed to lure back a transcript, and, so long as they stay within the rules governing such practice, they can wash out words as they see fit, without shedding a single tear.

The ability of congressmen to confound Khayyam was pointed out this week in a press release put out by Chairman Wayne N. Aspinall, D-Colo., of the House Interior Committee.

Aspinall was exasperated by the fact that some unedited transcripts of a hearing on legislation relating to Puerto Rico had been reproduced and were being widely quoted on the island.

I am not familiar with the details, but apparently someone jumped to the conclusion that what was said at the hearing actually was said.

Only Speaking Tentatively

In reality, as Aspinall pointed out, the committee members were only speaking tentatively and perhaps not at all.

"I want to make it clear for the benefit of the people of Puerto Rico that any quotations taken from these transcripts are not official and are subject to revision," the chairman declared.

Newspapermen who regularly cover the House and Senate are accustomed to have quotations shot out from under them. It is

regarded as an occupational hazard. Congressmen may, of course, have valid grounds for expunging or otherwise editing their remarks before they are committed to posterity.

I suspect, however, that in most cases they are in the same boat with another poet whose name I have forgotten but who wrote:

"How can I know what I think until I hear what I say?"

Mental Health Association Joins With State Group

To The Editor:

The newly formed Douglas County Mental Health Association has affiliated itself with the Mental Health Association of Oregon, with headquarters in Portland. This State organization is the leader of volunteer mental health work, and as I do not believe the scope of its program is fully realized by the public, I am taking this opportunity to briefly outline its activities.

A paid staff of four full-time members direct the activities of 122 nonpaid members of 14 boards and committees. Each of these committees is working on special problems such as rehabilitation of returned mental patients, mental health education, volunteer work, the Rehabilitation House, patient commitment procedures and general legislation. The volunteers give generously of their time without publicity or recognition. This is their contribution to the fight against the nation's number one health problem, mental illness.

An outstanding accomplishment of recent months is the opening of a "halfway" or rehabilitation house in Portland for discharged mental patients who need a helping hand to become established in the community again. This pioneering project is a direct attack upon the weakest link in present day treatment procedures — the return of the ex-patient to the community. Often this return is an ordeal because the former patient may be without friends or a job.

Sixteen selected patients have been taken into the large and pleasant "home" to live with a friendly set of house parents. Vocational counselors assist in locating suitable jobs. Psychiatrist workers continue supportive counseling. A part-time psychiatrist notes progress and gives treatment if needed.

With jobs and renewed self-confidence the residents are encouraged to seek normal social activities and residence in the community. Space is again provided for other newly discharged patients. As many as eighty persons each year are expected to find their places back in the community through the work of the Rehabilitation House.

Other activities of the Association

Kennedy Won't Kiss Famed Irish Stone

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy is as Irish as all get out.

But he doesn't plan to kiss the Blarney Stone when he goes to Ireland next month.

In fact, Press Secretary Pierre Salinger says he won't even get near it.

Salinger, who went to the Emerald Isle a few weeks ago to make trip arrangements for Kennedy, said today the President would not go to Blarney Castle, home of the famous stone.

The acrobatics involved in kissing the Blarney Stone would keep the President from trying it. He has avoided such vigorous activities since he strained his back planting a ceremonial tree on a state visit to Ottawa in 1961.

Education: This most important Association function is carried on extensively through radio, T.V., newspapers, public forums, and films.

Legislation: Work for better general legislation and treatment for studies and recommendations to the legislature to improve commitment procedures for persons needing mental treatment.

Sponsor "Operation Friendship" a mental hospital visitation project which brings thousands of visitors to see at first hand the modern care of patients.

Promote a state-wide Christmas gift project for patients in mental hospitals. Over 200 volunteers collect thousands of gifts at 14 collection stations.

Encourage an institute for ministers in the field of pastoral counseling with financial assistance.

Maintain a "Friendship Club" in Portland for former mental patients. This has resulted in a decreased re-admission rate to hospitals.

Give support to the National Association for Mental Health and its extensive research programs. I am well aware of the fact that assistance to the mentally ill has never been a popular cause. Mental illness is different from physical illness in the one fundamental aspect that it tends to disturb and repel others rather than evoke their sympathy and desire to help. In view of this I believe it is particularly desirable to give recognition to the Mental Health Association of Oregon for its continued and commendable efforts in the field of mental illness and health.

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Social Security Neighbor A Dole For A Pension

To The Editor:

I do not care to write this letter but I think it is about time someone who thinks there is not too much wrong with America or Americans to answer some of the calamity howlers who have been clogging the papers with letters



News Analysis



By ROBERT C. RUARK

Being somewhat more than vitally interested in the business of expense accounts—not to cheat the boss by lush living, because I'm my own boss—I have tried to follow all the ramifications of this expense-account crackdown, and I must confess I give up. All I can make out of it, no matter what final house rules Morty Caplin issues in June, is that the Kennedy boys grabbed a political tiger by the tail, and the beast is hitting back.

Never in all my life have I heard so many moans as arise from the people in all walks of life, from waiters to cab drivers to hoteliers to airlines employees to restaurant owners to barkeepers to theater proprietors to shopkeepers to, I suppose, call girls — as well as the businessmen who use the expense account as a vital necessity to their businesses.

Beef Is Universal

The beef is universal. Everybody is confused and afraid to risk governmental wrath by listing deductible deductions, or to compromise themselves by personal spending in face of possible disallowment. So

they heef, but they don't spend, because you have to hire a bookkeeper and buy a copying machine to keep up with the paperwork. And the fact that the spending has dropped off is a cinch to cost the country more than Mr. Caplin's Internal Revenue Service is apt to pick up in extra taxes.

But that is not the main point of this piece. The point is that if John F. Kennedy gets licked, next time at bat, you can bet a bottom buck—taxable—that a good tough crowd of what beats him will be the broad-based resentment over being forced to do the government's bookkeeping, of being literally nailed to the cross of additional detail, and of finally being unable to define, satisfactorily, what is justifiable business expense, especially on a long-term basis of goodwill and foundation-constructive.

Caplin Chased

They literally chased Mortimer Caplin out of an IRS public hearing a week or so ago, as representatives of the hotel, restaurant, accounting, salesmen's, transportation, and kindred associations assailed the Yankee Clipper, Mr. Caplin, on his upcoming guidelines for deductible expenses.

The hoary firm of accountants,

and Eleanor Roosevelt as Reds and members of what he calls the communist conspiracy when he well knows that J. Edgar Hoover and the FBI have killed the Communist Party in the U.S. as dead as the Dodo. I have never known a "Commie" myself and I doubt if most people have. However, a good many honest citizens have become so terrified by this kind of foolishness that they imagine a Red under every bed and behind every lamp post.

I wonder what has happened to the old-fashioned pride we as a people had in our country and the faith that we as a nation could handle any situation that might arise just as we have always done in the past.

For myself, I think the faith expressed by Gordon Cooper, faith in God, faith in his country and faith in his fellow man is more typical of the ordinary American than the hate passed out by the Gus Hall, Robert Welch, the Nazi leader, Rockwell or any other fugitive from the "looney bin" who inhabit the fringes of American politics.

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In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of The News-Review

40 YEARS AGO

May 25, 1923

The largest class in the history of Roseburg High School is being graduated June 1, with 83 seniors to get their diplomas, the school office announced today.

The committee of the Iron and Steel Institute appointed recently to investigate the feasibility of abandoning the 12-hour day in the steel industry, announced today that it could not at this time recommend such a step.

25 YEARS AGO

May 25, 1938

Roseburg High School will graduate the largest class in its history this month. A total of 121 seniors will receive their diplomas.

Final arrangements for a four-team Twilight softball league have

been completed.

A. C. Marsters was elected president of the Association of Southern Oregon Chambers of Commerce today. The association, headed by the Roseburg man, will devote its efforts to promoting tourist travel and highway development.

19 YEARS AGO

May 25, 1953

Roseburg High School staged one of its most impressive commencement exercises in the school gym Monday night as 208 seniors received their diplomas.

One hundred acres of log ponds in Douglas County are under experiment in mosquito control, county sanitarians Claude Baker and LaVerne Miller revealed.

Day's News
By
Frank Jenkins

Mishmash in the news:

The other day Queen Elizabeth of England paid a ceremonial visit to the little town of Abergavenny in Wales. According to ancient tradition, when the Queen of England visits Abergavenny she must go first to the city hall. From her carriage to the door, she must walk on a rich red carpet. The carpet must be provided by the town of Abergavenny.

This year it was different. There was no red carpet. There was no red carpet because the town could no longer afford to buy or rent one. A special tax would have had to be levied, and the town fathers came to the conclusion that the people just couldn't afford to pay any more taxes.

So—

They decided—
The Queen would have to walk this year from her carriage to the town hall on stone steps painted with red liquid linoleum. She did so—and everything went off all right. The Queen was just as gracious as if she had walked in over a red carpet, and the people were much happier than they would have been if they had had to dig into their pockets for more taxes to pay for the red carpet.

A thought—
If governments EVERYWHERE—including the U.S.A.—would follow this example set by the town council of Abergavenny, I think they would find that less extravagant government would be just as efficient as more extravagant government, and that the people who pay the taxes would be much happier.

What do you think about it?

In San Francisco, postmen have begun arming themselves with a new weapon for their everlasting combat with the dog kingdom.

As a part of a four-city test in the Bay Area, some 500 mail carriers are to be supplied with a new anti-dog weapon called Halt. It consists of a mixture of ordinary mineral oil and capicum—an extract of cayenne pepper. Each carrier volunteering for the test program will be supplied with small half-ounce aerosol containers loaded with the mixture. The idea is that when the dog starts to bite the postman will spray the stuff in the canine's face.

Preliminary tests show that dogs thus sprayed put their tails between their legs and beat a hasty retreat. In most cases, the experiments show, dogs exposed a time or two to the stuff never again attack a postman.

The experiment is to be carried out over a fairly wide area. In addition to the Bay Area, postmen in Baltimore, Miami and Detroit will be supplied with the anti-dog weapons.

They will be expected to keep track of the number of times they are bitten and the number of times they succeed in repelling canine attackers. The experiment will be carried out over a period of three months and if it proves successful mail carriers throughout the nation will be supplied with the Halt equipment.

In San Francisco, where according to official statistics 76 postmen have been bitten by dogs in the past year and a half, 500 carriers will be provided with the anti-dog stuff.

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Well, our kindly old Uncle is to be congratulated because of his solicitude for his employees, but it just might be that he is picking the wrong kind of individuals to be mail carriers.

In the Hot Springs district over in Klamath Falls, there has been for many years a mail carrier who has no need for anti-dog contraptions. Each morning, he is joined at a certain point on his route by a friendly neighborhood dog that conveys him all the way around. Never, so far as known, has he been even looked at crosswise by any of the numerous canines of the vicinity.

Maybe Uncle might do better to look for postmen that particular type of personality.

The Almanac

Today is Saturday, May 25, the 145th day of 1963 with 220 to follow.

The moon is approaching its first quarter.

The morning stars are Venus, Jupiter and Saturn.

The evening star is Mars.

Those born today are under the sign of Gemini.

On this day in history:

In 1787, delegates to the Constitutional Convention held their first regular session in Independence Hall, Philadelphia.

In 1836, former President John Quincy Adams opposed the annexation of Texas, fearing the action would bring about war with Mexico.

In 1935, Babe Ruth swatted the last home run of his career at Forbes Field, Pittsburgh, where his team, the Boston Braves, played Pittsburgh.



UNCLE AL'S STORY CORNER

by Alan Knudtson of KNUDTSON'S JEWELERS

"This week-end we'll mark up the beans and mark down the peas. Next week-end we'll mark up the peas and mark down the beans."

This is a rough statement of how the principle of the "loss-leader" is applied in a grocery store. Each week an item of grocery stock is reduced in price to produce a "special." This principle of selling is as old as merchandising and is not necessarily bad. Only when the "loss-leader" is used deceptively to create a "bargain" atmosphere in which certain "blind" items can be sold to unwary customers at exorbitant prices is it unfair and/or deceptive, in my opinion.

The jewelry business has some wonderful examples. Some jewelers store create a "bargain" image by advertising specials of all sorts. But these specials, or loss-leaders, are always obvious values. An electric shaver that has always been sold for \$25.00 turns up in a jewelry store's ad for \$16.88. A toaster that is obviously worth more is sold for \$6.88. Fifty feet of garden hose is sold for 89c. If enough of these bargains are advertised and sold, pretty soon the store builds the "bargain image." People begin to think that since the shaver, the toaster, and the garden hose were bargains, everything in the store must be a bargain, too.

Completely "confident" by these tactics, a customer then buys a diamond or some other blind item (a blind item is a piece of merchandise about which the average person knows little, buys seldom, and cannot evaluate as to price).

But the diamond is over-priced; it has to be. Upon the extra profit in its exorbitant price rests the burden of paying for the lack of profit in selling the "bait merchandise," and the tremendous advertising costs needed to create the bargain image.

In other words, the person who buys the diamond helps pay for the lack of profit on the merchandise that he should buy the diamond there!

Good advice:—Go ahead and buy the "loss leaders," the garden hose, the lawn mowers and the socket wrenches; but unless you're a diamond expert — better be careful! (Advertisement)

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