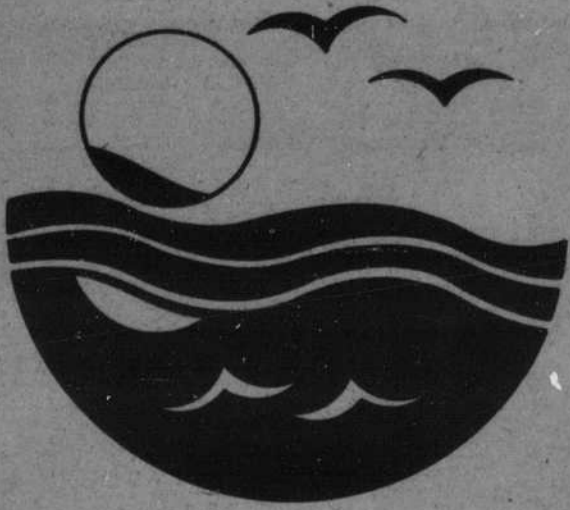


...Of environmental concern



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The Many Rivers Group of the Sierra Club urges support of a bill now before Congress that would bar the leg-hold trap; the trap has been the subject of much recent debate.

H.R. 3516-S. 818, supported by both Oregon Senators Mark Hatfield and Bob Packwood, would ban shipment of fur and leather coming from any state or foreign country that has not forbidden the manufacture, sale and use of leg-hold and steel-jaw traps.

Lane County Residents interested in environmental sanitation programs are being sought for membership on committees advising the county commissioners.

Applications are open for service on an advisory committee and a subcommittee that will study existing and potential sanitation problems related to the environment of county citizens and will suggest solutions to the problems.

Committee and subcommittee applications are encouraged from the following categories: Physician, lumber industry, wood products, industry, food industry, sand and gravel industry, realtor, public school, legislator, well-driller, pump installer, water treatment installer and at-large members.

Applications should be submitted by February 3. Forms are available from the Lane County Community Relations Office, Public Service Building, 125 E. 8th Ave., Eugene.

Trees blown down by recent winter storms are not to be cut by permit-holding firewood seekers, according to the U.S. Forest Service.

The service estimates that more than 12 million board feet of timber has blown down to date this winter.

"The downed timber is currently being salvaged through commercial sales," according to Dale Dufour, Siuslaw National Forest Public Information Officer.

Dufour says anyone cutting up the trees is technically guilty of the theft of government property. Those looking for firewood to first check with the local ranger station or the Service headquarters in Corvallis.

Nuclear power generated more electricity than hydroelectric power for the first time in 1977, according to EWEB's recent newsletter. Through June 30, nuclear plants in the United States accounted for 12 percent of all electricity produced, while hydroelectric plants accounted for 10.7 percent.

A "Desert Trail" that would extend from Canada to Mexico is under consideration by the Bureau of Land Management.

The trail might go through Eastern Oregon counties Harney, Malheur and Baker.

A current feasibility study includes the route, land ownership, use, costs, benefits and exactly how the trail could be built. A draft environmental statement is to be completed by next December, with present plans calling for a final report to Congress in May, 1979.

A poll that shows Americans prefer conserving forests to cutting trees indicates "the idea of running out of wood supplies is not making an impression on the public," says a timber industry spokesman.

The American Forest Institute and the National Forest Products Association commissioned the poll of 2,049 individuals last September.

Results showed the public "nearly indifferent to vast areas being set aside" as wilderness areas — preferring recreation areas close to home.

Preview display scheduled

University extracurricular programs may set up displays for students at the University Preview for prospective students in February.

University Preview is an all-day program that will allow anyone interested in attending the University, their relatives and friends, to learn more about this University and its programs by participating in a variety of campus activities.

On Feb. 4, there will be an afternoon option of three 30-minute sessions in the areas of music, theatre, dance and forensics activities; club and intramural sports; student government and student publications; social and service clubs and programs and campus health care and insurance.

Program contact persons should contact the Program Office in Suite 2 of the EMU to sign up. For information, call 686-4373.

Any persons who know of potential university students are asked to have them register by Friday, Jan. 27. Those attending the 1978 Preview will have an opportunity to tour the campus, talk with students about college life, discuss academic plans with faculty and staff and learn about extracurricular activities.

There is no registration fee. However, persons who wish to eat lunch on campus should include

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