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IT LOOKS LIKE "THEY" FINALLY CAME THRU

During the eleven years we have been a resident of this community we have heard a great deal of beefing about the shortcomings of the pronoun, "They". It seems to us that "they" have been rather backward about getting anything accomplished. "They" have missed out on a number of things including the failure to encourage or to bring in any new industries.

"They" is usually used in an abstract term and we have never really been able to find out whether those making the objections to the way "They" run things are talking about their grandpaw or Santa Claus.

In pointing the finger of criticism, the objector usually makes it clear that he or she has had no part of any failure of any community effort. It is for this reason that we think a community enterprise or undertaking such as the efforts to raise \$235,000 for a hospital is a wholesome undertaking for through it we learn who is in earnest regarding the advancing of the community and who is merely blowing his top because there is nothing ever done for the benefit of the community.

Not that we would be critical of the amount any individual gave for after all under our democratic form of government this is a matter between the individual and his or her conscience. We are not too familiar with the list of contributors, but we would be willing to wager you or anyone else that the "pro belly-acher's" name will be about as scarce on the contribution list as are the proverbial hen's teeth.

As this is written it looks like "they" have raised the necessary \$235,000 for the hospital or we are so near this sum that it will be a community calamity if we have failed.

A LUMBERMAN LOOKS TO THE FUTURE

At the turn of the year, a good many of the lumber fraternities are rather pessimistic over the general price outlook. They realize of course that the price outlook could be changed over night and is dependent on several factors, among which are the amount of foreign export, the demand on the lumber industry in carrying out the rebuilding of the armed services and federal housing and slum clearance, which will undoubtedly be recommended in the president's state of the nation message.

Over the long pull the above listed factors which might give the lumber market a temporary boost, won't count for much so far as the prosperity of the industry is concerned, but what will count is how much progress the industry makes in establishing more diversification for lumber uses and greater utilization for odds and ends now going into the burner of the average mill.

With respect to finding more uses for lumber and greater utilization of wood wastes, these potential industries are now in their infancy. War probably stopped experimentation along the line of developing more uses for lumber. Apparently we have not been able to pick up where Hitler of Germany left off. As early as 1939 Germany was producing feed for livestock as well as alcohol from sawdust, but the most expensive potential wood alcohol plant, located at Springfield, has been a white elephant to date, although wood alcohol is being produced commercially on the west coast we are told.

The Weyerhaeuser Lumber Co. is the only lumber concern to attempt experimentation on the utilization of wood waste on a large scale. Experiments of this concern have progressed to the point where Weyerhaeuser can use all of the tree. Whether it has reached the stage to be commercially feasible, we do not know.

The forest laboratory at Madison, Wisconsin has succeeded in making wood fire resistant; in fact when properly treated wood is a better fireproofing than steel; likewise wood can be treated so that it can be bent in any shape, form or fashion.

Success may be a long way off in many of these ventures, but until they are successful and adopted into general use, we may expect to see a wide variation in the prosperity of the lumber industry.

It seems to us that the logical step is for the industry as a whole to sell its new uses through one or more of its associations, much in the same manner as wood substitutes are being promoted.

This may sound crazy to the orthodox lumberman, but when we recall that it was only about fifty years ago or less that the carriage makers laughed at the automobiles, it should make sense.

SOCIALIZED MEDICINE'S RECORD

Dr. A. Lexington Jones, of Christchurch, New Zealand, recently spoke at length on the experience with government medicine in that country. In the course of it, he posed and answered three practical questions which provide a test of the kind of service socialized medicine provides.

First, are the people getting their money's worth? His answer was an emphatic no—largely for the reason a cumbersome bureaucracy administers the plan.

Second, has the system improved medical service? Again the answer is no. Too many people are consulting doctors unnecessarily, on the grounds that they must pay a tax for medical attention and so may as well get it whether they need it or not. As a result, overworked doctors simply don't have the time to give each patient the consideration he should have.

Third, has the system reduced the incidence of disease? Once more the answer is no. Little of the money collected by the government for the medical scheme is used for research work. And individual physicians have little time or incentive for reading, investigation, and advanced study.

There are many other arguments against government domination of medicine. These are simply three of the most important from the people's point of view. Wherever tried, it has resulted in a deterioration of standards—and a sharp upsurge in government costs. Exactly the same thing would happen if we were so foolish as to adopt compulsory government health insurance here.

Bohemia Nuggets

Chas. Nordstrom came out from the Musick mine for the holidays, and is spending a couple of weeks at Lindpark, before hitting back into the tall snowdrifts.

The Champion mine is shut down until the roads can be reopened so that supplies can be taken in.

The early and heavy fall of snow has blocked transportation earlier than it had for many years.

Five Years Ago in Bohemia One-half interest in the "Horse-

shoe" mining claim for sale. See O. H. Willard.

Bohemia Hotel, special rates to traveling men. Fong Sing; prop. Items from C. G. Messenger, Jan. 6, 1899.

Vegetables Need Water A corn plant uses about 368 pounds of water to produce one pound of dry matter. Potatoes require 636 pounds of water to make one pound of dry matter.

New adding machines available at Sentinel office. 22-1tx

County Affairs

(Lester Schlangen) Elizabeth Marie King, Delight Valley, was awarded \$8861.90 general damages and \$588 special damages Tuesday, when a circuit court jury found co-defendants Glen E. Means and his son Richard, 15, of Eugene, at fault for an automobile accident near Cottage Grove a year ago last February.

Richard Means was driving school friends home from a dance at Cottage Grove when his car collided with one in which Miss King was a passenger. Miss King told the court that her injuries had hospitalized her for 15 weeks and kept her under doctor's care for 20 months.

The younger Means had no driver's license.

Logging Suspende Logging operations in the county have been virtually suspended by the county court order restricting all hauling to a 4-ton gross limit on county roads. The order is effective until Sunday, January 9, but will be extended if sub-freezing temperatures continue.

State roads under closure to load limits exceeding 36,000 pounds are the McKenzie highway from Nimrod to Belknap Junction, the Territorial highway from Crow to the Lane-Douglas line, and the Richardson-Elmira highway.

Marriage Licenses Robert M. Sutton, 23, Culp Creek and Sally L. Lemon, 16, Culp Creek, December 27.

Ellsworth Morgan Tullar, 22, B. B. Rt., Cottage Grove and Thelma MacNears, 18, Yakima, Washington, December 29.

Hal Westerfield Skinner, 42, Eugene, and Grace Adams Cowan, 44, 205 Adams, Cottage Grove, December 30.

Freeman Lee Brewer, 19, 1404 W. Main, Cottage Grove and Billie Jean Craig, 18, Mena, Arkansas, January 3.

Echoes Of The Past

From the Sentinel Files

50 Years Ago—Jan. 20, 1899

As stated in last week's Messenger the Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., a corporation, leased for a period of 90 years Lane county's right and interests in the Mohawk river, Mill creek and tributaries thereof, in said Lane county.

This lease goes into effect 90 days from date, Jan. 10, 1899.

The above is a pretty good indication that something of a gigantic nature will develop in the mill business of Lane county at no far distant day.

40 Years Ago—Jan. 5, 1909

Both Cottage Grove publications are devoting columns of valuable space to the county division proposition—and we ask you? Would such a division as proposed vest the citizens of that place greater powers heretofore not enjoyed? We believe it would, inasmuch as Cottage Grove would undoubtedly become possessed of the county seat of the new district. We do not blame the citizens of that area for the interest they are taking in the matter nor do we criticize the action of either paper in furthering the interests of their home community.

We believe that such a division as is proposed at the present time, will never pass the legislature at the coming session, because both the Douglas and Lane county representatives being opposed to the move and as yet we have heard no cry from the residents in Northern Douglas which bears out, the contention that they are satisfied under the present administration. (Reprint from Umpqua Valley News).

10 Years Ago—Jan. 5, 1939

Sale of E. R. Lemley's interest in the Cottage Grove Lumber Co. to his partner George Jacobsen, was announced Jan. 1.

High single bowling score of the week goes to DeYoung of Quality Market.

UN Mediator Back



ACTING U.N. MEDIATOR for Palestine, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche is shown with his wife, and son, Ralph Jr., 5, in New York, following their arrival on the liner Nieuw Amsterdam. Dr. Bunche asserted that the Israeli-Arab war was ended and the new State of Israel was "firmly established." (International)

B. & P. W. CLUB TO SPONSOR BAND CONCERT

At the regular meeting of the local Business and Professional Women's club Monday night in the city library the members decided to sponsor a band concert by the University of Oregon band under the direction of John Stein. This concert by the 55-member band will be presented in the local high school auditorium the evening of January 27 at 8:00 o'clock. The percentage made by the club will go for the purchase of uniforms for the local high school band.

General chairman for the concert is Ruth Stewart Caldwell; tickets and sales, Lottie Lee Lamb, Joan Gallo, Della Gallo and Edna Piller; poster, Dorothy Wood. Following the concert the club will serve refreshments to the band members in the cafeteria with Edna Burleson in charge.

It was voted to contribute to the March of Dimes, and if a booth is installed, they agreed to assist one or two days.

Two new members welcomed were Dr. Cora Stockfleth and Katherine Jack.

The next meeting was announced for January 17th at 6:30, the place to be announced later. There will be initiation for new members at this time and the Drain and Yoncalla clubs, which the local group sponsored, will be guests at the initiation. The program will be on "United Nations," in charge of Grace Cowan Skinner.

Biggest Ore Boat

Biggest and fastest Great Lakes ore carrier will be launched before 1950 by the Inland Steel company of Chicago. The new ship, designed by American Ship Building company, will be 668 feet long—over two-thirds the length of the Queen Elizabeth—and will carry an estimated 20,000 gross tons of cargo. Powered by a geared turbine delivering 7,000 horsepower, the vessel will make 13 1/2 knots when fully loaded.

Treating Fence Posts

When treating fence posts with the new cold-soak pentachlorophenol method, soak them in an oil drum that has been set into the ground a foot or so. It makes it easier to handle the posts.

Wrought Farm Miracle

From the pre-historic forked stick to the modern tractor plow on rubber, from the fall to the combine, modern farm machinery has transformed a world of scarcity into one of plenty.



Oregon 4-H'ers Win National Honors

SIX of Oregon's state winners in 1948 received national honors for superior records of achievement in their respective 4-H awards programs. Brief outlines of their records follow:



Margie Meier, Charles Hornacker, Joanne Perry, Margaret Walker, Charlotte Smudia, Chastor Hughson

Margie Meier, 15, of Hillsboro, National 4-H Health winner, was able through a project in vision improvement to restore the sight in an almost useless eye. Proper medical aid and correct lighting in her home accomplished this. Her National 4-H Club Congress trip award was provided by the Kellogg Company.

Charles Hornacker, 16, of Cornelius, National 4-H Farm Safety winner, is a leader of two safety clubs, which study and practice safety on the highways and the safety measures necessary in handling farm machinery. His \$200 college scholarship was provided by General Motors.

Joanne Perry, 16, of Portland, National 4-H Clothing winner, has made or remodeled 141 garments and has learned the proper colors and styles to complement her fair coloring. She gave the top home economics demonstration at the State Fair. Her \$200 college scholarship was provided by the Spool Cotton Company, Educational Bureau.

Charlotte Smudia, 12, of Portland, National 4-H Home Grounds Beautification winner, is a city dweller 4-H'er and in her five years as a member has concentrated on home beautification, becoming proficient as a grower of prize roses and dahlias. Her all-expense trip award to Club Congress was provided by Mrs. Charles R. Walgreen.

Chastor Hughson, Albany, National 4-H Meat Animal winner, has a herd of 100 ewes and this year fed and marketed 127 swine. He also raised two beef calves and produced the feed needed for his livestock on the home farm. Chester's \$200 college scholarship was provided by Thos. E. Wilson.

Margaret Walker, 16, of Creswell, National 4-H Girls' Record winner, helped organize a new 4-H Club three years ago. Her group helped in community improvement drives and did much to encourage better living through better farm and home practices. Margaret's \$200 college scholarship was provided by Montgomery Ward.

All these national 4-H awards programs, which were conducted under the supervision of the Extension Service, are being continued in 1949.

Brown Rot Again Threat to Fruit Lands in Oregon

Sanitation methods now and thorough spraying in the spring are recommended to Oregon growers of stone fruit to avert what appears to be a serious season of brown rot in the making, announces A. P. Steenland, assistant plant pathologist of the OSC experiment station.

Last year was an exceptionally bad year for brown rot in western Oregon and in many parts east of the Cascades where the disease on prunes, peaches, cherries and apricots had not previously been serious. Steenland has found that spore masses are already forming in some orchards ready to cause serious blossom blight anytime temperature and moisture conditions are favorable.

Two kinds of brown rot are prevalent in Oregon, Steenland explains. The American type produces spores only from old mummified fruits from the previous season, while the European type produces spore masses also in dead twigs and leaves. Peach leaves affected by the serious infection of leaf curl last year made a particularly favorable medium in which the fungus grew and is now overwintering.

Sanitation methods now include removal of all mummies and dead twigs from trees and burning these. Whether it will pay also to gather up mummies under trees depends on the individual situation, Steenland advises. Usually the fallen mummies are handled by early discing in the spring before blossom buds start to open. This may mean sacrificing some cover crop growth, but the threat of brown rot is so serious that this may be the price of having a crop at all, he points out.

No sprays have been developed to prevent spore production during the dormant season, though research on this possibility is being carried on. Blossom sprays are of several types, but Steenland recommends that at least the first "popcorn stage" spray be with a new phenyl mercury compound sold as puritized agricultural spray. This is a spore eradicator as well as a preventative of infection. Other sprays are Phygon, Zartate or Fermate and the former standby, sulfur.

Team Work Will Help on Northwest

Many of the news articles and much of the talk about the Pacific Northwest power shortage have been confusing. People say, "there has been an unusual amount of rainfall. There is plenty of water in all the rivers. Why, then, should there be a power shortage?"

There are two types of hydroelectric power shortage caused by totally different conditions. One type of shortage is caused by a lack of water to turn the generators. Certainly, there is no such lack at present. This condition could occur only when water in the rivers is at a much lower stage. The other type of shortage is caused by not having enough dams and generators to use the available water—and this is the condition our region of the Northwest is facing today. It affects only the hours of "peak" power demand when the installed machine capacity is too little to supply the requirements.

The daily "peak" is from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, and the period from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Housewives are using electricity for cooking during these hours and electric water heaters are usually in operation. The lights are on in homes and downtown. Normally, most of the industries are still operating and all of these added together cause the so-called "peak" period.

The annual peak, or the greatest for the year occurs during December and January when days are short, dark and cold and the

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ONLY ONCE IN 500,000 TIMES does a cow give birth to quadruplets. But their rarity doesn't affect their appetites, as the above picture indicates. Nor does their mother, May, a seven-year-old Holstein seem impressed by fame. She is owned by Carl Campbell, Bulger, Pa. (International)

combination of these conditions is a real "headache" for anyone connected with power supply.

The first step taken by the power producers, both public and private, has been to radically allocate the power needs of industry during the daily peak periods.

This reduction has not been enough. So, the power producers of the Northwest are now appealing to the public for voluntary curtailment of electric power usage during the daily peak periods.

Some further questions are naturally advanced by everyone. Why haven't enough dams been built and enough generators installed?

The answers are that 6 or 8 years are required, normally, to build a large dam, and 2 1/2 to 3 years for the manufacturer to build a large generator. The nation was at war until late 1945—and no one then did foresee a post-war demand for electric energy of the proportions now required.

Some dams are being built. Additional generators are under construction for installation at Grand Coulee. The best, however, that can be expected during the next three or four years is that increased power production may keep abreast with the increasing demand, though this is "hopeful"

expectation". The obvious immediate solution is the one now being undertaken—voluntary curtailment of use during the daily peak hours of the winter months.

If the Pacific Northwest should have a poor water year, there would be an extreme power shortage, not only during the daily peak period of winter months, but throughout the entire day and for many months.

If such a calamity should befall the Pacific Northwest, governmental agencies and regulatory authorities probably would have to decree drastic retrenchment and force curtailment. Everyone would suffer.



by GENE WARE

This is the time of the year when we look back over 1948 to pick the "Woman of the Year." Unlike the experts, we find the job an easy one. We always come up with the same candidate... Mom! The average Mother never gets her picture in the paper, and the spotlight of fame seems to always pass her by. Yet day in and day out she comes through with flying colors as far as her family is concerned. We set aside one day a year for Mom... but it isn't enough... every day should be "Mothers Day." We tip our humble hats to the "Moms" all over the world.

Yes we really should do more for Mom. So why not start now by stopping in at COMMUNITY JEWELERS, 612 Main Street, and getting her a National Pressure cooker. You can bet she'd like that. Phone 351.

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