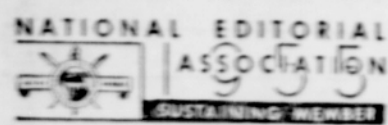


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To Hunt Is A Privilege (Red Hat Day Guest Editorial)

Each year in September and October, the public is shocked by headlines that read: "Hunter Kills Friend in Woods Mishap," and "Four Hunters Die in Deer Country." Last year 13 persons were killed in Oregon in hunting accidents. 37 were wounded. Carelessness by a few hunters caused more than 200 forest fires in this State which is so dependent on timber products.

Something had to be done. So, sportsmen and conservation groups, led by the State's Governor, Paul Patterson, organized a campaign. This campaign for safety and good manners by hunters in the woods, will be celebrated on September 23 as "Red Hat Day."

Back of the Red Hat Day campaign is a fear by many that more police control will be necessary to diminish the hazard of irresponsible hunting. Already in the east, we have seen hunting become too "socialized." In many areas to hunt one must join a club, or buy a special permit, or go in an organized group.

This we don't want in the west. Here more than anywhere in the world, our freedom is highly prized. We think we are entitled to hunt where and when we please. We will carry firearms. We have more of the pioneer spirit than anyone else and we surely don't want to be regimented in this pursuit of game.

Yes, but hunting is a privilege. And every privilege carries its responsibility. If we are to hunt, we must cease this needless slaying of fellow men. We must not shoot locks off gates. We must not start range and forest fires. We must be good sportsmen.

If we don't follow rules of good conduct and obey game laws, we will lose this privilege of hunting in the open forest just as surely as can be. We hunters must pay our price.

Red Hat Day is symbolic. The hunter who wears a red hat in the woods should be safe. Every hunter who sees a flash of red must recognize it for a man and not a deer. And every hunter who wears the badge and has signed the pledge must consider himself a representative of the good hunters.

This newspaper heartily endorses the Red Hat Day idea. Its spirit and meaning is valuable. We, too, are shocked by the headlines and the statistics. We can see that more lands will be closed to hunting if something isn't done.

Seems also that the hunter as a guest is a good thought. If we invite someone to visit our home and he damages our furniture or hurts one of our kids, or spills on the floor, we sure aren't going to ask him back. So with the landowner who is disgruntled with the behavior of a hunter. But we'll invite him back again and again the guest who abides by the codes of decency and safety. So will the farmer and the forester.

Our red hats are off to this campaign.

Delay and Delay and Delay

The fact that, by unanimous decision, the Federal Power Commission has licensed the Idaho Power company to build three dams on the Hells Canyon reach of the Snake River hasn't changed the attitude of the socialist-minded die-hards in and out of Congress. They are determined, one way or another, to force the taxpayers to pony up almost \$400,000,000 for a federal high dam there—even though this has been urged in four successive Congresses and has gotten exactly nowhere.

According to the Portland Oregonian, the die-hards will probably take three steps—first, appeal to FPC for a rehearing; second, appeal to a federal court; third, attempt

to persuade Congress to retroactively withdraw the license and authorize the high dam.

Few believe that these moves will be successful. But they might do something else—further delay needed power development on the Snake, which has already been delayed for years because of socialist opposition, just as needed developments of a similar nature have been interminably delayed on the Niagara River in New York and elsewhere. If that happens, the responsible groups and individuals will be the authors of any power shortage that occurs.

In this connection, it would be equally logical for the socialized power advocates to violently oppose taxpayer private development of any and all kinds, and to demand that the government do the job. For, as David Lawrence has written, "If the government can provide cheaper electric power for certain areas and hide the costs through national government ownership to steel to automobiles, to aluminum, to airplanes, to railroads, to farming and to food distribution"—Industrial News Review.

Impressive Achievement

Fortune recently surveyed trends and developments that are taking place in retailing. In summarizing it said, "The years ahead should see a vast change in the appearance and in the substance of U.S. retailing and wholesaling. Productivity will rise, costs will fall, and so will margins on many products. But the over-all cost of distribution, as a share of all costs in the economy, is not likely to slide much below the present 36 cents of the consumer dollar. . . . This, in itself, is cause for congratulations. The fact that retailing and wholesaling take no larger share of the consumer dollar today than twenty-five years ago—and that the share probably will not rise—is one of the most impressive achievements of American capitalism."

The consumer gets great value from the proportion of his dollar that is absorbed by the retail function. He gets the ultimate in good service. He is offered a diversity of goods, in all shades and sizes and styles, to an extent unknown in most of the rest of the world. He buys leisure and convenience—as is evidenced by today's processed and frozen foods. And because of this mass-distribution system of ours, which the chains pioneered, the consumer in the small town is served as well as the consumer in the metropolis.

Fortune also observed, "It is mass markets, not 'low' distribution costs, that produce low consumer prices." American retailing is based firmly on that fact.—Industrial News Review.

Grass Roots Opinion

MANCHESTER, TENN., TIMES: "The Pennsylvania Grit very sensibly says: 'Most U. S. employers agree that minimum wage laws are necessary to protect workers from exploitation. The question is, how far can you go—and still be fair to both employers and employees?' . . . Laws do not have the magic power to create wealth and make it possible for an employer to pay higher wages than a worker is able to earn."

Auto Parking Problem in Europe Is Small, Says Touring Sentinel Editor

(Editor's note: The following is one of a series written by W. C. Martin, Editor, who is currently touring Europe.)

One of the most pressing problems in America is where to park the car, because we long ago came to the conclusion that a car was a necessity and because of this, it's not too unusual for every member of the family to have his or her own car. In Europe, the car is still regarded as more or less a luxury and the parking problem does not exist in the same degree because there are not so many cars and what cars operate are small. There are always as many motorcycles on the highways as cars and motorcycles combined with powered and foot led bicycles outnumber the cars.

One reason there are no more automobiles is the high cost of maintaining them. Regular gasoline in Germany is 45 cents per gallon. Ethyl is 72 cents per gallon. Not only is the motorist faced with high priced gasoline, but state taxes on his car are terrific. Taxes on a car about the size of a small Austin cost \$5.00 per month and since the tax is levied according to the weight and size of the car, operation of a large car is almost out of the question for all but the wealthiest car owners.

Small Cars
 Nearly all European cars seen on the highways are no more than four cylinder cars, some are less. The size of the cars range from the five passenger to the small two seater, about a third the size of a small American car. Most of the powered bicycles are run by a washing machine motor. Gasoline prices are cheaper in some nations, but not a great deal.

An European motorist has less responsibility than the American, for not only can he find parking space, but he is at least liable for what he may do to the pedestrian in the same degree as the American. Even at some marked crossings, it's the pedestrian who backs up the car and the auto and the auto is given the right of way in most instances.

There are plenty of accidents occurring over Europe every day, but one wonders why there are not more. The Autobahn (highway) usually runs through the villages of the peasant farmer, with highways on streets just wide enough for two cars to pass and usually the car is not slowed down enough for the hazards encountered. Children, chickens and farm animals often create quite a commotion in getting out of the way of a speeding motorist as he tries to pilot his car down the crooked and narrow streets.

Alps Immemorable
 The visitor to Europe is often told that if he has not seen the Alps, he has not seen Europe. We and the good fortune to travel over the Alps, Germany and Austria, and go to Innsbruck, Austria, located in the heart of the ski lift country. While at Innsbruck, we rode a lift up a mountain side to a point about 1,800 meters above the city. From the tourist rush, we could find no accommodations in Innsbruck and went on down the Alps valley. In traveling across Austria to northern Italy we found numerous ski lifts running up the mountains.

One of the striking features of some of the hills, steepness of slopes, and the fact that they are most perpendicular. They are matched for ruggedness either in Europe or America. At one point, we took the highest pass over the Alps to the Swiss Alps, a glacier located at 12,500 feet. We found the glacier melting rapidly, but the snow and glaciers on nearby peaks will worth the trip up.

In the Swiss Alps we stayed at a hotel overlooking several snow capped peaks. The elevation of the hotel was 5,300 feet and on arising the next morning, noted the cars parked around the hotel had frost on them.

When we arrived at Zurich, we decided to board an electric train up the mountain for a better look at the mountains. Switzerland's most famous ski resort is a two hour ride up a steep grade most of the way and passed several settlements and three or four saw mills. In the little town at the end of the line, we noted several people wearing mountain climbing boots.

"WHERE LIFE IS BETTER"
 This is being written on a portable typewriter, set up on a picturesque log of driftwood along the beach at Ecola Park in Clatsop County. Out to sea, a crimson sunset tints the world. Over us loom the bluffs of Tillamook Head. We are near the sands where, 150 years ago, Meriwether Lewis and William Clark discovered the carcass of a great whale. In fact, their Journals tell us that Sacajawea, the Indian maiden from the Bitterroot Mountains, pointed out the too was allowed to go and see the marvelous "fish" which had been cast up on the Oregon Shoreline. Fires have begun to appear on the beach as families cook hamburgers and steaks for an outdoor dinner. Children scamper among the fire and jack-pines. One of our nieces has caught a little fire mouse in her cupped hands. She squeals delightedly and feeds the tiny creature a few potato chips before she lets him go. My wife remarks to me, "Why would people want to live anywhere else except in Oregon?"

After eight months of Eastern heat and traffic and crowds, I echo her question. Ever since I returned to Oregon, I have remembered the title of a book I once read. It was about our Western states, Oregon of course among them. The title of the book was "Where Life Is Better." I understood that book more than ever now. Never once in Washington, D. C., for example, were we able to buy fresh produce to match that heaped in the bins of Gordon Olsen's little grocery store in Gearhart. Oregon tomatoes, peaches, nectarines, melons and pears are in a

Oregon "Red Hat Day" Is Sept. 23

Calling attention to the need for safety and good manners in the woods while hunters seek deer, birds and other game, September 23 has been designated "Red Hat Day" in Oregon.

Acting on the suggestion made by the Oregon Game Commission and conservation groups, Governor Paul Patterson early in the year set the day aside, listing the goals for "Red Hat Day" as:

1. Better sportsmanship.
2. Respect for the rights and property of others.
3. Safe handling of firearms.
4. Observance of game laws.
5. Prevention of range and forest fires.

Lane County's "Red Hat Day" chairman, John B. Smith, fire control officer of the Willamette National Forest, recently observed:

"We need to tell no one of the need for safety in the use of firearms. Last year's local tragedy, when one of our prominent young athletes was accidentally killed by a buddy, is still remembered. But we must constantly remind hunters that guns are the hands of nervous or inexperienced persons can kill men as well as game."

Smith also pointed to the increasing number of landowners who are refusing access to their lands by hunters.

"One can hardly blame these farmers, for too many hunters have abused their privileges by killing stock, starting fires and doing other acts of vandalism," he remarked. "Red Hat Day has as a goal the hands of the farmer's respect. We must conduct ourselves as gentlemen, else we will have fewer lands on which to hunt."

Walter Fries, Smith's assistant, said that prevention of destructive fires on public lands was of paramount importance to Red Hat Day. He said that many fires in recent years were started by hunters who built small warming fires, then left them to smolder, or harvested timber by the Golden Rule, time honored as it is, applies forcefully to hunters," the chairman said. "If we go into the woods by proper means, we can avoid the danger of fire. We obey game laws and the code of good sportsmanship, if we avoid setting fires, we will have many long years of good hunting under this one. If we merely do unto others as we would have them do unto us, Red Hat Day will be remembered in years to come as the campaign that preserved the good American heritage of hunting and carrying firearms."

Farmers' Home Administration Meeting Sched.

Operating loans, Farm Ownership loans and Soil and Water loans are made by the Farmers' Home Administration to help eligible operators of family type farms.

A family type farm is one that will provide full productive year-round employment for you and your family without using outside labor except during brief periods at planting or harvesting time. States County Supervisor William E. Walsh. The farm should be large enough to earn a good living, pay all necessary farm and home operating expenses, pay for the necessary necessary livestock and farm and home equipment, and pay your debts.

This program serves operators who are unable to obtain credit needed to carry on successful farming operations from local banks, production credit associations, or other sources.

Supervisor Walsh states that an informal and applicant meeting will be held in Room 210, Post Office Building, at 10 a. m. Monday, September 26, at which time the Farmers' Home Administration program will be explained. All farmers interested in obtaining a loan are invited to attend this meeting.

Lorane PTA Plans Teacher Reception

By Mrs. E. G. Conner
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LOLANE — Lorane PTA will meet at 8 p. m. Monday, September 26, in the high school auditorium. A reception for the teachers will be held. Mothers of new students and eighth grade students are to bring cake. Coffee will be served.

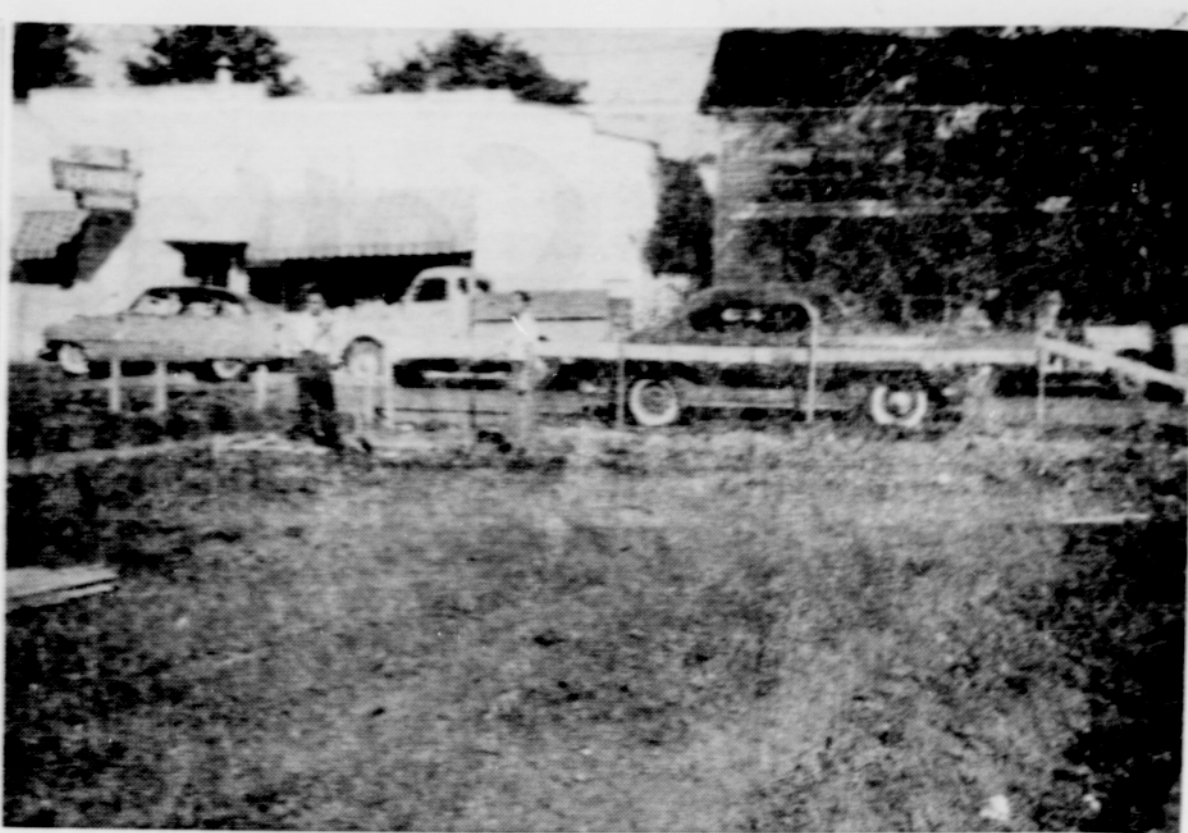
Pomona grange will meet at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, September 24, in the high school auditorium. Lorane grangers are to bring a potluck, and birthday presents for July, August and September birthdays, will be held at 7 p. m. Tuesday, September 27, in the grange hall.

Seaside's two bakeries (Harrison's and Ruth's) have all of those in our national capital beat by a baker's dozen!

The knowledge that life, truly, is better in Oregon can be of inestimable advantage to a member of the Senate, who must spend the greater part of the year 3,000 miles from Oregon. It keeps him from being timid politically. It assures him that public life is not the be-all and end-all of human existence. It frees him from the yoke of political cowardice. Basically, it helps him to be a better and more courageous Senator.

Both Maurine and I were born in Oregon, yet I think we were not sufficiently appreciative of Oregon's wonderful climate, abundance and scenery until we spent a considerable length of time away from Oregon. We are thoroughly sold on Oregon's people, too. On the streets of Seaside, Astoria and other places men and women come up to us and introduce themselves. We talk with them about politics, about their families, about the things which make all of us tick. We have learned a lot already concerning our state and its citizens in this autumn season of 1955, A.D.

I think I can earnestly second the comment volunteered to me by a young Clatsop County business man, as we marched hamburgers of mammoth portions in a grove of Ecola Park. "Senator," said he, "I can understand why Lewis and Clark discovered Oregon, but I can't figure out why they left Oregon to return to the rest of the U. S. A."



NEW FURNITURE STORE AT SIXTH AND WHITEAKER is being constructed by Smith Furniture, Cottage Grove Construction Co. contractors, and is scheduled for completion in about two months. Smith and accomplices are shown leaning on their shovels at the lot.

Gold Hill Power Diversion to Be Screened Soon

Screening of the Ideal Cement Company's power diversion canal at the Gold Hill dam on the Rogue river, for many years a trouble spot for downstream migrant trout, will soon become a reality, the Oregon Game Commission said today.

After several years of negotiation, an agreement has been reached between the commission and the Ideal Cement Company for the installation of a louvre-baffle type screen and by-pass to prevent migrant fish from entering the turbines and insure their safe downstream passage.

The new louvre type screen, although complicated in construction, is relatively simple in principle. Prefer Quiet Water
 Downstream migrant fish prefer the quieter flowing water and avoid the dam by-passing the louvre-baffle type screen and by-pass to prevent migrant fish from entering the turbines and insure their safe downstream passage.

The face of the screen is built in a series of V-shaped louvres across the flow of the water. Baffles, spaced at 24-inch intervals along the arm of each V, force the water to turn at a 90-degree angle as it passes through this setting up a disturbance and a reversal of current on the upstream side of the louvres. Other baffles then straighten the water back to its original direction of flow as it passes through the louvres on the downstream side of the screen.

As the migrant fish enter the V-shaped louvres, they slip away from the disturbances created by the water turning at 90 degrees and move down the center to the by-pass chute which carries the fish to the main river below the dam.

Trash Rack Installed
 In addition to the new louvre screen, a traveling trash rack will be installed above to protect the screen and remove any debris or other foreign material entering the canal.

In the past, the strong flow from the turbine outlets below the dam had been sweeping upstream, migratory steelhead, or salmon away from the entrance to the fish ladder, making it extremely difficult for them to make their way into the ladder. To facilitate this situation and to facilitate the upstream passage, a concrete baffle will be installed below the turbine outlets directing the flow away from the ladder entrance. A pool will be formed thus providing easy access to the ladder for the upstream migrants.

Built in Solid Rock
 Although long a trouble spot for migratory fish, especially through losses of downstream rotary type screens found on other power and irrigation diversions. The cost of altering the canal to reduce the speed of water flow, either in depth or width, in addition to the great number of screens required, has been prohibitive.

The new louvre type screen in operation, which operates success fully on a more rapid flow of water, made the screening possible without alteration and at a reasonable cost.

Younger Hunters Have Fair Luck

Young hunters participating in the juvenile pheasant and quail hunt on the game commission's E. E. Wilson game management area experienced fair success on the first weekend, the Oregon Game Commission reported today.

Saturday produced the best luck with 30 birds taken by the 50 permit holders, slightly less than one bird per hunter, while Sunday's shoot produced only 10 of the wary birds for the young hunters.

In the main, most young hunters had plenty of shooting on this highly populated pheasant area, where the April density of birds showed more than 80 birds per 100 acres. This does not include, of course, the young wild birds hatched on the area during the summer. Pheasant flocking, I wasn't ready, it exploded from right under my feet, or I forgot to take the safety off were some of the reasons given for the misses and near misses.

Proclamation!

WHEREAS, the hunting of big game animals and other outdoor pursuits are claiming an increasing amount of the leisure time of the citizens of Cottage Grove; and

WHEREAS, this accelerated recreational use of our forest, farm and range lands has brought distress to some landowners and increased threat of fire to our valued woods and range lands; and

WHEREAS, the sportsmen of Oregon, recognizing the need for more care with fire and firearms, respect for the rights and property of others and observance of the laws, have inaugurated Red Hat Day;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that September 23, 1955, be proclaimed Red Hat Day in the City of Cottage Grove and all citizens on Red Hat Day are urged to wear a red hat or a red hat button to signify their compliance with the worthwhile objectives of the Red Hat Day pledge.

JESS HILL,
 Mayor of Cottage Grove
 Sept. 16, 1955.

abundant hunt is limited to young hunters from 14 to 17 years of age and is held each year on the E. E. Wilson game management area near Corvallis. Each hunter must be accompanied by an adult over 25 years of age. Fifty permits are issued for each day of the hunt on a first come, first serve basis and are issued at the Portland office only.

The hunt will run for one more weekend, September 24 and 25.

Lane Field-Tested Corn Indicates Earlier Canning

A new variety of early sweet corn, "Canary," field-tested for the first time in Lane County, indicates that in the future local gardeners may anticipate running a week to 10 days earlier than from commonly used varieties.

W. B. Parker, Lane County extension agent, said that eight pounds of hybrid sweet corn developed among four local growers this spring, "has given excellent yield, maturing about two weeks before other canners' corn used in the area." First plantings in experimental plots at Oregon State College produced a heavy yield seven days ahead of usual varieties.

Growers who cooperated with Lane County Extension in completing local test plantings were Jack Gorton, Lane County extension agent who lives in the Bailey Hill area; J. D. Brown, River Road, Vernonia; S. Johnson, Oak Ridge; and Carl Robertson, who directs plantings in Eugene Fruit Growers' experimental gardens.

Most Pops Tested
 In the Eugene Fruit Growers' tests where varieties must pass yearlong tests to meet canning standards, the new hybrid reached maturity ear state in 103 days, a week earlier than Golden Cross Bantam," said Robertson. But his prediction for commercial canning of Canary was reserved.

"Our tests show it has not been refined to the point where it could be a processing corn," he said. "The shorter ear, variable size and color of the kernels grade it down as a commercial canner's corn. Its flavor, however, is delicious, and I believe Canary could easily replace mid-early corn now grown for home and market use."

That's as wrong as putting all the family savings on the nose of a long shot. All of us are vulnerable to accidents . . . like lay pigeons in a shooting gallery. Luck is fine, but sometimes it makes us relax. It's better to be cautious and safe than to be daring and play tag with the obnoxious safety rules, you bet your life . . . or somebody else's. And it ain't worth it.

Don't forget Cottage Grove's big fall opening Thursday night, Sept. 22, at 7 p. m. 50 prizes to be awarded. Get your free fall opening tickets here.

We see where it got so hot in London that officials of the House of Lords were allowed to remove their wigs. Guess this is no time for hot-headed decisions. You'll make the right decision every time when you bring your doctor's prescription to our pharmaceutical department. You'll get the best service . . . and careful service, too, where accuracy is a norm in prescription care.

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WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

The cry of "mad dog" once sent a chill through early American communities until authority was set up to deal with such canine horrors.

Yet, so far, authority has not stepped in to deal with similar actions in the economic field.

A case in point is one of the nation's largest chain stores, which last year made less than 1% profit on its sales, and for the first half of this year reports a 1% loss on sales.

The interesting thing about this vast organization that although it cannot seem to make a profit, it is seemingly determined to stop anybody else from making a profit.

At the present time, in the southwest this corporation is under indictment by a Federal Grand Jury on charges of selling for less than it does in other parts of the country in an attempt to drive out independent competition.

It is also significant that some stock market analysts of late have been quoted in newspapers questioning the value of this concern's stock as an investment.

In fact, it appears that the entire operating policy of this concern is something to the effect "Well, we may not be able to make a profit, but we sure will keep anybody from making one, either."

Besides operating retail stores, this corporation has also entered in a major way in the manufacture of products under its own brand names, setting up a whole



berry of subsidiary corporations for this purpose.

They found one great difficulty, however. Even their own customers continued to buy the brands they preferred than buy the chain's brands, despite pressures exerted by the chain.

In addition, they also ran into another difficulty. In many cases they found their own subsidiary manufacturing companies could not sell them as low a price for comparable goods as independent packers and manufacturers could sell them.

So in past few months chain has adopted a new policy.

The policy is very simple, albeit ruthless. Whenever an independent brand is so popular with their own customers that it hurts the sales of their own brand, they just discontinue backing and selling the independent brand.

Thus, there is rapidly developing a very curious situation, and one that is presumed government will be looking into closely if the action of one Federal Grand Jury is any indication.

Sometimes, this case will have to be met. While the American system of free enterprise encourages free competition, it does not encompass those operations which seem to have as their guiding principle "Rule or ruin."

Many observers in the food business feel that in time the present tactics of this organization, unless changed, will bring about the ruin of the corporation.

But before that point is reached, it is possible it will pull down to ruin with it many independent operators. The question seems to boil down to the simple one if one wishes to commit suicide, should it be possible for that person to also murder others while suiciding.