

And The Development Goes On

by Kim Logan

Yes, we have yet another situation needing grave attention by all, especially those unwilling to let the continual scramble for money swallow up and digest the sliver of culture and original biosphere remaining.

The situation is this: Native Americans (Klickitat/Cascade tribe) fighting for recognition of their treaty rights and Freedom of Religion are occupying Lyle Point on the Columbia River Gorge. Since September 27, 1993 they have been nurturing a sacred fire and peacefully protecting this usual and accustomed fishing site from the ongoing development of 33 half million dollar homes by the Columbia Gorge Investors Limited Partnership.

The completion of this development would deny access to fishing platforms (some of which were knocked down by beginning stages of development) and halt traditional activities such as the erection of lodges for shelter, sweats and the curing of fish. All of these rights were given to them first by Mother Earth and second by Treaty. Treaty rights have already been broken, along with incorrect geological surveys and potential onsite toxic waste. Lyle Point is a roosting site of the bald and golden eagle, and identified with two layers of Indian burial sites, both of which would be severly impacted with the developement of this land.

Developers have made access to the fishing scaffolds nearly impossible due to installation of a gate, roads, fences and utilities. The encampment has been threatened with eviction and told by developers that they are trespassing. A representative of the developers questioned why his developement would have to be held up, "just because of the Indians."

These are the kind of people we are dealing with, folks.

The Support Group for Nanainmi Waki 'Uulktt (Lyle Point) is asking for support in the way of food, wood, office supplies, a fax machine, and your physical presence around the sacred fire.

For more information contact: The Oregon Coast Support Group (503) 436-2420 Margaret Palmer (509) 365-2287 Rob Bailey (206) 633-6027 Greenpeace, Seattle. And by all means, write to Governor Lowry and Senators Patty Murray and Slade Gordon.



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This Month in Oregon History

swarms of flees already in our new

presumption is therefore strong that

we shall not divest ourselves of this

Jan 2 "We are infested with

habitation (Fort Clatsop); the

intolerably troublesem vermin

Jan 8 On this day in 1897 one J.H.

Wassman charged to his account at Clem Hodes Saloon in Eugene, four

drinks of hard liquor, three glasses of beer, four 5 cent cigars and two

games of billiards. Total amount

Jan 10 On this day in 1903, a badly

wounded sperm whale drifted into

the mouth of the Columbia near

feet in length and weighed an

Astoria. The whale measured 54

estimated 75 tons. There was no

sperm whales were rarely seen in

these latitudes. Unfortunately the

Jan 19 "One hundred twenty nine

Year's day. One hundred and eighteen

have gone back to their cups and the

Portland was incorporated effective

Oregon City, in the Oregon Territory.

explanation for its presence as

creature died a few days later.

citizens of Eugene swore off

drinking ardent spirits on New

other eleven are hanging on the

verge and around saloons."

Oregonian 1874

Jan 23 In 1851 the City of

this day, making it the second

incorporated community, after

Jan 30 "Oregon will have eight

delegates at the convention of the

National Women's Party to be held in

Washington, February 15th to 18th,

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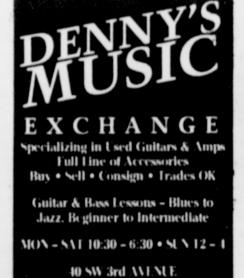


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