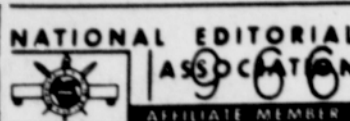


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Fire Danger Pointed Out

Rangelands and forests are extremely dry. As such, a big chunk of Oregon real estate is set to explode. Several states have already experienced some pretty big fires.

"But it doesn't have to happen here," said Phil Schneider, state game director, "if each individual citizen takes the proper precautions."

Agencies such as the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, State Board of Forestry, Keep Oregon Green Association, private timber companies, the game commissions, and others continually point out the threat of man-caused fires in the Pacific Northwest.

Little can be done to prevent lightning-caused fires, but citizens who care about the natural resources of the state can do much to prevent fires arising from human activities. Schneider noted that a great number of fishermen are presently using both mountain and lowland lakes and streams. Many outdoorsmen and tourists are spending weekends camping in the woods and mountains. Big game seasons will get underway shortly adding to the list of people using the outdoors.

It is in the interest of wildlife, forests, soils and water to prevent wild fires, the director advised, and he urged sportsmen to take the leadership in this need. Hunters and fishermen, being more familiar with the dangers than some, must now practice all the rules of fire safety and take extra precautions during the dry summer now being experienced.

Hunters and fishermen, too, are the people who are additionally qualified to pass the word along—to remind the casual weekend visitor or others of the effects of uncontrolled fires.

The director urged all citizens to live and preach the sportsmen's pledge: To be law abiding; To respect the rights and property of others; To be careful with fire and firearms.

An Obliging Truck Driver

Joe Independent owned a refrigerated truck and delivered ice cream and milk over a rural route he had built up. He was an obliging fellow and often accommodated friends and customers by delivering meat or other items that needed to be refrigerated without charge, since such deliveries didn't interfere with his main business.

One day he was hauling two hundred pounds of meat to town for a man on his route when the truck refrigeration unit broke down without any fault on Joe's part. The day was hot and the meat spoiled.

The man who was to receive the meat had already paid for it and he got angry at Joe and demanded that Joe pay him for the meat which had spoiled in the overheated truck.

Do you think Joe can be made to pay for the meat which spoiled in his truck? The answer is that Joe cannot be made to pay. Since he was hauling the meat for free, he would be considered a "gratuitous bailee" under the law. He owed the owner of the meat no duty other than that of not deliberately or maliciously damaging the meat.

Since Joe did not deliberately cause the refrigeration in his truck to break down, or maliciously damage his own refrigeration unit, he could not be forced to pay for the damaged meat.

Traffic Increase

Most Oregon's highways continued to show a gain in traffic volume in June, 1966, compared to June of 1965, according to the monthly report compiled by the Oregon State Highway Department.

A summary of the permanent traffic recorder data for rural and urban highways revealed an increase of 6.7% in traffic volume for June, 1966, over the same month last year. The first six months of 1966 showed an increase of 5.9% in traffic compared to the first six months of 1965.

SHOP HOME TOWN STORES FIRST

Dellenback Tells Vietnam Status

The United States cannot and should not at the present time withdraw from South Vietnam, Representative John Dellenback said in a position paper released last week.

The Republican nominee for Congress from the Fourth District listed four basic guidelines and seven specific proposals relevant to the nation's Vietnam policy.

The Dellenback guidelines include:

Savings Bond Sales Are High

"The upward surge of Savings Bonds sales which began in Oregon shortly after the announcement by President Johnson in mid-February that interest rates had been increased has continued nationally, in Oregon, and in most of Oregon's 36 counties," the Curry County Chairman said here today. "Sales of the popular E and H Bonds last month in this state jumped almost 15% over those of June 1965, amounting last month to \$2,623,928."

"This sales increase was shared by 30 of the state's 36 counties. Such a widespread sharing of a monthly sales increase is almost unprecedented in the peacetime history of Savings Bonds sales in Oregon," the Chairman continued. "Sales in Curry County last month were \$31,176 compared to June sales in 1965 of \$10,625."

"National sales for June were \$397 million as compared to \$362 million for the same month a year ago, the report showed. Total holdings of Savings Bonds are at an all-time high of \$49 billion, 682 million."

Meat Decision To Be Appealed

The two to one decision of the U. S. District Court for the District of Oregon declaring the state's foreign meat law unconstitutional will be appealed, the Oregon Department of Agriculture said last week after consulting with Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton.

The department said the appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court was being made because it was felt the majority opinion did not consider consumer protection in rendering its decision.

Federal Judges Walter Ely and Gus J. Solomon held the law violated the Commerce Clause by unreasonably discriminating against imported meat and its labeling and record keeping requirements had an obvious and direct impact on interstate commerce.

The dissenting decision by Judge Fred M. Taylor held that the law for all intents and purposes was pursuant to the police power of the State of Oregon in protecting the consuming - purchasing public against deception.

The state has not attempted to enforce the law, which was passed by the 1965 legislature, because the suit questioning the constitutionality of the law was filed by Ness Produce Co., Portland, and a temporary restraining order issued before the effective date of the act.



Thursday
Lutheran Ch. Women, 7:30 p.m.
Jaycees, 8 p.m.

Friday
Sunset Garden Club, 1 p.m.

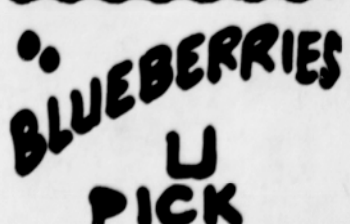
Monday
Cham. of Com., noon

Wednesday
Quarterback Club, 6:30 p.m.



Birthday wishes go out this week to Alan Cram, Beryl Back, Lisa Marie Livermore and Joe Bens.

Anniversary wishes go to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Livermore, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stoll, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Mecum, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dean.



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Fir Cone Crop Good

Western Oregon is experiencing the biggest Douglas Fir cone crop in seven years, foresters claim. Low elevation trees are especially heavy with cones, while the crop is medium to good, but spotty in elevations above 2,000 feet.

Douglas Fir seed is in great demand for reforestation purposes, especially since reserves have been seriously depleted by continuously repeated poor cone crops.

Ripening of the cones is expected toward the middle of August. It will begin first in the lower elevations of Southern Oregon and as the season progresses, the ripening process will extend into the higher elevations and northward.

Cone pickers are cautioned that a new program of seed source certification was adopted this year by most cone buyers. Contact with a local cone dealer for official seed source labeling instructions is suggested. A check of the desired origin, seed count requirements, and prices being paid for cones can also be made at this time.

Written permission of the land owner must be obtained to collect cones on his property. A harvesting permit for this minor forest product is also needed and can be obtained from any state or federal forest officer. Inquire into the fire regulations and permit closures while obtaining this permit.

Forest fire hazard is now extreme. Be sure to test the cones for ripeness and seed count before picking, and deliver daily to the dealer to prevent spoilage.

Deer And Elk Produce Good

One of the best fawn and calf crops in a long time is the word from game biologists in much of the state as they report on their observations made the past month on Oregon's big game ranges.

In most areas of the state, fawn deer and calf elk are

Livestock Theft Funds Requested By Bureau

By HOWARD FUJII, Director, Commodities and Farm Labor

Additional general fund appropriations for additional administration and enforcement of laws relating to livestock theft prevention were requested by the Oregon Farm Bureau livestock committee during their meeting last week in Eugene. Livestock producers contribute \$300,000 annually in brand inspection fees to provide the initial funds for administration and enforcement of these laws by the livestock division of the

Oregon department of agriculture.

The state general fund provides \$15,000 annually at the present time. In addition the Oregon State Police assist in enforcement of laws relating to livestock theft.

Committee members suggested that local county Farm Bureaus and livestock producers also review the possibility of a special deputy sheriff in their county assigned exclusively to livestock theft prevention. One county, Mahle, budgets funds for this purpose.

The committee asked that individual producers promptly report losses, suspicion of loss or any irregularity in the enforcement of livestock brand laws that comes to their attention.

Losses from theft are too high, producers claim, and motor trucks and good highways allow cattle to be moved out of the area or out of the state before they are missed from range pastures. Losses range from one calf up to a truckload. Range operators estimate

Twin fawns are found to be common through the Deschutes country although overall production appeared about normal. The fawn crop is reported good throughout the Columbia district.

Twin fawns are commonly observed in the Heppner country, and the fawn production is reported excellent through the John Day. In Harney County, the report indicates fawn production good although surveys are too incomplete to make positive predictions.

Preliminary reports from the dry desert ranges in southeastern Oregon indicate low fawn production for the fourth straight year. Again, surveys are incomplete on these wide-open desert ranges.

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unaccounted-for losses from death, estray, and theft average 4 to 5%.

Administrative officials report that recent court decisions have made it more difficult to obtain convictions. The seriousness of the problem is pointed up by the \$1000 reward offered by the Oregon Cattlemen's Association for information leading to conviction for livestock theft.

Cattle sales in Oregon exceed \$100 million annually. If the theft loss amounted to 1%, value would exceed \$1 million. The value of one stolen animal can range from \$50 to \$100 for a calf up to several thousand dollars for a registered bull or cow.

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Duncan Urges Community TV

Rep. Robert B. Duncan (D-Ore.) wrote the Federal Communications Commission Aug. 11 urging it to authorize community antenna television service in the Coos Bay-North Bend area that would link it with the state education television system.

The Bay Television Company of Coos Bay has an application to provide this service now pending before the F.C.C. Supporters of the application who have written Congressman Duncan include Henry Hartley, superintendent of North Bend Public Schools.

"It would seem that there is a genuine community need and a public interest in authorizing this service," Duncan said, "and I have so written the F.C.C."