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A Bad Bill

There have been many special interest bills introduced in the history of the Oregon legislature. But, now one introduced by Rep. Richard Groener, a Milwaukie democrat, must set some kind of a record for a specific aim of damaging an Oregon firm—Georgia Pacific.

Groener, who can give as his only reason that G-P is ruthless, has introduced a bill that would prohibit G-P from pumping waste from its pulp at Toledo into the ocean offshore from Newport.

International Paper at Gardiner also disposes of its waste in the same manner. Groener's gripe bill would exclude International Paper from the prohibition on dumping waste in the ocean.

Groener admits he hasn't been to Newport to see for himself if there is a problem from the wash-up of the waste like he claims. He says he's "heard" there is, but can't identify any one who really has seen a problem except a "lobbyist I know told me there is a problem."

Groener apparently is against industry of any kind except tourist-orientated ones for Oregon, and

he thinks pulp mills should be eliminated.

The Milwaukie Democrat is far off base in his complaint which has taken the nasty form of an effort to "get" G-P, and, sadly, has been signed by a large number of other members of both the senate and house. This is legislative action of a type this state could well do without.

For the truth of the matter is far removed.

There have been no complaints from anyone in Newport concerning the pulp waste which is pumped far enough into the ocean to be cleansed by action of the salt water.

On top of this, the system is monitored regularly by G-P, included daily (when weather permits) overflights of the ocean end of the waste line.

Most people in Lincoln county feel that G-P is trying to be a good neighbor, which Groener might have found out had he checked.

And if he wants a place to start to clean up waterways, what about that river that flows right by Milwaukie? It seems to us there are a couple of paper mills on that river, too.

LETTER FROM CLAUDE...

Editor's Note: Hoodland residents Claude Gudge and Jack Fahle are on an extended tour of the Orient and South Seas. Claude is keeping friends up-to-date on their progress and experiences by sending letters to this column.

New Zealand Feb. 10

Sandy Post--

Things finally worked out nicely for Jack and me. We waited out the weather at Fox Glacier, and Tuesday morning it was all nice and clear. Took off at 7:30 a.m. in a 6 place plane with skis. Gaining altitude with this small plane takes some time. So we circled out over the Fox Valley, did several slow turns in the Glacier Canyon, and finally climbed above the major snow fields. The views of the various snowfields and rock grandeur were breathtaking as the wings seemed to scrape the rock walls.

We saw climbers on the glacier and saw herds of chamois stampeding on the high plateaus. Finally made a chattering landing on the frozen glacier, took a number of proof pictures, and made our descent by air back to our little aerodrome. Very worth while.

We left Bob Stuart and our other new friends at Fox Glacier at 10:30, and drove south through bush country, down the coast, to Haast Township. Near there at Okura Point we looked up a group of professional hunters—friends of Bob. While we watched, 3 plane loads of deer carcasses came in from the bush, were processed and put in a great cooler. An interesting process, but pretty gory.

We had lunch on an isolated beach about 5 miles long, and started up the spectacular Haas Pass. Took many pictures of tremendous gorges and lots of snow capped peaks about 7-10,000 feet high. We drove for about 2 hours by Lake Wanaka and Lake Hawes, (very like our Lake Abert country), and spent the night at Wanaka.

Wednesday we took pictures around Lake Wanaka, then drove up Cardrona Canyon to the Crown Range Crest (3677') the highest road point in New Zealand. This canyon is about

40 miles of narrow, winding, steep, one-way dirt roads, a main road from Wanaka to Queenstown--no trailers allowed. Descending the south side of the pass, we came down ZigZag Mountain--a series of switch backs named as my home town.

On to Queenstown on beautiful blue Lake Wakatipu. We took a cable car ride up a local peak for a great panoramic view. A short sidetrip to Coronet Peak and ski area, a drive through part of Skipper's Canyon over the most precipitous road I have ever seen, then we were on our way again to visit another relative of the Smith's. Jim and Nathalie Gunn and family are sheep ranchers here at Waikaka. They run 3,000 sheep and 50 head of cattle on 700 acres of ranchland.

Our travel this morning took us through steep mountainous country, afternoon was across a vast flat plane area, and we are now in rolling hills. But all day we have seen only barren country. Very few trees, sparse grasslands, with less vegetation than our Eastern Oregon sagebrush country.

Now we are in an area of vast grass crop plantings and sheep paddocks, but still no trees.

Thursday we left for Milford Sound, 163 miles away. As our foggy morning cleared away we approached Lake Te Anau and magnificent mountain ranges with saw teeth reaching into the sky encompassed us about 270 degrees.

We passed many lakes, streams and camp areas similar to home. As we were climbing the approach to Milford, there was a sudden burst of steam from the hood. A soft plug had popped out of the block--so we were stalled 17 miles from the Sound. I hitched a ride on in for help. By the time I returned, Jack had a wooden plug repair made. We limped in to the garage and made permanent repairs.

This is the most spectacular place I have ever seen. Imagine Glacier Park and Yosemite combined on Monterey Peninsula and you have some idea. Words can't convey and there isn't enough film to record it all.

Up until today I have not

seen anything here that Oregon can't compete with--plus our magnificent trees. But Milford Sound gives N.Z. a big edge.

The approach from each side of the divide is between tremendous bare rock canyon walls. These approaches terminate in gigantic box canyons. This barrier has been pierced by the 3,000' plus "Homer" tunnel through solid rock. At the terminus of this road is Milford Sound with its tremendous snow-capped rock formations combining with the Tasman Sea to form this unusual achievement of nature. As you might gather, I'm impressed.

Today, Sunday, Jim had an amphibious Cessna airplane chartered, so we drove to Lake Te Anau - 92 miles from here. We took off at 1:30 p.m. for a 2 1/2 hour flight back over the Milford Sound area, then southward over this magnificent fiord country to Doubtful Sound, with a stop for lunch on the shore at George Sound. We did see deer and Wapiti in these remote reaches.

After leaving Doubtful Sound, we flew over Lake Manapouri -- site of a tremendous hydro-electric development - only one of its kind in the world. Very novel, but I won't go into it here.

This has been a busy week. Regards,

Claude and Jack
P.S. I have to mention that we just finished a great feast of fresh broiled lobster (crayfish over here.) Jim picked them up during our trip today. Sorry we couldn't share it with you all.
Claude

CRADLE ROLL

CORRECTION
Names in a birth announcement in last week's Post were printed incorrectly. The item should have read as follows:

Their first child, a daughter, Michelle Lynn, was born Feb. 25 to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holt, Portland.

A daughter, Lauri Ann, was born Feb. 7 to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Holt, Portland.

Grandparents of the new arrivals are Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Holt, Rt. 1, Boring.



PRACTICE, PRACTICE, and more practice is what it takes to make a good swimmer. Like swimmers in all conference clubs Sandy's Blue Marlin swimmers put in long hours at pool each day. Girls pictured here are preparing for warm-up laps in pool before regular practice session. (Post photo)

NOTES BY THE WAYSIDE...

by
JOHN J. INSKEEP
STATE SENATOR

Senate Bill 178, which would have provided that all concealable weapons, meaning mostly revolvers and pistols, aroused strong opposition from both homeowners, who wish to protect their properties, and sportsmen. Opponents allude to their privilege of bearing arms under the U.S. Constitution, and point to the fact that the criminal is the one who would not register his arms and that he would steal weapons used in commission of crimes.

As chairman of the Senate Committee on Fish and Game, I have received literally hundreds of protest letters. These letters continue as many are unaware of the fact that our committee tabled the bill on Friday, February 21, at the request of the sponsor. Senate Bill 178 will not be further considered during this session.

Another Senate Bill, number 62, the so-called Trails Bill, referred to last week, continues to be the subject of many stormy letters from both opponents and proponents. To be specific, so far as Clackamas County is concerned, the bill would have provided hikers and horseback rider trails from Carver to the Forestry Service boundary on the Clackamas, and from Willamette Park up the Willamette to Canby Ferry,

thence across the ferry and up the east bank to Champoege.

The bill would have allowed condemnation of 25 acres per mile for right-of-way. In many cases the trails would, presumably, have transversed front yards of private residences, farms, and countless properties being taxed as development sites. Costs derived from the State Highway's park funds would have been tremendous. Protesters also objected to consequent deposits of litter, opening private property to vandalism and to envisioned inroads by two-wheeled motor vehicles. Devaluation of property values most certainly have resulted in decrease of the tax base.

Insufficient funds appear available for both trails in question and for beach development, so might have been a matter of preference.

As the matter stood on February 26, proposals for trails on Clackamas County rivers had been deleted from the bill, but final action had not yet taken place.

Bull Run PTA

The Bull Run PTA will meet Thursday, March 6 at 8 p.m. Sandy's exchange student from Italy will be the guest speaker. The Camp Fire girls will present the flag drill.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

K. Frederickson Is Commissioned

Marine Second Lieutenant Kenneth R. Frederickson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Frederickson of 312 W. Park Ave., Sandy, and husband of the former Miss Sandra K. Walker of 4421 NW 11th, Oklahoma City, Okla., was commissioned an officer in the United States Marine Corps after completing the Officer's Candidate Course at Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va.

Candidates for the course are drawn from colleges and universities throughout the nation and from the enlisted ranks of the corps.

The ten-week course concentrates on individual responsibility as a leader and on tactical control and employment of small combat units.

Secretaries Plan Fashion Show

This year's recipient of the Clackamas county Legal Secretaries association's scholarship will benefit from a fashion show planned by members Wednesday, March 19. The show is at the Elks lodge, Oregon City, and begins at 7:45 p.m.

Originals for "at home" and "after five," all made from custom fabrics will be show by "By George" of Lake Oswego.

An intermission with awarding of prizes is part of the event and members will bake up their favorite cookie recipes for refreshments.

Mrs. John Waskey is chairman of the event and committee chairman assisting her are: Mrs. Delmar Crader, Mrs. Phyllis Dawson, Mrs. R.

Edwards, Mrs. Nicholas Kost, Mrs. Pat Moe, Mrs. Margaret Mertz and Mrs. Edward Patterson.

Food Association Meets at Bolton

The Clackamas County School Food Service Association met Feb. 11, at Bolton grade school and elected officers for the coming year.

Those elected are: Verie Reynolds, president; Margaret Hiem, vice president; and Donna Taylor, secretary.

A fall menu-planning course to be offered at Clackamas Community College was discussed at the meeting and a representative of Continental Bakery showed a film.

Lake Baikal in Russia is 5,712 feet deep--the deepest in the world. Crater Lake in Oregon has a depth of 1,932 feet.

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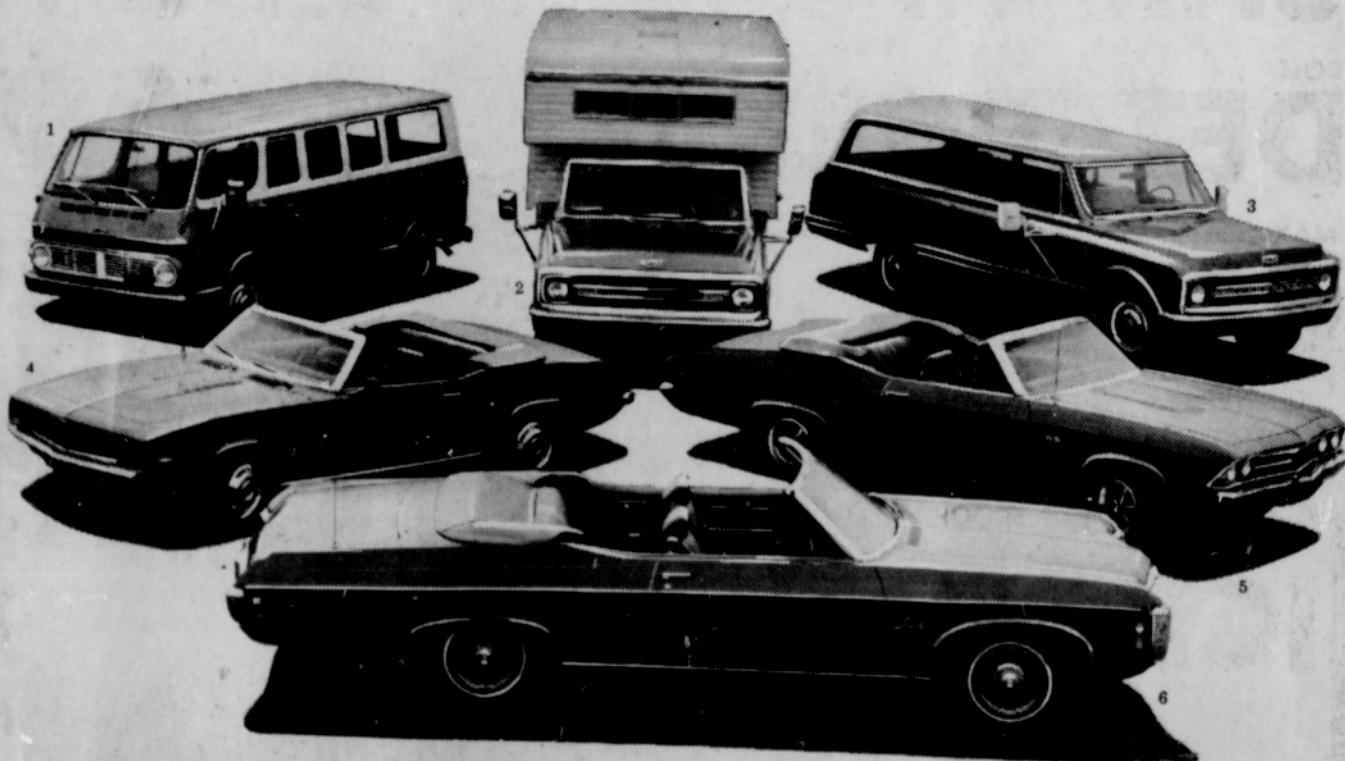


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