

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR CURRY COUNTY PROBATE DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of the Estate of PHINICE VAN PELT, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the above entitled estate by the Circuit Court of Curry County, State of Oregon, and having qualified, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present them at the office of the undersigned's attorney, at 230 West Main Street, Medford, Oregon, properly verified and

After the Koran war, 14,000 out of 21,000 Chinese Communist soldiers captured refused to return to Red China, and chose life in Taiwan instead.

with proper vouchers, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, which is the 7 day of February, 1957.

O. H. BENGTON, Administrator of the Estate of Phinice Van Pelt, Deceased

O. H. Bengtson, Attorney at Law, 230 West Main Street, Medford, Oregon, Attorney for estate (Pub. Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28)

Report on Siskiyou Forest

The Siskiyou National Forest is one of the most important assets that the area has. That fact was brought out with a release of the 1956 annual report of the Forest Supervisor, H.C. Obye, Grants Pass.

Strictly looking at it from a financial standpoint here are some figures: 25% of the gross Siskiyou forest receipts received by counties show that Curry County received \$323,321.54, far more than any other county. Coos received \$26,867; Douglas \$154; Josephine \$166,971.00; and Del Norte \$18,785.90.

Gross receipts from the National Forest were \$2,489,611, and total expenditures were \$1,060,227, of which \$580,723 represented additions to the capital investment account, such as roads, bridges and forest plantations, and the remaining \$479,504, represented current operating expense.

Another, the heading of Administration the report says that a shortage of trained personnel continues to be a problem. Construction of a new residence at Gold Beach headquarters and another at Brookings have virtually been completed.

Timber management: There were 97 sales during the year, with 125,487 thousand board feet sold, with a bid value of \$3,784,537. Timber cut amounted to 87,697 M board feet at a value of 2,393,565.

Non convertible products such

as fern, brush, pitch, amounted for an additional 55 sales with a sale value of \$1,588. This sale activity brought about an increased program of planting and seeding of cutover lands. Estimates show about 1007 acres planted with some 485 thousand trees, and an additional 100 acres reforested by seeding. This latter method of reforestation is new on this forest.

In addition to cutover areas attention has been directed to the large areas of brush producing land which should be producing commercial forest products. With the cooperation of the Roseburg Research Center the forest has initiated an experiment in eradication of brush and reproduction of trees. There areas totaling 100 acres were poison sprayed in 1955, and the brush on two of the areas was burned in 1956. Experimental planting and seeding plots were established in the burned areas. This will be a continuing project.

Mining: Work was started on examination of mining areas for determination of surface rights under the Act of July 23, 1955. A total of 319,000 acres were recommended to and approved by the Chief of the Forest Service for examination. During 1956, about 77,000 acres were actually examined. Advertising of these areas, and hearing to determine validity of claims, will be conducted during 1957. All work to date have been done in Coos and Curry

Counties. Engineering: The Elk River and Taylor Creek timber access roads, 13 and 5.7 miles long were completed during the year. These two roads represent an expenditure of over 1 million dollars of appropriated access road funds, and have opened up additional areas for increased timber production. Timber sales made during the year required 32 miles of operator built roads. Approximately, 20 miles were built in 1956, and the balance is partially completed or will be constructed early in 1957.

A cooperative agreement covering construction of about five miles of water grade road up the Chetco river was completed during the year. The Forest's initial share of the project will build about one mile of road and a permanent type bridge across the Chetco River. Contracts for this work have been awarded. This is primarily a timber access road into virgin territory.

Another agreement has been negotiated covering construction of a road up the south bank of the Rogue River from the end of the County road, a bridge across the river, and additional road construction up Lobster Creek to the forest boundary. Initial Forest Service work will construct the Rogue River bridge.

Bureau of Public Roads surveys have been completed or are under contract for roads into the Agness area. It is expected that

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1957 will see a satisfactory solution to the problem of development of this area, and at least a start on contracting for initial construction. This will open up an area in which no timber cutting has been done, and be a major step in reaching the allowable timber Rogue River working circle.

FIRE CONTROL: The forest had 41 lightning and 13 man caused fires during the season. This compares to a 5 year average of 13. The increase was due to heavy lightning storms in August.

In spite of the large number of fires, burned acreage was held to 213 total, compared to a 5 year average of 467. The Smokejumper squad was increased from 32 to 36 jumpers, and enjoyed the busiest season since their organization, with a total of 243 separate jumps.

ABOUT THE OLYMPICS

A most compelling volume, "The Last Wilderness," by Murray Morgan, has just been added to the local library shelves, fresh from the publishers. The work deals entirely with the incomparable Olympic peninsula, as a whole, its people and development, from the earliest discovery to what it will be, as a public domain, long past our present day conception. It is of especial interest to the folks who know any area between Puget Sound, Grays Harbor and the Pacific.

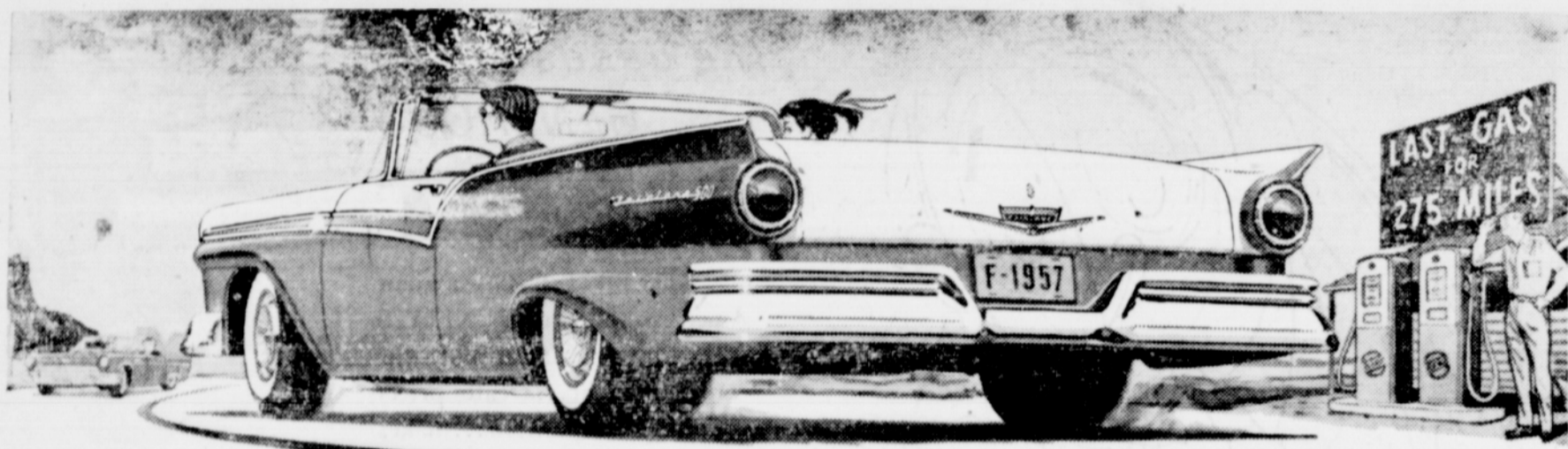
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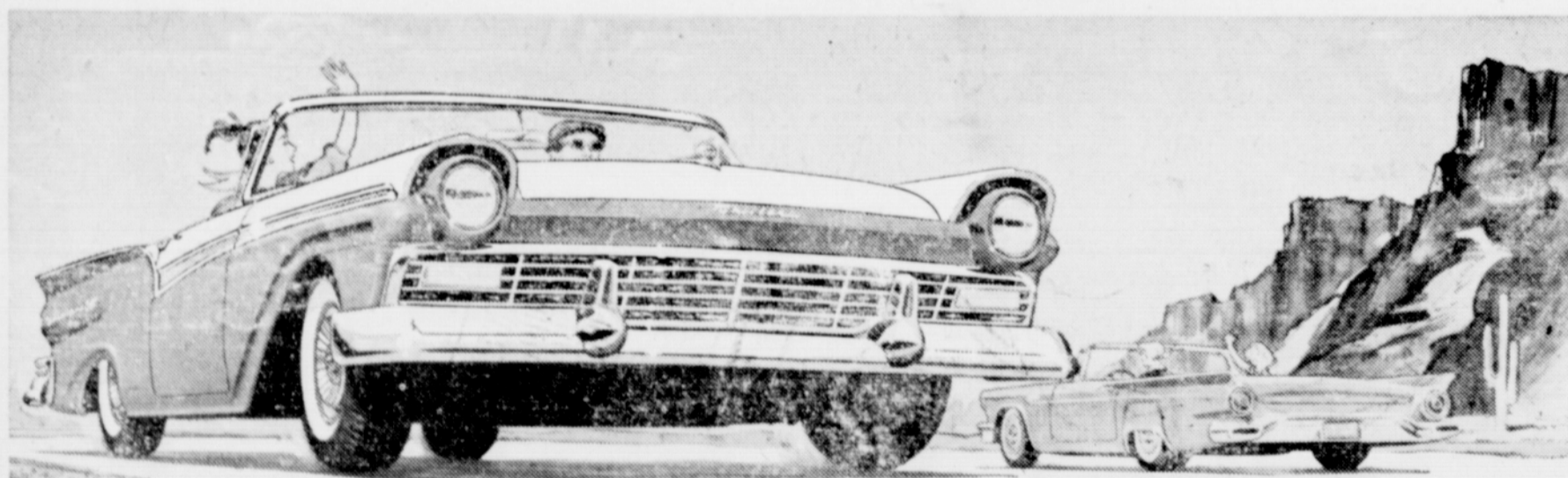
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