

SEA LION KILLING IS PROFITABLE WORK FOR PORT ORFORDITE.

George Forty Sells the Hides, Whiskers and Gall of Monsters of the Deep.

SHOOTS THEM IN BRAIN

Feril Surrounds Men Who Brave Reef, to Attack Great Destructive Animals; Few Fur Seals Left.

By Fred Lockley.

Port Orford, Or., July 20.—Port Orford has one of the most unique industries on the Pacific coast. It is the killing of sea lions and the sale of their hides, whiskers, gall and other parts. I have investigated and written up many unique industries, such as the making of wooden decoy ducks, the gathering and sale of chittin bary, the sale of bales of moss to the nurseries, the gathering and shipping of tan oak bark, the getting out of snip knees, the Port Orford match wood industry, and many other unusual industries; but the sea lion industry is the most unique I have yet run across.

Lions on Blanco Reef. A few miles off the Curry county shore in the vicinity of Port Orford a group of rocks, called the Cape Blanco reef, projects above the sea. These rocks are the breeding grounds of the sea lions. For 33 years George Forty has carried on the business of killing sea lions. He was born in England, but raised in Australia. When a young man he came to America and settled at Port Orford.

Deer are still killed within a mile of the town of Port Orford, so it can be seen that Port Orford is somewhat off the beaten trail. When George Forty came here elk were as plentiful as cows in a dairy district. "When I first took up hunting as a profession here," said Mr. Forty, "I used to get a good many fur seals and sea otter."

Passing of Fur Seal. "The last fur seal I killed on the Port Orford rocks was about 20 years ago. I got \$23 for its skin. The last sea otter I killed was four years ago. I got \$500 for its pelt. The best season I ever had with sea otters was the year I got 22 skins. There are so scarce now that you can get \$1200 or \$1500 for a good sea otter skin. The biggest season I ever had with sea lions was the year I got over 2000 hides. This season so far I have something over 150 hides. We had a big day yesterday. We killed 11 bulls and 65 pups. I have three boys, all experienced sea lion hunters. One of my boys, Loren, was hired when he was 12 years old by R. D. Hume, the salmon cannery at Wedderburn, as a sea lion hunter. He is 23 now.

Killing by Boat. "To be a successful sea lion hunter you must put your bullet in a radius of two inches midway between the eye and the ear. This hits the sea lion in the brain and kills it instantly. If you do not hit it in the brain the sea lion will flop off the rock, and when they get into the water they sink and you lose it.

A big bull weighs from 5500 to 6000 pounds and his hide will weigh 100 pounds. I get five cents a pound for the hide, so a poor shot means I lose \$5 on the hide alone. Besides the hide, the whiskers, gall and other parts. Hunting sea lions is no game for amateurs. I have to have as my assistants men on whom I can depend absolutely. The lives of my assistants depend on the courage, quickness and coolness of one man.

Dangerous Occupation. For example, a sudden storm will blow up while some of us are on the rocks skinning the sea lions, and a heavy sea will begin breaking over the rocks. The man in the boat must put the boat alongside for us to jump in. If the boat is at fault the boat will be swamped and we will be drowned or the boat may be smashed on the rocks. I have landed on the rocks when the water was breaking 10 or 12 feet high. If you jump as the boat is going down you will be washed off the rock. You must jump just as the boat reaches the highest part or as it is rising just before it pauses to go down. Tony Canino, a Frenchman, born in Tunis, Africa, is my assistant. He is always cool and not afraid of anything. We get seven cents a pound for the hide of the pups. The big bulls, the ones that weigh from two to three tons, have six marketable whiskers, three on each side. These whiskers are about 22 inches long. High class and wealthy Chinamen buy them from \$1 to \$2.50 a pair. They mount them in gold. They use them for toothpicks. You can't wear them out and they are far superior to quill toothpicks. The Chinese also buy the gall and certain other parts, which are dried and ground up for medicine.

Bull Worth \$10. A big bull brings me about \$7.50 to \$10. His hide sells for \$5, his whiskers for from \$1 to \$2.50, and the medical products for about .50.

Salmon Cannery. "Salmon cannery legislation putting a bounty on the killing of shags, hair-seal and sea lions, the salmon would be much more plentiful. I cut open the stomach of a large bull lion yesterday and found 16 good sized salmon heads, beside a large amount of other fish.

The shags eat the salmon when they are fingerling. The shags eat sea lions and hair seals get them when they are full grown.

The sea lions suckle their young pups. The pups are born on the rocks and do not take to the water until they are about three weeks to a month old. The mothers show great love for their pups. They teach them to swim and when inland the shags take their young pups in their mouth and slide off into the sea. Frequently the pup is drowned and the mother will swim around and bring it back to the rock, and when it will not respond to her nudging and caress she grieves over it. Lots of the sea lion pups are killed by the killer-sharks or grampuses. The killer sharks are about 30 feet long and are very savage. Oh yes, I have had plenty of narrow escapes. I have had my boat overturn lots of times but I have somehow managed to come out of it all right, though I have lost four or five good guns by my boat overturning. Sure I will take you out with me. I am going out tomorrow. You will find it a rather gory, bloody job. Yes, I will see that you land on the rocks and see the whole thing."

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DEEP SEA MONSTERS HAVE COMMERCIAL VALUE



Above—Skinning a big bull sea lion. Below—Bob Forty, skinning a sea lion.

HARNEY LAKE BED IS ASSERTED PROPERTY OF ADJOINING OWNERS

F. Otley of Lawen Protests Plan to Give Rights to Basin Development Co.

GOVERNOR IS ACCUSED

Communication Alleges Withycombe Promised Support to Have It Listed as a Swamp.

Salem, Or., July 21.—Asserting that the meander line owners of tracts surrounding Harney lake, 150 or more in number, are being deceived by the bed of the lake and that the supreme court three years ago decided this question of ownership, Fred Otley of Lawen, Malheur county, vigorously assailed any plan whereby the bed of the lake would be turned over to the Harney Basin Development company, represented by C. B. McConnell, for development, in a communication to the state land board read Tuesday afternoon.

Otley said McConnell was trying to get possession of the land through the "corrupt swamp act" voted by Governor West and that McConnell had told him he had secured a promise from Governor Withycombe to use his influence with the secretary of the interior to renege the lake and get it listed as a swamp.

Governor Withycombe denied at the board meeting that he had made any such promise and asked Secretary G. G. Brown to write Otley to that effect. Brown was instructed to make it plain that the board had made no promises of any kind to McConnell or the Harney Basin Development company.

Otley estimated in his letter that there are 7000 acres of land in the lake bed and that it is worth \$50 an acre. This would make a total valuation of \$350,000.

The board instructed the secretary to write C. A. Shepard, Portland counsel for Jason Moore, in regard to progress being made in securing \$15,000 required to complete the bond on the Summer and Albert lakes lease. The bond should have been posted May 15.

Firms Are Incorporated.

Salem, Or., July 21.—The following articles of incorporation were filed

here Thursday with Corporation Commissioner Schulderman: La Grande Gas company, La Grande, \$125,000, George E. Good, M. K. Hall and Fred T. Holmes, Oregon Oil company, McMinnville, \$25,000, G. W. Evans and others. A certificate of dissolution was filed by the Fletcher Investment company, of Portland.

Ethyl Alcohol Affected.

Salem, Or., July 21.—A common carrier cannot deliver ethyl alcohol to a druggist in Oregon without such druggist making the affidavit provided by section 12, chapter 141, general laws of 1915, Attorney General Brown told District Attorney Mullins, of Astoria, Thursday. A wholesale druggist may make such an affidavit through his agent, however.

Councilman's Trial Set.

Salem, Or., July 21.—A large share of the population of Turner will be here next Tuesday. It is expected, when the trial of Councilman Jeans, on a charge of stabbing Robert Hunsaker during a fight between officials of Turner and the Turner band begins. Hunsaker sustained a few slashes across the abdomen which did not prove serious, and he soon recovered.

Olcott Befriends Birds.

Salem, Or., July 21.—To encourage birds to make their homes on the capitol grounds, Secretary of State Olcott has had a cement drinking place installed for their exclusive use.

Tells of 10 Drownings.

Asheville, N. C., July 21.—(U. P.)—W. H. Suttle, of Asheville, arrived here today exhausted and his clothing in rags to tell of the drowning of 10

To Look and Feel Bright in Hot Weather

This is the season when she who would have a lily-white complexion should turn her thoughts to mercurozine, the firm friend of the summer girl. Nothing so effectively removes freckles, wind, dust and dirt. The wax literally absorbs the scorched, discolored, freckled, withered or coarsened cuticle, bringing forth a brand new skin, clear, soft and girlishly beautiful. It also unclogs the pores, removing blackheads and increasing the skin's breathing capacity. An ounce of mercurozine was obtainable at any druggist, applied nightly like cold cream, and washed off mornings, will gradually improve the worst complexion.

Wien depressed by the heat and you want to freshen up for the afternoon or evening, bathe the face in a lotion made by dissolving an ounce of powdered axolite in a half pint witch hazel. You'll find this more refreshing than an hour's rest. It is fine for smoothing out wrinkles, even the deeper ones. (Adv.)

Danish Paper Says Sea Battle Fought

Supposed Russians Repulsed German Warships in Engagement in Baltic Sea Off the Swedish Coast.

London, July 21.—(L. N. S.)—The newspaper Dagens Nyheder, of Copenhagen, believes that a naval battle has been fought in the Baltic between the Swedish islands of Landsort and Gotska-Sando. The Dagens Nyheder states that during the whole night a violent cannon-

Harmony Gathering Is Lead by Hughes

Republicans Conducting the Campaign Meet to Urge Unity of Effort; Presidential Nominee Makes Address.

New York, July 21.—(U. P.)—Harmony of effort was the object of a meeting yesterday of Republican

Nominee Hughes, Chairman Willcox, the national Republican campaign committee, the committee of senators appointed to handle the senatorial campaign and members of the Republican congressional committee.

It was the first "get together" meeting of all the forces who will have control of the campaign to oust Wilson and the Democratic majority in congress. Hughes addressed the meeting briefly, urging that he would not consider Republican success complete unless there was a victory of the president, senatorial and congressional fights.

"Shavereria" Is Opened.

San Francisco, July 21.—(U. P.)—The first shavereria, where the busy men can shave himself without the trouble of going clear home to get his razor, was opened here today.

LET your boy wear a Suit like this during vacation for... \$5.00

Nobby chevots, cassimeres and fancy mixtures made in full Norfolk style, with belt and extra knickers. Serviceable, well made suits at a moderate price. See them here tomorrow.

Children's Wash Suits Cool, crisp middys and middy Norfolks in all the popular wash fabrics, for warm weather and for the beach.

\$1.25 to \$5.00 The second floor—Elevator and Stairway.

BEN SELLING MORRISON STREET AT FOURTH



BUY YOUR FURNITURE On Our Easy-Payment Plan —Pay 10% of amount of bill at time of purchase and balance in small weekly or monthly installments. Reasonable interest charge on deferred payments. Come in and select what you need in the way of furniture and floor coverings and take advantage of our Easy-Payment Plan.

Wax Paper Sale —delivered only with other purchases made in Stationery Department — WAX PAPER— 6 ROLLS 15c

Olds, Wortman & King The Pioneer Store—Established in 1851 Reliable Merchandise Reliable Methods

Great Stock Reducing Sale In the Basement —SHARP REDUCTIONS in prices of Spring and Summer merchandise to effect a speedy Clearaway before New Fall Goods begin to arrive. Extraordinary low price on Women's Apparel. Shoes, Muslin Underwear, Corsets, Hosiery, Underwear, Wash Goods, Men's and Boys' Wear, Blankets, etc.

Splendid Opportunities to Save on Vacation Needs at This Store Saturday

Women's Sport Coats Worth Up to \$25.00 at \$10 Second Floor—Smart, Dressy Coats for street, outing and sport wear—this season's best styles in 3/4 and 3/4-length models—some with novelty belts, fancy collars and cuffs—others in loose, full-flaring effects, with sailor or roll collars. Materials include flannels, wool jerseys, gollines, gabardines, serges and white chinchilla. Good selection of wanted plain colors, also checks and stripes. Coats formerly priced up to \$25.00. Saturday special at \$10

Silk Sport Coats \$7.45 and \$8.95 Second Floor—Women's and Misses' All-Silk Jersey Sport Coats in all the latest plain shades and in combinations of plain and striped materials in rose, purple, green, gold, Alice, white, navy, etc. Short or hip-length styles—loose effects with sailor or round collars, cuffs, belted ties and pockets. Very fashionable for sport and beach wear. Shown in all sizes. The prices are \$7.45 and \$8.95

Women's 95c NECKWEAR At 50c Main Floor—Women's Fancy Collars, Vestees and Sets of voile, organdie, chiffon and Georgette crepe. This season's best styles, worth up to 95c, for Saturday's special, choice at 50c —PONGEE SPORT TIES and Hat Bands to match with stripes and dots of newest shades; 39c —FANCY SILK GIRDLES in plain and fancy styles. Of taffeta and messaline. Widths 2 to 6 inches; \$1.25 grades, at 49c —WOMEN'S AUTO CAPS—Closing out broken lines in linen, poplins and corduroys. Tan, Orange, navy, maroon, green, checks, stripes, etc. Reg-39c, ular 65c to \$1.00 Caps, at 39c

Saturday Clean-Up of MILLINERY at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5 Offerings of special interest to women who desire, an extra hat to tide them over the Summer season and yet do not care to spend a great deal of money. These three lots contain practically all that is left of our Spring and Summer Hats. Many of them are worth two or three times the sale price. Fashionable models in large, medium and small effects, trimmed with flowers, wings, bows, and various other novelties. Hats for street and sport wear in black, white and colors in Milans, Panamas, Leghorns and Novelty Styles. —3 BIG SPECIAL LOTS—CHOICE AT \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00 Millinery Salons, Second Floor

20c KERCHIEFS Special 11c Main Floor—Women's plain linen initial Kerchiefs, also colored initial and striped border and white with colored embroidered corners and corded hem. 15c to 20c grades, choice at 11c —COLORED BORDER and Colored Embroidered Kerchiefs—also plain white—on sale 55c each, or the dozen 55c

Fiber Silk SWEATERS, \$5.00 to \$8.95 New Tub Skirts, \$1.89 and \$2.39 Second Floor—Special showing of Fiber Silk Sweaters in the popular plain shades, such as rose, Copen, pink, green, maize—also in various colored stripes, combined with black or white. Some styled with belts, others with sashes. We have priced them from \$5 to \$8.95



35c RIBBONS 15c Main Floor—4 to 5 1/2-inch Taffeta Ribbons in plain colors and 3/4 to 2-inch picot edge and gros-grain ribbons; 25c to 35c grades, special at the yard 15c —New Novelty Scroll Veils in black, floral and novelty designs; \$1.00 grades, now 65c

Model Grocery Sale of 100 Boys' Suits Grades Worth Up to \$7.50 at \$3.98 Main Floor—Fancy tweeds, chevots and homespun in attractive patterns and serviceable colors. Pinch-back or plaited Norfolk with full-lined pants, patch pockets and 3-piece belt. Sizes in the assortment from 6 to 18 years. Suits worth up to \$7.50, at \$3.98

Men's "Batchelor Friend" Hosiery Main Floor—We have decided to close out our entire stock of Men's "Batchelor Friend" Hosiery. The following prices do not carry the usual guarantee: —25c Batchelor's 19c —35c Grades, pair 25c Friend Hose now —50c grades, pair 35c

\$5 Low Shoes \$1.98 Main Floor—Hundreds of pairs to select from. Popular styles, including Bronze Laced Oxfords with cloth tops—Bronze Kid Peggy Pumps with covered Louis heels—Patent and Kid Military Pumps—Black Satin Pumps—White Satin "Cleo" Pumps, and dozens of other styles. Standard \$4.00 to \$5.00 Low Shoes at, a pair \$1.98

Women's Fine Waists Special \$3.69 Bathing Suits at \$3.25 to \$19.50 Second Floor—Beautiful Waists of Georgette Crepe, Crepe de Chine, and tub silks. Various styles, some with large sailor collars—others with circular or pointed collars. Smart tailored effects and more fancy styles. Sizes 36 to 44. Very special \$3.69

Women's, Misses' Middy Blouses \$1.25 Second Floor—Many attractive styles in this assortment—some with belts, others in loose effect or with sashes. Plain white and fancy collars and cuffs. Specially priced now at \$1.25

Sale of Girls' TUB FROCKS \$3.00 Grades \$2.25 \$4.65 Grades \$3.49 Second Floor—Special sale of Girls' Tub Dresses in intermediate sizes. Attractive styles in gingham, poplins, chambrays and linens. Plain colors, fancy stripes and checks. —Girls' \$3.00 Tub Dresses \$2.25 —Girls' \$4.25 Tub Dresses \$3.19 —Girls' \$4.65 Tub Dresses \$3.49

Tub Dresses at 79c —Just the thing for beach wear. Ages to 6. Great many different styles made up in good grade gingham and chambray. —GIRLS' MIDDY BLOUSES of good grade white material—all white or with colored collars and cuffs. Some have fancy lacing at sides and front. Sizes for girls up to 14 years of age. Middies worth up 89c to \$1.49. For Saturday's selling, we have priced them at only

Sale of Men's Clothing Our Semi-Annual Sale of Men's High-Grade Suits is now in progress, affording substantial savings no thoughtful man will overlook. Fancy worsteds, cassimeres, chevots, etc. Blues and blacks excepted. —Men's and Young Men's \$15.00 Fancy Suits—Sale Price \$11.85 —Men's and Young Men's \$20.00 Fancy Suits—Sale Price \$14.85 —Men's and Young Men's \$22.50 Fancy Suits—Sale Price \$16.85 —Men's and Young Men's \$25.00 Fancy Suits—Sale Price \$18.75 —Men's and Young Men's \$30.00 Fancy Suits—Sale Price \$22.50

Trunks and Bags, 4th Fl. \$8.00 Bags Special at \$6.50 —Genuine Cowhide Leather Traveling Bags, in 16 and 18-inch sizes. Sewed corners and leather lined. Worth up to \$8.00, special \$6.50 —Matting Bags, priced at 65c and Up —Matting Suit Cases at \$1.25 and Up —Fiber Suit Cases at \$1.50 and Up —Leather Suit Cases at \$4.50 and Up TRUNKS of best makes in all sizes and prices. Get our prices before you buy!

Saturday Sale Drugs, Toilet Articles Main Floor—On account of the extremely low prices quoted in this list, we reserve the right to limit quantity sold to a customer. 5 Cakes of Ivory Soap 18c 1 Cake of Lurline Soap No deliveries of Soap except with other purchases in the Drug Dept. 10c Palmolive Soap for only 7c 10c Calif. Medicated Soap now 7c

EXTRA! —PROPHYLACTIC Tooth Brushes, factory "seconds," quality, fully guaranteed. On sale in Drug Department 15c Saturday at only, each 15c 10c Stork Castile Soap now at 7c 25c Bar Domestic Castile now 19c \$1.00 Calol Paraffine Oil for 13c

Aluminum Boilers \$1.58 Third Floor —Aluminum Double Boiler, similar to cut, 99% pure aluminum. Easy to clean, no enamel to chip, crack or peel off—save fuel—will last for years —a household necessity. Buy one of these Boilers Saturday \$1.58 BLUE AND WHITE WARE —Blue-and-white Mixing Pans, from 35c to 57c —Blue-and-white Pudding Bowls, from 29c to 60c —Blue-and-white Pie Plates, range 15c to 30c —Blue-and-white Cake Moulds, range 25c to 30c