

Flood Control Caution Urged

Finley Advises Studying of Factors Before Damming River

A strong plea for careful study into all angles of development of natural resources, and especially caution in construction of dams for flood control in the Willamette valley was voiced by William L. Finley, Portland, nationally known naturalist, writer and lecturer, in his luncheon address at the chamber of commerce yesterday.

Finley expressed personal objections to seven high dams on the upper Willamette river because, he said, as the water is let out for flood control it will kill everything and turn the areas at the north and south forks of the Santiam and the McKenzie into a biological desert.

The naturalist also recommended further study into all sides of the matter before further development of power is ordered in the Columbia.

Pointing to land and water as the basis of wealth in the Pacific northwest, and conservation of the use but not the misuse of these, Finley asked, though not critically, whether conservation today is going forward in the right way.

Each year 100,000 acres of forest land are used and destroyed, thereby helping to rob the country of the "mother of its water supply." The fault here lies not entirely with the owners but also in lack of regulation as far as taxes are concerned.

Drainage Dangers Cited In connection with the drainage of swamps, ponds and lakes, particularly in the northern part of the United States, Finley said this not only hindered waterfowl, fur-bearing animal and fish life in these areas, but filling of the drained areas lowered the water table 50 to 75 feet and turned vast areas into dust bowls. Today the government is spending millions of dollars to right havoc this drainage practice brought.

Finley discussed uses of rivers, other than power, touching upon the public values for irrigation, transportation, pure drinking water and recreational purposes and again stressed the necessity of paying attention to all angles rather than to just the immediate purpose for which rivers are to be used.

He urged against stream pollution as destructive of fish life, and the same with irrigation and power. Transportation on inland waterways is much more expensive than by land, Finley said, and as one point in mind said the huge expenditure in deepening the channel of the Missouri river from St. Louis to Kansas City actually meant a cost of between \$5000 and \$5000 a ton to move freight.

Thompson Heads Salem Boat Club

Dr. W. J. Thompson was elected commodore of the regular yacht club at its meeting Monday night in the boat house, foot of Chemeketa street, with Gih Follis named vice-commodore and Ray Hoffman secretary-treasurer.

To impress Salem with the fact that a river runs at its front door where four score boating enthusiasts own a fleet of watercraft, it was decided to hold a boat regatta yearly, this year probably some time in June. It was further decided to ask the Salem chamber of commerce to designate one of its regular Monday meetings as "Salem Yacht club day."

A committee will be appointed for the promotion of water sports and river sanitation in the Willamette river at Salem.

The first Monday of each month was chosen for the regular meetings, to which all persons interested in boating are welcome.

Mrs. Keene Returns From The Dalles

SHAW—Mrs. H. A. Keene has returned to the home of her son, Lloyd, after a few weeks at the home of her sister in The Dalles. Lloyd Keene spent a few days in The Dalles and brought his mother home.

Frank Masser took sick on Thursday night and is confined to his bed. He suffered a stroke.

Look Pleasant Despite Wreck



Yankee Clipper Completes Eastward Crossing of Atlantic



AN AMERICAN ARGOSY IN SILHOUETTE was the picture presented by the 74-passenger flying boat Yankee Clipper as she glided on the sun-lit water at Southampton, England, completing the eastbound leg of an 11,000-mile inspection flight over the Atlantic. Returning to the United States, Captain Harold Gray declared the flight a complete success and said he and his crew were ready to begin regular passenger service across the ocean at any time. The 42-ton plane was in the air for 33 hours on its round trip.

Tourist Inquiries Exceed Last Year

More than 40,000 inquiries for information regarding the scenic and recreational resources of Oregon were received at the state highway commission tourist bureau here during the first four months of this year, Harold Say, director, reported Monday.

There were less than 20,000 inquiries received during the corresponding period in 1938, officials said.

Say said most of the inquiries were received from persons living in the eastern states who intend to visit the San Francisco world's fair. Many other inquiries were received from California fishermen, who intend to visit Oregon streams during the summer season.

Inquiries relative to Crater lake, the Oregon caves and Pacific beach resorts predominate.

Pendergast Aide Vanishes, Mystery

KANSAS CITY, May 1.—(AP)—A Tom Pendergast business lieutenant vanished today, leaving a suicide trail, a short time after the democratic political boss appeared before the bar of justice for the first time.

Notes hinting at self-destruction were found in an automobile used by Edward L. Schneider, 46, secretary-treasurer of seven Pendergast enterprises. The car was parked on the Fairfax interstate toll bridge over the Missouri river. Maurice M. Milligan, US district attorney, asked FBI and treasury agents to investigate the "purported disappearance of Mr. Schneider, who was an important government witness, to determine whether his disappearance is a hoax, a suicide or that he met foul play."

Fishermen Take Packers' Prices

ASTORIA, May 1.—(AP)—Chinook salmon, worth 12c a pound to commercial fishermen, fished in boats on the Columbia river today. The season's opening was unhampered when a price deadlock between the Columbia River Fishermen's union and packers was settled yesterday. Fishermen voted to take the packers' offer, one cent below the union demand and the same scale as last year.

The price will remain effective until August 1, when it will drop to eight cents, and to six cents after August 10.

Klan Visits Negroes

MIAMI, Fla., May 1.—(AP)—White-robed figures, riding in about 35 automobiles visited the negro section of the city tonight, set 25 fiery crosses ablaze and tossed literature out telling negroes not to vote in tomorrow's city primary.

Playhouse Opens Rehearsal Tonight

The Community Playhouse commences work on its initial play of the summer season, "So You're From Missouri" by Kay Ziegfeld, tonight at the Art Center. Rehearsal will start promptly at 7:30 p. m.

Bill Fillmore, Janet Herbert and Weldon Walker will carry the leads. Seven varied characters make up the supporting cast, Barbara Hathaway, Myrtle Terry, Jewel Turner, Dorothy Lipps, Gordon Wear, Bob Mundt, and Harry J. Skelton.

The Community Playhouse was organized less than two weeks ago and in spite of approaching summer, in which the theatre season is usually slack, some 35 persons evinced great interest in the try-outs last week.

Larry Boulier, who is in charge of production, will be assisted in the directing by Emma Haley and Irma Bolander. M. L. Whittle will serve as stage manager.

Others who will serve as understudies and ticket campaign managers are Josephine Acklin, Marion Helzel, Vera Beth Clennedding, Rosemary Snyder, John W. Swanson, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Sue Sanderson, Esther Ericson, George Bonner, W. P. Emmel and Cliff Baker.

4000 Drivers Ask For new Licenses

Approximately 4000 applications for motor vehicle drivers' licenses, for the period starting July 1, 1939, and ending June 30, 1941, had been received at the state department Monday.

The law provides that drivers' permits shall be renewed every two years. Only persons over 70 years of age and non applicants are required to submit to an examination.

There were 460,000 drivers' licenses issued for the two year period ending June 30 of this year. Actual issuance of drivers' permits for the next two years license period will begin June 15.

Beekman Contest Prizes Awarded

PORTLAND, May 1.—(AP)—The Oregon Historical society awarded \$150 in prizes to four youngsters winning places in the 1939 Beekman essay contest. The subject was the John Jacob Astor expedition.

First prize went to George A. Pohl, Clloquin high. Other winners, in order, were Margaret A. Buswell, Sherwood high; Leah the Gooch, Albany high; and Lucille Rasmussen, St. Mary's academy, Portland.

Springfield Gets New Lumber Mill

EUGENE, May 1.—(AP)—The Roseboro Lumber company said today it would begin building a Springfield plant this month and expected to begin operations, estimated at 25 million board feet a year, next December.

The company will erect a sawmill, planing mill, dry kilns and sheds for rough and dressed lumber to handle approximately 750 million board feet of standing timber in the Quartz creek area on the McKenzie river.

Deschutes Claims 1st Fisher Victim

BEND, May 1.—(AP)—Its first victim of the fishing season was claimed yesterday by the Deschutes river when George Ertle, 54, retired Bend bakery operator, slipped from a log into the swift stream.

Ertle's son, Richard, plunged into the river and made a futile attempt to catch up with his drifting father. Firemen recovered the body.

Lebanon Student Elected

PORTLAND, May 1.—(AP)—Bill Stryker of McMinnville today defeated Abe Baker of Bremerton, Wash., for the presidency of the Linfield college student body by a single vote, 123-127.

PTA to Present Tom Sawyer Play Wednesday Night

SILVERTON—The Parent-Teachers association will present the junior high school play, "Tom Sawyer," directed by E. W. Pickell, on May 3. All proceeds will go for the summer recreation project which the PTA is sponsoring here.

Harry Bowen will play the part of Tom Sawyer; Bert Burr has been chosen for Huckleberry Finn. Maxine Dick will portray Aunt Polly and Betty Torre will be Becky Thatcher. Others taking part are Alvin Dahlen, Lois Wampole, Bill Duncan, Jerry Merriman, Jack Eastman, Leslie Monn, Jean Anne Miller, Geneva Jordan and Steven Faloe.

Nipponese Airmen Boast 10,000 Die

SHANGHAI, May 1.—(AP)—Japanese dispatches from a secret air base in central China said today that during three days of constant air-raiding 200 Japanese aircraft had dropped 1,500 bombs and caused 10,000 Chinese casualties.

The advices said the attacks occurred in the vicinity of the Han river, west of Hankow, where the Japanese are trying to revive a westward push after having been checked for weeks by Chinese resistance.

This resistance has prevented the Japanese from crossing the Han in preparation for an attack on Ichang, important Yangtze river port about 80 miles west of the Han and 175 miles due west of Hankow.

It was believed generally that if the Japanese take Ichang they will begin the long-threatened air raids on Chungking, the provisional Chinese capital lying 300 miles farther inland.

Mrs. W. Service Called by Death

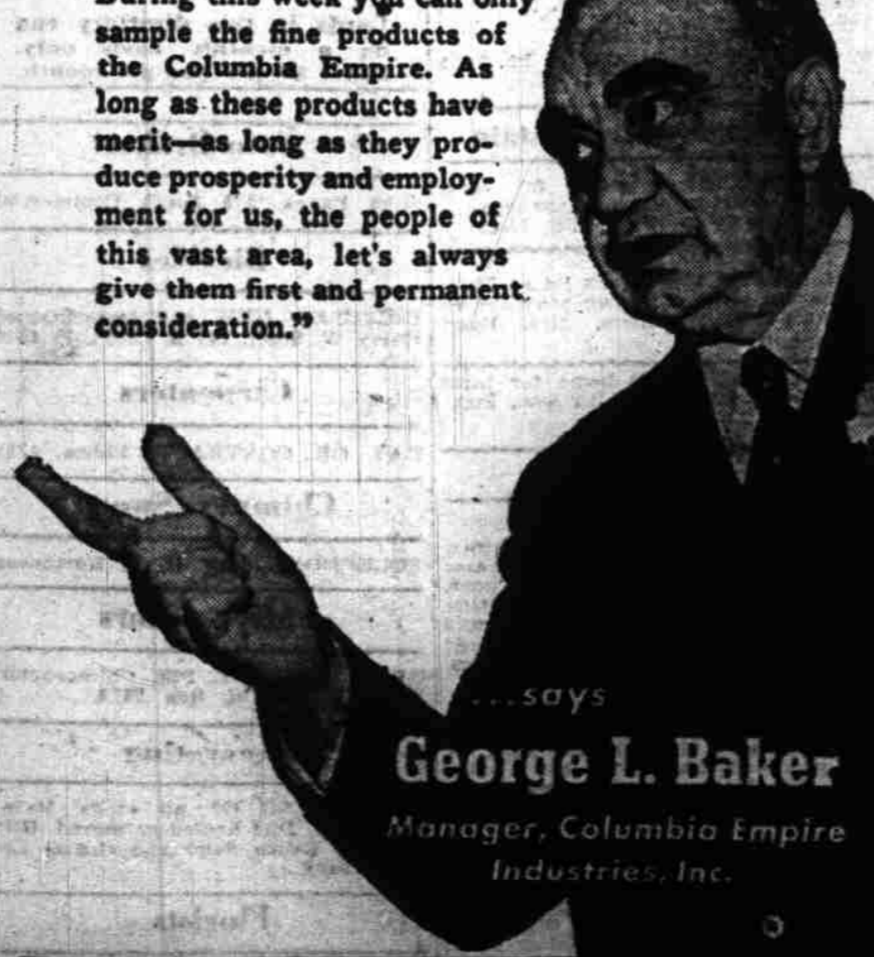
SILVERTON—Mrs. William Service, prominent resident of Silvertown, died Monday night. Surviving relatives here include the widow and a daughter, Miss May Service. A complete list of other relatives was not available Monday night. Funeral services, in charge of Ekman's mortuary, were not complete.

FR Threats Admitted

NEW YORK, May 1.—(AP)—Talbot D. Harrison, 45, father of six, pleaded guilty today to writing threatening letters to President Roosevelt, J. P. Morgan, J. Edgar Hoover and Mayor LaGuardia, among others, and was sent to Bellevue hospital for observation.

HAYESVILLE SEES GEESE

HAYESVILLE—Large flocks of wild geese have been flying northward with a great deal of noise, as if they were late for an appointment and were excited and in a hurry to get there.



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Cash Taken From Ames Hardware

Steinberger Home Is Also Entered in Weekend Thefts, Silverton

SILVERTON—Robberies were again effected at Silverton over the weekend. The Ames Hardware store was entered, supposedly through the transom and \$10 in cash taken. It is believed that the thief was scared away as he left his tools behind him.

The John Steinberger home was entered Saturday night or Sunday forenoon and completely ransacked. The only thing found missing was a nine-day-old calf. Steinberger was arrested Friday night on an attempted felony charge and it was believed that the person entering the home was cognisant of his absence.

Tennis Courts Opened

SILVERTON—Crowds of young people waited their turn from early morning until dusk at the new double tennis courts back of Immanuel church which was opened Sunday morning. The concrete courts were built by the various organizations of Immanuel church for the young people of the congregation. The unusually attractive hillside was selected for the location.

The idea originated with Miss Hannah Olsen, teacher in the Silverton schools. The first money raised toward it was that from the birthday calendar which Miss Olsen and Mrs. Oscar Johnson arranged at the holiday season. Since then the various organizations of the congregation have given dinners and other affairs to raise further funds.

Kipp Will Speak At Stayton on 9th

STATYON—R. H. Kipp, executive secretary of the Willamette River Basin commission, will be the main speaker at the mass meeting for the discussion of the Willamette valley project Tuesday night, May 9, at 8 o'clock in the Women's club house. The construction of a dam across the North Santiam river near Detroit is part of the project.

Sponsor for the meeting is the Stayton chamber of commerce, cooperating with Grant Murphy, a member of the advisory committee of the Willamette River Basin commission.

It is hoped to have a representation from all communities in the area including, Aumsville, Sublimity, Lyons, Mehama, Mill City and other towns.

"Cleanup Day" Is Observed, Turner

TURNER—Saturday was city "cleanup day" so ordered by the council.

Warren Phole has rented his tenant acreage and the John McGuire family has moved to the Crume property in Turner. Mrs. Thomas Little is confined to her bed with rheumatism.

Mrs. Grace Leupe is taking care of all basketry work each Thursday night at her home, relieving Mrs. Winnifred Kendall of the basketry class, who has a large class in oil painting each Friday in the city library.

Waconda Club Meets At Perrydale

WACONDA—A large number from this community and Salem attended the regular meeting of the Waconda community club Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. J. Scharf near Perrydale. Following a covered dish dinner, plans were discussed for the annual club picnic to be held Sunday, June 11 at Champeog park.

Likes America



It didn't take Sergeant J. Hiam of his majesty's Coldstream guards band long to adopt American ways as he arrived in New York with others to appear at the New York world's fair. Here is the impeccably sergeant, every bear's hair in his bushy at attention, sampling for the first time that grand old American institution—a hot dog (with mustard). "Quite good," he said.

Mrs. Eyerly Back Following Family Reunion, Montana

ROBERTS—Mrs. Lee Eyerly, her sister, Mrs. R. J. Weatherhead of Oakland, Calif., and brother, Paul E. Wiegand of Albany, have just returned from a motor trip to Glendive, Mont., where they visited a brother who is seriously ill.

While there Mrs. Eyerly's family held a reunion, the first in 43 years, all ten living members of the 10 children being present. They also visited the old childhood home in North Dakota, where their father homesteaded in 1884 and in central Montana with relatives and friends.

The reunion was held at the home of Mrs. Eyerly. The reunion was held at the home of Mrs. Eyerly. The reunion was held at the home of Mrs. Eyerly.

Woodburn In Charge

WOODBURN—Rev. E. K. Bailey, evangelist, will have charge of the regular prayer meeting in the Presbyterian church Tuesday afternoon, May 2, at 2:30. Everyone is welcome.

Triple Link Club Program Enjoyed

WOODBURN—The Triple Link club of the Frances Rebekah lodge of Monitor sponsored the following entertainment Thursday in the Monitor IOOF hall: Song by Flodine and June Ann Lucht; reading by Frances Bourly of Silverton; skit by the Richmond family and Leon A. Ballweber; song by a quartet consisting of Myrtle, Margaret, Melvin and Lester Herigstad; song by Mrs. C. Lucht; an address, "Behind the Scenes in Radio" by Art Kirkham of KOIN.

The members presented Kirkham with a cake in appreciation of his interesting and instructive address.

The next meeting of the Triple Link club will be May 5 at the home of Josephine Ballweber who will have a quilting bee.

Installation Set Thursday by PTA

SILVERTON—Mrs. Leif Bergsvick, district vice-president, will install new Parent-Teacher association officers here Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Theodore Hobart and Mrs. F. J. Roubal will report on the state convention at Klamath Falls. Musical numbers will be given under the direction of Floyd Ellefson.

Officers to be installed are president, Mrs. J. J. Lewis; vice president, Mrs. Helmer Broki; secretary, Miss Lucille Henki; treasurer, Mrs. Glenn Price.

Out-going officers are vice president, Mrs. T. R. Hobart; president, Mrs. F. J. Roubal; secretary, Mrs. Doris Wiess; treasurer, Mrs. Lee Haskins.

Joint Graduation Slated at Dayton

DAYTON—Twenty-five students and eleven teachers, included in the eight schools that annually have joint graduation, attended the annual class party held Thursday night at the Grand Island schoolhouse. Proceeding dinner six boys and six girls on each side played a 19 to 8 score game of softball.

The joint graduation will be held at the Dayton union high school auditorium Thursday, May 18, at 8 p.m. with Thomas A. Verdemuis of Portland, United States consul, to deliver a patriotic address. Linfield college will furnish patriotic music.

The field day for the group of schools will be held May 5 at Grand Island.

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