



Hills Creek Hills Creek Dam, a \$46,800,000 project recently completed on the Middle Fork of the Willamette River, was dedicated Saturday amidst fanfare and speech-making. This map shows its location—three miles southeast of Oakridge—and its relation to other flood control structures on the river.

Retires After 28 Years of Service

Tom Waring's Dam Building Has Ended With Hills Creek

By DAN SELLARD
Of the Register-Guard

Thomas G. Waring wasn't on the speakers stand during the dedication of Hills Creek Dam Saturday afternoon, but he had a ringside seat during the dam's building.

Tom—that's what everyone calls him—retired Saturday and undoubtedly had reflective thoughts during the dedication. His retirement after 28 years of service with the U.S. Corps of Engineers was planned to coincide with Hills Creek's dedication. He has finished his final dam.

Actually, he's been off work for some time now, using up his accumulated leave, so his appearance at the dedication Saturday was anti-climactic.

Tom was born in Seattle in 1894, went through public schools there and won a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Oregon State University in 1923.

He played football while a freshman at the University of Washington and this made him



TOM WARING
Hills Creek Dam's Last

some what of a "football nut." He spends many an hour at the radio and TV hearing and watching football games and has

not missed a pro game in years. After his graduation from Oregon State, Tom worked in several engineering capacities before he joined the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

In 1934, he was made an assistant engineer at Bonneville Dam; he became associate engineer in 1937.

In 1938 he transferred to the Los Angeles Army District but came back to Bonneville in 1939. In 1943 he was appointed Chief of Operations for the Portland area.

In 1945, Tom had a bout with tuberculosis which put him out of commission for nearly three years.

He came to Lane County in 1947 and was acting resident engineer for Lookout Point Dam. He stayed with Lookout Point for seven years and then went to The Dalles Dam as a relocation officer.

In 1956, Tom came to the Hills Creek Dam project and there he's been since, watching the \$46 million project grow from a river bed to the present imposing structure.

He and Mrs. Waring, in anticipation of retirement, in 1957 purchased a house at 145 Poplar Street in Oakridge.

So now it's more football and a lot of travel and no more dam building.

The Waring's plan to go tent-camping through several national parks, taking it easy because Tom has had a couple of heart attacks.

"I want to do the things I haven't been able to before and see a lot of country I haven't seen yet," Tom said last week while putting around in his yard.

Lane Road To Receive 'Hot Mix'

Lane County Commissioners made several decisions affecting county roads and buildings during a regular road meeting last week.

They will call for bids soon for a 32-by-40-foot building to add to the county vehicle repair shop at Cottage Grove.

They decided to surface with "hot mix" asphaltic material an existing county road between the Mary White Bridge and the Pacific Freeway near Cottage Grove, a distance of less than a mile.

They voted not to close Emery Road (28th Street) near Springfield, although the contractor building an extension of Q Street there requested the closure during construction.

The commissioners also decided to call bids soon for the placement of "pit run" rock on the new Bloomberg Road. The road extends from the Pacific Highway to a present terminus at 30th Avenue and University Street in Eugene.

The county had originally planned to place crushed rock on the road, but the location of available rock supplies would delay the project too much, County Commissioner Kenneth Nielsen explained.

The pit run rock will be placed this summer. After traffic settles the rock surface for a year the road is expected to receive an asphalt surface next summer.

Capsule to Arrive

SEATTLE 37—The Friendship 7 space capsule in which Lt. Col. John Glenn orbited the earth three times last February will go on display at the Seattle World's Fair Aug. 6. The capsule will be located in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration exhibit.

Discontent Growing in Cuba

Sabotage, Shooting Acknowledged by Castro

By GEORGE ARFELD
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HAVANA—Recent statements by Fidel Castro and other government officials have acknowledged opposition to his regime through sabotage and shooting.

A number of militiamen and soldiers have fallen to counter-revolutionary bullets in the past few weeks. For the first time since the advent of the revolution, army troops on sentry duty are wearing steel helmets.

Saboteurs have struck at detergent plants and sugar cane fields, and also at places much closer to the consumer's com-

fort. Interior Trade Minister Manuel Lizardo has revealed one laundry establishment received 1,000 complaints in one month. Rebellious bus drivers were charged with stripping the gears of new Czech-made buses.

Discontent caused by an uneven rationing of food brought demonstrations in several provincial towns and the outskirts of Havana.

Castro took several days off from his Havana schedule and returned to his old center of operations, the area where he harrassed the forces of dictator Fulgencio Batista into defeat.

Revolution played it up in full styles. "Fidel Returns to the Hills," the headlines said. "I have rebelled again," the reporter quoted the bearded prime minister as saying.

In the hills Castro found many of the same irregularities that are plaguing his three-year-old revolution. Revolution told of peasants complaining about a lack of vaccines for their hogs, irregular supplies of clothing and footwear, and teachers and sanitary workers who only showed up twice or three times a week.

This, and more, was taking

place in Castro's own home province.

Castro's discovery of irregularities caused one magazine writer to ask: "It is possible that it has to be Fidel who fixes everything?"

In a speech to vacationing sugar mill workers Castro stated that only workers enrolled in the nationalized unions will enjoy the benefits of the state-owned beaches and resort hotels. He said even independent workers having no employees are not entitled to beach cabanas because they were "not working for society but for them-

selves."

Despite his familiar Marxist utterings a number of observers affirm Castro is in the process of shedding old Communists from his revolutionary cadres.

The process started four months ago, when Castro denounced Anibal Escalante, one of Cuba's three top Communists, as a "sectarian." He was shipped away to Czechoslovakia and nothing has been heard of him since. In the interim none of the leading Communists has made a published speech on ideological topics.

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Out the Other

DON BISHOP

Alligators suddenly burst into the news last week in Eugene, of all places. Lady sounded a protest against their sale in this area.

As is too often the case, the story was somewhat one-sided. Nobody asked the alligators what they think about the situation. The following interview is an attempt to correct that wrong.

Q. Your name, sir?

A. Well, suh, mah name is Cornpone.

Q. Are you the same alligator that caused all the furor around town?

A. No, suh, that was my cousin Brandywine. But (sniff), he's dead now. The Humane Society gassed him. Never thought there'd be all this fuss. Ah'm just an average Southern alligator—an' a pretty young one at that.

Q. Why did you come to Eugene from the South?

A. Man, Ah couldn't stand that heat down there. Ah mean all this stuff about us 'gators likin' warm climate is somewhat exaggerated. That's like sayin' a man lives in Eugene 'cause he likes rain. It ain't a matter of likin' it, it's a matter of adjustin' to it. Ah couldn't never adjust, so Ah decided to move Nawth.

Q. You mean you like the cool climate here?

A. Like it! Man, Ah revel in it. Ah'm writin' all my relatives back home to tell 'em what they're missin'. Uncle Joe would really have liked it here, but he's a suitcase now (sniff, sniff). 'Scuse me, Ah'm gettin' sentimental again.

Q. Quite all right. Is it true that you eat only fish?

A. Nonsense! Ah mean how would you like to go through your life eatin' fish just because some expert says you're supposed to? Man the only thing Ah like to eat is turnip greens, black-eyed peas, and hominy grits.

Q. How about eating people?

A. Oh well, Ah've been known to take a little nip occasionally, but usually it's something like Old Crow. That's a joke son.

Q. Are there many alligators left in the South?

A. Naw, not too many. More movin' nawth every day. With all this integration mess goin' on, they can't decide which side us green 'gators belong on. And what better place for a green alligator than the Emerald Empire?

Q. But you haven't exactly found yourselves welcome have you?

A. No, but Ah got an idea. Ah hear that in this new city hall they're gonna have a big pool outside the city council chambers. That sounds like a natchural place for an alligator. And Ah figure to earn my keep, too. Ah hear they got a pigeon problem. Man, if there's anythin' Ah love better than black-eyed peas, it's pigeons.

DEPT. OF INCIDENTAL INTELLIGENCE—The current treasurer of the sovereign state of Texas is a man named Jesse James.

BEFORE THE WEATHER turned cool last week a lady was walking past a men's living unit at the university on Alder Street. All of a sudden she spotted a woman apparently cooling herself in front of a half-open second floor window. Woman was clothed only in undergarments.

A double-take revealed, however, that it was only a semi-dressed manikin, apparently put there by a pranking student.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON'S News Bulletin carried a notice about changes in the campus telephone numbers. It read in part: "During the week beginning Monday, July 30, all 600 numbers will be changed to 1800s and all 700s to 1000s. During the week of August 6, all 200 numbers will be transferred to 1000s. The last two digits in all cases will remain the same."

Perhaps after reading over these instructions, the bulletin then added, "If you are unable to dial your number during this period, call the campus operator."

REMEMBER THE STORY a couple months back about the Eugene bachelor who lost a girl every time he went on vacation? Happened again—third time. This time he'd only gone to Coburg for a drink.