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They've Now Joined Up With the Enemy



THE KLAMATH MISUNDERSTANDING
On Tuesday we called attention here to the protest filed by the Klamath county court against a proposed exchange of land for timber recently put in process by The Shevlin-Hixon Company and the forest service.

We can best begin, perhaps, by quoting one of the Epley columns and here it is:
Back of the county court's protest against a proposed national forest land acquisition in Klamath county is a serious and growing concern over the extension of federal ownership of more and more Klamath county area.

The proposal against which the court protests is shown in a legal notice which has been running in The Herald and News for several weeks. The Shevlin-Hixon people, who own extensive stands of land in northern Klamath, in this proposition offer to the forest service about 16,000 acres, in exchange for an equal value of timber on national forest lands.

If you have been following this discussion you will be quick to note that in this comment by Epley he has failed to set forth the facts as they exist. We know him too well to have any thought that his errors in this connection are intentional.

Let it be noted, then, that the Klamath interest is in only 8,436 acres of forest land (some already cut-over) and not "about 16,000" as stated by Epley. It is, therefore, only these 8,436 acres that would be removed from the Klamath tax rolls if the transaction goes through.

Of course, the important fact is not the exact amount of the acreage involved but what the county would lose in taxes if these lands go off the roll. The loss would be negligible. The real loss—and an unavoidable one—takes place when the timber is cut. That cutting the county would never think of protesting.

Again, it is unfortunate that Epley fails to understand the meaning of the reservation of the right by the company, protested by the court, to enter upon the lands after the exchange and remove certain designated trees. No skulduggery, such as is suggested by the court's fourth point listed here yesterday, is involved.

This discussion is dragging itself out regrettably but we think it important to get the facts correctly presented. Tomorrow we shall try to conclude what we have to say on the subject.

Washington Column

By Peter Edson
(NRA Staff Correspondent)
Hard hitting, progressive Gov. Ellis Arnall of Georgia is scheduled to come to Washington Jan. 2 to argue in person a petition that the U. S. Supreme Court accept original jurisdiction over a suit the State of Georgia proposes to bring against 12 northern and eight southern railway systems, charging conspiracy through the Southern Freight association of Atlanta to fix freight rates which are unfair to Georgia and its citizens.

The spectacle of a governor arguing before the highest court of the land on behalf of the people of his state is unprecedented, but the case is important and of general interest for a number of other reasons:
Cases in which the Supreme Court accepts original jurisdiction before a lower court has taken action upon them are extremely rare.

If the Supreme Court accepts jurisdiction and hears the case, its decision may well break new ground in deciding the place of a state in the national economy and the state's rights in protecting its citizens.
In hearing evidence on whether it will accept jurisdiction the Supreme Court must necessarily hear evidence on the case itself and in making its decision the court will determine the law applying in the department of justice's pending suit on behalf of the federal government against the Western Association of Railroads, charging 47 lines with conspiracy to fix rates and suppress technological development.

So important is the Georgia case to the federal government that on Dec. 23 the department of justice is scheduled to file with the Supreme Court a brief seeking permission to enter the case as a friend of the court. Granting of this request might mean that Attorney General Francis Biddle would argue the case as joint counsel with Governor Arnall. Development of the case is, however, entirely Governor Arnall's idea as is the plan to petition the Supreme Court to accept original jurisdiction.

All the legal aspects of this suit are too complicated for the layman to understand. Over-simplifying the basis of the suit is that the state of Georgia, its ports, its commerce and its citizens are discriminated against and injured by freight rates arbitrarily determined by the Southern Freight association.

As an example, it is cited that

Moths Fly Out When French Embassy Opens, Says Scribe

By Frederick C. Othman
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
Washington, Dec. 28 (U)—Chipmunks, squirrels, moths and a dalmation coach hound with one eye blue and the other brown made it touch-and-go for a while, but the crisis has passed and I can report today that Ambassador Henri Bonnet is settled comfortably in the French embassy.
He nearly didn't make it. He nearly didn't have any embassy. The hungry fauna of Washington nearly chewed the place down.

The new ambassador, who got here from Paris Christmas day and who dropped by the state department yesterday with his credentials to prove he was no phony, has a mouthpiece with a French accent. The mouthpiece told me that all was well inside the vast stone embassy on Kalorama road. The moths are gone, the chipmunks have been locked out, the cockeyed coach hound disappeared with the fall of Vichy, the damage has been repaired and the joint has been aired.

The mouthpiece said furthermore that the French government has the highest regard for the Swiss government and isn't going to sue because of no nothing-proofing. The French never did intend to sue. Everybody loves everybody and how those reports got into print the mouthpiece does not know.

The trouble seems to be that the Vichy government had an ambassador here, Gaston Henri-Haye, and you know those Vichyites. Also he was a bachelor and you know bachelors. More interested in their stomachs, than in the parlor drapes.
This Henri-Haye never squirmed moth proofing on anything. He gave his coach hound with the variegated eyes the run of the house and when the squirrels came down the chimneys and the

chipmunks leaped the window sills, he thought it was funny. While the wild creatures were gnawing on the Louis XV furniture, M. Henri-Haye was on the long distance telephone making a deal as ambassador to sequester all the champagne, brandy, claret and burgundy aboard the French liner Normandie. He installed this first class drinking liquor in the cellars of the embassy months before the Normandie capsized and presumably some of it remains there.

Henri-Haye, in any events, was enjoying life and not worrying about moths when he suddenly found himself interred in a village in Pennsylvania. He got out of that embassy in a hurry. Didn't even lock the windows.

The Swiss took over, somebody draped the furniture with dust covers, and for nearly two years the French embassy housed no living thing except those that flew, gnawed, and crept down chimneys.
Last fall, as you doubtless remember, the Vichy government scrambled. The new government rushed Henri Hoppenot from Martinique to take over the embassy as chief of missions until the boys could pick another ambassador. When Mme. Hoppenot opened the front door, teh-teh-teh. Nevaire had the madame seen such a mess.

She swatted moths and called in exterminators. She sent the furniture out to be recovered and the tapestries to be mended. She redecorated the entire place and barely in time, at that. All is hunky-dory now and everybody, except maybe me, would prefer to forget M. Henri-Haye.
Whatever happened to M. Henri and his hound, nobody seems to know. They both got back to France. Then, like the moths, they vanished, too.

for Christmas, high school: "Night Before Christmas," Wanda Freeman; duet, "O Holy Night," Jarris Bliss and Audrey Freeman; pageant "The Holy Night," by high school.
Marvin Russell, Glavis Reid and Louise Shields are visiting at the home of L. B. Shields.

Marvin Jackson of Florence is spending his vacation with his mother Mrs. Vic Fern.
Mr. and Mrs. Alexander and Bernard were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vic Fern Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wansley and Mr. and Mrs. Posey and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warsback Sunday.

Marian Holmes is spending a few days in Shevlin visiting at the home of Charles Coffman.

Harold Still who has been stationed at Bremerton, Wash., is home visiting his family.

Word was received recently that Glen Miltenberger has been promoted to the rank of sergeant.

Andy Bromley is in Eugene this week at the bedside of his mother who is seriously ill.

Bend's Yesterdays
FIFTEEN YEARS AGO
(Tomato, come to Bend on business.
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sawyer of Silver Lake, visit Bend friends.
Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Grahman return from a trip to Portland.
BEND MEN HONORED
Two Bend men, Jack F. Burpee and Stanley G. Scott, are listed as single qualifiers in the Northern Life Insurance company's Tower club.
C. E. Stricklin, assistant state engineer and John Cunningham, Portland consulting engineer, arrive in Bend en route to Crane prairie to inspect the dam as a preliminary to granting irrigation districts permission to store water there.
Paul Hosmer, president of the Skyliners, reports that a new fall of snow will make the organization's toboggan slide near Sisters excellent for the coming Sunday.
In Redmond, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Floyd return to their home from the road camp near Lapine.
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dacey, 708 Broadway, announce that they have named their daughter, born Dec. 22, Mary Elizabeth.
Mr. and Mrs. Jess Harter of

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS
NORTH POLE
NORA—YOU LEAVE ME COLD...
WILL THAT PICTURE BE IN THE PAPER?
BUDDY, THIS PICTURE WILL SHOW THE WAR NEWS RIGHT OFF OF PAGE ONE!
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End-Of-Year Values for Warmth and Comfort
Now is the Time to Buy BLANKETS
Pendleton Blanket
89% wool full-sized blanket. Heavy weight—durable colors. 8.50
Pendleton White Blanket
100% wool white pieced blanket. Regular \$12.95 value. 8.95
Pendleton Pastel Blanket
100% wool—Pendleton's choicest blankets in soft pastel shades. 16.50 — 19.95
MATTRESS VALUES
Cotton Felted Mattress
A good value in 40 pound cotton felted mattress. 14.50
White Haven Mattress
Made by Simmons — a value in sleep comfort. 29.95
White King Mattress
Nationally known and advertised. A quality Simmons product. 39.50
Sealy Tuftless Mattress
A pillow for the tired body — same as prewar. 42.50
Certa Box Spring & Mattress
Famous Certa "7A" box spring and mattress to match. BOTH 79.00

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Miss Ruth Dorrell of Portland spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Dorrell.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Candle and family recently from Arkansas moved to Lapine last week.

Mr. and Mrs. DuLong of Portland spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. DuLong's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Howard.

John Hunter who injured his knee sometime back went to Portland for treatment. His brother Bob who lives near Portland brought him home for a short visit. They returned to Portland Sunday night.

Virginia Mae Peterson is spending her holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Peterson.

Carl Powell and sons went to Eugene Tuesday.

Jack Parker spent Christmas in Prineville at the home of his nephew, Welburn Parker.

J. C. Johnson went to Eugene Tuesday to spend his vacation making improvements on his farm near there.

Dan Monroe of Mitchell spent a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Billy James last week. Mr. and Mrs. Billy James and boys returned to Mitchell with him Sunday and spent Christmas at the home of her parents.

In 1941 when Dr. Best was ill for part of the session, Cornett thought he had his reapportionment bill "on ice." But the day it was up for a vote Senator Best returned to the session, took the floor against it, and when the vote was taken Cornett's bill lost by a considerable margin. Sen. Rex Ellis of Pendleton also opposed the bill, and when it comes to playing the political game in the senate it isn't safe to sell Ellis short.

Dr. Best was another senator who was a good hand in legislative poker. Things in which he was interested he usually had good success with, and he was always interested in matters concerning the wheat country and medicine and health especially. He will be missed when the senate is called to order next month, for he was held in general affection.

Venezuela expended over \$2,000,000 during the 1932-42 period for radio apparatus constructed in the United States.

500TH CROSSING FOR ATC
Presque Isle, Me. (U)—The Air Transport Command recently made its 500th Atlantic crossing between Maine and England.

CARS IN COLLISION
Both cars were damaged, but there were no personal injuries, when automobiles collided late yesterday at the intersection of McKay street and Riverside drive, police reports stated today. The machines were driven by Archie Gene Lellan, Bend, and Mrs. Lee Ogdon, 305 Riverfront, officers stated.

MUST QUALIFY WITH FISTS
With the Third Engineer Special Brigade, Somewhere in the Southwest Pacific (U)—Realism is the keynote in the Papuan infantry battalion, where the "toughest guy"—the native who can lick every other man in his unit—automatically becomes sergeant-major. Sergeant-majors, at any time, may be challenged by aspiring corporals.

Tower Starting Tonight



Scene from "Youth Runs Wild," one of the most daring, timely pictures of the year, with Bonita Granville Kent Smith and Jean Brooks.

Others Say ...

REAPPORTIONMENT?
(Salem Statesman)
The resignation of Dr. J. A. Best, veteran senator from Umatilla county, has the politicians over the divide stirred up a bit. The Umatilla county court will appoint a successor; but the stir now is whether Senator Marshall Cornett will be able to obtain a reapportionment which he attempted in 1941 to give the Klamath county additional representation in the senate at the expense of Umatilla-Union-Morrow counties.

By MERRILL BLOSSER
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