



Your move, Mr. K.

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Location of Oregon state parks depend on places of interest, not legislator's whim

We're sort of bothered by the implications in a question asked by state Rep. Beulah Hand of Clackamas county last week.

An interim committee of which Mrs. Hand is a member was discussing the state's park system with Chet Armstrong who — with an advisory board — runs the state's park program.

Why, she wanted to know, didn't the state set up some parks in her county?

The inference was that Clackamas was a big county, had a lot of people, who paid lots of gas taxes, and therefore a park or two should be established there, apparently on sort of a home-

town industry basis.

State parks should not be established on these grounds, or because some member of the legislature thinks it would be nice in a re-election campaign to speak at a park dedication.

Parks should be — and have been in the past — established near things people want to see or do.

State parks are established on this basis. The qualifications should not change at the whim of a legislator.

After all, some of the Multnomah county delegation might want some new parks in their territory. And those who charge the seers and doers in Portland would not like that at all.

It is time for a change in the weather

Autumn is fading today. Winter will officially begin Tuesday morning, December 22, as the sun creeps over the eastern rim of the high desert.

It is time for a change in the weather, even at the risk of ruining a possible all-time aridity record. Since the first of the year only 5.47 inches of moisture has been measured at the Bend station.

Never before in the nearly 60 years of weather observations in Bend has

such a low 11-month moisture mark been recorded.

Central Oregonians have enjoyed the dry, mild autumn, with its clear skies and mountain vistas free of clouds or smoke.

But it is time for a change. We humbly suggest to the weatherman that he arrange for this change to start with the official beginning of winter, about sunrise tomorrow morning.

Another voice against park proposal

We appreciate the recognition but loathe the proposal.

When a Californian recognizes the outstanding scenic grandeur of Oregon we're surprised and pleased, but no sooner does this occur than he wants to busybody around with it.

David Simons is highly impressed with Oregon's middle Cascades, he says in the October issue of the Bulletin of the Sierra Club, the west's major mountain climbing and outdoor organization. Then he goes on to propose that the whole, huge mountain area plus its slopes on both sides be put under the National Park Service.

We generally like the idea of a National Park along the Oregon Coast, quibbling only on details, but such a park for a huge area of the Cascades is preposterous.

This is the area which now includes five protected recreation areas, the Mt. Jefferson Primitive Area, the Mt. Washington Wild Area, the Three Sisters Wilderness Area, the Waldo Lake Limited Area and the Diamond Peak Wild Area. These and nearly all the land surrounding them now are administered — and generally very well — by the U. S. Forest Service.

This, to our mind, is easily one of the best family recreation areas in the whole country.

It has nearly a dozen peaks for climbers, beginner through expert. It has half a hundred lakes, ranging from alpine ponds of striking beauty to big, white-capped lakes such as Waldo whose far sides blur in the distance. It has family car camps by the dozens, such as the Metolius or at Elk Lake, and remote camps at the edge of the

snowfields for the strong of leg. It also has, along its lower slopes, grazing lands on the east and logging country in the west.

It's an area ideal for multiple (and compatible) uses, and the U. S. Forest Service is at its best handling large, unspecialized areas. The U. S. Park Service is geared to single-use compact areas.

What improvement could be had in shifting from one federal agency to another is beyond us. And the less improvement the better, generally speaking. This is a vast area where there still is space for a person to do generally as he likes, and minimum supervision is a virtue.

Nor should the resources — from timber to game — be locked away when their harvesting is compatible with other uses. Perhaps some day population will indicate that the maximum use for the area is a single use, recreation, and then this proposal would have more merit. But that's a couple of decades away, even by our unconservative estimate.

Meanwhile we'll identify our own fauna and flora without the aid of a ranger and bump over unspalted roads — happily, — (Salem Capital Journal)

Quotable quotes

The youngsters are perfect imitators — they speak Russian like Russians. — Andre K. Anastasian, a Russian-born insurance man, on his teaching of Russian to elementary school students.

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Conflict of interests plague Ike, Mohammed

By Drew Pearson

(Editor's Note: Drew Pearson continues his series on the problems facing President Eisenhower today, this time with the story of King Mohammed of Morocco.)

EN ROUTE — Two men, both with divided objectives and emotions, will sit down opposite each other tomorrow in the beautiful emerald-tiled Throneroom in ancient Rabat.

King Mohammed V of Morocco, lineal descendant of the prophet, will be divided between his own personal friendship for the United States and the strident demands of his subjects that he push American military bases into the sea.

President Eisenhower will be divided by knowledge that these bases have been the most important in the world for the U.S.A., second to none except that in Thule, Greenland. They have been a pistol at the Kremlin's head, with B-47 bomber crews on night-and-day alert ready to take off Moscow-ward, each with as much explosive power as all the bombs, all the shots detonated in World War II.

These are the bases the White House has referred to when Russia was threatened with immediate retaliation in case of war.

Yet, the President also knows: 1. — That the new intercontinental ballistic missile, which fires 5,000 miles, will make these Moroccan bases obsolete; 2. — That his better relations with Khrushchev will permit him to save half-a-billion on these bases — if those relations continue.

Nevertheless, as a military man, he would like the right to keep those bases hitherto so vital to American defense.

Picturesque monarch

When the King granted me an audience some time ago, he sat on a low golden throne dressed in white flowing robes which left only his hands and face exposed. He had just ridden to prayers on a white mule harnessed in red leather. A golden umbrella was held over him, as black Moroccan troops riding on white horses, with red harnesses and red fez, escorted him to the mosque. It was a picturesque and beautiful spectacle of an old world monarch in old world surroundings, in a country where the most modern weapons of war were based for retaliatory attack.

"In the past," the King told me, "my ancestors had excellent relations with the United States. Unfortunately, they were disrupted for a time by certain problems, but I am happy that we are closer together again."

The King spoke with sincerity. But the strident voice of Arab nationalism has become stronger and stronger in Morocco. So has the voice of Moroccan democracy. Both voices cry with a single objective — oust the U.S. Air Force.

Mohammed V is one of the more moderate rulers of North Africa. Times have changed since his ancestor, Sultan Moulay Isma'il, practiced the technique of mounting a horse and cutting off a slave's head simultaneously.

Mohammed V still keeps two wives behind veils and under wraps, but his handsome daughters swim in bikinis on the beaches near Rabat, with U. S. airmen and young Mohammedans fluttering round them. The King is a devoted father, gentle, pious, works hard at the job of ruling Morocco which he loves, but not hard at the job of shaving which he hates. He likes to drive his own car and on occasion bowls with his cook.

Friend of FDR

Mohammed V has been working at the job of ruling Morocco — intermittently — ever since he was eighteen. Intermittent interruptions were caused by the French, who picked him over an elder brother in the first place because they figured he would be easier to handle. They were wrong. They were so wrong that in 1953 they had to banish Mohammed to Madagascar, then bring him back when French rule over Morocco went to pot.

When he came back the independence of Morocco was proclaimed. The French are still there, but on sufferance. Their status is less certain than that of the United States.

Many Moroccans have a soft spot in their hearts for the USA, because it was Franklin D. Roosevelt, meeting with Churchill in Casablanca in 1943, who insisted that Mohammed, then Sultan, be given an audience. And despite Churchill's frowns, FDR there-with gave Morocco a push toward nationalism.

That push was carried so far that Mohammed's own party, the Istiqlal, claim he isn't achieving the "revolution." They want faster reform and the American Air Force out. The Air Force pumps about \$50,000,000 a year into the Moroccan economy; directly or indirectly employs 10,000 Moroccans; also wins \$40,000,000 of outright economic aid for Morocco. On the whole American troops are well-behaved and relations excellent.

But that makes no difference. The politicians want American troops out. So the huge U. S. supply base at Nouasseur and the strategic bomber base at Sidi Slimane, where B-47 bomber crews are so much on the alert that they have to go to the barbershop together, are now getting ready to pack up. Unless Ike's talk with the gentle-voiced monarch with the will of steel changes things, they will be gone in 1960.

Note — Eisenhower caught a cold and was confined to his bed when Mohammed V paid his state visit to Washington in 1957. He was able to confer with the King for only about ten minutes. The meeting in Rabat, therefore, will be their first real chance to get acquainted.

Iranian Shah takes bride

TEHRAN, Iran (UPI) — Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi married dark-eyed Farah Diba today in a simple Moslem ceremony that transformed the beautiful ex-bobby-soxer into her imperial majesty, the Queen of Iran.

The setting was one of great Oriental splendor, splashed by the glitter of Facch's diamonds, but the ceremony which touched off vast celebrations throughout the land took only a moment.

Three times a Moslem priest asked Farah if she would take the Shah as her husband. The one-time Paris college student answered "yes" finally and the Shah slipped a plain gold band on her hand. That was it.

It was the Shah's third marriage. His first two marriages were dissolved when his wives failed to bear him a male heir to his peacock throne.

The handsome Shah and the beautiful dark-eyed, chestnut-haired Farah were married in the Hall of Mirrors in the Shah's imposing marble palace.

HOPE ON TOUR

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Comedian Bob Hope took off Sunday for his eighth Christmas tour of military bases. Hope and his troupe will visit Army, Navy and Air Force installations in Alaska to entertain American servicemen.

Letters --

to the Editor

To the Editor:

I have read your editorial commenting on the criticism which has been leveled at the Red Hat Days program by Cecil Edwards, secretary of the Oregon Cattle-men's Association.

As a one-time farmer and stockman, I can sympathize completely with Mr. Edwards and his frustration in dealing with hunter problems which beset the cattlemen. The deprivations of what he has called "slob hunters" are indefensible.

There are, however, some serious flaws in Mr. Edwards' reasoning, which seems to run like this: An increase in the number of hunters has occurred, causing some problems for landowners. At the same time, a Red Hat Days program has been underway. Because two things occur or exist at the same time, one must be the cause of the other. Therefore, Red Hat Days must have caused the increase in hunters and additional pressures on landowners.

Great thinkers have repeatedly pointed out the fallaciousness of such reasoning. Because two events occur at the same time is no indication that they are related as to cause and effect.

A steady increase in hunters afield has occurred in states and areas where no Red Hat Days program exists. The increase has been nationwide. More and more people are participating in outdoor sports, probably as a result of improved standard of living, some leisure time, and a desire to get away from living pressures in crowded centers of population.

I would also call attention to the following: A number of industrial free farmers have reported much improved hunter conduct since the Red Hat Days program went into effect. The state supervisor of the Bureau of Land Management reported this year: "We believe it (Red Hat Days) has been of real value and that its accumulative effect will increase in the future." A staff member of the Game Commission states: "General hunter conduct as measured by reports received continues to improve in many areas in spite of added hunting pressures."

Red Hat Days may not control all the "slob hunters." It was never conceived as a cure-all. But it does serve a real purpose. Each year it reminds the thinking outdoorsman to be careful with fire and firearms, to be law abiding, to live up to his responsibilities to the landowner. It reminds thinking sportsmen that they can continue to enjoy hunting privileges only so long as hunters follow the rules of true sportsmanship. It stimulates sportsmen's organizations to impress this upon their members. It educates our youth on the principles of good sportsmanship.

Results of the program may be difficult to measure. But there is evidence that it has made many a hunter more careful in his conduct afield. As your writer ably pointed out, damage might have been worse had there been no Red Hat Days program.

But hunter-caused damage to property continues to occur. Some hunters are not touched by appeals to reason and the cause of good sportsmanship.

Perhaps extremely strict enforcement of trespass laws and tough penalties for those who cause damage to property is needed to control the bad actors. Unless some better method of con-

trolling these events is developed soon, sportsmen eventually will be faced with fee hunting. Charges will be made by landowners to permit hunting on their property. Hunters will be signed in and out, and the costs of running such a control program will be a part of the hunting fee. Many sportsmen will chafe under such a system. But if they want to prevent it, they had better act fast to control the vandals who give all hunters a bad reputation. Landowners cannot be expected to accept without protest the hunter-caused damage that occurs year after year.

If sportsmen will not police their own numbers, they will be policed by others. And, finally, many of the hunting privileges they now enjoy will be withdrawn and denied them.

Irvin H. Luiten
 Portland, Oregon,
 Dec. 17, 1959

To the Editor:

Earlier this week there was a letter to the editor in regard to a scuffle in which some of Bend High School basketball players were involved, which they tried to avoid. I would like to congratulate these boys for their effort in trying to avoid the incident.

I do however take offense at the copy of the letter sent by those who wrote it having been sent to Bend Aerie No. 2099 Fraternal Order of Eagles, who would in no way be involved if as the story goes, the dance was held at Lakeview Eagles.

Having been a member of the Eagles for over 28 years and at one time chairman of the Youth Guidance Committee, why throw stones at innocent people.

The information I have is that the Lakeview Eagles were in no way involved as sponsors of this dance, nor was it held at the Lakeview Eagles home. My understanding is that the principal of the Senior High School now has this same information, and has had it since yesterday, why has this charge involving the Lakeview Eagles not been retracted. I

Silverton girl dies in crash

SILVERTON (UPI) — Jeanette Kasser, 16, Silverton, was killed Saturday afternoon in a one-car accident on the Silver Creek Falls highway five miles south of Silverton.

Marion county sheriff's officers said the girl apparently lost control of the car on a curve and it plowed into a telephone pole.

Officer said the girl lived with her parents at Star Route box 61-A, Silverton.

She was alone in the car when the accident happened and headed north toward Silverton.

MISSING MAN

PORT ORFORD (UPI) — Search was continuing today for James Cook, local fisherman, who failed to return from a crab fishing trip Friday aboard his boat Ella May. The boat was last reported seen Friday evening.

think if the Bulletin were given this information it would have been printed as a news item. The letter of condemnation was sent in a hurry, why not the letter of retraction.

Morris Rothkow

Bend, Oregon,
 Dec. 18, 1959

To the Editor:

During World War II, I was stationed at Camp Abbot, near your town.

During my stay of approximately a year, I was taken into the homes of a number of the residents of your town and in some cases treated as a member of the family. I have never forgotten the hospitality shown me, during those war years.

Last summer, I had the opportunity to revisit your community and renew friendship with some of your fine citizens.

During the entire four years, I was in the service I never fared so well as I did in Bend. Your people have lived up to the town motto of "Fare Well," for which I shall be forever grateful. I thank you Bend, for your friendship and hospitality.

George W. Altman

Akron, Ohio,
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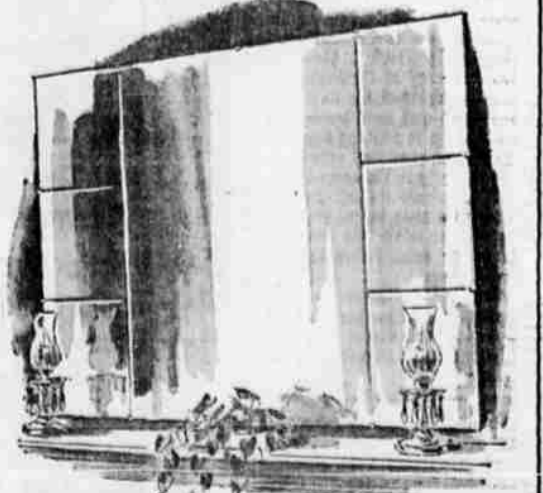
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