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## On Earthquakes, Jet Planes and Ned Norton

Last week in the Fossil Journal there appeared this following observation by Ned Norton of Mitchell, the Sage of Wheeler county, who compiles copious quantities of news and other information for the editors of the Fossil Journal, the Condon Globe Times and the Central Oregonian of Prineville (with whom he is in almost constant running battle). His comments were:

"There is the making of a mighty nice Donnybrook over to the northeast. The Heppner editor says it was an earthquake, the Condon editor says not so—it was a jet plane. If this thing develops as I hope, about the next earthquake or cracking of the sound barrier will be a couple of editorial heads coming together over in the Gooseberry area."

Now, first of all, we rather doubt that in all his time in Mitchell, the Wheeler county news gatherer has had one opportunity to observe at first hand, a real, genuine earthquake. We'll admit that on several occasions there have been some ground shaking occurrences take place in that fine city, at least according to his reports, but we seriously question that any of them were real earthquakes.

Secondly, we are forced to admit that we missed Condon editor, Dick Zita's comments about our earthquake, but we take it for granted that Mr Norton speaks the truth when he says that Zita called our earthquake a jet plane

breaking the sound barrier.

Now—in defense of our position (which, by the way, we can prove by means of our files), we never made the statement that what we felt was an earthquake—but we THOUGHT maybe it was! And, to back us up, we have the statements of several fine residents of Heppner and Lexington who are experts on such stuff—people who went through a flock of southern California quakes and should know what they're talking about, and others who rattled around in that one a few years ago that shook up Seattle and Olympia, Washington, and Portland, Oregon, (we personally took that one in, by the way) so we've got some backing for our side. Several of these citizens also say that we had an earthquake, and this editor certainly isn't going to question the integrity of his local citizenry.

We've heard jet planes breaking the sound barrier—in fact there have been close to a dozen of them rattle the windows around here during the past week, so that's nothing new to us. But, if our earthquake was a jet plane, it's the first one that ever went over Heppner and shook the ground, moved chairs and tables, stopped clocks, etc, and still didn't make a sound.

If Mr Norton can give us a logical explanation for that, we'll give consideration to his comments.

Besides, what's he trying to do? Start a fight?

## ODD ENDS—

### AND, ON DREAMING!

Tuesday, the East Oregonian editor Bud Forrester, had a very interesting item in his "Of Cabbages and Kings..." column in which he discussed at considerable length the new calendars, some of their styles and their art. Much of it we have to agree with, but he made one statement in which he gave himself away. We've known Bud for quite a while, but we didn't have

any idea that he was going down hill so fast until we read this paragraph:

"... It probably would be well for us to get off the United Air Lines calendar kick this year. Maybe we should try a Northern Pacific calendar diet for a year. Come to think of it, one of the nude lady calendars would be a good change. We could look at one of those without dreaming..."

It's the last couple of sentences that disturbs us. We didn't think Bud had gotten that old!

## From The County Agent's Office

By N C ANDERSON

From time to time we have questions asked about brush spraying. A lot of the inquiries comes in the summer time, when for some reason or another, conditions are not just right for spraying brush. For those who might not have been able to spray during the summer or those who are planning to do some spraying in the next year or two, we might suggest that now is a good time to get this underway. In spraying undesired brush during the winter period, the only change from summer spraying is the method of application—and the carrier for the spray. When leaves are on the brush, water is used as a carrier for the active spray materials. When leaves are off the brush, and for certain brush species, oil is substituted for water, and the spray is applied principally to the stems and trunks of the plant. This is commonly called basal spraying. The usual mixture for basal spraying is 20 to 25 gallons of oil, plus 4 pounds, usually 1 gallon of Ester of 2,4,5,T or a 50-50 mixture of the two. The advantages of basal spraying are: 1. Longer spray season for brush control, 2. brush can be sprayed when susceptible crops are dormant, or before they are planted, 3. lower pressure sprayers can be used.

Basal spray the lower two to three feet brush of the tree. Enough spray should be used to reach the ground line at the base of the plant. Cut stump spraying is another common spray method. This method is generally used for larger trees,

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## THIRTY YEARS AGO

From the files of the Gazette-Times  
December 19, 1929

A snow storm, which began locally at an early hour Wednesday morning, resulted in much temporary inconvenience by wrecking electric light lines and telephone lines.

Buster Gentry, Lexington, a sophomore at Oregon State College, was formally recognized for his act of heroism in successfully stopping a run away artillery team during mounted drill December 9. The team became frightened and threw both lead and wheel drivers.

David and William Hynd and Miss Annie Hynd were visitors in Heppner from Rose Lawn farm in Sand Hollow Monday.

Ionites attending the mass meeting of Veterans held at Heppner Friday evening were Mr and Mrs E G Sperry, Mr and Mrs Walter Corley, Mr and Mrs John Ferris, Mr and Mrs Blain Blackwell, Mr and Mrs Lee Beckner, Chas Dane and Jack Whitesides.

through Cascade Meat Company at Salem on a carcass yield basis. Recently a total of 229 hogs were shipped by ten owners in the cooperative with all but 22 head grading number 1. In this shipment Kenneth Smouse had 13 Palouse hogs which all graded No 1. I think that Morrow county can be proud of its hog production, the efficient high gaining meat type hogs which have been developed here over a relatively short time of interest in much hog production. Several months ago 19 hogs exhibited by 4-H club members at the Morrow county fair all graded U S No 1. Breeding from a good many of these were from hogs bred by Kenneth Smouse. Surely our hog producers are to be congratulated on this constant improvement.

Tests at Kansas show how fast-gaining bulls pay their way. Three closely related bulls with different gain records were mated to uniform groups of cows.

plon heifers and the price of his bulls consigned topped the average of the sale. One of his bulls brought the top price of the sale beating both the grand and reserve champion bull prices. The quality of these and others consigned from Morrow county at this show and sale were considerably above average. Several of these bulls were purchased and brought back to Morrow county by our breeders to improve their commercial herds.

Kenneth Peck, Lexington and Kenneth Smouse, Ione are members of the swine marketing cooperative almost a year ago with swine growers from Morrow and Umatilla counties participating. Hogs are assembled at the Hermiston livestock auction yards and shipped each week. At present all hogs are marketed



## MARK TO STAY ON JOB

Gov Mark Hatfield made a direct statement Wednesday that he has no intention of running against Sen Richard L. Neuberger in 1960, "despite encouragement from both sides of the political fence."

Gov Hatfield added he and Democratic Sen Neuberger must work in harmony next year and "he and I should have no disruption of working relations."

Both the governor and the senator are anti-liberal in their respective political parties.

Gov Hatfield put the pointer on his elimination of free loaders from the welfare rolls, reduced the staffs of the tax commission

Here's how they passed their gaining ability on to their offspring: Calves from the slow gainer put on 1.81 pounds per day; from the medium gainer 1.94 pounds per day; from the fast gainer 2.07 pounds per day.

The "Rough Riders" Heppner 4-H Saddle Horse club will meet Sunday, December 20, 1959 at 2:00 P M at the county fair grounds in the annex building. All those boys and girls 9 to 21 years old who are interested in joining the club should be at the annex by 2:00 Sunday afternoon. Officers for the club will be elected.

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and department of employment. Between the first and second quarters of this year, he said, welfare payments decreased \$1,800,000, contrasted with only a reduction of \$181,000 at the same time a year ago.

## OPPOSE SALES TAX

The first plank in the platform of the Oregon Democratic party will be complete opposition to a general sales tax. This was decided early Saturday morning at the first meeting of state committeemen at which their new State Chairman Robert W. Straub presided.

Apparently settled at the Salem meeting was the vitriolic question of division of money from Portland fund-raising dinners. A transitory plan would give Multnomah County one third credit, the state organization another third and the counties which bought the tickets would get the other third.

A \$5-a-plate banquet at the Salem Armory honored Straub, a Lane County senator, Saturday night when he called for a \$50,000 fund to revitalize the party. He said he viewed very seriously the challenge of the party in 1960.

## ENTICE NOT LURE

A change in objective, procedures and top executives for the Oregon Planning and Development Department was completed Monday when Gov Mark Hatfield confirmed the appoint-

ment of Robert H. Tarr as acting director.

Julius R. Jensen, who became first director of the department two years ago when he came to Oregon from Iowa, now is (Continued on Page 6)

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**IONE BIBLE CHURCH**  
Rev James W. Riley, pastor  
10:30 a. m. Combined Bible school and church services  
6:30 p. m. Youth Fellowship.  
7:30, Thursday, Bible study and prayer fellowship.  
Services are temporarily being held in Rev Riley's home on 2nd St., the former Elmer Holtz residence.

**HEPPNER BAPTIST MISSION**  
Eld. Gordon Harris, supply pastor  
at Degree of Honor Lodge room every Sunday.

Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
Church services, 11 a. m.  
Mid week Bible study and training, Wednesday, 7:30 in homes.

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Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 in the homes.

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