

PLANNED HARVEST IS OUTLOOK FOR OREGON'S TIMBER

Transition From Wasteful Methods to Management Coming None Too Soon

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Salem, Ore.—(U.P.)—Oregon, with the largest stand of marketable timber of any state in the Union, today is in the middle of transition from the early destructiveness of unplanned cutting to a planned forest management program, designed to put timber on a "crop" rather than an exploitable resource basis.

The massive stands of Douglas fir and yellow pine, two chief lumber producers of the state, are now perhaps the greatest wealth the state possesses. In the early days of settlement, the necessity was to get rid of the trees which stood in the way of agriculture and homesteading.

Time For Plan
But now, with forest fires taking huge sections of land out of production, and with irresponsible lumbering methods of the past having decimated large tracts, the time has come, in the opinion of many men who know the problems best, to substitute a planned forest management, a scheme which will make timber a permanent asset, a crop which can be harvested and regrown. Main obstacle in the way of this planned harvest is the long period needed for the maturation of the trees. It is beyond the financial resources of the small, independent lumberman to let large tracts of land stand idle while the trees grow to marketable size. As a result the emphasis will shift more and more to the big companies, which with hundreds of thousands of acres upon which to draw, can put what is demanded on a rotation scheme, while the younger stands are growing.

Protection Possible
Still another solution to the problem is increased public ownership of timber land, both by the state and federal government. In this way much lumber could be protected from irresponsible logging methods. In his recent speech to the governor's convention in Hershby, Pennsylvania, Oregon's governor Earl Snell pointed out that in the country there are 214,000,000 acres of saw timber. With adequate management, he said, this area is sufficient to produce annually more timber than has ever been cut in the United States in a year, and this without permanently destroying any timber producing possibilities.

This would, however, require a coordinated plan, and would need the cooperation of all agencies, including private ownership.

Management Lacking
The National Lumber Manufacturers association, in a recent survey, reported upon the present status of privately owned land, nearly half of it, or 47.5 per cent, the survey showed, is less than adequately managed and less than 40 per cent stocked, 29.6 per cent is managed for continuous production and is 40 to 80 per cent stocked, 16.6 per cent is managed in line with modern forest practices and is almost completely stocked, 80 to 100 per cent. Only 6.3 per cent of the land is wholly unproductive. The problem of creating adequately managed forestry practices is far from solved. But it is the hope of forestry officials forward looking lumbermen and all those who love the unequalled forests of Oregon, that in the near future a constructive and permanent policy can be found and maintained.

SUGAR STAMP 32 GOOD FOR 5 LBS. JUNE 16TH
Washington, June 7.—(U.P.)—The Office of Price Administration today announced that sugar stamp 32 in war ration book four will become valid on June 16 for five pounds of sugar for an indefinite period.

WEATHER
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SCARLET FEVER AT SAME LEVEL

Scarlet fever has remained at the same level in Jackson county the past two weeks, according to the weekly communicable disease report by Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health director, with six cases the week ending May 26 and six reported the week ending May 19. The week prior to that 15 new cases were reported. Of the 12 cases reported for the past two weeks, five were in Medford, three in Rogue River and one each in Ashland, Gold Hill, Lone Pine and Phoenix.

Thirty-six cases of measles were reported during the past two weeks, with 19 cases from Phoenix, nine from Medford, five from Gold Hill, two from Camp White and one from the Agate district. But 11 of the cases were reported last week, and 25 the previous week. One case of meningitis was reported at Camp White during the week ending May 26. For the week ending June 2 the report shows, in addition to the measles and scarlet fever, one case of pneumonia, two of tuberculosis, six cases of recurrent malaria, all at Camp White, seven cases of gonorrhea and two of syphilis.

MORE MEAT ON AMERICAN PLATES

Chicago, June 7.—(U.P.)—Meat consumption among the country's 128,000,000 consumers will average 145 pounds this year, compared to 137 pounds in 1943, George M. Lewis, director of the department of marketing of the American Meat Institute said today.

Lewis told the National Association of Retail Grocers that the anticipated increase of eight pounds of meat per capita will be mostly in beef, with pork second and small increases in veal and lamb.

Armed forces and lend lease are taking more than one quarter of all the meat which is being produced in record volume, Lewis said.

Sergeant Bushnell In Crew of Lucky Liberator Bomber

7th AAF Headquarters, Central Pacific—"Lady" is one of the luckiest planes in the world in the opinion of Staff Sergeant Melvin C. Bushnell, 838 Dakota avenue, Medford, Ore.

"Lady" is a 7th AAF Liberator which has been in the thick of Central Pacific bombing warfare on the Japs and has but four scars to show as a result of her 27 missions.

Bushnell, who is returning home on furlough after completing 30 missions in the Central Pacific, disclosed that "Lady" was hit by flak only three times and but once by a Jap 7.7 slug. None of the holes were over a half dollar around, he said.

"Lady" again was lucky when she landed with only two engines functioning at Makin. The crew had been prepared for a water landing but the gas lasted just long enough to get home.

Again, on her 13th mission, one over Maloclap, when she and her formation was attacked by 40 Zeros, "Lady" was lucky. She shot down three Zeros and rang up three "probables" and escaped unharmed. She also fought off 40 Zeros on another occasion and a batch of 25 on a trip over Wake.

Bushnell is the son of Mrs. Mary Bushnell of Medford.

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TWO LEAVING FOR DUTY WITH WACS

Soon to leave Medford for active duty with the Women's Army Corps are Irene Chetwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Chetwood, Rt. 4, Box 168, and Mrs. Helen M. Peterson, 121 Tripp St., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rothchild, Seattle, Wash. Miss Chetwood graduated from Burns Union high school in 1940. She has been employed by the Oregon-Washington Telephone and Telegraph company. She was a member of the 4-H and the Grange for four years. Mrs. Peterson attended school in Elmira, N. Y. Her husband is with the 18th Reconnaissance, Camp Maxey, Paris, Texas. She has been assigned to the Air Transport Command at Long Beach, Cal.

Both enlisted in the WAC to serve with the Army Air Corps.

LESS NEWSPRINT YEAR'S PROSPECT

Washington, June 7.—(U.P.)—A War Production Board newsprint industry consultant warned today that there may be further reductions in newsprint allotments before the end of the year and that no assurance can be given of any relaxations on restrictions in the use of printing materials. Leon A. Link, consultant in the newspaper section of WPB's printing and publishing division, said in a WLB weekly business review that "there are signs that point" to still further newsprint cuts in 1944.

ARTIST JOHN HIX PASSES SUDDENLY

Hollywood, June 7.—(U.P.)—John Hix, United Features Syndicate artist who rose from a paper boy to creator of the internationally-known "Strange As It Seems" cartoon, died today of a heart attack. He was 36.

Hix, who was stricken last night, had been in failing health for the past four years, his brother, Eugene, said.

The cartoonist started on the Greenville, S. C., News when he was in his teens, delivering papers by day and drawing his strips by night.

In March, 1928, when he was 20 years old, he started his "Strange As It Seems" cartoon, which attained world-wide coverage in 10 years. The strip was later made into 45 film shorts and approximately 600 radio shows.

Toastmasters To Continue Sessions Through Summer

At an outdoor meeting Monday night the Medford Toastmasters' club voted unanimously to stay in session during the summer months.

"Stay at Home" vacations and the possibility of assisting in the war effort were prime factors influencing the club to continue sessions.

Robert Kyle acted as toastmaster and Ray Pence was topicmaster.

Otto De Jarnett gave a ten-minute talk on the "Possibilities of a Wonderful Vacation in Our Own Back Yard—The Rogue River Valley."

Dr. A. A. Soule talked for seven minutes on "Why Worry?" As a conclusion to his talk Dr. Soule gave an original bit of verse.

Tony Manno was critic for the evening.

Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m. — Too Late to Classify, 12:30 p. m.

EX-SHOWGIRL WOULD DIVORCE DIXIE DAVIS

Hollywood, June 7.—(U.P.)—Ex-showgirl Hope Dare, who pledged undying love to Richard "Dixie" Davis when he was disbarred and jailed in the New York trial of racketeer Dutch Schultz, today asked for a divorce, charging cruelty.

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HEALTH QUIZ

Do you have poor digestion? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Do you feel headachy after eating? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Do you get sour or upset easily? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Do you feel tired—listless? ☐ YES ☐ NO

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