

Comment On This and That

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Washington, June 1—(U.P.)—These days, if you have something on a string—like a puppet—you're in the chips.



Harman Nichols is a professional writer for the United Press, and he is the author of the column "A Nichols' Worth of—".

Overseas, it's about the same. Anybody who can master the art of making a doll behave on the other end of a string can make a fancy living.

I talked to the research people at the National Geographic society and found that the use of puppets is so ancient that the origin has been lost in the shuffle.

Early Hindus, Egyptians, Greeks and Romans used hand-made dolls that moved and acted like people.

The legend in China is that a puppet presentation for the emperor was made a thousand years or so before the birth of Christ. That performance must have

been a dandy. It is said that the guy behind the scenes was so good at his job that the emperor got sore as hops because he thought the puppets were flirting with some of his wives.

Sentenced To Death
The head man of China, the legend goes, had the show's master sentenced to death. The execution was called off when the puppets were torn to pieces to show they had nothing evil on their minds.

The Geographic people say that the first movies were the ancient puppet show plays of China and Java. In the Japanese "waving" which is still done for the island's folks, little leather figures act out legends and myths in shadows cast by a bright light on a cloth screen.

In some place the puppet is more important than people.

Thousands of puppet companies now are said to be operating in Europe and a lot of them have government money behind them. (Their own money, I hope.)

Ballet Featured
Take Paris, Geneva, London, Moscow, Prague, Milan, Antwerp, Brussels, and other spots. There you'll find puppet theaters featuring ballets, operas, tragedies, funny shows, and plays.

And in Salzburg, which is famed for fine music, one set of string-holders right now is doing an acceptable job with a full orchestra and opera stars filling in as people who support dummies.

Here at home, wandering companies of puppets are on record as far back as the middle 1700's. They didn't go over so hot at first. There was a pickup in business around the 20th century.

The country now has some puppet-making factories, which turn out thousands of toy actors. There's gold in those strings.

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Forester Urges Fire Preparation By Local Loggers

A move to mobilize the logging industry in the vicinity of Medford into a quick-striking and effective fire-fighting force to combat fires this summer was urged this week by W. D. Hagenstein, chief forester for the forest conservation committee of the Pacific Northwest Forest Industries.

Every local logging operator is urged by the forest leader to prepare his operation for any emergency in case of fire.

Hagenstein outlined a four-point action program for each logging unit: (1) Prepare a fire-fighting plan for each camp; (2) assign each logger to a specific job to be ready when a fire starts; (3) see that there are plenty of tools for every logger (axes, shovels, power saws) and that they are kept handy and in good shape where every man knows their location; and (4) have fire drills at regular intervals to accustom men to speed.

Should Post Warnings
"Every operator or logging boss," Hagenstein urged, "should post his camp with fire warning signs. He should work with his crews to get their full cooperation. He should insist on every man in camp being careful with fire."

The logging industry of western Washington and Oregon must take the lead, the forester warned, in this fire prevention program if we are to get the fullest support from the general public for Keep Oregon and Washington Green.

"Loggers got a lot of slash burned last fall," Hagenstein stated. "There is every indication we will have a good seed year. Any unnecessary forest fires could destroy our chances for natural reseeding of tens of thousands of acres of stump stubble. The industry and the public have too big a stake in reforestation to permit upsetting this program with useless man-caused forest fires."

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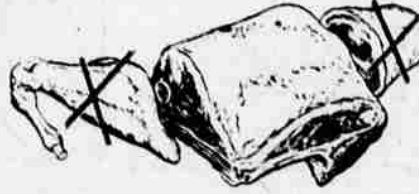
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