



LEAVING THOUSANDS HOMELESS after killing hundreds of residents, major earthquakes demolish scores of towns and villages on Ionian Islands of Zante, Ithaca and Cephalonia, Greece. Ruined buildings are in Vathy, capital of Ithaca. (International Soundphoto)

OUT OF THE WOODS

By Jim Stevens

More History Notes . . .

The early movement and root-taking of Caucasoid civilization in the Pacific Northwest was inspired and sustained by the opportunities to do business and earn wages by trading with the Indians for furs. The power of enterprise brought on Spanish adventurers from California and Mexico, Russian promyshkenniki, English tars, old salts from Boston, Scotch woodsmen, French and Iroquois rivermen. Some were noble and hale. Many were drunken, diseased, lawless and mad.

The white shadow fell with great evil on the native Indians in places, and they returned evil for it. The tragedy of the Tonquin remains as the most terrible example.

But in the main, white enterprise brought goods and good will to the region. Romance flowered at every post. The children of white and Indian parentage were guarded and cared for as wards of Hudson's Bay Company. In time their education became a company concern. There was peace. There was growth of the soil. So the land was learned, the trails were made and the people were won over long before the covered wagons came.

Founding Father . . .

In 1918, with the Northwest Company's establishment of Fort Nez Perce (Fort Walla Walla), a joint occupancy of the Oregon Country was agreed on by the United States and Great Britain. Three years later Sir George Simpson of the Hudson's Bay Company brought the Nor'westers into his camp. It was not until 1824 that Governor Simpson led a river brigade for the Pacific Northwest.

On the trail Simpson's brigade overtook a party that was captained by a surgeon who stood six feet and four inches and carried 200 pounds of bone and tough brawn. The doctor-captain's name was John McLough-

lin. He was chosen by Simpson for chief factor of the new Columbia River post, Fort Vancouver. The Company's Western headquarters were moved there from Fort George — formerly Astoria — early in 1825.

Simpson managed to move to the new site, which he had chosen, after return of a party he had sent to explore the Coast, north to Fraser river. It was led by James McMillan and John Work; it examined Willapa and Grays Harbor and broke open the Cowlitz trail on the way to Fort George. Fort Vancouver was Simpson's creation, from selection of the site on through construction to the dedication ceremonies on a fine dawn of spring. His diary describes the latter event with uncommon zest. The little governor made a patriotic British oration, laying due claim to the north bank of the Columbia, ordered the hoisting of the Union Jack to the top of a tall barked fir, and issued two rounds of rum to all present. Probably pipers, fiddlers and drummers were on hand. The diary does not tell. And surely there was a grand outdoor dance, according to the customs of both Indians and whites.

The Early Ships . . .

Policies were set going at Fort Vancouver that influenced the history of all the west. One instituted the business of sawing logs into lumber and building vessels for "the coasting timber trade." Another reached out to start agricultural enterprises at French Prairie, Oregon, City, Fort Walla Walla, the Cowlitz, and eventually on Puget Sound. A post was set up as far south as the Sacramento river. A circuit of world trade was begun.

The William and Ann, the Vancouver, the Columbia and the Cowlitz were fine ships of the Hudson's Bay Company that sailed regularly from London to Fort Vancouver in years before 1846. On the homeward voyages lumber for the Sandwich (Hawai-

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

Patterson Opens Three Flags Highway

John Day, Ore. (U.P.)—Three Flags highway, reaching from Mexico to Canada, was opened today after Gov. Paul Patterson cut the ribbon at the line between Grant and Harney counties.

Patterson's ceremony signaled the end of a project that began 25 years ago. The first stretch of the highway was built in 1917 from Pendleton to Pilot Rock. The eight mile section south of John Day, opened yesterday, was the last section of Highway 395 to be opened.

Sparks Start Fire In Prineville Area

Prineville (U.P.)—The state forest service office here said today sparks from a city dump started a fire which burned over about 20 acres of juniper about seven miles east of here yesterday.

Men and equipment from the state forest service office, Bureau of Land Management and the Prineville fire department battled the blaze for several hours before bringing it under control.

It was the first fire of the season in forests of this area.

ian) Islands, as well as furs, was carried.

The schooner Cadboro was first in the coasting trade. The Nereid, the Llama, the sloop Broughton and the steamer Beaver were later additions to Governor Simpson's coasting fleet.



TANNED and carefree, President Eisenhower greets photographers at Denver's Cherry Hills Club. (International)

Collaborators Won't Face Treason Trial

San Francisco (U.P.)—Attorney General Herbert Brownell Jr. says the Justice Department does not now plan to prosecute for treason American prisoners of war in Korea who collaborated with the Communists.

Brownell was quoted in Los Angeles Saturday as saying "progressives," as the collaborators were called, might face trial for treason.

"I certainly can't recall making that statement," Brownell said yesterday. "No cases relating to former prisoners have been brought before the Department of Justice yet."

However, he added: "We will confer with Defense Department officials if they want us to and take appropriate action."

Back Stairs: Cool Drink for Ike

By MERRIMAN SMITH
United Press Correspondent
Denver — (U.P.)—Backstairs at the White House.

The President wanted something cool to drink the other day when he was fishing up above

Pine, Colo. No sooner had he expressed the thought than his alert military aide, Col. Robert L. Schulz, dumped six cans of tomato juice into the Platte river. The juice cans wallowed in the cool stream bed for about 30 minutes and were almost frosty when they were hauled out.

Mr. Eisenhower is amazingly non-profaned, considering his many provocations. When he dubs a golf shot miserably, he says something like "Ooie, boys, look at that" or "That was a typical Eisenhower." When a big rainbow trout gets away, he demonstrates with himself: "Now, what kind of fishing is that?" You can hear him two creeks away.

Bob Hope may catch up with the President again as a golfing partner. Hope is coming here soon to play in a tournament at the Cherry Hills Country club where Mr. Eisenhower has been playing almost daily.

An amazingly prominent man in private life on the West coast

writes the White House almost every day, telling the President and members of his staff how to run the government. The advice, for the most part, is duly filed away.

So many people have been trying to lure the President into speaking dates, barbecues and fishing haunts since he's been here that Gov. Dan Thornton had to issue a public plea—lay off, let the man have a vacation. The President won't permit anyone to rig his fishing line. If he wanted to, he could say to any of several angling experts around him "here, put on my yellow grasshopper."

Instead, he does it himself. He ties some of his own flies, particularly when he is working out a downstream combination lure using the brilliance of a spinner and the appetizing, for a fish, appeal of a gaily colored fly.

Balmoral Castle, Scotland — (U.P.)—Blonde Princess Anne, the darling of Britain, was three years old Saturday.

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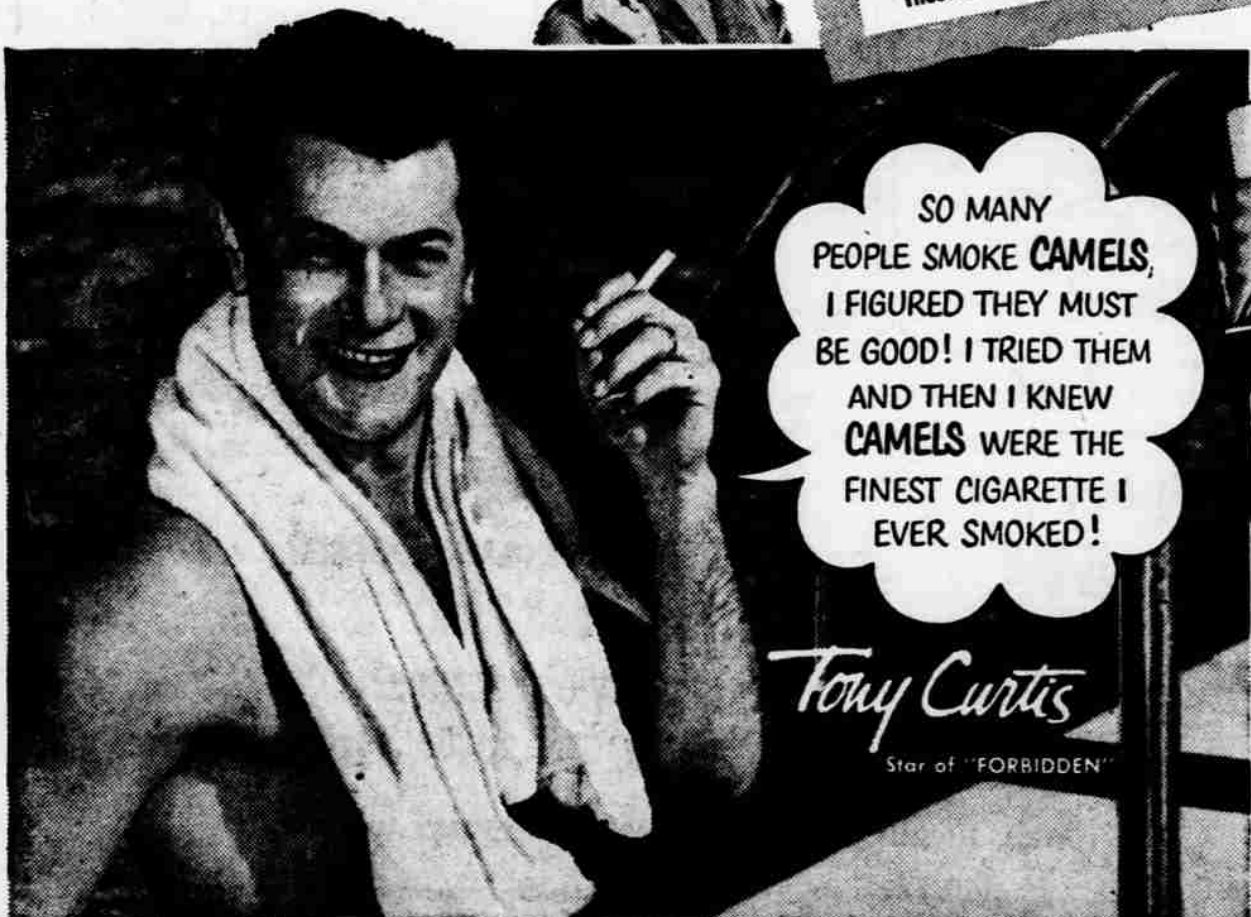
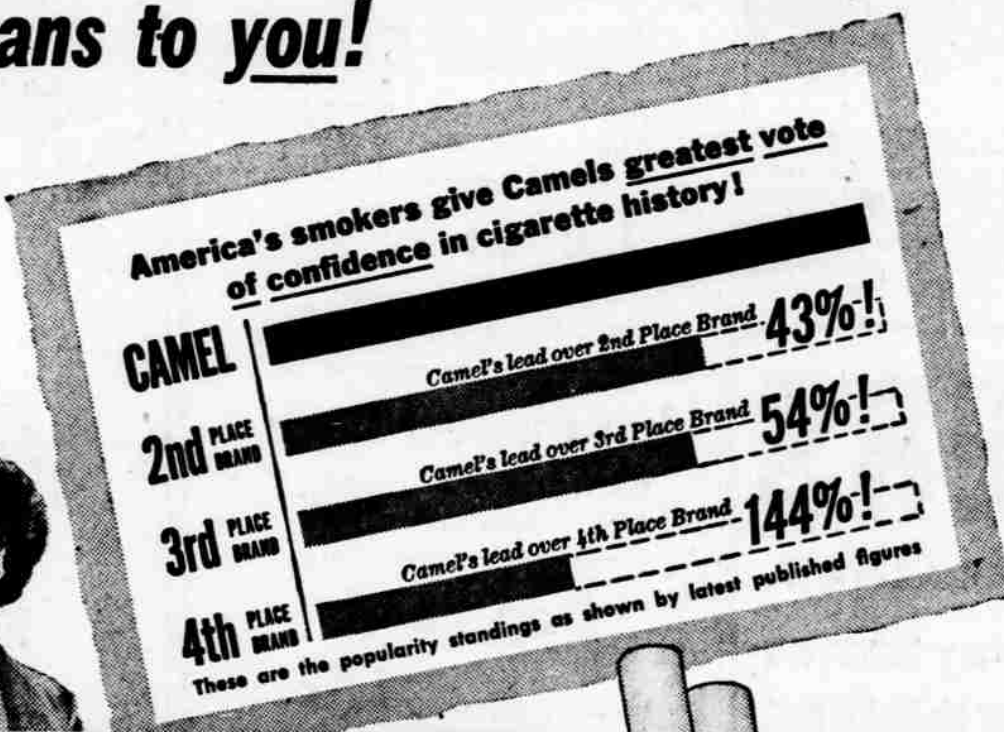
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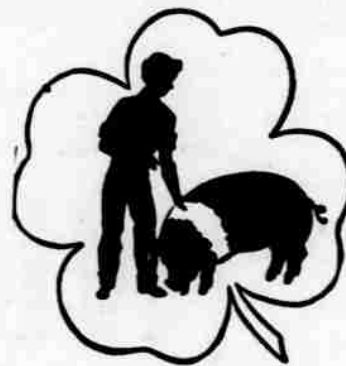
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