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By ROGER BABSON
Babson Park, Mass. —(Special to Mail Tribune) — I have always encouraged the safe investment of money through buying stocks in well-known, standard, dividend-paying companies, plus diversification amongst a large number of companies. That is why I have favored the In-

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
In his letter that was discussed in this space yesterday, Richard Neuberger seeks to convey the impression — without saying so in so many words — that his attitude toward the bill to prevent theft of Southern Oregon's water was friendly and helpful.

He would have us believe that his fight against the bill on the floor of the Oregon Senate back in 1951 was designed merely to give time to study the bill more carefully so that possible constitutional defects might be corrected.

LET'S examine the sequence of events.
The bill passed the house practically without opposition and came to the Senate. It was referred to the Senate committee on agriculture. Senator Neuberger was a member of the committee. The majority report of the committee recommended that the bill DO PASS.

The minority report recommended that it DO NOT PASS. The minority report was signed by Senator Neuberger. When the bill came to the floor of the Senate, Neuberger moved that the minority report be substituted for the majority report.

His motion was supported by seven Democratic senators who argued that the bill (HB 661) was illegal and unconstitutional. They declared that THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS JURISDICTION OVER ALL NAVIGABLE STREAMS AND THAT ANY STREAM IS CONSIDERED NAVIGABLE AS LONG AS IT CAN FLOAT A LOG.

THAT is to say:
The federal government owns the water and can do with it as it pleases. If it wants to take water from thinly settled areas and give it to thickly populated areas it can do so.

That is orthodox New Deal, Big-Government Can-Do-Anything doctrine. That doctrine was back of the huge plan that proposed diversion of waters of the Klamath, the Rogue and the Umpqua rivers to Southern California.

It was to prevent such a diversion that we were asking the Oregon legislature to pass House Bill 661. We were fighting for our lives, for without adequate water Southern Oregon's future would be drab and hopeless indeed.

IT was in this debate on the floor of the Oregon Senate that Neuberger, as quoted in news dispatches from Salem on that day made his fantastic statement (fantastic when coming from an Oregon state senator) that:

"OREGON WATER SHOULD BE SENT TO CALIFORNIA TO INCREASE THAT STATE'S POPULATION AND THUS CREATE A BIGGER MARKET FOR OREGON PRODUCTS."

IN his fight on the floor of the Oregon Senate to substitute his minority DO NOT PASS report for the Senate agriculture committee's majority report that HB 661 DO PASS, was Neuberger REALLY being friendly and helpful toward this bill whose purpose was to prevent, if possible, the theft of Southern Oregon's water?

Or was he expressing his basic New Deal, Big-Government-Can-Do-Anything belief that if necessary (politically or otherwise) Southern Oregon's water can AND SHOULD be taken away and given to heavily populated Southern California?

PERSONALLY, I find it impossible to believe that he was being friendly and helpful to Southern Oregon.

I think that in the case of House Bill 661, as in so many others, Neuberger is just being loose and liberal with words and careless with facts.

Is That So?

A quizzical quizzical quiz. Score 12 and you're an expert; 9 is good, 6 fair.

1. Match up the appropriate group word — pod, pride, bevy, swarm, flock, gaggle — with these: sheep, geese, whales, girls, bees, lions.

2. Can some birds learn to speak more fluently when their tongue is split?

3. From where do we get the expression "swan song"?

4. Is it true that a fresh-water fish does not drink while a salt-water fish drinks huge quantities of water?

5. Is the redwood tree the longest of all plant growths?

6. If a bird's digestive fluids are strong enough to dissolve bones, could a seed possibly survive and when voided germinate?

7. Is a bird color-blind?

8. Do albinos occur among most animal groups? If so is it inherited?

9. Does the young of the elephant suckle through the trunk?

10. Do animals' eyes shine in the dark when there is no artificial light?

11. How does the spider keep a victim alive though paralyzed for months on end?

12. Is dust necessary for rain.

13. Do all mammals, including the whale, have hair?

14. Which of these mammals can produce the most litters per year: mole, rabbit, rat, mouse, guinea pig?

15. Give at least three common names for the male, female and young of the horse.

Words Matched
Answers: 1. It's a pod of whales, a pride of lions, a bevy of girls, a swarm of bees, a flock of sheep, a gaggle of geese. Don't ask me why.

2. To slit a bird's tongue is a cruel, ridiculous, senseless practice. The mutilation makes it impossible for the bird to make his own note and some misguided persons think that this is an attempt at talking.

3. Before the swan dies, it is supposed to sing a final strange and beautiful song. From this expression comes, "swan song"—a person's last performance.

4. A fresh-water fish does not drink water; a salt-water fish drinks tremendous quantities of it. It has to do with osmosis—the draining out of the fish's body juices.

5. The longest of all plants is not the redwood but the seaweed called Nereocystis, whose stalks may be over 800 feet long. The tallest redwoods barely top 350 feet.

6. Although a bird's digestive juices are strong enough to dissolve bones, such seeds as strawberry, grape, cactus, and cherry pass through unharmed—in fact, germination is accelerated. To escape grinding up by the gizzard, many seeds are provided with a smooth covering. Most fruit seeds are distributed by birds.

7. Many birds distinguish very clearly between colors. Many fish share this same ability.

8. Yes, albinism occurs among most and is inherited. Albinos breed true.

9. The elephant's young suckles through the mouth and for some time has a lot of difficulty with its then-useless trunk. After weaning, it sucks up water through the trunk and sprays it into its throat.

10. An animal's eyes glow only when they reflect artificial light.

11. Many spiders inject an anaesthetic fluid into a foe which keeps it alive for months, through paralyzed. Thus the juices on which the spider feeds are preserved.

12. Each raindrop must have a speck of dust in the center. Hence, without dust, no rain. Without water, no quizzex and quizzex, meaning us.

13. All mammals have hair. The whale has a few, perhaps a dozen scattered scraggly whiskers.

14. The meadow mouse can produce 17 litters.

15. The names for the male horse are: horse, stallion, stud, stable horse, entire horse; for the female, dam, mare, nag; for the young, foal, pony, colt, filly (f), and stag (m).



By Eugene Burns
Ranger-Naturalist

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Babs Hutton Denies Plans for Divorce

Mexico City —(U.P.)— Barbara Hutton denied last night she is in Mexico to divorce Porfirio Rubirosa, her Dominican play-boy husband.

The Woolworth heiress expressed surprise when told the Latin Lothario, who cost her an estimated one million dollars before they separated after 73 days of marriage, is due in Mexico shortly to compete in next month's fifth Pan American highway race.

"I have no news of Mr. Rubirosa," Miss Hutton said. "I've come to visit some friends and take care of property I own in Cuernavaca. I may build a home there."

Friday, October 29, 1954

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

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