

Court to Decide Soon On Whether Poisoning Program Desirable

The Jackson county court will decide in the near future whether or not a coyote poisoning program will be adopted here.

Members of the court heard about 65 people's opinions on the matter Thursday afternoon at a two-hour hearing in the county courtroom. The hearing followed a request from a Lake Creek-Dead Indian area farmer for permission to use poison bait.

Opinion appeared evenly divided for and against use of poison in coyote control. Testifying were livestock and cattle interests, general farmers, dog owners and other interested residents.

Attending the session was Don Donahoe, southwest Oregon district supervisor for the U.S. fish and wildlife service. He stressed that his agency did not want to force a coyote poisoning program on the people of this area, but was interested in helping establish one if it is desired here.

These Types
He explained three types of poison considered effective in coyote control. One was a compound called 10-80, which is immediately fatal to the animal that eats it and can also be fatal to a second animal eating the carcass of the poisoned animal. This type of poison can not legally be sold in Oregon but is available only through the fish and wildlife service.

Another poison Donahoe described was strychnine, which is made up in lard or tallow bait. It can be carried by birds and animals which may not die as a result of the poison but can move it into harmful range for another animal.

The third type of poison is coumatel, which is made up in shells which explode when the coyote bites them. The poison causes lung paralysis and is made only by authority of the fish and wildlife service.

Trapping Meant
Most opponents of the poisoning program favored trapping as a means of coyote control. Some fishermen indicated they had lost sheep and calves, but

did not know whether dogs or coyotes were responsible.

It was pointed out that trapping is not considered harmful to dogs, since dogs can be freed from coyote traps without sustaining serious injury or being killed. It was also suggested that one more government trapper be activated here. There is already one such trapper in this area.

Another suggestion was that bounty on coyotes be raised. The present bounty is \$5 and some said this is not sufficient to encourage coyote trapping to an effective degree.

One witness, a logger, maintained that coyotes are of considerable help to farmers since they kill harmful rodents. He told of an instance elsewhere in which coyotes were eradicated and the rodent problem became so serious it was necessary to bring coyotes back to the area to control them.

A canvass was taken among those attending to determine whether or not any domestic animals had been killed by poison when a coyote control district was set up in the area between the north and south forks of Little Butte creek last winter. No one present knew of any domestic animals being killed in that area at that time.

Among proponents of a coyote or dog control program were John Walsh, Lake Creek; J. H. Darrel and Charley Stanley, Lake Creek; Floyd Baker, Sams Valley-Beagle area; Merton and Leonard Bradshaw, Lake Creek-Dead Indian area; and John Sohnert, Central Point.

Opponents included John Bowman, Green Springs area; Mrs. Sydney Richardson, Southern Oregon Humane society; J. B. Chastain, Central Point; Frank Decker, Thompson creek; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marshall, Medford.

District Attorney Walter D. Nunley and Al Franzke, deputy district attorney, were also present to answer legal questions. Judge Rodney Keating presided.

The court gave no date when it will announce a decision on the matter. It was indicated, however, that the court would not approve use of 10-80 in the event a program for coyote poisoning is adopted.



REMEMBER WHEN?—We can sympathize with this motorist in London who has just handed his gasoline coupon book to garage attendant Doris Dore. Gasoline rationing has gone into effect throughout England with sales few and far between. Britain's last period of gas rationing ended in May, 1954.

Coast Lumbermen Slate Meeting Next March

Portland—Dates for the 46th annual West Coast Lumbermen's association meeting have been set for March 27 and 28, 1957, at Multnomah hotel, according to H. V. Simpson, executive vice president.

Two days of activity are planned for the annual work session, Simpson said, with emphasis on

marketing and merchandising of lumber. N. B. Giustina, president of WCLA, will preside at all sessions.

SPORTS

Oregon Colleges Have Hoop Tiffs

By UNITED PRESS
Despite the nearness of Christmas, three Oregon college basketball teams have two-game week end series on their home courts.

Portland's high-flying Pilots play host Friday and Saturday nights to the University of Nevada. The Friday night game is at Howard hall on the campus and the Saturday night contest at the armory.

Willamette also hosts an invader from the south, Chico State. Linfield meets St. Martin's of Olympia, Wash., in a pair at McMinnville.

Goddard Quits Portland Group

Portland—(U.P.)—Mayor Fred Peterson said today he had accepted the resignation of Tom Stoddard from the Portland Boxing Commission. No successor was named immediately.

Earlier this week, Chairman Tom Pigott resigned and his place was filled with the appointment of Harold M. DeCicco.

SURPRISE FOR SUGAR

Grossinger, N.Y.—(U.P.)—Marvin Jensen, middleweight challenger Gene Fullmer's manager, predicted today that champion Sugar Ray Robinson will be in for a surprise when he meets his charge in a title fight on Jan. 2. Jensen said six ounce gloves will be used and "Gene knocked out his first 11 opponents using six ounce gloves." Fullmer has been using eight ounce gloves for more than two years.

GAME RECALLED

Detroit—(U.P.)—The Detroit Lions, who failed in a bid to gain the Western division championship of the National Football league against the Chicago Bears last Sunday, defeated the Los Angeles Rams, 31-21, four years ago today for the title with Pat Harder sparking the attack by scoring 19 points.

LOW MARK TAKES TOGA

Cincinnati—(U.P.)—Hank Aaron's 1956 league-leading .328 batting average was the lowest since Eddie Roush of the Cincinnati Redlegs won the National league title with .321 in 1919. Aaron plays the outfield for the Milwaukee Braves.

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Ike Lists 'Musts' If Red China Really Seeks Relations

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower told Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru that if Red China sincerely wants to improve relations with the United States, it must:

—Promptly release 10 American civilians still held in Chinese jails.

—And agree to settle disputes with this country without resorting to the threat of use of force, particularly in the Formosa area.

In Talks With Nehru

Informed sources said today that Mr. Eisenhower set forth these conditions in the private talks he held with Nehru Monday and Tuesday at Gettysburg, Pa., and Washington.

Once these conditions are met, the United States is understood to be willing to talk over "other matters" outstanding between the two countries. Red China has been pressing for talks between its premier, Chou En-lai, and Secretary of State John Foster

Dulles and for an easing of the American embargo on trade with the Chinese Communists.

Officials said Mr. Eisenhower made no pledges to Nehru on U.S. diplomatic recognition of the Peiping regime or on relaxing U.S. opposition to Red China's admission to the United Nations. The United States recognizes the government on Formosa, headed by Chiang Kai-shek, as the legal government of China. It has led the fight against U.N. membership for Red China.

Important Bearing

What Mr. Eisenhower told Nehru could have an important bearing on the future course of American-Red Chinese relations, beginning early next year.

Nehru, who left Washington Thursday, will meet with Chou En-lai soon after his return home from the United States. He talked with Chou before coming to Washington and relayed to the President Red China's views on improving relations with this country.

Mrs. Dusenbury Hurt In Medford Accident

Mrs. Margaret Dusenbury, 52, 3295 North Pacific highway of Medford, suffered minor cuts on the forehead and a sprained wrist when the vehicle in which she was a passenger, operated by her husband, Edwin Hamilton Dusenbury, was involved in a collision with two other cars yesterday in Medford, according to city police.

She was taken by police to Osteopathic hospital for treatment. She was released this morning. Hospital attendants said her injuries were not serious.

The accident occurred when the car operated by her husband, skidded on the pavement and struck the rear of a car parked for a red light near the Motor Haven motel, 1225 North Riverside ave., Medford.

The car was operated by Charlene Carol Paull, box 22, Central Point. Another vehicle, operated by R. L. Rose, 410 Hamilton st., Medford, struck the rear of the Dusenbury car, police said.

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