

War of People Against Foxes Said To Be Progressing

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New York (UPI)—The war of people against foxes is making such progress the life expectancy of any fox at birth is only nine-tenths of a year and that of any adult fox is only a year and a half. If you are inclined to ask, "so what?"—read on.

The fox still is out-foxing his only natural enemies, people, to some extent by being astonishingly fertile. Ninety-six per cent of the females succeed in fulfilling their annual maternal urge to the hilt. Their litters average 4.5 pups. For each fox mother, you may check off one male fox, since foxes are not polygamous. That means every 50 fox pairs refurbish the fox world with 225 new foxes every spring.

These vital statistics on the fox come from the most thorough scientific study ever made of the cleverest chicken thief and all-around varmint of the animal kingdom. **Five-Year Survey**
It took Dr. David E. Davis of the Johns Hopkins university, Baltimore, and Dr. John E. Wood of Jacksonville (Florida) university, five years to enrich science with a mass of fox-facts it never had before. Their investigation had more urgency than the gathering of vital statistics. Rabies is an inevitably fatal disease and foxes are known to be carriers of the virus. The prime question was the extent to which fox virus-carriers menace their human neighbors by biting dogs who then bite people.

Of the 1,926 foxes the scientists trapped, 32 or 3.1 per cent were positive for rabies virus, which may seem low until you compare it with other animals. Of 299 raccoons and 215 opossums trapped, none was positive. One out of 144 skunks, and one out of 89 bobcats were.

High Turnover
Because of the extremely high annual turnover in foxes, the scientists concluded that foxes were particularly susceptible to rabies and to becoming carriers. They also pointed out that should people let up in warring on foxes (which isn't likely) their high fertility would increase their numbers in leaps and bounds. "Foxes are an integral part of the biological economy and should not be exterminated

even if this were feasible," they said. "But their numbers should be held below a density at which rabies will occur and control activities should keep the population below this threshold."
They investigated the foxes of Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina because there always has been rabies in those states and because the vegetation and proximity of foxes to people are typical of the vast area from Virginia to Texas which the fox inhabits.

Man Burned by Grenade 'Grave'

Los Angeles (UPI)—Lloyd Allen Wilson, 23, today was holding his own against painful phosphorus burns suffered when he fell on a live grenade during a party.
Attendants at Angelus hospital described his condition as "very grave." He flung himself out of a second story window because of the pain after the grenade exploded Saturday.

A team of four doctors worked on him six hours in surgery, and the hospital said there was a chance he would see again.
Wilson was a guest at the Glendale, Calif., apartment of Miss Marlys Paulson, 24. Two other friends, Richard Fogarty and Johnny Gonzales, also were present.
Police said one of them saw a grenade, a World War II relic, on a table and pulled the release pin. Wilson leaped for the grenade, shouting: "It only takes seven seconds."
He either fell or stumbled on the grenade as he tried to throw it from the room and took the full force of the blast. The others were not injured.

Boy Scouts

Cub Scouts, Pack 4
Pack 4, Oak Grove and West Side schools, held their annual Blue and Gold dinner last Thursday evening with approximately 200 present.
Den 4 presented the flag and Cubmaster George Bryant led the group in the Lord's Prayer, after which a potluck dinner was held.

A number of guests were introduced, including Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillips, principal and institutional representative of Oak Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Weatherford, principal of West Side; Don Fredenberg, Scoutmaster of Troop 4; Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Shinn, assistant Cubmaster; Mr. and Mrs. Sharon Eichelberger; Dean Eppinger, committeeman; Mr. Merrifield; and Mr. and Mrs. Knapp.
Mrs. Howell lighted the candles and the group joined in singing happy birthday.
The achievement flag and also the attendance doll were won by Den 1.
Howell, treasurer, reported on the cookie sale held recently and presented prizes to Donald Ludwig, Ricky Howell and Tommie Howell.

Bobcat Pin
Forrest Hamilton was presented his Bobcat pin and his parents introduced. A den chief's stripe was presented to Steve Eichelberger; and den mother's pins presented to Mrs. Brindley, Mrs. Herrin and Mrs. Larsen.

Awards were presented as follows: Max Higginbotham, denner's stripe; Terry Haight, assistant denner; Glenn Hobbs, assistant denner; Dean Rott, denner; Gary Black, denner; Bob Clark, silver arrow; Bradley Thompson, bear, gold arrow, 2-year pin; Craig Parsons, lion badge, gold arrow; Steve Sandberg, lion badge, gold arrow; Dale Metzger, bear and gold arrow; Ralph Brindley, bear; Mike Flynn, 1-year pin; Brian Kelington, 2-year pin; David Walker, 1-year pin; Paul Larson, gold arrow; Gregory Collins, 1-year pin and assistant denner; Ronnie Hamilton, bear, gold and silver arrows; Ricky Gravelle, bear badge, gold and silver arrows; Donald Ludwig, wolf badge, silver and gold arrows; Andrew Christensen, silver arrow and 1-year pin; Henry Keese, 1-year pin; Billy Huffman, gold arrow; Ricky Howell, lion badge, gold and silver arrows; Tom Howell, wolf badge and gold arrow; and Roger Jones, denner.

Cartoons were shown in the cafeteria to the children, and a film on the California-Oregon Power company's construction projects was shown in the gym to the adults.
John Bulwer, 17th century British physician, was the first English writer on teaching for the deaf and dumb.

They'll Do It Every Time



Experts Say Market May Still Go Ahead on Higher Averages

By ELMER C. WALZER
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New York (UPI)—Market experts, while convinced prices are too high and ought to be corrected with a substantial decline, say the market still may forge ahead to new highs in the averages.
Those who anticipate a push by the industrial section believe that some of the individual issues in that group may still have enough steam to carry the whole average up with them.
But they warn the rise will be a highly selective one. They note that around the area above 600 in the Dow-Jones industrials there is a lot of stock ready to be sold.
As the April 15th tax deadline approaches, some selling might be done to raise money for the tax collector.
Two other items that aren't liked include the recent decline in the short interest and the fact that odd-lot traders have steadily been buyers on balance.

People continue large buyers of mutual funds and the funds in turn must invest this money in additional shares. As one market man noted, the mutual fund influence in the stock market is not as large as most people assume, but it is a price influence since the funds almost always buy on balance, and since mutual fund sales forces constantly are growing and becoming more effective.

Oils' Future Uncertain

Softness in oils recently has tended to modify advances in other sections of the industrial department. Market men aren't at all certain the oil industry is in real difficulty that it cannot overcome. Neither is the average Wall Street worried too much over the prospects of big strikes that could develop in the steel, copper and rail industries. The market men stick to their old adage—never sell on strike news.

As the street views them, strikes in times of business upturn—and they come in quantity only then—merely postponed gains in production to a later period.

But some are wondering if the strong buying in steel and copper may not be producing inventories that could leave industry well stocked after strikes. Industry leaders continue to say no to this.

The market analysts just now are urging their clients to avoid promiscuous purchases of stock.
They insist selectivity is the real key to market success, more so now than at any time since the rise developed real force early last year.

Variety Noted
Hence, the suggestions on stock purchases filling the market letters are in a wide variety of issues, indicating a change in styles as many had predicted would happen some time ago.

Should there be a decline from current levels none as yet is looking for any really

Supreme Court To Hand Down Opinions

Washington (UPI)—The Supreme Court meets today to hand down opinions and orders before starting its second week of arguments in its new session.
Because of the heavy opinion day last Tuesday and the fact that the justices were on the bench last week hearing cases, only a few opinions are expected.

ELECTED TO PARLIAMENT

Katmandu, Nepal (UPI)—General Subarna, chairman of the Council of Ministers, was declared elected to Parliament Sunday. He was the first cabinet member to win a seat in Nepal's first parliamentary elections.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

"PAINLESS DENTISTRY is simple as chopping down a tree," a dentist explained to a burly logger. "You breathe one whiff of laughing gas, and poof! the tooth is out."

"Any charge for that stuff?" asked the logger dubiously.
"Fifty cents extra," said the dentist.
"I guess the old way is best," decided the logger. "Go ahead, doc, and never mind how much it hurts."
"You're a brave man," said the dentist. "Open your mouth."
"Wait a minute," cried the logger. "It isn't me that's got the toothache; it's me wife."

"Spanking had one obvious advantage over modern child psychology," admits Dr. Raymond Winters. "It made the child smart!"
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JACKSONVILLE Antique Shop Opens

By BETTE HOSKINS

Jacksonville-Pioneer Trading Post is the name of a new antique shop at 109 California st. in the building formerly known as "Ted's Place." It opened for business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Alt-vatter of Dark Hollow rd. are owners and operators of the shop. They plan to be open daily from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 1 until 5 p.m. They will carry new, used and small articles of antique furniture, guns and Centennial souvenirs.

Mrs. Alice Crabb, chairman of the March of Dimes drive for Jacksonville, reports that a total of \$257.98 was collected. The Royal Neighbors and the Ruth Rebekah lodges contributed \$82.01, the Mothers March, \$42.92; coin collectors, \$32.23; from collectors in the schools, \$5.73; from dime maulers, \$71.69; from teen activities, \$23.40.

Mrs. E. O. Graham was in charge of Mother's march. Teenagers Larry Peterson, Toni Tweedy and Wayne Cabler took charge of coin collectors, and collections in the school. Seventh and eighth grade students conducted a car wash and candy sale. Expenses for stamps amounted to \$6.38, and \$9.64 was turned in to the county teen group.

With the first glimpse of warm spring days, residents are reminded this week of the "Clean Up! Paint Up! Plant Up!" campaign launched by Mayor E. O. Graham at a recent town meeting.

All "Spring Cleaning" endeavors big or small add to the general improvement and "tourist eye-view" of the town, whether Centennial guests drive through, stop to explore or just plan to visit the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cabler were guests of honor at their home on Feb. 24 with a surprise dinner party honoring their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cabler and daughter, Doranne; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Summers and children, Sharon and Steven, of Klamath Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cabler and daughters, Judy, Paula, Peggy and Robin, of Grants

Pass; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cabler and children, Dale and Ricky, of Jacksonville; and the Joe Cabler's daughter, Peggy, and son, Wayne.
On Sunday afternoon the Cabler's were honored by many of their friends dropping in to offer their congratulations. The Cabler's were married in Morewood, Okla., in 1934.

Mrs. Joe Berrimen was a surprised guest of honor at her home on Feb. 13 honoring her birthday. A group of nine friends called and served refreshments of cake, ice cream and coffee.

Mrs. Ray Forbes was honored with a baby shower at the IOOF hall Tuesday. Twenty-five Rebekah club members and two guests, Mrs. John Hawley and Mrs. Gertrude Martin, were present.
Mrs. Melvin Wiggins, Mrs. Earnest Ramsey, Mrs. Carl Black and Mrs. Kindred Thomas were hostesses for the event. Decorated cakes were served with coffee. The table was decorated in the stork motif.

Mrs. Lois Fretwell has accepted a teaching position and began working last week near Eugene, where she will teach four and fifth graders.

Mrs. Jean Hewlett and daughter, Hollie, have returned from a few days visit in Portland, and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Austin J. Low of Troutdale and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hewlett of Gresham.

Two Cars Collide At Intersection Sunday

Minor damage resulted when two cars collided at the intersection of the Old Military and Old Stage rds. Sunday afternoon, state police reported.

Cars driven by Albert Prior Conger, 83, of route 2, box 452B, Medford, and Zelda Fern Edmondson, 39, of Butte Falls, collided when the car driven by Conger started to make a sharp right turn onto the Old Stage rd. The Edmondson car was headed east on Old Military rd., officers said.
No citations were issued and no injuries were reported.

BUTTE FALLS Film Slated at School

By MARY JO HARRIS

Butte Falls—Lecture hour of the Grange Monday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school will be a film on the pre-school Blind Institute at Salem. Dr. Everett Wilcox, superintendent of the state school for the blind, will show the film and narrate.

The Butte Falls Lions auxiliary, hostesses, invited those interested to attend. Following the film, refreshments will be served in the cafeteria while Grange members conduct their business meeting in the auditorium.

The next regular meeting of the Home Extension will be held at the home of Mrs. Ed Malloy Thursday, March 5. Demonstrating "care and pruning of shrubs" will be Mrs. Oliver Boyd and Mrs. H. J. Wright.

The March meeting of the Lions auxiliary will be held March 3 at the home of Mrs. Gene Irwin.

The Duane Burton family has received word of the recent death of Mrs. L. E. Clason of Grants Pass. Mrs. Clason was Duane's grandmother.

Mrs. Gene Irwin of Butte Falls recently went to Brookings with the George Miller family of Medford to visit the Charles Ellis family. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellis are parents of Mrs. Irwin and Mrs. Miller.
Gene Irwin was in Portland over the week end of Feb. 20 to attend the IWA board conference. Irwin is president of the Butte Falls local.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barber of Central Point recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harris. Mrs. Barber is a daughter of the Harris's.

The Butte Falls Grange held a potluck dinner Saturday evening, Feb. 21 at the high school commemorating Oregon's Centennial. Guests came from Shady Cove, Ashland, Central Point and Medford as well as local, bringing the attendance to more than 125.

The tables were decorated in the Centennial theme and the potluck dinner featured dishes from the pioneer era. The women wore Centennial dresses while many of the men were attired in derby hats, vests and beards.
There were exhibits dis-

playing many articles and pictures from the pioneer era and many antiques, all loaned by local residents.
Pioneers attending were Gus Edmondson, Bob Edmondson, Ed Cook, Ernest Smith and Mrs. Kizzie Edmondson.

Following dinner there were games, stunts and square dancing. Master of ceremonies was Mrs. Bob Wells.

The Child Evangelism classes held at the Community Bible church were recently changed to Tuesday afternoon

rather than Wednesday as before. These classes meet from 2:30 until 3:30 p.m. with release time from school. The Rev. and Mrs. Howard Simmonds and Mrs. Harry Dalton are in charge of the classes.

Visiting in the Duane Burton home are Bobbie and Sue Crammer, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Crammer, Butte Falls, and Pamela Burton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burton of Medford. The Harold Burtons are cousins of Duane. The Louis Crammers and Harold Burtons are in Long Island, Kan., and are expected home this coming week.

Expansion Plans For Ashland Chapel

Ashland—Plans have been announced by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Litwiller for the expansion of their Mountain View chapel at the corner of Highway 99 and Normal ave. The plans will consolidate the Litwiller Funeral home which is now located at the Highway 99 address as well as 88 North Main st.

Plans call for preparation and utility rooms, a casket display room and a staff apartment. The addition is expected to be completed sometime this summer, it was reported.

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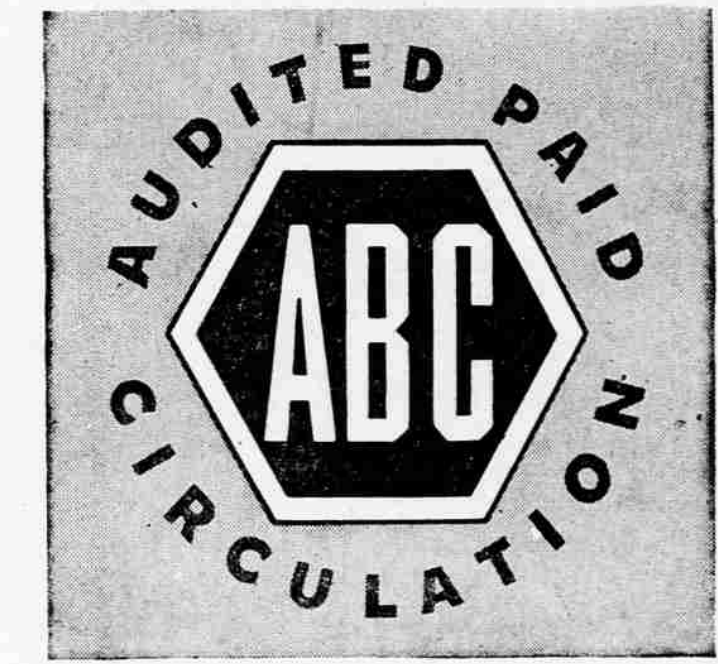
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