

Curb Sought on Flight of Cuba Professionals

Havana (UPI) — The revolutionary government has called on all professional men to rally behind the regime and halt the flight of their colleagues to the United States.

Premier Fidel Castro's regime is alarmed at the rate in which professional men, particularly doctors, have been fleeing the country.

Doctors, lawyers, architects, engineers and other professional men were asked to join in a demonstration today and take a pledge not to leave the country.

Invitation Extended

Originally, only professional men were invited to attend the meeting on the steps of Havana University, but the invitation was extended to include unionists, such as plumbers, mechanics, radio repairmen and others, because the government feared many professionals would boycott the meeting.

A declaration endorsed by the Communist party has called for the "support of every professional in these moments in which disorderly brutal imperialism attacks us economically."

Sources said of 6,000 Cuban doctors here at the beginning of the year, 1,100 have now left the country; of 3,500 dentists, 300 have departed; of 2,000 nurses, 57 have left. In addition, at least 230 lawyers, 112 engineers and 200 accountants have gone into exile.

Klamath Forest Sells Timber at Auction

Yreka — Bald Mountain Lumber company, Montague, was high bidder on 7,900,000 board feet of pine and fir timber in the Kelley Gulch unit in the Salmon river working circle of the Klamath National forest recently.

Total advertised value of the timber was \$40,435, and the value based on the high bid was \$83,480.

The Pine Mountain Lumber company was the only other bidder for the timber.

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LEAVES HOSPITAL—Film star Elizabeth Taylor is shown leaving London Clinic with her husband, singer Eddie Fisher. Miss Taylor was rushed to the hospital Nov. 13 when she complained of agonizing head pains. The trouble subsequently was diagnosed as meningitis, a virus infection resulting from bad teeth. (UPI Telephoto)



Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

Competition in Bird's Nest Is Pretty Tough

The most pressing kind of competition always exists in a bird's nest from the time the eggs hatch until the youngsters finally leave to start a life of their own. To the bird-babies, those few days or weeks are a time of travail and struggle; a rough spot on the road of growing up.

There are dangers of many kinds; it's a wise provision of Nature that the very young never realize how very tough the growing-up process really is, otherwise they would never make the effort.

With every passing day the crowding in the nest becomes more acute. Seems the nest was made to fit the mother's body; a receptacle to hold the eggs. Everything is cozy while the actual incubation is going on and even for the first few days while the bird-babies are weak and very small.

Rapid Growth

But growth proceeds rapidly and within a few days the youngsters are pressing more tightly against one another; the crowding grows progressively worse as each bird acquires more bulk and stature.

In the nest, to make all things even and pleasant, all must sleep, stretch, yawn or push at the same time.

This becomes the critical time; the competition becomes keener. The youngster that opens its mouth the widest or stretches its neck the farthest gets the lion's share of the food. The more food the greedy one secures, the faster he grows and the stronger

he becomes — all to the disadvantage to his brothers and sisters.

Less Food

The smaller birds, getting less food, become weaker. The condition may even continue until the unfortunate ones starve or are pushed from the nest to die on the ground below. The "survival of the fittest" formula works here with a vengeance.

The wide open, very red lining of the baby bird's mouth is supposed to be the trigger that starts the parent bird on a search for food to feed its young; the actual feeding itself becomes necessary when the older bird looks down into the gaping mouths.

It would seem that the parent bird would divide the food, giving each youngster an equal amount, but unfortunately this does not seem to be the case. She gives the food to the one that opens its mouth the widest, or the mouth that is the nearest is the one that receives the worm.

So the one that pushes the hardest is the one that grows in size and strength until he, or she, is master of the crowded nest.

If the parent bird could think or talk, it would be justified in saying, "Now children quit your pushing and shoving; you are only acting like people."

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Plans Forming On Billboard Act

Portland — The Council on Highway Regulation, leaders of the successful fight against passage of Measure 15 on last week's Oregon ballot, has invited Rudie Wilhelm Jr. to name a committee from proponents of the defeated measure to meet with the Council in an effort to work out a mutually agreeable bill on billboard regulation for submission to the 1961 legislative session.

Ralph T. Holsapple Jr., chairman of the Council on Highway Regulation, said a sincere effort would be made to work out a regulatory bill that would assure adequate protection of Oregon's scenic areas but which would eliminate the undesirable features of Ballot Measure 15.

Holsapple said that, in addition to fulfilling a promise made to the public that the Council would support national standards, they would propose that the bill go even farther in protecting scenic areas on all highways of the state.

The Council believes, Holsapple stated, that reasonable regulation can be achieved without sacrificing Oregon's economy and without seriously harming those businesses vitally concerned with the state's \$176 million tourist industry.

Book Circulation Increases in Area Library System

Circulation of books in Jackson county's library system increased by 18.79 per cent during October over the same period a year ago, according to Head Librarian Omar Bacon's monthly report.

Circulation for the five-month period ending in October was 25.91 per cent above the same period in 1959.

The total number of books circulated in the system during October was 17,955, compared to the 15,114 books circulated during October, 1959.

For the five-month period the total number of books circulated was 93,287, compared to 68,634 during the 1959 period.

Circulation at the Medford library was up 5.03 per cent last month, and 18.81 over the five-month period.

Greatest Increase

The greatest increase registered by any of the system's 10 branch libraries was at Shady Cove where circulation rose from 28 books in October, 1959, to 128 books last month for an increase of 357.14 per cent.

Second was the Jacksonville branch which increased its circulation from 263 in October, 1959 to 841 last month for a 143.72 per cent increase.

Bacon noted in the report that there are now 15,846 registered borrowers of books in the system, an increase of approximately 400 during the month of October.

Chuckwagon Breakfast Slated in Jacksonville

Jacksonville — The Jacksonville Lions club will sponsor a chuckwagon breakfast between 6 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, in the Jacksonville Community hall.

Members of the club will cook and serve the breakfast. Proceeds from the event will be used for the club's sight conservation program of purchasing glasses for needy children and supplying financial assistance for eye operations.

SLOW GROWTH

Madrid — The olive tree grows slowly and seldom reaches more than 30 feet in height.

Girl's Legs Shortened To Overcome 'Complexes'

Sundsvall, Sweden — (UPI) — A Swedish surgeon says he cut two inches off a six-foot-tall girl's long legs in an unusual operation last summer to ease "deep complexes" caused by her height.

Dr. Lars Unander-Scharin of the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled said he took two inches out of each of the girl's thighs just below the hip joint and then reinforced the cut bone ends with silver plates. The girl is now able to walk without crutches, he said.

Scharin said there was no physical necessity for the operation, and that he was reluctant to perform it "just for looks."

"I hope I'll never have to perform such an operation again," the doctor said. "At first, I refused to perform the surgery . . . but both the girl and her parents begged for an operation."

"Finally, it became clear that the girl suffered so deeply from her long legs that I decided to perform the surgery on humanitarian grounds."

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Northwest-California Power Link Claimed Beneficial To All Areas

Sacramento — An independent engineering consultant firm reported Thursday that a proposed inter-tie of electric power between California



MAKES FBI LIST—Ray Delano Tate, above, described as a dangerous armed robber, parole violator and prison escapee, has been added to the FBI's list of "Ten Most Wanted Men." Tate, 27, is charged with the June 23 robbery of a savings and loan association office in Newark, N.J. (UPI Telephoto)

Camp Fire Girls

Okia Group

Seven girls of the Okia group went on a six and one-half mile hike in the Sam's Valley area. The hike was for the girls who were working on trail seeker's rank, which is the first rank. Mrs. Rufus Younger and her daughter, Ann, led the hike. The girls gathered many interesting plants.

Scribe, Janice Lampkin

STEAM MOTORCYCLE

Toledo—First successful motorcycle was not built until 1900. The original two-wheeled cycle was invented in 1868 but it was propelled by steam.

MILE HIGH CITY

Deadwood, S.D.—This city in the western Black Hills is almost a mile above sea level.

and the Pacific Northwest would be beneficial to all areas involved.

The report was made to the California Department of Water Resources by H. Zinder and Associates, Seattle. It was preliminary and a final report is yet to come.

The study was authorized by the California agency earlier this year.

An inter-tie, using Columbia Basin power to feed California's water distribution system, was proposed by California Gov. Edmund G. Brown

more than a year ago.

The preliminary report said the interconnection would assist California's state water program by increasing the power supply in California and by making available low-cost surplus hydroelectric and firm steam-electric energy from the Pacific Northwest for water pumping.

"The interconnection could promote the development of hydroelectric projects planned by irrigation districts and power public agencies in California by enlarging their market area and facilitating integration of their power output," the firm said.

It also listed these joint benefits to California and the Northwest:

—There is a surplus of more than 2 million kilowatts of hydroelectric power now being wasted in the Pacific Northwest for lack of a market.

Savings in Investments —The inter-tie would achieve savings in investments in generating facilities by increasing the firm capacity of both areas through integration of the predominantly hydro resources of the northwest with the predominantly steam capacity of California.

—The inter-tie would make construction of firm steam-electric facilities in the Northwest feasible and would stimulate the dormant coal mining industry in the state of Washington.

—California markets would stimulate the early construction and early utilization of the remaining hydroelectric sources in the Pacific Northwest.

—It would serve to "increase power revenues in the Pacific Northwest, defer the construction of high cost steam capacity in California and conserve exhaustible resources."

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