

# All Nonmineral Applications for Public Lands Halted for 18 Months

## Employees Donate Five Weeks of Work To Assist Company

Pittsburgh—UPI—Workers at the Oswald & Hess Packing Co. will work without pay for five weeks this year in an effort to keep the little pigs going to market and the wolves away from the door.

When Oswald & Hess was haled into court by its creditors, its 400 employees, members of five unions, decided to act. At a meeting called by themselves, the workers voted to work without compensation five weeks this year to give the company an additional \$200,000 in operating capital.

**Joint Survival Effort**  
"This is a joint effort for survival," said Carl Peiper, president of the meat packing firm.

As each worker entered the meeting, he was handed a card which read, in part:

"... I voluntarily propose to agree to donate to the Oswald & Hess company my services for a total of five weeks without pay..."

The signers agreed to give up one week's pay immediately and another every three months in hopes the 42-year-old packing house can continue operating.

The agreement was approved by locals of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, the Meat

Salesmen Union, the Machinists Union, the Stationary Engineers Union, and the Teamsters, all of which represent O&H workers.

**Have Obligation**  
"We took this action because we want the firm to stay in business and we have an obligation to keep our membership in jobs to support their families," said Walter Lieke, president of the Meat Cutters local.

Oswald & Hess has applied for a government small business loan as another means of overcoming the financial crisis. Labor Secretary Arthur Goldberg, who visited Pittsburgh during a tour of distressed areas, gave management and union officials encouragement that it would be approved.

**ATTENDS RECEPTION**  
Moscow—UPI—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev attended a reception Monday night at the Communist Chinese Embassy. Ambassador Liu Hsiang was host to several Soviet leaders and foreign diplomats.

San Diego, Calif.—UPI—A sailor by the name of Christian is the clerk in the chaplain's office at North Island Naval Air station. His predecessor was named Lord.

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**SNOW NO PROBLEM**—The "deep snows" of Missouri are no problem for Robie Dinwiddie, 3, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dinwiddie of Columbia. Robie travels in a sled his father built, pulled by the Dinwiddie's St. Bernard.

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### Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins  
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#### Primitive Man Must Have Turned to Insects for Food

Primitive man was often hard put to supply himself with food. He had to eat what he could find or kill. He cultivated no crops; what vegetable matter he had was gathered from his surroundings.

Probably he made himself sick many times when trying to find what was edible and what was not; he dug in the earth; he gathered what berries he could find, what roots could be chewed.

There must have been times when game was scarce, when lakes were frozen, when the green things were gone or unattainable. So, in desperation, he turned to other things, in fact, anything that contained the slightest amount of nourishment. One of those things must have been insects.

**In Good Supply**  
These were always in good supply; they were easily captured, and with a little experimenting he and his humpbacked wife must have found many of them edible. Probably, if they lived on them for some time, they were sustained. Insects are a form of flesh, and there was some nourishment in them. The caveman wouldn't starve if his stomach was full of grasshoppers, beetles or ants.

Until primitive man found out how to plant crops, garner sufficient roots, barks and berries, or hit upon an easy way to capture more game or catch more fish, he must have experienced many times when a feeding of insects tasted pretty good.

There are tribes of Indians living today in parts of this world that feast on dried grasshoppers. White explorers have tasted these tidbits and found they had a crisp, nutty flavor. The large wood ants, so plentiful in many jungle sections, when gathered in quantities and fried in hot fat are often enjoyed as human food. In some sections the eggs of aquatic insects are considered a rich, nutritious source of body fuel.

**Rattlesnake, Anyone?**  
Primitive peoples, and even some not so primitive, have eaten rattlesnakes and snails; have even tried with a reserved relish the eggs of such marine oddities as sea urchins. Necessity mostly has prompted the intake of many things that others have looked at with distaste. Anything that is flesh, is, of course, edible if one has the stomach for it.

Today, we know of a rare delicacy, Baby bees are enjoyed not because we are hungry but because they are unusual and expensive. Eating them gives us a certain, questionable prestige or a wordy and misplaced sophistication. The cycle almost completes itself, from primitive to modern man.

"Please pass me another helping of those delicious fried grasshoppers."

## Action Taken To End Unscrupulous Land Speculation

Washington—UPI—Interior Secretary Stewart L. Udall Tuesday halted all new non-mineral applications for public lands for 18 months.

He said the action was being taken to protect the public interest from unscrupulous speculation in public lands.

"The moratorium goes in effect at once and will last until Sept. 1, 1962," Udall said. "It does not affect any applications now pending. It applies only to certain types of applications and conditions under the non-mineral land laws."

Udall said "unethical land locators and promoters have abused the privilege of filing non-mineral applications at the cost of millions of dollars to the public." He added the land offices have been "deluged with thousands and thousands" of applications.

He said the new policy would permit the department to process more than 60,000 pending applications and to "develop legislative proposals and administrative remedies."

Udall conceded that the immediate effect of the order would reduce the public's opportunities to obtain public lands for private use.

"In the long run, however, the moratorium will put public land development on a much more sensible program basis. Under new programs it will be possible for the public to acquire more needed land in ways that will protect the national interest."

Udall also announced a new public land conservation policy which put a "public interest test" for all transfers of land out of federal ownership.

Under the policy, lands which cannot be "properly developed" under existing laws will be retained by the government "until necessary laws can be enacted."

**Land Inventory**  
Udall also announced the department will undertake a land inventory that will "classify, open and make appropriate lands available for transfer to the states, local governments, individual and business firms."

But the government must get "full return for its property in terms of money or other values," he said. "No party to a transaction with the government should receive a windfall."

The secretary said the moratorium would give a "breathing spell" to completely rewrite the public lands laws. He said the department's recommendations "will keep congressional committees quite busy during the coming months." He added that he hoped to send the first of these proposals to Congress in two weeks.

Udall also said "many ramifications" of the Eisenhower policy on development of power resources will be reviewed.

"They (the Eisenhower administration) regarded public power as a necessary evil," Udall said. "We regard it as a necessary good."

He said this did not rule out cooperation with private power utilities.

When pressed for an example of how his administration would differ with the previous administration on public power he said the "most notable example" was Hell's Canyon on the Snake river in Idaho.

### Oregon Ranks 17th On Teachers' Pay

Salem—UPI—The State Department of Education said Tuesday Oregon ranks 17th among states in average salaries of public school teachers.

In a report, the department said Oregon ranks 16th nationally in percentage of pupils finishing high school, 15th in the number of elementary teachers with four years of college, and eighth in per pupil expenditures.

The report said Oregon ranks fourth among the 12 Western states in these areas.

## The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors. (Copyright 1961—General Features Corp.)

**Albert M.**—He's trying to force me out of the business.  
**Myron M.**—He's 50 years behind the times.

**Albert M.**—My brother and I are in our 60s. When our father died 20 years ago, he left us his umbrella business on a 50-50 basis. Myron and I had worked with him since our teens.

I am unmarried, but Myron is married and has two sons. I'm convinced he's trying to ease me out of the partnership to make room for them. He embarrasses me before the help, the salesmen, and the customers. He treats me like a nitwit, ordering me around like an office-boy. When the phone rings, he says "I'll take it." When someone walks in, he says "Let me handle this."

It's strange, isn't it, that when my father was alive he turned to me for advice, let me make the decisions and do all the ordering. And we made plenty of money! Now suddenly I don't count.

Myron should be man enough to come right out and ask me to leave.

**Myron M.**—Al should offer to wind things up, after what he did last month. He likes to play Big Shot and the salesmen know they can fool him. When one supplier told him a competitor bought 1000 yards of some junk, Al took 5000 yards. We didn't need it, couldn't use it, couldn't get rid of it.

He may have been okay for Papa, a quarter of a century ago. But for today his slipshod methods and careless record-keeping are a handicap. He's of the Carry-it-all-in-your-head school of bookkeeping. He has no idea of how to run a business in today's rat-race.

I'm willing to let him go through the motions of keeping busy, but I've told the salesmen to come directly to me because the firm will not be responsible for deals with Al. If he really had the interest of the business at heart, he'd make way for my boys who are live-wires.

**The Council:** The old order changed, of course, but there's no need for Myron to speed it up with a demolition crew. Surely Albert can be approached as a reasonable business partner, open to an honest discussion of what's best for the firm, both in terms of dollars-and-cents and of the human factor.

Granted, Albert made a buying boo-boo. We'll wager Myron made one or two in his time, also. Some mistakes are repairable, others not. The 5000-yard "lemon" may or may not be a total loss, but humiliating a 50-50 partner and hacking down a hard-working brother could be an irreparable error.

No. In order to make "room at the top," Myron must find a more humane and feelingful procedure. The nephews must respect Uncle Al and appreciate the sweat and toil he con-

"new order" is in the best interests of the business, he can withdraw gradually and with dignity. And as "Emeritus," he'll serve as a consultant for the college-trained successors who seek an old-fashioned "short-cut," once in a while.

The Bible has a beautiful psalm that begins: "Behold, how goodly it is for brothers to dwell peacefully together." A relationship that began in a loving home, and was nurtured by a proud father, ought not be scratched out on a profit-and-loss ledger. Albert can face and accept the hard facts of business easier than the hard heart of a brother.



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**Two Being Held for Attempted Burglary**

Two young men, one 17 and the other 23, are being held by authorities here on charges of attempted burglary of the Lithia drive-in theater Monday.

The pair was caught in the theater by two sheriff's deputies after a call from James David Selleck from the theater. Sheriff's deputies charged that the two youths were attempting to rifle the candy counter and projection room.

A 17-year-old Talent youth is being held in the juvenile detention home. Earl Wayne Taylor, 23, of Third st. and Central ave., Medford, is being held in the county jail, deputies said.

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