



DONATION APPROVED — The AFL-CIO Executive Council now meeting at Miami Beach, Fla., has pledged \$1 million donation to the Eleanor Roosevelt Cancer Foundation. Ret. Gen. Omar Bradley, left, representing Mrs. Roosevelt at the meeting, is shown with AFL-CIO President George Meany, center, and Vice President Walter Reuther. (UPI Telephoto)

Congressmen Hail New Forest In Klamath Basin

Washington — (UPI) — Oregon Democratic lawmakers Monday hailed an announcement of a new national forest to be created in the Klamath Basin as "of great importance to the area's economy."

Sens. Wayne Morse and Maurine Neuberger and Rep. Al Ullman issued a statement following announcement by Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman that the former Klamath Indian lands being taken into the national forest system would form the nucleus of a new national forest in the Klamath basin.

They said the announcement was "in full accord with the best principles of forest resource management."

The statement paid tribute to members of the Klamath Indian tribe of more than 868

Duncan Asks End Of Death Penalty

Hillsboro — (UPI) — House Speaker Robert Duncan of Medford Monday night called for abolition of capital punishment in Oregon.

"Vindictive justice has no place in the Oregon penal code," he told the Washington County Democratic Central Committee here.

Duncan said he would support the death penalty if it would add "one whit" to the public's protection. It doesn't, he said.

She did a great deal to bring about understanding between white men and Indians in the Klamath area.

Nucleus of the proposed forest will be 419,000 acres of Klamath Indian lands. Another 500,000 acres from three adjoining national forests will be attached to the new forest. Some 100,000 acres of Indian lands will be added to the Fremont National Forest.

Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn W. Watkins
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Nowhere else on earth at any time in the world's history has there ever been such a concentration of large animals as that which was present on the grassy plains of the North American continent when the bison herds roamed the land.

Only sketchy estimates are available as to the numbers of hoofed animals contained in the herds. Roughly, there were at least a hundred million buffalo alone and probably there were nearly that many pronghorn antelope. Vast herds of elk ranged the northern two-thirds of America from Pennsylvania to the Pacific ocean, swelling the animal population to a staggering five hundred million individuals.

Slaughtered for Tongues

Across the prairies of the Old West, the Indian and his palefaced brother rode, killing the great beasts. At first the animals were killed for food; then for sport, then for hides. At one time they were slaughtered by hundreds of thousands just for their tongues. Millions were killed just because they made a good target. They were shot from moving trains and left to rot under the western sun.

When the hide hunters went through the west, they killed and skinned the buffalo and left the carcasses. Buffalo robes covered the laps of most people who had to brave winter storms and cold. It is claimed that at one time a man could step from one bison skull to the next across an entire state without once touching the ground. There were times when entire areas had to be avoided because of the stench of rotting bodies.

'Always Plenty'

Naturally, the animals could not withstand such an impact, and their numbers declined at an alarming rate. There were then, as there are now, some half-wise folks who claimed, "There will always be plenty of buffalo."

But by the turn of the last century, what had been a hundred million had dwindled to a pitiful remnant of 500 individuals, and these survived only because a few wise and farsighted men realized that a majestic animal was being victimized by greed, stupidity and ignorance.

Today, but few of the bison remain. There are small, isolated herds under constant protection and mostly fenced-in — a pitiful remnant of the once mighty herds that actually shook the earth with their pounding hooves.

The thundering herds now are hardly an audible whisper. Gone, too, are the antelope herds, the elk and most of the others.

What is left is passing, too; the bighorn sheep will have to struggle desperately to last another decade; their range is becoming limited; the inevitable end approaches; already the great hoofed creatures, with the exception of the white-tailed deer, are galloping into oblivion.

Thornton Predicts Trouble in Japan

Salem — (UPI) — Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton predicted Monday the United States is headed for more trouble in Japan and the Far East during 1961.

Addressing a Great Decisions forum, Thornton said he felt "the multiple forces behind the Tokyo riots of last June are still at work."

"The immediate goal of the Sino-Soviet bloc in the Far East," Thornton said, "is to force the expulsion of U. S. bases from Japan, Okinawa, the Ryukyu and Formosa."

"A target of equal importance to the Communist plan of conquest in Asia is the Japan-U. S. mutual security treaty," he said. The treaty was ratified in spite of Tokyo riots last year.

"I do not think that the Japanese people will ever voluntarily embrace Communism," Thornton said, "but we must be prepared for more picketing and demonstrations at our defense installations, embassies, and consulates."

Thornton said he felt the "Reds will continue to chip away at the U. S. position wherever and whenever the opportunity presents itself."

"They will try to exploit anti-American feeling and native nationalist movements in Asia to embarrass us or to cause us to lose world prestige," he said.

FIRST MAYOR DIES

Miami Beach, Fla. — (UPI) — Funeral services will be held today for John Newton Lummus, 89, who found Miami Beach a mangrove swamp and lived to become first mayor of the famous seaside resort. He died Sunday.



GREETINGS, PHOTOGRAPHER — A Malayan Sun Bear, Morgan, stands on his feed dish and waves as a photographer passes in order to attract attention at the Portland zoo. A friendly fellow, Morgan is lonely because the rainy weather has forced him in doors and kept people away. (UPI Telephoto)

Farm Income Under Eisenhower Down

Washington — (UPI) — A government report today indicates that net farm income under the Dwight D. Eisenhower administration dropped nearly \$22 billion below the total for the preceding eight years. This is actually a reduction of about \$21.6 billion.

The report from the Agriculture Department did not refer to this figure.

What USDA furnished was a preliminary estimate of net farm income in 1960. This figure was added to earlier reports to get the total for the eight Eisenhower years.

It says net farm income in 1960 rose about 3 per cent above 1959. This would put the 1960 figure at about \$11.6 billion, bringing the total for the Eisenhower years to about \$95.5 billion.

Net farm income for the eight preceding years adds up to a total of \$118.1 billion, a difference of \$21.6 billion.

Appling's Daughter Oratorical Winner

Salem — (UPI) — The Salem district prep oratorical contest was won Monday night by Janet Appling, daughter of Secretary of State and Mrs. Howell Appling.

Miss Appling, a junior at Sacred Heart Academy, will be in the division finals March 11 in Eugene. The state finals are set for March 18 in Albany.

JAVITS HITS KENNEDY

Washington — (UPI) — Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R-N.Y.) has said President Kennedy's problems with civil rights and national productivity should provide the Republicans with a "very

good opportunity" to recapture the White House in 1964. Javits said Sunday these were the "inner contradictions" of the Democratic administration which would give the GOP "plenty of issues" for the next presidential campaign.

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