

Luce Testifies for Initial Call on Northwest Power

Washington—(UPI)—Congress was told Monday that if the Pacific Northwest is not given first call on federal power produced there some of its industrial plants might be closed.

"In principle we are against regional preferences because they stand in the way of best uses of the nation's resources in the interests of the whole country," he said.

The only outspoken critic of the legislation was Rep. Charles S. Gubser (R-Calif.). Gubser said the bill would give private industry in the Pacific Northwest priority over California preference customers. The latter, he contended, had a "superior right" to the Bonneville power.

The California Republican said if the bill is passed he would introduce legislation "to provide California power consumers the same right to Northwest Power that this bill gives to the Northwest customers."

Auto Crash Kills K. Falls Youth

Weed, Calif.—(UPI)—Gregory Will Bernard, 19, Klamath Falls, Ore., was killed and two other persons injured Monday when a car driven by Bernard failed to make a curve and plunged over an embankment.

California State Police said the accident occurred on Highway 97 some 10 miles north of here. A frost-covered road was blamed for the accident.

Hospitalized was Gary Lewis Mattos, 20, and Larry Gene Ash, 19. Both are of Klamath Falls. Mattos was reported in serious condition.

Your Money's Worth

By SYLVIA PORTER
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AUTOMATION WIPING OUT 200,000 JOBS A YEAR

Automation of our country's production facilities will wipe out a minimum of 200,000 jobs each year during this decade.

This is a minimum of what the economists call "disemployment," decreases in employment associated with increased productivity — or, putting it in plain words, a measure of the jobs lost when modernized factories can turn out the same amount of goods with fewer workers. It is a minimum because the estimate does not reflect the disemployment which occurs when obsolete plants shut down or transfer their activities to another updated plant. Nor does it reflect the disemployment which occurs when plants or industries lose markets to more progressive competitors, to new products, to new materials.

It is a chilling projection which dramatizes the magnitude of the employment problem we're facing in this era and which warns us we must get down to the core of the matter, find the ways to speed our economy's growth, take the steps necessary to achieve this.

At the 21st American Assembly, devoted this time to "Automation and Technological Change" and held at Arden House, New York, recently, Ewan Clague, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and Leon Greenberg, Chief of the BLS Division on Technological Developments, submitted a background paper in which the 200,000 a year estimate of disemployment appears. Clague and Greenberg based it on exhaustive studies of what increased productivity arising from technological changes has done to jobs in past periods. In 1953-59, a period of slow growth in our economy, automation displaced 1,131,000 production workers in manufacturing, or about 200,000 a year. In 1947-57, a period of rapid growth, automation displaced 863,000 workers in manufacturing, or nearly 90,000 a year. By a series of painstaking calculations, they came to the projection for the future.

In Clague's and Greenberg's words, "Gross National Product must grow enough to take care of the nearly 3,000,000 jobs accounted for annually by the over-all growth in productivity plus the new entrants to the labor force."

Our economy is not growing enough to do this now.

This is only part of the problem, of course. While hundreds of thousands of jobs are disappearing, the new jobs opening up are changing, the opportunities are shifting. As Clague and Greenberg say, we already know from "the long sweep of industrial-occupational changes that have occurred in the last 50 years," that the farm is no longer a job haven for millions, that mining has declined in importance, that the automobile has cut into jobs in public transportation, etc.

What we are witnessing and will continue to witness is a long-term shift from blue-collar to white-collar types of jobs. The proportion of farm workers will decline further. There will be increases in opportunities for skilled workers, slight declines in opportunities for the semi-skilled, sharp declines in opportunities for the unskilled. Training and retraining—these will become the passwords to the job market in the years ahead.

As one illustration, Clague and Greenberg mention the electronic computer, which is now making rapid inroads in offices and factories where large numbers of clerical workers are employed. The computer, he emphasizes, could have "very serious implications" for young women employed as clerical workers, will displace men with clerical and semi-professional skills, too. The "great need for training or retraining for new kinds of occupations" is obvious.

The dimensions of the problem must be grasped. We must speed our growth. We must provide for training and retraining, upgrade the education of our labor force across the board. We must overhaul our tax system to spur modernization of our plants so we can compete aggressively in the world markets. We must do intensive research to discover where the jobs will be and what they'll demand of workers.

It was on Feb. 15, 1962, that President Kennedy said "the major domestic challenge of the 1960s is to maintain full employment at a time when automation is replacing men." He said it now on with the action.

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BUS DRIVER'S HOBBY—Roy Harnden, one of Lone Pine school's bus drivers, holds some of his embroidery work. He has developed the making of pillowcases, aprons and scarves as a hobby. He saw an apron he liked one day and set about to make one similar to it. The hobby grew from this beginning.



FANCY PILLOWCASE—This closeup shows one of numerous pillowcases, scarves and aprons he has made as a spare-time hobby. bus driver, embroidered on a pillowcase.

School Bus Driver Embroiders

By DOT SIMMONS
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Lone Pine—Roy Harnden, one of Lone Pine school's bus drivers, spends many of his spare moments making pillowcases, aprons and scarves. The aprons are embroidered and have been made without sewing other than cross-stitch embroidery.

Harnden developed this hobby one day when he saw an apron he liked, made one similar to it and sent it to a sister in Missouri.

His sister entered the apron in a county fair, whereupon it won first prize among 42 others in competition. She sent the prize blue ribbon to Harnden, and this gave him more interest in his hobby than ever.

Harnden has been making aprons and other items for about a year now. It takes him about 1 1/2 hours to make one apron, he explained. In addition to making them as a hobby, he also offers them for sale.

Harnden also embroiders dresses his wife has made and embroiders pillowcases, after which his wife crochets around the edges.

Neighbor Catches Dick West Disobeying Rules on Paint Can

By DICK WEST

Washington—(UPI)—Among the newer developments in the exterior decorating field is a quick-drying latex house paint that enables the user to wash his brushes with soap and water. This is a big improvement and I can understand why the companies that make this type of paint are proud of their product and want it to be used in a manner that will provide the best results.

But one of the companies has taken what I regard as a rather dictatorial attitude about this. On the lid of the can it has printed in large red letters the following edict:

"Use this unusual new paint as directed or please don't use it at all."

Now in all of this far land I doubt that you can find anyone more tractable than I am. I believe in obeying the rules and regulations. I still try to live up to the terms of my scout oath.

But when I read that high-handed decree the paint company has imposed on its customers, something came over me.

After making certain I was not being watched, I went out and began using the paint not as directed.

In thinking that I could get away with it, I underestimated the curiosity of Harvey Tweedie, my next door neighbor who pads around in rubber sole shoes.

I had barely gotten started on my illicit enterprise when I became aware that he had managed to sneak up behind me.

"What's that you're doing?" he said in an accusatory voice.

"Oh, just painting, Harvey," I replied, feigning innocence. "Giving the old fence a little touch-up. Nothing wrong with that is there?"

Depends on Paint

"It depends," he said sternly. "What kind of paint are you using?"

"It's one of those new latex outdoor paints," I said.

"Don't the directions say to scrape off the old paint and apply an undercoat before you use it?" he persisted.

"He knew he had me, and I knew it.

"You're not going to squeal on me, are you, Harvey?" I said.

"As a good citizen, it's my duty to report this to the paint company," he replied. "Any action they might take is up to them."

I haven't heard from the company yet, but I'm hoping I can settle out of court. If not, I'll plead temporary insanity.

Minister Appointed Assistant Professor

The Rev. Charles P. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Anderson, 218 Winema Way, has been appointed assistant professor in the department of religious studies at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., for the coming school year.

Mr. Anderson is a graduate of Klamath Union High School and attended Southern Oregon college. He was graduated from Willamette university and attended Union Seminary, New York City, on a Danforth fellowship. He attended Columbia University for two years working on his doctorate degree and is currently doing research work at the Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley.

He was ordained a Methodist minister at the Central Illinois conference, Jackson at MacMurray college, Jacksonville, Ill., in 1959.

As a student minister he served at Marquam, Ore., for two terms while attending Willamette university and was active at the Riverside church in New York and did field work in East Harlem.

He is married to the former Patricia Ann Harris, Myrtle Point, and the couple has three children.

Officer Returns From Conference

Lt. Lyle C. Perkins, head of the detective division of the Medford city police department returned to Medford Sunday after spending last week at the annual Western States Crime Conference in Tacoma, Wash.

Perkins was a coordinator of the conference, which was attended by law enforcement officers from 19 western states and Canada.

Among several prominent guest speakers at the conference was Frank C. Ramon, chief of the Seattle police department.

Georgia-Pacific's Lumber Practices Noted in Article

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Mail Tribune
Washington Correspondent

Washington (Special)—Many members of the lumber industry feel that Georgia-Pacific Corp., the fastest growing big lumber company, has "threatened the image of the industry as an industry to be built up" by its rapid cutting practices in the Pacific Northwest, according to Fortune magazine.

"There is no doubt that in certain areas G-P at present is cutting its own timber above the maximum allowable to maintain level operations in the future. When its heavy servicing of debts is paid off with harvest, G-P will have to reduce its cut in these areas to maintain its options to cut its own timber in the longer future when both product and timber prices may be higher," says Fortune.

The financial monthly, in a lengthy article, traces the rise of G-P from a relatively small firm little more than a decade ago to one of the big three in timber holdings on the Pacific coast, after Weyerhaeuser and Crown Zellerbach. The company has demonstrated a knack for absorbing other firms with relatively small investment capital and showing a 700 per cent rise in profits from 1952 to 1961.

Daring Strategy

"The company's strategy has been daring and peculiarly 'rational.' G-P has shown little interest in the conventions and traditions of the industry where these seemed to collide with its own rationalities," says the magazine, noting that G-P has been criticized for slashing away at old timber and for challenging the industry's old and established way of grading plywood.

Fortune tells in detail of a titanic struggle between G-P and U. S. Plywood for control of the Booth-Kelly Co. and its 146,000 acre tract of some of the finest old-growth Douglas fir in the Northwest near Eugene, Ore.

As one successful deal followed another, G-P increased its fee holdings from 300 million board feet in 1951 to some 12 billion board feet now. It also acquired "a breathtaking debt-to-net-worth ratio of three to one" because it swung most of its ventures on borrowed money. In 1958 alone its debt rose from \$16 million to \$126 million. G-P raised this capital from Bank of America and First National Bank of Oregon (\$43 million); Prudential and Metropolitan Life (\$49 million); and the balance from debentures, sale of some assets from newly acquired companies and sale of cutting rights to other timber operators.

Security for the loans were cutting contracts, Fortune reported, and "payments on the loans were linked to a harvesting schedule over a period of years."

In self-defense, G-P asserts that it is not harvesting faster than anyone else. But Fortune reports that its rapid cutting will force it to buy from the government or find more low-cost private timber to buy up in the years ahead if it is to avoid cutbacks in production.

Leads in Production

G-P leads the nation in softwood plywood production, ahead of U.S. Plywood Simpson and Weyerhaeuser. It has also entered the pulp and paper business, just as Crown Zellerbach has entered plywood. Weyerhaeuser, chiefly lumber and paper, is "coming up fast in plywood," its acquisition of Roddis Plywood Corp. gave Weyerhaeuser 58 additional warehouses for plywood distribution.

G-P is pioneering sale of "white speck" plywood, in which the inner plys are made of Douglas fir which has suffered from white speck fungus disease. G-P owns a lot of this timber south of Eugene. This provoked controversy among those who said it wasn't as strong as regular plywood, but it has since been certified by the Douglas Fir Plywood Assn.

G-P says it plans to reduce the normal growing cycle to harvest trees faster—say on a 40 to 60-year cycle instead of the convention 80 to 100. Fortune predicts that one result of "G-P's fast harvesting of trees is that in the near future its growth is expected to rest on paper and new products . . . derived from younger trees."

Agricultural Extension Groups Heading Overseas

By United Press International

Four groups of agricultural extension workers will leave next month to explore the problems of expanding markets for American farm products overseas.

The extension teams will visit four major areas, one going to Western Europe, a second to Africa and the Middle East, a third to Southern Asia and the fourth to the Caribbean area.

The four teams will leave about June 15, and return about July 23. Their goal will be to help give American farmers and professional farm workers a better understanding of foreign countries, and some of the problems of modern export sales.

To Include Economists

The teams will be drawn from state extension services across the nation. A total of 21 extension economists will be included in the groups. They will represent state land grant colleges from California to Vermont and from Minnesota to Florida. Each of the teams will also be accompanied by Agricultural Department experts in the areas to be visited.

When the teams return, they will develop discussion material for use in alerting farm people to the particular needs of the export market.

SOC Reunion Set For Aug. 10, 11

Ashland—Further plans in preparation for the all-time Alumni Reunion of former Southern Oregon college students, graduates, and faculty members, were made at a meeting of the reunion committee recently, according to Hugh G. Simpson, director of alumni affairs.

The reunion is scheduled for Aug. 10 and 11.

Committee members discussed a publicity campaign, the methods by which contacts with the alumni could be made, the timing of such contacts, and the form of the registration materials which should be sent out.

Because of the need for determining how many of the alumni would be attending the Shakespearean Festival at special group rates Aug. 10, it was decided that advanced registration forms would have to be mailed at least a month in advance in order to give a more accurate attendance figure to the Festival association manager, Bill Patton.

Other activities during the event will be a dinner for those not attending the Festival production, welcoming address by President Elmo N. Stevenson, and a talk by Dr. Herman Soulen, Corvallis, president of the Old Timer branch of the alumni association. Members of the original staff of the college will be honored and a business meeting will be held to elect alumni association officers.

A banquet, tours of the valley, and a dance will also be included.

Three-County Judge Contestants Picked

Corvallis—(UPI)—Stewart Weiss, Linn county attorney, and Dan W. Poling, Lincoln county attorney, will compete for a circuit judge post in the Benton-Linn-Lincoln judicial district in November.

The two won the highest number of votes among five candidates. They are after the judicial chair in Lincoln county.

Poling, who was third in Lincoln county, won most votes in Benton and Linn counties, to give him a total of 8,558. Weiss, who was second in Linn and Benton counties and fourth in Lincoln county, accumulated a total of 6,876 to place in the final race.

Others and their votes were Eugene Richardson, 12,432; Fred Allen, 665; and A. R. McMullen, 630.

Lions Pick Baker For Next Meeting

Salem—(UPI)—Delegates to the state convention of Lions International have chosen Baker as the site for next year's convention.

The delegates, at a three-day convention here, picked Coos Bay for their 1964 convention and Klamath Falls for 1965.

Four new district governors were named. They are Paul Elkelman of Portland, Manville Heisel of Medford, Fred Hicks of Hood River, and Ted Schwartz of Yachats.

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The Medical Roundup

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Can Drugs Shrink Large Prostate Gland?

I keep getting letters from elderly men who are faced with an operation for an enlarged prostate gland, and do not like the idea. They say, "Surely, there ought to be some medicine that will shrink the gland." But I have to answer that, for 25 years, I worked alongside of some of the ablest urologists (kidney, bladder, and prostate specialists) in the world, and I never saw them giving anyone medicine for a large prostate gland.

Some persons may ask, "Why should a large prostate give trouble?" Because it is situated around the outlet of the urinary bladder, and when it enlarges, it is likely to obstruct the urethra (tube which carries the urine from the bladder to the outside). The gland supplies most of the semen.

If a man has to rise several times at night, and has to strain to urinate, he had better go quickly and be operated on, before his kidneys are damaged by the backing up into them of the urine.

In 1926, when I first went to work at Mayo's, most surgeons in the world used to perform one of the big open operations for removal of a large prostate gland, and when the man's kidneys were largely destroyed by backed-up urine, there was, in perhaps 14 per cent of the cases, serious post-operative trouble. Later, when in practically all cases, the urologists at Mayo's reamed out the obstructing

Reading Group Is Organized in Area

The Rogue Valley Council of the International Reading association was organized May 16 at a meeting in the conference room in the county courthouse.

Oliver Erickson, Medford, was elected president; Miss Marie Prescott, Ashland, president-elect; Mrs. Agnes Rupp, Phoenix, secretary and Ralph Humphries, Eagle Point, treasurer.

Some 40 teachers from throughout Jackson county attended the meeting. Kenneth Raymond presided and introduced Miss Esther Ohering, associate professor of education at Southern Oregon college, who spoke on the functions and purpose of the organization. Lee Merriman presented the by-laws which were accepted by the group.

Committee chairmen appointed were Miss Jean Thompson, membership; Miss Ohering, program; Mr. Merriman, publicity, and Mrs. Erma Bohn, social.

Five teachers who attended the International Reading conference in San Francisco earlier this month were members of a panel who presented the evening's program. They were Robert Lawrence, Ashland, Lincoln school principal; Mrs. Dorothea Bushnell, teacher of first grade at Ashland's Lincoln school; Mrs. Belle James, Rogue River Elementary school; Mrs. Glorianna Littman, Hedrick Junior High school, and Mrs. Eunice Smith, McLoughlin Junior High school.

Girl Treated After Fall With Horse

Janie Corcoran, North Ross lane, was hospitalized at Rogue Valley hospital Sunday night for injuries received when her horse rolled over on her that afternoon.

Sheriff's deputies who were called to the scene of the accident on Ross lane said apparently the 11-year-old girl's horse ran away with her, skidded on a curve and went over on its side.

She was released Monday morning.

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