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Small Worlds Around Us

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It's a Tough World—Too Much for Gentle Bluebird

Certainly not an enviable situation, being a "disaster species."

Pathetic, too, that such a one should be so beautiful, gentle and desirable, which may bring forcefully to us the unfortunate truth that our world today is too rough and severe... too hurried and cruel for such a delicate creature to survive. But such is the present status of one of our more desirable birds—the bluebird, symbol of happiness.

For once, at least, man was not too much to blame for the declining numbers of these beautiful birds. It's peculiar that such gentle and lovely creatures, so much a part of the natural scheme of things, should have been abandoned by nature and destroyed by forces beyond man's power to control.

The decline of the bluebird population started, as near as can be pinpointed, in the year 1895 when a severe freeze in the Southeastern United States coincided with the migration of the bluebirds.

In Florida, oranges turned to balls of ice on the trees. Even the trees were frozen, along with uncounted thousands of bluebirds. Their tiny bodies were everywhere. It was a severe blow to a bird species, one from which they never entirely recovered.

Other storms, other cold spells, high winds and wild periods of weather in the following years decimated the bird ranks again and again. Being usually a little late arriving in the spring in the northern nesting areas, the bluebirds found the suitable nest sites all occupied. Instinctively seeking hollow trees in which to nest, the bluebirds, having suffered from the wholesale destruction of the forests and the woodlands, found nest boxes built by kind-hearted people.

Well-meaning folks, unfamiliar with what a bluebird would consider a suitable place, constructed birdhouses that later proved to be death traps. No drainage was provided in nesting boxes, and carelessly built houses leaked. Eggs were spoiled and baby birds drowned.

Many of the nest boxes were without ventilation, and the summer sun actually cooked the eggs or smothered the young. Other birdhouses were taken over by other species of birds. All these agencies and more conspired to defeat the gentle bluebird.

And all the time the weather waited in the wings, ready to step in and deplete the thinning ranks. Then man began the wholesale spraying with poison chemicals. This, added to the other forces, arrayed against a gentle bird, are a little more than can be tolerated.

It's pathetic that such a beautiful and so harmless a

creature should be faced with so many hazards when all it asks is protection, tolerance and understanding. Some of our misguided folks claim "you have to be tough to survive in this day and age," and the kind and gentle bluebird certainly isn't tough. Even some lesser disaster than the freeze of 1895, or just the lack of understanding by a goodly number of our better citizens, will probably continue the decline of this most delightful bird.

When that last symbol of feathered happiness, the bluebird, disappears from the outdoor scene, the world will have lost a living thing of great beauty.

Fisher Proposes Research Activity

Eugene — State Rep. Carl Fisher (R-Eugene), Fourth District congressman, candidate, said in Eugene Thursday that "the battle for new markets for Oregon agricultural products can be won only if a lively and continuing effort is made in the area of research."

Speaking at a luncheon meeting of the Active club, Fisher said "We can look forward to opportunities, but also challenges with passage of the Trade Expansion Act." "If our agricultural products are to find markets in open competition they must be adaptable, there must be improved strains of standard crops and they must be of good quality," Fisher said.

"For this reason there must be increased emphasis on the kind of research now going on at Oregon State university," he said.

"In short," he said, "we must fight through research to keep agriculture healthy."

Thornton Urges Part in Politics; Raps Newspapers

Forest Grove — Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton Thursday urged more young people to take an active part in politics, but he also urged them to "develop a tough hide" if they do.

"If you can't you had best follow some other pursuit because you will inevitably have to withstand a certain amount of harsh criticism," the Democratic nominee for governor said.

He addressed the Pacific University student body.

"The men who does little or nothing is the man who gets little or no criticism," Thornton said. "Some criticism will be unwarranted and unfair but you will have to take it."

Newspapers Rapped

Thornton said that "95 percent of Oregon's newspapers are Republican owned and operated. This fact is most evident in the editorial columns, which is their privilege, but frequently it is evident in the news columns."

He complained that Republican office holders get their picture in news media "many times as often as a Democrat will."

"As election time approaches, this same disparity in space devoted to reporting campaign speeches and statements in the news columns becomes more evident. This is most pronounced in one Portland paper, and seems to be getting worse in recent months," he said.

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Rain Not Enough to Soak Fuel in Area Forests, FS Reports

Deer hunters have been asked by forest service personnel to maintain caution when using warming fires while in the area's forests.

The forest service said it had to extinguish two warming fires last week end, when hunting season opened. Rains thus far have not been sufficient to completely soak forest fire fuel in the forests.

The forest service's weekly recreation report by district follows:

Ashland district: If the opening week end of the general deer season is a good indicator, the deer season, which opens this Saturday should be a great success.

Ashland district hunters seemed to congregate in the Big Draw-Beaver Dam creek area on the Dead Indian and along the Ashland Loop road in the Siskiyou. Hunter success seemed to be fair to poor on the opening days in both areas, although many does were seen. Hunting was reported to be much lighter on Sunday than it was on opening day.

Two unattended warming fires were extinguished by forest service personnel last week end. The early season rains of last week were not heavy enough to thoroughly soak up the fuel on the ground in the woods. Caution with fires will be necessary for at least several more weeks.

Public campgrounds are still open for use at the North Fork of Little Butte creek, Beaver Dam creek, and Daley creek along the Big Elk road.

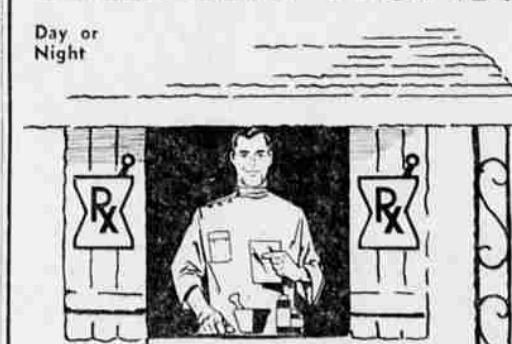
Campsites also are available at Dead Indian Soda Springs, and Fish lake campground. Fish lake resort is also operating cabins, restaurant, store and trailer spaces.

Butte Falls district: All district roads are still in good condition despite recent heavy rains. Hunters are cautioned that further rain will make many roads slippery. Heavy logging traffic will be encountered on the Lodgepole and Innaha Access roads.

The campgrounds are still open for the hunting season. Snowshoe and Four-Bit creek campgrounds have been enlarged with a total of 12 new stoves and tables added. Campers should take plenty of warm clothing since nights are getting cold in the mountains.

Road work has been completed on the new Whiskey Springs campground. When completed, the new campground will have an additional 40 tables and stoves. A new

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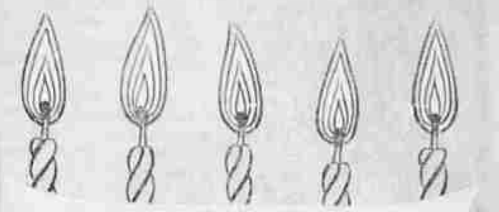
water system will also be added as funds become available.

Union Creek district: There are two roads on the Union Creek district which are under construction. The Mill Creek road from the bridge crossing toward Huckleberry is closed. Also the Beartree road which takes off from the Wizard Creek road is closed. The closures are due to construction and muddy conditions.

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