

Sales Planned In Blow-Down Areas

Klamath Falls—Timber sales in blow down areas of Winema National forest may have to be substituted for other planned areas, Supervisor Alex Smith has reported following air inspections of the forest this week.

First estimates indicate that upward of 10 million feet of merchantable pine and fir may be on the ground, Smith said. He added that work is already under way to prepare

salvage sales in areas of heavy blowdown.

"We hope," Smith said, "to start salvage programs quickly so that loss from stain and insects will be held to a minimum. The scattered nature of the blowdown will make salvage in some areas difficult."

A survey of damage sustained by the forest is still under way, he reported. Many forest roads were closed by falling trees and debris. On the Chiloquin district the Kirk and Modoc point roads are being opened so livestock operators can gather and remove their stock from the forest.

Ten summer homes at Lake of the Woods were reported to have been damaged and a number of boats wrecked.

De Gaulle Renews Threat To Resign

Paris—(UPI)—President Charles de Gaulle warned today he will resign at once if the nation votes against him or gives him a skimpy majority in the Oct. 28 constitutional referendum.

There would be no question of his returning later, he said.

In a nation-wide radio-television broadcast, De Gaulle said he would regard a massive "yes" vote as confirmation the country wants him to stay in power.

"It would make the world decisively certain of the great future of France," he declared.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

LATEST LINGO overheard in an advertising agency: "Let's get down on all fours and look the situation over from the client's point of view." And another overheard—this one from a very stout lady at a fundraising luncheon: "The gall of that woman! I told her I was collecting for a foundation and she said I sure could use one."



While making a personal appearance in Tulsa, Art Linkletter was persuaded by a widower to invest five thousand dollars in drilling a new oil well. Some weeks later he received this telegram: "Struck ketchup at 6,000 feet. Drilled into hamburger stand abandoned during dust storm in early thirties. Estimate we need five thousand more to locate mustard. (Signed) your partner."

A Columbus, Ohio, dispatch reveals the fact that a perky schoolmarm in those parts has installed a rocking chair in the front of her classroom. She doesn't use it herself, however. A sign on the chair proclaims, "For grandmothers and President Kennedy."

Colonel Duffy reports an Irish dignitary in his community who holds his liquor so well they call him the County Cork.

FRIENDSHIP ENDS

London—(UPI)—Actress Jennifer Jayne, announcing her engagement to pianist Art Fairbank, said Wednesday, "We started by being good friends, but that's all over now. We're going to be married."

ANNOUNCES PLANS

Washington—(UPI)—The Army said Wednesday that after Jan. 1 it will stop sending men overseas whose enlistments would expire while they are abroad. It said the procedure would save \$20 million a year.

U.S. Becomes World Leader in Field of Plant Quarantine; Still Paying for Early Folly

Washington—(UPI)—The United States has become a world leader in the plant quarantine field, and is far in advance of most countries in the protection of its farms and woodlands.

This was not always so. And because of the early folly of admitting scores of the world's most destructive plant pests, there is a continuing fight against insects and diseases which destroy or harm American crops.

Before passage of the plant quarantine act of 1912, the United States was vulnerable to the whim of any foreign grower who chose to unload his cull stock on an indifferent American public.

Ralph W. Sherman of the plant quarantine division of the Agricultural Research service, reports that an inventory of the foreign insects now harbored in the United States shows that 94 species gained entry prior to this legislation. Further, data assembled by the federal horticultural board as early as 1919 show that at least 120 foreign diseases had been introduced up to that time.

Insects, Diseases
Washington's famous Japanese cherry trees are a case in point. In 1909 the mayor of Tokyo notified President

William Howard Taft that the people of Tokyo were sending 2,000 flowering cherry trees as a gift to the people of Washington. When the 12-15 foot trees arrived, Agriculture department scientists found them infested with more than a dozen species of exotic insects and carrying several plant diseases.

The trees were burned. Three years later the city of Tokyo sent 3,000 more trees, apparently free of pests. They were planted, and became one of the pleasant sights of Washington.

Unfortunately, these trees and similar importations that soon followed were responsible for the introduction into the United States of the destructive oriental fruit moth, one of the more serious pests now widespread in most commercial peach-growing districts of the country.

Sherman said that had they been fumigated—and it is quite possible they were—they still would have been dangerous. Fifty years ago there was no fumigant lethal to all borers embedded in the wood and protected by a gummy exudate.

Seaport Inspection
Plant quarantine work in the United States may be said to have started in 1891 when

California set up a seaport inspection at San Pedro, probably the first anywhere in the world. In 1903, California approved legislation providing for enforcement of regulations to protect the state's agriculture.

Federal legislation was proposed in the 1890s because of the San Jose scale scare. This scale entered California on flowering peach stock brought from China. Eventually it reached New Jersey. Bills were introduced in Congress periodically, and were strongly opposed by U. S. nurserymen who feared that quarantine legislation would destroy their import business, then valued at about \$350,000 annually.

They failed to pass and efforts to obtain a quarantine act were not revived until around 1910 when enormous quantities of brown-tail moth nests, filled with hibernating larvae, were arriving in seedling fruit stock, principally from northern France.

The quarantine act did not become a reality until 1912. By that time America had become a dumping ground for the plant refuse of other countries. Sherman said that fully 50 per cent of important injurious insect pests were foreign introductions, among them the Hessian fly, horn fly of cattle, cabbage worm, pea weevil, croton bug, asparagus beetle, Argentine ant, and alfalfa-leaf weevil.

In the 50 years of its existence, 82 quarantines have been promulgated under the act. Thirty of these have related to imports of plant and plant products from foreign countries, 40 to interstate movements, and 12 to movement of host material between the U. S. mainland and its offshore states and territories. Currently, there are 43 domestic quarantines, 17 foreign and seven territorial.

Since 1912 there have been numerous amendments and revisions of the quarantine act. Sherman said that with the adoption in May, 1957, of the federal plant pest act, all remaining loopholes in plant quarantine had been plugged.

Today, inspection of air passengers' baggage and of air cargo at international airports constitutes one of the major problems of foreign plant quarantine enforcement. Last year 130,000 planes from foreign countries were examined on arrival, and passengers' baggage alone yielded 100,000 interceptions.

In all, there were some 325,000 seizures of contraband and 25,600 plant pest interceptions. More than half of these were from fruit and plant materials found in baggage.

Psychiatrists Air Walker Examination

Dallas—(UPI)—Three psychiatrists were to discuss today "what is a reasonable psychiatric examination" of former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker.

Dr. R. L. Stubblefield of Dallas, appointed by the court to conduct Walker's examination, meets with Dr. Titus Harris, professor of psychiatry at the University of Texas Medical School in Galveston and Dr. Andrew Watson, University of Michigan psychiatry professor.

Stubblefield, chief of psychiatry at Southwestern Medical school, said he alone will examine Walker.

Walker is free in \$50,000 bond on charges of inciting insurrection. The charges grew out of the integration rioting at the University of Mississippi at Oxford.

Walker is to undergo examination to determine whether he is sane, if he understands the charges against him and whether he is sufficiently competent to aid in his own defense.

Anti-Subversive Affidavit Dropped

Washington—(UPI)—President Kennedy Wednesday signed a bill dropping an anti-subversive affidavit as a requirement for teachers and students receiving loans and grants from the National Foundation of the National Defense Education Act.

The law required that any scientist, teacher or student applying for federal loans and grants sign an affidavit declaring he did not believe in, belong to, or support any organization which believed in or taught overthrow of the U. S. government by force or illegal method.

The legislation Kennedy approved makes it illegal for anyone to apply for or receive such a loan if he is a member of a Communist organization registered under the Subversive Activities Control Act.



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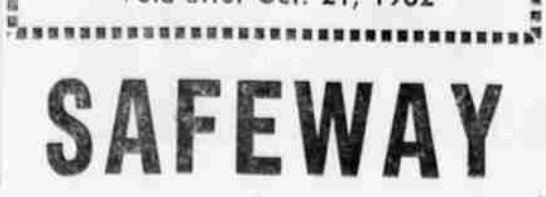
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