

Bids Are Called For Felling Snags

Bids for felling approximately 20,050 snags on two Oregon and one California project have been called by the Bureau of Land Management.

The projects are located in Douglas and Josephine Counties in Oregon and in Humboldt County near Ukiah, Calif. A total of 1,481 acres of public land is involved.

Bids will be opened Dec. 20 at 1 p.m. in the BLM Field Administration Office in Portland.

The work is set aside for Small Business concerns only and any contracts awarded may be partially or completely supported by appropriations from accelerated public works program funds which require performance by residents from the counties indicated.

Additional information may be obtained from the BLM District office in Medford.

CRYOGENICS

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The Medical Roundup

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Regional or Terminal Enteritis

Some people write to ask about regional enteritis, what it is and what can be done about it. In Greek, "enteron" means the bowel, and "itis" means an inflammation. What happens in this disease is that the wall of one or more segments (short stretches) of the small bowel becomes chronically inflamed and thickened. Often the segment involved is the lowest one next to the large bowel, and then the disease is called terminal ileitis ("ileum" is the name for the lower part of the small bowel).

Unfortunately, we physicians do not know what the cause is, and hence we have no good drug or diet that will cure, or perhaps even help, the patient. None of the antibiotics seems to do any good.

Because the symptoms are often vague, with perhaps some diarrhea, abdominal pain, and little fever, the correct diagnosis may for a time be missed. Usually it can be made with the help of an X-ray study of the small bowel.

In at least half of the cases, the best thing to do is to operate, and remove the diseased segment of bowel. A while ago, Dr. Kent W. Barber Jr., and his colleagues at the Mayo Clinic wrote that in 10 years 257 patients with this disease had been seen at the Clinic. In 48 per cent, the diseased segment had been removed surgically.

In a third of the cases, at operation, a mass was found due to a local peritonitis (inflama-

tion of the inner lining of the abdominal cavity). This peritonitis was due to some leakage of infected intestinal contents through cracks in the abnormal wall of the gut.

In 86 per cent of the cases the diseased part of the bowel was removed. In the other cases a so-called bypass was made to shunt the intestinal contents around a big inflammatory mass that would have been hard to remove. In half of these cases, after the inflammation had quieted down, the person was operated on again, and then the somewhat shrunken mass was removed.

It is cheering now to read that in five out of six of the patients operated on, the results were so good that 84.4 per cent remained in good health. Even those who had to be operated on a second time tended to stay well.

If you are approaching menopause you probably have many questions. Let Dr. Alvarez help you with his booklet, "Menopause and Hysterectomy." To obtain your copy send 25 cents and a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to Dr. Walter C. Alvarez, Dept. MMT, Box 857, Des Moines, Iowa (50304).

Residents Reminded Of Law When Going For Christmas Tree

CORVALLIS—Cutting a Christmas tree can be a pleasant family outing, but unless proper permission is obtained first, it can turn into trouble.

Oregon law provides penalties for cutting or removing trees on private land without the owner's consent. Trees growing in federal or state-owned forests are likewise off-limits unless a cutting permit is first obtained. Gary H. Sander, Oregon State University extension forestry specialist, has pointed out:

Oregon forest law also requires a bill of sale in possession when transporting more than five Christmas trees. Sander said. It must specify date of sale, name and address of buyer or receiver, and legal description of the property where the trees were cut.

Before making a family trek into the forest, check with U.S. Forest Service rangers, State Department of Forestry representatives, or county extension agents as to cutting regulations, Sander urged.

Provide Large Selection
For those who like to select their trees from a convenient

sales point, Oregon's Christmas tree farmers this year are providing a large selection of trees, Sander noted. This year, Oregon expects to harvest more than 1 million trees.

About one-half of the trees are Douglas fir, the traditional Christmas tree of the Pacific Northwest. The remainder include such species as Ponderosa, Scotch and shore pines and Grand, Noble, Shasta and White firs.

Quality Christmas trees are now on the market, he noted, adding that trees bought locally are usually fresh cut. Early shoppers can buy their tree now and still have it fresh and attractive through the holidays if they take the proper precautions, Sander said.

These include keeping the tree outside on the shady side of the house and making sure it has plenty of moisture. Sander recommends standing the tree in water. If the tree is laid on its side, rotate it to keep the needles on the underside from becoming discolored and hose it down regularly, he said.

Water is Needed
When the tree is moved inside, make sure it receives plenty of water, is away from heat registers and fireplaces, the specialist stressed.

When selecting the Christmas tree, Sander suggests that buyers consider what kind of tree they want and how they want to use it in their holiday decoration scheme.

The pines offer strong limbs that can take heavy ornamentation and resist the advances of small children helping decorate, he said. The Sierra redwood is a graceful tree that needs only light ornamentation or flocking.

Some firs, like the Noble, are more formal in appearance and may lend themselves to some home settings better than others. But the king of the Christmas trees is still the Douglas fir, "which is best for just all-around use," Sander said.

NCCR Conferences Set Up in Country

CHICAGO (UPI)—The Rev. Galen Weaver, executive secretary of the National Conference on Religion and Race (NCCR), reported that interreligious and interracial conferences have been formed in 46 cities across the country.

Significant programs of action are under way in 19 of these cities, he said.

The National Conference was formed after a gathering last January in Chicago of clerical and lay leaders of the major faiths in the United States. Its purpose was to see how organized religion could bring "its full moral force to bear on eliminating racial segregation and discrimination."

STAR GAZER

By CLAY E. POLLAN

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7 A	37 Aspects	67 Who's
8 Will	38 Interest	68 Today
9 The	39 The	69 Of
10 Step	40 Good	70 Permittion
11 Doors	41 Blow	71 Travel
12 The	42 These	72 Travel
13 Of	43 Ahead	73 Here
14 Be	44 To	74 High
15 Lay	45 To	75 Winter
16 Luck	46 Be	76 The
17 Those	47 Reach	77 Interests
18 Open	48 Upans	78 Friendly
19 Take	49 In	79 On
20 Portance	50 In	80 To
21 Greater	51 Anyone	81 Toward
22 Year	52 Someone	82 Some
23 Pay	53 A	83 Be
24 The	54 There's	84 With
25 Needed	55 Some	85 Of
26 You	56 Off	86 Your
27 Of	57 Recipive	87 Vine
28 Door	58 Science	88 Science
29 Suggestions	59 Or	89 Work
30 Better	60 Authority	90 Aggressive
		91 Neutral

Experts View Cambodian Aid

By RAY HERNDON
United Press International

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (UPI)—The suspension of American economic and military aid is expected to have little immediate impact on Cambodia's national economy, but experts fear the economy will begin to deteriorate within the next few months.

There has been no serious economic panic. The black market value of the Cambodian riel has settled back to the normal level it occupied before Prince Norodom Sihanouk's somewhat unexpected decision to demand an immediate cessation of all American military, economic, cultural and technical assistance to his kingdom.

The decision is believed to have resulted from pressure by Cambodia's next door neighbor — Red China.

American aid officials said that some consumer goods being imported under the United States commodity import program will continue flowing into the country, even though the program has technically been halted.

Qualified business sources said that one of the major products which the United States furnished under its aid program, petroleum, will continue to come into Cambodia for several months. The United States released some \$3 million for oil imports only a few days before Sihanouk demanded the aid halt.

Will Ration Gas
The Cambodian government, however, has already begun planning a rationing system on gasoline.

Other goods which the United States financed such as construction materials will also continue to trickle in, since orders

placed during recent weeks are now en route to Cambodia.

American aid to Cambodia, planned for some this year, was essentially of three types: — The largest single portion, some \$14.6 million was devoted to the United States Commodity Import program (CIP) whereby the United States financed the foreign exchange costs of selected commodities for distribution through Cambodian commercial channels.

— The United States had also planned to furnish some \$10.4 million dollars worth of military equipment and basically military projects this year.

— Direct aid in the form of projects such as schools, dispensaries and agricultural aid amounted to \$4.7 million.

Workmen Quit
Aid of all three types has now been halted and workmen on some 20 projects have laid down their tools awaiting the outcome of discussions between Cambodian and American government officials here.

As one American official put it, "when we stop work, they stop too." He referred to the Cambodian laborers employed by the American Aid Mission constructing the projects.

The officials listed some 20 projects which were in stages of semi-completion including four secondary schools, a technical institute and engineering college, the teacher training center at Siem Riep, and the rural health center.

American aid officials saw little hope that any of these projects would be completed if Sihanouk does not suddenly reverse his decision to demand the withdrawal of all American aid to Cambodia.

The United States donates more than \$10 million in local currency annually towards the salaries of Cambodia's armed forces.

The grant aid has in the past paid more than 40 per cent of the military's salaries and accounted for more than 10 per cent of the entire national budget.

To make up the loss of this sum, Sihanouk will have to increase the deficit in his budget even beyond the present level which is about 40 per cent more expenditures than income.

Shuns Command
Sihanouk has made it clear that he no longer wants the American military assistance command in Cambodia. Existing aid agreements call for six months' prior notice for the cancellation of the military aid program, but it is expected here that the last American military man will be out of Cambodia before mid-January.

Negotiations for the cessation of American economic aid administered by the Agency for International Development (AID) mission have not yet begun.

American aid officials said it was unlikely that any of the aid programs which range from commodity imports to agricultural experimental stations would be continued.

Some of the United States initiated projects in the fields of public health and sanitation are expected to continue unchanged for a while, but as supplies dwindle and are not replaced by U.S. aid they too will be in danger.

The American aid mission since November, 1962, has been engaged in a study of health problems of rural school children. It was expected that this study would be completed in April of next year. Preliminary findings indicated that among a sample group of students examined some 59 per cent had trachoma, an eye disease that leads to blindness.

A major weakness of the Cambodian military has always been the maintenance of American military hardware. Even with American technical assistance, more than 75 per cent of the military vehicles are presently out of service for repairs, according to qualified military sources.

Without American military advisors, practically all the military equipment is expected to fall apart or go out of service within a matter of weeks.

One high American official said that if the rehabilitation made necessary by faulty construction on one hand and tropical monsoon rains on the other stops, the highway which now carries a majority of Cambodia's commerce will crumble away and become practically unusable within months.

Cambodia's military forces also will deteriorate, observers fear.

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