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Today's Roundup

THIS is a report of a night and a day spent with forest rangers—a trip that took me last weekend to some of the most beautiful and most interesting spots in the sweeping timber and range lands that compose the Fremont national forest in Lake and Klamath counties. It is familiar country to most readers, but perhaps some of the things going on there will rate as news, and people who like the Fremont as I do may enjoy going along with me over some back trails.

My visit to the forest was arranged by Supervisor Merle Lowden, an Oregon State forestry grad of 1923 who came up through the ranks to become head man of one of the most interesting of all national forests.



EPLEY

I met Merle in mid-afternoon at Bly, where the Fremont has a ranger district headquarters including several native rock buildings—three or four residences, an office (station), warehouse, crew quarters and garages.

Things were popping. From Bly, a smoke had been sighted on Pothole creek, north of Quartz Mountain, and Ranger Spike Armstrong of the Bly district had gone in with a crew to clean it up. Incidentally, I learned that the kids at Bly are among the Fremont's most ardent fire watchers. Spike has offered a cash prize to the youngster reporting a fire ahead of the lookouts, and when a smoke shows, he gets the rush act from the town's young fry.

IN Merle's car, we took off for the mountains, going out on the Bly-Campbell and Dairy creek roads. Soon we were in timber, one of the finest of the Weverhauser stands, and climbed gradually up the slope of Gearhart Mountain through beautiful slides that are known affectionately to many Klamathites.

We stopped at the site of the Jap balloon bomb blast that killed a minister's wife and five children in May, 1945. Merle told me that Weverhauser, on whose land the site is located, is planning to set up suitable markers and otherwise set aside the site in memory of the sensational tragedy that occurred there.

At present, there is little to show the history of the spot. It is a typical woodland glade, and the shallow crater made by the bomb explosion has been filled up. A metal Veterans of Foreign Wars insignia, mounted on a short rod, marks the exact spot, but there is no inscription yet. Trees in the surrounding area show where "curiosity seekers" have dug into the bark and wood for shrapnel souvenirs.

We left this interesting spot and moved over the Dairy creek road, now in good condition, to Finley corral, where the Fremont maintains a guard station. Here we were joined by Ranger Armstrong, back from the fire which he reported in good shape.

Passing along the road, Mr. Lowden pointed out to me trees which the forest service has been pruning. These are straight young trees, obviously potential saw timber, and the branches are removed up about 20 feet to assure clear lumber 60 or 70 years hence when the trees are cut. That's thinking ahead.

THERE are fish in the creek at Finley, and we had visual evidence of them when a four-year-old camper stood up with a limit of ten pan-size Eastern Brook while his mother photographed him. We asked if he had caught them, he replied that his dad had, but that he was just as proud of them as if they were the products of his own angling.

Well, you know what happens when people get to talking about fishing. They go fishing. We were due in Dairy creek guard station at 8:30 a.m., and we surmised we had time for a little fishing up Dairy creek in the area above the bridge that is open this year after several years closure. We fished downstream for about a mile from Cougar creek. The fish were biting, but they were small, and Spike came up with the best catch. I got a little embarrassed at the babies that kept taking my hook, but Spike and Merle seemed to attract the legal ones.

The shadows were getting deeper in the woods and we hiked back upstream to the car. We hustled on to Dairy creek guard station, late, as fishermen usually are.

We had passed from Bly to Paisley ranger district, and Ray Knudson, the Paisley ranger, was waiting for us. He had a crackling fire in the cookstove and big steaks soon were sizzling in the pan. It took a bit of waiting, but Ray's steaks, fried spuds, corn and salad were worth it. We cleaned them up, the super himself washed the dishes, and we fell into our sleeping bags.

better, and I caught half a dozen on flies and half-bigger ones, this time.

A TROUT breakfast, and we were off for the Chewaucan country, which lies northward toward Paisley. It proved to be the start of a highly interesting day.

First stop was at a deer forage plot on the Round Pass lookout road. Here an area was fenced off to keep out both stock and deer. What the bitter brush and other brush and grasses have done inside the fence, as compared with that outside, is most impressive.

From here it is a short run to the Coffee Pot flat area, where the forest service has been conducting a major re-seeding project. A number of years ago, sage was cleared from this open area and it was planted to crested wheat and other grasses. The grasses have made an excellent stand, and the project is an outstanding example of the clear seeded program that is being promoted in Lake County by the Lakeview Rotary club.

We found something new and disturbing here, however. From the road, we observed large areas of tall grass lying flat. Examination showed this to be the work of mice, and dozens of the little mischief-makers scurried about our feet as we walked through the field. The mice apparently do quite well in heavy-waters, such as the last one and they have advanced here and there with Coffee Pot grass. There were large areas they hadn't touched but in others, they had gnawed the roots and caused real damage. Merle and his rangers lost no time in plotting trouble for the mice by means of poison grain, which probably by now is already sown there.

(Continued tomorrow)

These Days

BY GEORGE F. SOROKOVY
NO one who speaks well of a landlord adds to his personal popularity. Should he be so rash as to speak favorably about increasing rents, then he must be a devil incarnate. To make matters clear, I am not a landlord. I am a tenant. I pay rent and volunteered a 15 per cent increase last year.

The argument may be offered that I can afford the increase. That is nonsense, because no one can afford to pay more for anything than he has to. With income taxes and excise taxes what they are, although I collect more money in 1949 than I did in 1942, I did not earn more for myself and my family. The government sees to that. When it comes to actual earnings, we are all in the same leaking boat. We collect and pass on an increasingly large share to the treasury where much of it is wasted, as the Hoover reports conclusively prove.

So, if I could beat my landlord down, I would do it, provided I could get as much out of him in service as I got before. The only point is that he might go broke and I might get someone in his place who would let the house go to rack and ruin and then I might be forced to pay for repairs or move, both of which could be very costly. So I found it cheaper to give the fellow a break. As a matter of fact, I know that my landlord cannot have made a reasonable return on his investment, no matter what anyone calls reasonable.

Consider This:
SO, here is a letter from a landlord which requires some consideration, and I am glad to give it to him in this space:

"One tenant pays me \$27.50 per month for 4 large rooms, bath and utilities and sublets 2 rooms for \$70.00 per month. (No rent ceiling on the subletting tenant!)"

"The whole national trend seems to be raise wages, increase salaries and expense accounts of public officials, increase compensations, outright grants to low income groups, subsidize and guarantee farmers incomes, but crucify the landlord. Even the president is not averse to increasing his salary. His message called for 'fair deal and civil rights for all.' He should have added 'except landlords.'"

"Listen: Last September 15, 1948, I applied for relief on a 12 unit apartment—for an actual loss of \$416.43 (not being allowed to enter a \$600 manager's salary which brings the loss to more than \$1000). About December 1, 1948, I received orders which, boiled down, resulted as follows:

"The total increase on seven units amounted to \$18.15 per month. The remaining five units were decreased a total of \$17.50 per month, thereby allowing me a net total increase of 66 cents or month or \$7.80 per year to cover a loss of more than \$1000."

Hard Luck Case
ON all sides one hears of hardship cases. I know of a little man who was barely making ends meet. So he rented his house to someone for \$35 a month, which gives you an idea of the house, particularly as it included electricity charges. So the tenants bought, on installment payments, all sorts of electrical gadgets which brought the electricity bill each month up to where the landlord could not get anything for himself. As a matter of fact, he, the landlord, went broke. So he asked a lawyer, whom he could not afford to pay, to help him.

The rent control office was in a city quite distant from the village in which all this occurred. So correspondence ensued, as the lawyer could not afford the time, for free, to go to this city. The correspondence led to nothing more than correspondence. So the poor devil is stuck with it.

The question arises: Do we really believe in private ownership of real property? If not, let the government take over all real property and then before I vote for any congressman, I shall ask him for a rent reduction each time, as they used to give us free seeds. If we do believe in private ownership, then the landlord is entitled to a break.

SIDE GLANCES



"It can't look any worse on you than it will on the bill!"

Static

By JOY BIGGS
Horace Heidt, in person, beautiful bouffant and all, will be in Medford July 5, to host the talent show, sponsored by the Medford Audubon club and using local talent.

Harry Carroll, pianist, composer and theatrical personage and Claire Wynn "Queen of Acrobats" are held over at Cal-Ore.

Carroll is the composer of such famous hit tunes as "Trail of the Lonesome Pine," "Chasing Rainbows," and "On the Mississippi."

Reno Browne of Reno Rides the Range will be in this vicinity for the 1949 rodeo and you may see her in person, riding her horse, Major.

We promised you, and we will give you a picture of her next week—also have a picture of Harry Carroll and one of Rip Paddock all special requests which we take pleasure in filling.

Railroad Hour brings you Monday at 8 p. m. on KFLW, story of the toil, sweat and drama of railroad building.

Lucile Norman assisting Gordon MacRae will bring you the continuity in song and story of railroad-building from the very beginning.

Songs associated with railroad building will be revived by the two well-known vocalists and a little history painfully absorbed by listeners.

Brooke Temple, the Red Ryder of the radio program so popular with young and old alike has vacation plans all outlined for July 4th week.

He with his wife Dana and daughter Brooke Jr., will go to Lake Tahoe, then try the salmon fishing along the Columbia and on to Victoria, B. C. They live in El Monte, Calif.

STATIC CHANGE
Red Hurd, who has skipped the Night Desk Diary since its inception, has been moved to dayside for the summer, and has been assigned to production of the daily Static column. He will continue his line of patter in this column, including bits of news from the radio and entertainment field. Static, which has been handled by several staff members, has recently been conducted by Joy Biggs, who will assume other work for the summer.

Auto Fatality Mars Record
PORTLAND, Ore., June 27 (AP)—The death of an elderly woman pedestrian ended Portland's traffic safety record after 98 deathless days yesterday.

The woman, Mrs. Laura Estina Jordan, 67, was struck down by a taxicab at an intersection in early morning darkness. The driver was not held.

It was the first fatality since March 9 in the city—the longest stretch in modern Portland history. It brought the traffic toll to eight, compared with 18 at this time last year.

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TELLING THE EDITOR

Letters printed here must not be longer than 100 words, must be written legibly on one side of the paper, and must be signed by the writer. Contributions following these rules are warmly welcomed.

MORGAN TRIES TO EXPLAIN KLAMATH FALLS (Ore.) To the Editor: May I make use of your columns to extend an explanation and to set a minor segment of the record straight?

While addressing the recent state convention of a well-known women's civic organization I had occasion to refer to Representative Henry Semon of Klamath county, and by way of describing him I quoted a little legislative joke to the effect that Mr. Semon is a "Coolidge democrat." The ladies clearly did not understand the remark, so I explained that according to the story Mr. Semon had been a republican until about the middle of the Coolidge administration but was gradually overcome by such grave doubts that he finally decided he couldn't follow a wild-eyed radical like Coolidge any longer and thereupon left the republican party.

After the convention had adjourned I was informed unofficially that two ladies from Klamath Falls (both staunch republicans) had entered protests against my remarks. I was not given their names, nor was it made clear to me whether they felt that the politics of Mr. Semon or the memory of Mr. Coolidge had suffered the more grievous injury from my remark. They did make it abundantly clear, however, that most Klamath county republicans consider Mr. Semon to be a very satisfactory legislator indeed. From my own observation I am quite sure that this should be the case.

In fact, this letter is for the purpose of stating categorically that my remarks were not intended to disrupt the harmony between Mr. Semon and the republicans of Klamath county, nor to diminish the esteem in which he is held by members of that party, nor to reflect in any way upon the importance which both the Klamath republicans and Mr. Semon place upon that esteem. Klamath democrats, on the other hand, may place whatever construction on the situation they see fit.

As for my little anecdote, all I can say is that it did not originate with me and for all I know it might be true.

HOWARD MORGAN,
Representative,
6th Legislative District.

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The World Today

DeWITT MACKENZIE
AF Foreign Affairs Analyst

It's not surprising that Britain's economic crisis should have given rise to discussion on both sides of the Atlantic as to whether devaluation of the pound sterling would ease the situation. Under England's managed (controlled) currency the pound now is pegged at about \$4.03. It also has a fixed value in relation to the currencies of other countries. The point in lowering the value of the pound would be to encourage foreigners to increase their purchases in Britain.

It works like this: Say the value of the pound in U. S. money were reduced from \$4.03 to \$3.03. Then obviously the American would save a dollar on every one pound transaction he made, whether it be for a pair of gloves or for food. That would be a drawing card for tourists and likely would increase exports.

However, this would cut two ways for England. While she would be selling more goods, she would have to pay more for necessary imports, say from America, with her devalued pound. Britain is such a heavy importer that her increased expenditure for imports might more than offset her gain in sales.

So Britain thus far has turned thumbs down on any idea of devaluation. Apart from other considerations the psychological effect of such a drastic move might be shocking, both at home and abroad. After all, the memorable day on which the whole financial world was shaken.

Suspense Mounted
For many hours after the unexpected announcement the suspense in Britain and abroad was terrific. What would grow out of this daring move? Was it constructive or destructive? Governments and big business alike around the world in a cold sweat, while they waited for some sign of the trend.

It was my fortune to be Associated Press chief of bureau in London at that time and I decided to consult the American ambassador, General Charles G. (Hell and Maria) Dawes, former vice president and one of the world's financial experts. I found him in conference with the late Thomas Cochran, a partner in the banking firm of J. P. Morgan. The general invited me "to get in on this," and I did. After a bit Cochran turned to me and said: "You ought to go down and get an interview with Morgan about the gold standard." (Mr. Morgan then was in London, with headquarters in the Morgan bank.)

Well, Morgan received me like a long lost brother. He played the perfect host, and we talked at length about the gold standard. When finally I asked him for a statement, however, he threw up his hands. He didn't give interviews, and laboriously produced in long hand a message with which I read to the cables.

Morgan's statement, which described the British government's action as "a hopeful and not a discouraging event" swept into front pages throughout America, and of course raced around the world. This optimistic word "hope" from the sphinx of the house of Morgan was credited with having much to do with steadying international reaction.

Of course, a devaluation of the British pound now wouldn't have any such repercussion. Still, it would be a grave move which the government wishes to avoid.

THE DOCTOR SAYS

Seasickness Cure Possible

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.
Written for NEA Service

There is an old saying that the person who is seasick first is afraid he is going to die and after a while he is afraid he is not. This may be an exaggeration, but certainly no one who has had a real experience with being seasick, air-sick, or car-sick has any pleasant memories of the occasion.

The fact that many adjust to the motion of ship or airplane and get their "sea legs" is not enough. In one recent study of this subject from Canada, for example, it was reported that a serious problem of airsickness existed during flying training.

Eye Important
In this investigation, men were swung back and forth in different body positions. The frequency of "seasickness" symptoms depended partly on the position of the body when it was swung and partly on the way in which the eyes could be used to keep a sense of position. It was concluded that the inner ear was most important but that the eyes played a big part.

Many attempts have been made to find a drug or medicine which would prevent or at least improve the symptoms of seasickness or airsickness. Recently a drug called dramamine has been tried out with highly promising results.

A study of seasickness and the use of this drug was conducted on soldiers traveling on an army transport to Germany. Without going into the details of the study, this drug prevented seasickness in all

out two of 134 men and relieved the symptoms in 34 others who had become seasick.

In a companion study of the same drug in the prevention of airsickness the results were not quite so good. In this case the drug seemed to cut down on the number of cases of airsickness, but not to prevent it as successfully as was done with the soldiers traveling on the transport.

Note: Dr. Jordan is unable to answer individual questions from readers. However, each day he will answer one of the most frequently asked questions in his column.

THE DOCTOR ANSWERS
Question: Is saccharin harmful to the body when taken in coffee or tea?
Answer: No. This question has been carefully investigated and there is no reason to believe that saccharin taken in reasonable amounts even over a long period of time would produce any harmful effects.

Library Club To Hold Food Sale

MERRILL, June 27—The Merrill Library club will hold a food sale on Saturday, July 2 at Jones' Food store. The sale will start at 10 a. m. and all kinds of pies, cakes and other cooked foods will be on hand for pre-holiday buying.

Malin Pool To Be Open Soon

MERRILL, June 27—An announcement will be made in the near future regarding the summer swimming classes to be held at the Malin pool. The time and place to register will be made known as soon as definite arrangements have been completed. Mrs. Eadie West and Mrs. R. L. Dragoon have been working on the project with the cooperation of the local park board.

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