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Caught in the Rounds

By DEB ADDISON

The closing down of Ewauna Box company about three years ago dramatized the end of the old boom economy of Klamath Basin. The later opening of the Hercules pilot plant on the Ewauna site dramatized the new industrialization for the coming years.

The Weyerhaeuser announcement Monday of plans for constructing a new fiberboard manufacturing plant, along with the statement that the firm has saw timber stands to operate the big sawmill at 75 percent of present capacity from now on, shows more of the way for the future.

The Weyerhaeuser fiberboard operation, like Hercules' experiment with pine stumps, will be no drain on the Basin's resources. White fir was considered practically useless commercially before the war, and probably will be again. The statement was that the raw material for fiberboard would come almost entirely from a species of white fir that even now is considered waste.

Making better products from waste material is economic progress. Having plants built to do this job in Klamath Falls is industrial development.

Industrial development is a term that generally is used in fits of daydreaming. It's seldom that a big name company like Hercules is the mover.

Industrial development generally comes, like the fiberboard plant, through expansion of an established outfit like Weyerhaeuser — or through the growth of smaller local concerns like Meller Bros. or Ed Robinson's Mouldingcraft plant.

Our biggest field for industrial development is in our water. Water, of course, is being beneficially used to bring us a $30 million annual agricultural income — though there are plenty of acres yet to be irrigated—but it's running to waste below Keno.

The Klamath river is second only to the Columbia as a potential source of hydroelectric power—in a country that's crying power shortage.

It doesn't look like industrial development from the water spilling down the Klamath canyon can be denied much longer.

If the water isn't used here economically, it eventually will be piped off and used elsewhere the hard way, the expensive way.

Our congratulations to Weyerhaeuser for going after a new process. We hope that it is only a step in the evolution of the making of useful things from wood, and in the further industrial development of Klamath.

Worldwide Bible Reading for tonight: 1 Corinthians 15:35-58.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

Get Kitty off th' Street, Maw, Dogcatcher's Coming

By HALE SCARBROUGH

Once upon a time, so the story goes, in the not so distant past, the City of Klamath Falls (what with the high cost of living and one thing or another) asked its various departments for suggestions as to how they might augment their duties and in the process raise a little more dough.

The City shouldn't have asked.

Fun-loving Fred Fleet, who heads up the Klamath Falls animal commission (a weighty job, if there ever was one . . . the animal commission operates the dog pound) had a tongue-in-cheek answer.

Put a license on cats, said Mr. Fleet.

Then the fur would fly.

The animal shelter, as the dog pound is euphemistically called, is a regular money loser. Its budget for this year is $4662, and its revenue from dog licenses, animal boarding and the like is about $2700. Hence the city has to pony up a couple of thousand dollars to keep the shelter running this fiscal year.

The bulk of its income is derived from dog licenses the county sells. The shelter gets 85 percent of the license money derived from sale of licenses to — or for — city dwelling canines.

So much for finances. Let's get back to cats.

Mr. Fleet writes:

"Having contemplated at length, it is now my purpose to present a penetrating analysis of this matter and come forth with ideas of great value.

"The new project would naturally come under the head of Cataxation, although it was not made clear to me whether the proposal would confine itself to the four-legged cats or would include the two-legged variety, of which there is a great abundance. I would point out at this time that here are, generally speaking, two classes of people: (1) the pro-cat type, and (2) the anti-cat school of thought.

"The attitude of (myself) is strickly neutral. Personally I have always been able to take a cat now and then, or I can leave them alone . . . have never allowed them to become a fixed habit . . . but it occurs to me there would be a great deal of fur flying at about the second reading of the pussy ordinance in the council chamber . . .

". . . I neglected to inquire whether the idea was to tax the mama cats twice as much as the papa cats, as in the case of dogs, and think this should be gone into carefully, as it might give the former the idea that they were of greater value than the papa cats and cause them to put on airs and arouse class feeling."

It would seem that the City of Klamath Falls had better look elsewhere for revenue.

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Hal Boyle

NEW YORK, (AP)—Women are superior to men in many ways. (The trouble is they know it.)

Men use logic as a crutch, something to lean on. Women use logic like a pole vaulter. When it can lift them no higher, they let go of it—and go sailing on.

They never become a prisoner of logic as men do. If it can no longer serve them, they simply rise above logic. This explains why women are mentally superior to men, and why no woman in history ever was proved wrong. Illogical? Of course. But wrong? Never. Never.

Women show the same change-of-pace ability in the matter of emotion. They are great broken field runners here, too, and that is why they are emotionally superior to men.

Many a strong man will let an emotion get him down, as he says, "I feel lower than a whale's abdomen." But a woman? When she feels that low she sets about finding a way to have a whale of a time out of it.

This difference between the sexes is most clearly shown in how they react to the "glooms." The glooms is a disease that thrives on civilization. It is the feeling you get when something goes awry. As civilization gets more and more complicated, there naturally are more things to go awry, so the glooms seem to mushroom more and more.

But whether the glooms come from a broken heart, a lost job, or a traffic cops unkind remarks, a woman knows how to rise above them better than a man. He wallows in his depression until he almost drowns of self-pity. She teases herself out of despair by giving herself small unexpected pleasures. She takes positive action to lead her spirits out of the black jail.

BREAK PATTERN

That is why, when women feel bad, they buy themselves a new hat or lunch at a restaurant they can't afford. They do something positive to break the pattern of their mood, and make themselves feel better. They celebrate.

Men don't know how. They just go on feeling sorry for themselves until they wear out their worries or their worries wear them out. They end up with ulcers—the ladies with new wardrobes.

Poor men. They never have learned how and when to celebrate.

When they argue on the floor about a bill, members of congress never ask one another about personal interest. But a public listing of income would let the public know sometimes whether a body was buried.

gay night out on the town is after they have had a raise in pay. That is when they ought to go home and relax. They feel good enough already. It's when they've had tough luck they ought to dress up, see a good show, and start opening champagne bottles. Anything to pull them out of the glooms.

ONE OR OTHER

To men life is usually black or white. They feel good or they feel bad, and they have no ready formula to change the color of their emotions. To women life is more pastel, and they are artists in living. They change the colors if they get too somber. At least they try to.

When I explained this theory to my wife, Frances, she replied:

"Rover, that is the only sensible thing I ever heard you say about women. The reason women live longer than men is that they know how to pet themselves when they feel bad. Men don't."

I don't know what she'll say, however, when I lug home the new television set I bought yesterday. I was feeling lousy.

Sailors Still Tie Up Freighter

PORTLAND, (AP)—The Isthmian line plans to go to court today to argue that the marine engineers beneficial association should be forced to withdraw its pickets from the freighter, Las Vegas Victory.

The ship, which docked here Sunday, also was picketed at San Francisco and Seattle. The engineers said they were protesting a contract the line recently signed with the AFL ship engineers union.

Longshoremen at Seattle refused to cross the picket line even after the pickets were withdrawn by court order.

AFL longshoremen finally unloaded the ship at Tacoma. Tacoma is the only west coast port where the AFL has jurisdiction.

The ship was to reload at Portland.

WATER DANGER

BAYONNE, N.J., (AP)—This city of 80,000 residents boiled its drinking water today after a health department warning that there might be danger of contamination. The warning was issued Tuesday by City Health Officer Edward Luppin shortly after a water main break cut off potable water supplies to Bayonne for more than seven hours.

Sam Dawson

NEW YORK, (AP)—Britain is taking its first cautious step toward restoring confidence in the state-fettered pound sterling. Canada at the same time has taken the final step and set its dollar entirely free. Switzerland has freed the price of gold, but not its movement, from government control.

Taken together, these three could represent the first signs of a tendency to return to private, as opposed to state, controls of world economy. They follow two others: Colombia recently dropped all its price controls, and Hungary was reported to have dropped rationing—although with an Iron Curtain country it is always hard to winnow the fact from the propaganda.

By itself, the British government's return to commercial banks of the right to trade in foreign exchange doesn't mean much. American bankers and foreign traders say. The narrow range in which the bankers can trade prevents that.

But they hope the step will be followed by others and lead, at some time in the future, to full convertibility of the pound sterling with other currencies.

Canada had already taken several steps in that direction before its final one over the weekend. It now joins the United States and Switzerland as the only countries who aren't afraid of what will happen to their money's value when it is freely compared with the money of any other land.

FREE EXCHANGE

That's what convertibility means—the right to change dollars into pounds or pesos at will and in any amount and at any price. Sound currencies retain their value. Soft ones have to be protected by government curbs on their convertibility.

Canada unpegged the price of its dollar over a year ago—a step Britain is not yet ready to take. Now by making it freely convertible, Canada will permit its citizens to spend as much as they like in the United States, hence increasing tourist travel. Heretofore, they could take only so much money out of Canada.

The step also will thaw out some four billion dollars of American money invested in Canada, which was frozen there at the start of world war two.

Canadians can now hedge on American commodity markets to cut down their business risks.

And by proclaiming its complete faith in the value of its dollar, Canada is likely to attract even more American money there for investment. The flow of U.S. dollars to Canada has been steady ever since it unpegged the price of the Canadian dollar and let it find its level—now around 98 cents in American money.

MAY BE GOAL

A similar goal—Americans hope—is what the Churchill government is working for. Some believe that within a year Britain may have so restored its financial health and world confidence that it can free pound sterling exchange rates. It still holds these in a very narrow range.

Many American bankers view this as Churchills' cautious way of testing out the strength of the pound as a first step.

On the other hand, there are some die-hards among those who have been selling pound sterling short in the belief that Britain would again devalue its money. Some of these traders still believe that if the pound sterling shows further weakness, devaluation could follow.

VINCENT QUESTIONED

WASHINGTON, (AP)—John Carter Vincent, a career diplomat who has been a repeated target of Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) in pressing his charges of communism in government, is being questioned by a board. It was disclosed late Tuesday that Vincent, now on leave as consul general at Tangier, appeared Monday before a panel of the board. It reportedly is sifting scattered allegations against Vincent made over the past several years.

Montevideo, Uruguay, was named after the cry of a lookout on the Magellan expedition—"Monte videu"—"I see a hill."

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WASHINGTON, (AP)—Before public interest in the government scandals subsides there will be more investigations and, probably, more irregularities exposed.

But the interest, public shock, investigations and exposures will be a farcical, short-time result unless steps are taken to make future crookedness tougher.

President Truman said he'll try to make it harder for government employes to have outside interests. That should help, by cutting off some of the avenues that lead to crookedness or "indiscretions."

But making crookedness more difficult won't keep crooks out, no matter whether Democrats or Republicans are in the saddle, since government employes are recruited from the general population and a certain percentage of the population is full of larceny.

The shenanigans of racketeers get headlines—never failing to horrify the general public—but the racketeers are only a small percentage of the crooks that are loose.

Government attorneys who handle tax cases, for instance, will show you that the overwhelming percentage of tax frauds are committed by people who have been considered pillars of their community.

In the past year a special committee of the senate was set up under Senator Douglas, Illinois Democrat, to study the problem of ethics in government and it reported:

FAVOR SEEKERS

"Favoritism can be a problem only when individual men and women seek favors of the government. Gifts, improper pressure, and bribes come from outside the government, from individuals, organizations and from groups which are part of what we call the 'public.'

When educational institutions which we have long regarded as responsible for moral leadership are troubled with problems of professionalism, commercialism and dishonesty in amateur athletics, it is evident that we are all living in the same glass house."

In the past congress could have tightened the laws to keep employes of the government on the traight and narrow. It may do something in that direction as a result of the present disclosures.

Several months ago the house subcommittee investigating the tax scandals requested that all employes of the internal revenue bureau be ordered to fill out a questionnaire showing all their income. This was done.

But members of congress themselves have shown remarkable lethargy in disclosing their income or its sources. Every year since 1947 Republican Senator Morse has urged congress to pass a law which would:

REVEAL INCOME

Require all members of congress and all judges to list—for public inspection—all their income above their salary. The same would apply to other government employes making $10,000 a year or more.

President Truman came out for pretty much the same plan a couple of months ago.

But once again congress went home for the year without paying any attention to the suggestion. After it left, the Douglas committee proposed a similar plan for action in 1952.

If the public could see such a list of congressmen's income it would be able to tell a little better—after a member of congress plugged for or opposed a certain bill—whether he had any personal interest in it or stood to lose or benefit, depending on whether it passed or didn't.

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