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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

If you are in the same boat with a lot of us you'll be having trouble with aphis (or aphids, if you prefer) in your garden.

Out our way they have effectively killed off the plum bushes, among other little treasures.

Now I run into J. D. Vertrees, from the county agent's office, who tells me that a product called malathon will really take care of 'em.

We have purchased a bottle and plan to try it — if we get over our fear of consequences after reading the instructions.

Bert Rohu, the fishing expert of Klamath Falls, called up this morning to remind us that there will be a casting contest on next Sunday at the big Sportsmen-sponsored picnic at Collier Park. The public invited, whether you belong to the KS or not.

Bert says there will be both distance and accuracy contests for adults, with various medals and cups going as prizes to the skillful winners.

In addition to this there will be a fishing derby for the youngsters.

In case you feel that the old casting arm is a little out of shape you can hie yourself up to the high school lawn tonight and put in a little drill. Bert will be on hand, along with a handful of others, rings will be placed around the big green lawn for your practice casts and there'll be advice in plenty from everyone present. Sounds like a good deal.

Come July 30th there'll be a big meeting for the barley growers of the area held down at Tulelake. Sponsored by the University of California and Oregon State College it will attract all the really big brass in the West as far as barley growing is concerned. We all ought to learn something from it.

The Tulelake Growers will sponsor a banquet that night which will also be well worth while attending.

That's the kind of stuff we like to see going on. Good thing for the country and for all concerned.

Talking about Bert reminds us that we ran into another one today—Bert Hall. He was a little baffled by getting his notice to go down and sign up for social security at once. Since Bert has been retired (now he works harder than he did before because everyone thinks he has lots of time on his hands) for a good many years now and is already past the age limit it struck him, and us, as a little strange.

"I kept telling the girl at the office I didn't want it," he said, "but all she did was go on asking questions and then shove the form over to be signed. So I did. Now we wait, I guess."

Ain't life in the United States a wonderful thing?

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH, M. C. 4th DISTRICT, OREGON

There seems to be a fair possibility that the legislation necessary to settle the long-standing dispute between the Department of Agriculture Forest Service and the Department of Interior Bureau of Land Management over the title to a jurisdiction over some 462,000 acres of timber land in the Oregon and California revested land grant area will be passed before this session of Congress is adjourned.

Bills to accomplish this result have been introduced in both House and Senate. Senator Cordon introduced the Senate bill and I put an identical bill in the hopper in the House.

Similar legislation has been pending in every session of Congress for the last several years. Bills have been favorably reported by Both House and Senate Committees several times but violent opposiion, mostly from the Forest Service, has prevented final action by Congress.

It is highly important, not only to the land grant counties of Oregon but to the country as a whole, that legislation be passed to clarify the situation and end the dispute. Since the argument began, money from the sale of timber on the disputed lands has been held in a "suspense" fund in the treasury pending a settlement of the issue by Congress. This fund is now more than seven million dollars. It should be released so that the U. S. Treasury will have its portion of the money and the remainder distributed to the land grant counties under the terms of the basic O & C act of 1937.

So far as I know there will be little or no opposition to the pending O & C bills. In a fine spirit of give and take the two government departments have cooperated in working out language that is reasonably satisfactory to both. It is also approved by the counties. The new bill not only provides for the distribution of the impounded money but will eliminate entirely the present troublesome checkerboard pattern of intermingled control by the two departments—not only on the disputed lands but for another 500,000 acres as well.

The subcommittee on Public Lands of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs has held hearings on my House bill, H. 5958. I believe action by the Senate Committee may be taken soon. As this is written I cannot say for sure how soon the House committee will make its decision. However, since the legislation as now drafted arouses no opposition, I think the Committee will take a favorable view of it.

The sudden "purging" of the powerful Beria in Russia naturally created quite a stir of comment and conjecture in this Capital City. The fact is, of course, that there is practically no really accurate knowledge here or anywhere else outside the Iron Curtain as to just what is going on in Russia today. It is a safe guess, though, that there is trouble—big trouble—in the Kremlin.

The target date for adjournment of this session of Congress is still technically July 31. As the month comes to the half-way point, however, the prospects of adjournment by that date grow dimmer. All appropriations bills but the one for foreign aid have been passed by the House and most of them have been completed by the Senate. The Conference Committees of the two Houses have yet to submit their reports and action of them may take time.

Northwest History Highlights

By DAN E. CLARK
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No. 23

Today's Question: When was American Interest in the Oregon Country First Expressed in Congress?

Beginning in 1820 and continuing for several years a series of motions, resolutions, bills and reports were introduced in Congress, calling for the vigorous assertion and protection of American rights along the Columbia River. The prime mover in this agitation was Representative John Floyd of Virginia, and he was ably assisted by such men as Senator Thomas Hart Benton of Missouri and Representative Francis Baylies of Massachusetts.

Representative Floyd opened his campaign on Dec. 19, 1820, by introducing a resolution calling for a special committee to inqurie into "the situation of the settlements upon the Pacific Ocean, and the expediency of occupying the Columbia." The committee was appointed with Floyd as chairman, and made a report late in January, 1821, reciting the American claims to the Oregon country. The report was accompanied by a bill for the American occupation of the Columbia and the regulation of trade with the Indians, but the House of Representatives took no action.

Far from being discouraged, John Floyd, aided by others, continued to introduce resolutions and bills during succeeding sessions of Congress. A few of the bills were passed by either the House or the Senate, but not by both houses. The most aggressive of these bills called for the military occupation of the Columbia, the establishment of a territorial government, and the donation of land to settlers, at a time when there were no American settlers in the area. In 1826 a lengthy and belligerent report was made to the House of Representatives by a committee headed by Francis Baylies of Massachusetts. This report cited in detail the bases of our claims, and asserted the exclusive right of the United States to the entire region from the 42nd parallel of latitude as far north at least as the 51st parallel.

Next Question: What Predictions Regarding the Oregon Country were made during the debates on Floyd's Bills?

(Clip and paste in your history scrapbook. (If you have a question you would like answered, about Oregon or Northwest history, mail it to Dan E. Clark, care of this newspaper.)

Foreign Students Like Einstein

PRINCETON, N. J. (AP)—A genius acted as a host at a garden party for 35 foreign students yesterday but his guests said, "He didn't act like a genius at all."

The host was Albert Einstein, whose baggy clothes and shaggy hair belie his position as the world's foremost physicist. It was an informal gathering and the talk was informal too, a guest said.

BAD HEART

LAINGSBURG, Mich. (AP) — Charles Starr celebrated his 100th birthday today. Smilingly, he recalled the doctors told him 50 years ago he had a bad heart and might not live very long.

They'll Do It Every Time — By Jimmy Hatlo

WTC Producing Many Byproducts of Lumber In Big Development Program

(Eds note: The following is the fourth in a series of five articles dealing with the economic future of the lumber industry in the Pacific Northwest).

By WALTER J. DeLONG

Lumber has always been the major product of our industry and still is; however, in cutting square lumber out of round logs, much good wood was lost in the slabs and edgings. Perhaps the greatest revolutionary step in our utilization program is that of the hydraulic barker.

In a diversified forest industry plant, leftovers from one mill become the raw materials for another.

Many uses are being made of wood and wood pulp:

Cellophane, rayon, lacquers, explosives, wrapping paper, the finest of writing paper, container board, bleached kraft paperboard, hardboard, softboard, fiberboard, ply veneer, edge glued wide boards, laminated trusses, silvacon (a product made from bark), silvacel (a product made from the whole wood fiber), Insulation, oil well drilling mud, etc.

We know that we have just scratched the surface in wood utilization and products made from wood. So, I see no real need for the deep gloom with which some of our authoritative sources would have us view the future of our industry. On the other hand, I am sure that you will agree that in these days of ever-changing conditions, world unrest, economic uncertainty and government by departmental decree, it seems a little incredible that a private industry would be laying plans and investing large sums of money in a venture that will not pay off for another 75 or 100 years. That is what the forest industry is doing. That is what the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company is doing. Talk about risk capital—well, in America such risks must be taken. Risk capital, hard work and faith in the future, built America.

No company can spend millions of dollars in erecting a diversified and integrated plant operation and not be certain where its future log supply is going to come from.

Regardless of the fact that government controls over half of the forestlands in Oregon and Washington, you cannot depend upon getting a permanent log supply from either the state or the federal governments.

Government must necessarily sell its timber to the highest bidder, and a company might be depending upon certain tracts of timber to keep its operation going 20 or 30 years hence only to find that the government has decided to sell it immediately and this would disrupt a company's entire operating cycle.

Weyerhaeuser Timber Company must have a reserve timber supply to run for the next 30 to 40 years. This is one of the points on which the W. T. C. receives much criticism. Many small operators feel that we should sell timber to the smaller plants in order for them to continue their operation. They call us the "big octopus" and say that we are too big and own all the timber.

We can understand the feelings of these smaller operators who are running out of logs, and why, when they make inquiry about several different tracts of fine timber and find it all belongs to Weyerhaeuser, and there is bitterness about a big company and its timber holdings—but, when you consider the long range aspect of tree farming and the millions of dollars that must be put into an integrated plant operation — and the investment in research and development — to say nothing of market research and the sales promotion of new products—if a company is to have a permanent operation, it must necessarily be big.

(To be continued)

James Marlow

By DON WHITEHEAD
(For James Marlow)

WASHINGTON (AP)—Adlai Stevenson is winding up his world tour and coming home later this month to a political future still fuzzy around the edges.

It is far from clear just where Stevenson will fit into the Democratic picture even though many of his party still consider him to be their leader and spokesman.

There is nothing to indicate he intends to step back into the shadows and leave the field of leadership to others. His actions haven't been those of a man who has accepted one defeat as final. Even on a world trip he has kept his name before the people at home through his writings and statements.

But it is becoming evident that an influential part of the Democratic party doesn't intend to see the 1956 presidential nomination go to Stevenson by default.

There were many Democratic leaders, particularly the old regulars, who never quite felt comfortable with Stevenson. It was not that they disliked or were opposed to him because of any particular philosophy or issue. They just never felt he was one of them.

More and more the name of Sen. Stuart Symington of Missouri is cropping up as a possible claimant to the Democratic nomination in '56. The talks persists that Symington is the man to watch in the jockeying for favorable position before the convention.

That convention is a long time distant measured by political mileage. But it seems safe to predict the man who wins next time will have to go out and fight for the nomination. It's doubtful there will be another draft.

Many people never quite understood Stevenson's avowed reluctance last year. Some never were convinced this reluctance was real.

In Springfield, a few hours after he conceded defeat by saying he was "too old to cry and it hurt too much to laugh," Stevenson sat in the governor's mansion talking to a small group.

He was asked if he believed a political party should be put into the position of having to draft its presidential candidate—if this was good for the party.

He replied quickly: "Of course."

He went on to say that for too many years the system had grown in which men set themselves up as leaders by announcing, "I am a leader and have the qualifications to be president." Then, he added, these men proceeded to sell the people on the idea they were leaders.

He argued the democratic way was for the people to choose their own leaders. The point was that the impetus should come from the people—not from someone selling himself.

At that time Stevenson also said that in accepting the nomination, he also had accepted the responsibilities of party leadership that had been President Truman's.

The coming months will give a clearer picture of Sevenson's position in the party and his chances again to be the Democratic nominee.

But until this happens, it is certain politics will be livelier and considerably more fun with Stevenson back home.

Court Prescribes Slow Way Of Ridding Flock

WOONSOCKET, R. I. (AP)—Eugene Caron of Woonsocket resents being roused at 3:30 a. m. by a crowing rooster.

He complained to the City Council about his neighbor, Stanley Tszcinka, keeping chickens—and a rooster—without a license.

The Council deliberated last night. It decided Tszcinka could raise chickens—provided he got rid of the rooster.

HAL BOYLE

(Editor's Note: Every June bride has the task of pruning her husband's old garden of friends. But how? In the following article, third in a series of four, a panel of veteran husbands tells any bride how to meet this marital problem safely.)

NEW YORK (AP) — What is the biggest mistake June brides may be making today in the post-honeymoon adjustment that takes place in all marriages?

A panel of veteran husbands I consulted thought that one of the commonest marital errors by young wives was this:

"They try to get a husband to drop all his old friends, because they don't want to have to share their lover boy with anybody."

The all-male panel agreed it was unfair to expect any wife to have to put up with all her hubby's old buddies, as they probably include some who are "as big a bum as he used to be before he wised up and married her." But they said it was a situation that was better corrected through time and tact, rather than direct action.

"Any young wife is going to have this problem, unless she married a hermit," said one. "The thing to do is to weed out his friends gradually and gracefully. If she just waits, she will find his more objectionable freinds will drift away, as they will find him more boring and less fun the longer he is married."

"The worst thing a bride can do is to hurry the situation — to deliberately break up all his old friendships," said a second veteran. "That will create a Chinese wall of misunderstanding between them.

"She will find she has driven her husband further from her, not brought him closer. He will retreat to keep from being swallowed. For he will realize his wife is like a lady spider, which consumes her mate."

A third husband broke in.

"Boy, that was my first wife, all right—a lady spider, a barnacle with vocal chords. She managed to shuck off all my friends—but fast. I had to admire the way she did it. But after five lonely years of admiring her, I up and shucked her off, and got me a new wife."

"How's she?" someone asked.

"Oh, much better," he replied. "She says I am so housebroken by my first wife that she herself is willing to lend me a few friends to play poker with—just so she can get me out from under her feet at least one night a week. Wonderful woman!"

The other husbands nodded gravely. Then they drew up the following rules to guide any young bride in the deleciate task of pruning her husband's thorny garden of friendship:

1. "Above all— go slow."

2. "Help marry off his riffraff bachelor pals to your own girl friends you want to get rid of. What do you care if they never forgive you?"

3. "Praise your husband's worst friends to the skies. He will get sick even of hearing their names, because a man can't stand to hear a bum praised, even if the bum is his own brother."

4. "Convince your husband the reason the food bills are so high is that his free-loading companions are eating and drinking him into bankruptcy. Suppose he does find out later it really is your relatives that are busting him up? One problem at a time."

5. "Be careful never to offend a friend that later in life your husband may want to borrow money from."

6. "Retain one or two steady, dependable, free-spending bachelors, and make them your friends. A wife often finds a good, sound bachelor more helpful than children for running errands, helping with the dishes—and he'll squire her out at night when her husband just wants to sit at home and listen to his tired dogs bark."

7. "Let your husband keep at least one thoroughly objectionable friend. This will give him the sense of freedom, independence, escape and adventure every man needs in marriage."

But what about a bride who is stuck with a husband who stubbornly refuses to be weaned from his circle of disreputable pals, and spends more and more time with them?

"The only thing I can think of," said one panel member, "is for the wife to go to work, save up enough dough to buy her husband a new car—and hope he'll take her riding in it instead of his friends."

(Tomorrow: Veteran husbands give June brides 10 rules for happy marriage.)

Lost 58 Aware Of 'Falling In'

HONOLULU (AP)—The Navy said last night evidence had been found indicating the 58 persons who perished on a Transocean airliner in the Pacific last Saturday knew the ship was going to crash.

The Hawaiian Sea Frontier said the Coast Guard weather ship Finch had picked up a piece of plywood in the crash area off Wake Island on which was written:

"Falling in."

A spokesman said no more information was available in Hawaii and he could not say whether the words were written with "pencil, lipstick or charcoal."

The search for more bodies was called off yesterday after 14 had been recovered.

The spokesman said there was a possibility the plywood was from the desk of the radio operator or from the rear of the plane where the stewardess worked.

"We won't know until we have a chance to examine it and evaluate the evidence," he said.

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