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Conservationist

By BILL JENKINS
A conservationist is defined by most dictionaries as being one who advocates the conservation of the natural resources of an area or region.
But he is all-too-often cast in the role of a blue nosed old fuddy-duddy who spends his working hours castigating the hunting and fishing fraternity and his off time telling the bird watchers' society how to run its affairs.

Actually he is much more than either side gives him credit for. He is a fellow who has the perception to realize that a balance must be reached in all things; he is the chap who has learned to live at peace with himself; he is the kind of fellow with enough judgment to understand that there are always two sides to every question, and, more often than not, he was born with the conservationist instincts. If he learned conservation he probably did it through early and intelligent training.

An honest conservationist is not a strict conservative, but neither can he afford the luxury of being an extremist. To be either would defeat his purpose.
He is, in short, the type of fellow who not only enjoys the good things provided by a generous Mother Nature but who wants to share them with others. And make sure that some of that enjoyment will be made available for future generations.

He is a pretty important man in today's picture. He and his fellows are going to be the ones who will do the wheelhorse work of pulling this country's conservation program out of the boghole of political expediency and insane industrialism in which we find ourselves today.

If we are to make perceptible progress in the field of conservation we must first clear the air of a lot of misunderstanding, confusion and mummery on the part of selfish and self centered interests.

Not the least of these clarifications in the public mind is that of presenting a true picture of a conservationist. Somehow we have got to dispel the idea that the conservationist is a chap who wants to turn the country into a vast park where the trees, birds, animals, fish and everything else will be preserved forever, leaving business and industry to lick their wounds in the confines of the metropolitan areas and the sportsman with his dusty guns and empty memories.

Nothing could be further from the truth. The true conservationist is the one who wants to see a workable balance established that will afford ample opportunities for all concerned. He is the man who wants to prevent any recurrence of the forest rape or animal slaughter that characterized this country's earlier periods.

He is the man who regards a tree not merely as a natural resource or a poet's dream but as a crop to be utilized to the fullest extent. He sees our animal and bird life in the same light, not as representatives of a type to be "protected" until they are extinct, but as a beautiful and usable resource for the enjoyment of millions.

I suppose you might say that he is a fellow who, whether he likes the idea or not, is willing to admit to himself that man in all his glory is really only a part of the whole resources picture and that without intelligent direction he expends his potential in fruitless wanderings.

And last but far from least the conservationist is not the bookish type who deals in theories and knows not the taste of the outdoors. The best known conservationist in this country and the man who sparked the whole modern conservation move was the beloved Teddy Roosevelt. You have to go a long way to find a more ardent hunter, fisherman, outdoorsman and conservationist than he was.

If we are to succeed at all in our natural resources program (which is just another way of saying conservationism) we are going to have to give the worker his due.

The title of conservationist is one that can be worn proudly.
If enough of us survive the holocaust the nuclear weapons experts are dreaming up for the world, future historians will place the conservationist high on the list of mankind's benefactors.

But for right now he is just another guy who is working hard to make the world a better place for everyone.

And believing in the work he is doing.
Let's help him out by at least understanding him and his work even if we don't always cooperate.

Oregon... USA

By JOSEPHINE KITTREDGE
At the present time the campaign to be head man of the state of Oregon has seven candidates, four Republicans and three Democrats. It promises to be right lively, and provide the home folks with party cross-voting, the like of which has not been seen in many years.

Evidently the Republicans want to handicap themselves in every possible way, and have as many Republicans as possible vote for a Democrat in the fall. The choice of candidates on the Republican ticket for governor is excellent because it represents a cross section of party philosophy ranging from moderation through fairly liberal, to conservative opinions.

If the endorsement by Young Republican Clubs in Oregon of only one of the candidates during the primary election continues, the general election will see Republicans scattered like chaff before a hard wind. It has been the custom to promote all Republican candidates for office equally, in primary campaigns, up to this year. Individual support of candidates is always permissible by any individual; but organized party support of one candidate or another in primaries will really complicate matters.

What happens when candidate Joe Blow comes to town, and the party promotional groups are already committed to someone else. Does Joe Blow get met at the airport too, or does he languish in his hotel room with no one to see that he gets a chance to meet folks? Interesting, isn't it?

The Democrats have three candidates for governor. Wiley Smith of Multnomah County is fairly unknown to a great part of the state; Governor Holmes is a representative of liberal thinking; veteran Lew Wallace, a fiery warhorse, will make a campaign on economy and lowered taxes.

I asked the Democrat Central Committee of Klamath County if their Young Democrat organization would choose one of these candidates to endorse in the primary, and the answer is "no."

It just could be the Democrats won't have the hard feelings to clean up and pacify after the primary that the Republicans will. Someone once said, and I believe it was the late Al Smith of New York, "Don't put rocks in your snowballs in the primary, boys."

Modern Cars

By ROBERT SERLING
United Press
Critics of the modern automobile have their own battle cry, namely:
"They don't make cars like they used to."

Very true. They don't. For which American motorists can utter a prayer of thanks.
Just a few days ago, an official of an auto manufacturer (Plymouth) gave a Senate committee a few facts on how much cars have been improved. We'd like to pass some of them on to you, because frankly, they surprise us and we figure they may surprise you.

The official compared his company's 1958 product with its top models both in 1948 and 1958. Here's how they shaped up:

Roominess: The 1958 car measured 47 inches across the rear seat, the 1948 car measured 51 inches, the '58 model 63 inches.

Luggage space: Seventeen cubic feet in '38, 18 cubic feet in '48, 35 and a half cubic feet in '58. That's an increase of 107 per cent.

Visibility: The total glass area

in the 1938, 2,300 square inches. In 1948, 2,400 square inches. In 1958, a whopping 4,150 square inches. The increase: Eighty per cent more window area.

Forward visibility: In 1938, 565 square inches, 615 square inches 10 years later, and in 1958, 1,444 square inches.

Detroit's been criticized for not improving brakes along with increased power. Yet this company's 1958 car traveled 58 feet before coming to a dead stop from 30 miles an hour. The 1948 model stopped in 39 feet at the same speed, the 1954 car, only 30 feet.

Speaking of power, in 1938 the driver needed 1,300 feet to pass another car going 50 miles an hour. Now he can pass the same car in 630 feet.

The official said the modern car offers more value for the money. And he cited these figures: His 1948 car had 21 so-called standard items that weren't even available on the '38. And the 1958 car had nearly 50 more standard, no-cost items than were offered 20 years ago. And these items aren't minor ones, either. The include such things as directional signals, safety door locks, foam rubber in the seat cushions, electric windshield wipers — and this may surprise you — a defroster that comes standard with the heater. You used to have to pay for the defroster and heater separately.

In 1958, you get a car with 23 exterior and interior lights and more than 11,000 feet of wiring. In 1938, you got only 13 lights and about 6,300 feet of wiring. Twenty years ago, in this one make, a buyer had a choice of one engine and one transmission. He now can choose among six versions of three different engines and four transmissions.

Yep, they don't make cars like they used to.

About Health

By UNITED PRESS
Heart researchers report what they say is a big step toward the creation of banks for human organs.

The Massachusetts Heart Association said in Boston, the other day, that human cells have been frozen to minus 459 degrees Fahrenheit, nearly absolute zero, then "thawed" to normal life after long periods of hibernation.

Researchers used a special technique in the experiments developed by Dr. Stanley Jacob in collaboration with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Jacob's experiments were performed at the Sears Surgical Laboratory at City Hospital in Boston.

The heart association said the eventual goal of such experiments would be to provide workable deep freeze for human organs such as the heart and the kidney. Then, they could be used as replacement organs for defective organs. Researchers will have to beat another large problem before such a "bank" could be useful—the human body's natural rejection of alien tissue except from an identical twin.

According to a heart association news release, researchers in the project may not be too far from success in deep freezing organs as well as cells. But the agency said it is not possible yet to freeze a heart or kidney below minus 40 degrees Centigrade (23 degrees Fahrenheit). Somewhere between four and 10 degrees, the organ suffers a mysterious damage and never works again.

It is hoped the lower temperatures may be reached by a quick freezing process which would pass

through the danger-area before the damage is done.

The MIT technique has overcome a major hurdle in the freezing of organs, cracking that occurs when an organ the size of a heart is frozen. But the heart researchers said that they have not solved the problem of preserving all cells in a complex organ though the technique succeeds with tumors and individual cells.

The Oregon Board of Health says provisional figures show Oregon last year continued its record as one of the world's safest places to raise a family.

Only eight deaths were recorded from causes stemming from pregnancy, or childbirth for a rate of 0.2 deaths per 1,000 childbirths, placing 1957 in a tie with 1955 for the second-lowest number of maternal deaths in Oregon's history. All-time low was the five deaths and rate of 0.1 reported in 1951, when Oregon set a new national record for safe childbirth.

Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer, said only one mother died last year for each 4,673 deliveries, compared to one per 1,000 deliveries a decade ago and one per each 167 deliveries in 1930. The 1957 infant death rate of 21.2 apparently will be the lowest in Oregon's history, Dr. Erickson said, although the record will not be made official until all of last year's vital statistics are tabulated. Previous low was 22.5 infant deaths per 1,000 live births in 1954.

The state health officer lauded Oregon physicians, nurses, hospitals and local health departments for "outstanding evidence" of the quality of service reflecting the low infant and maternal mortality rates.

Daily Prayer

Medford (To The Editor) — This should be our daily prayer: Our heavenly Father we thank thee for the many blessings thou hast showered upon us. Teach us to respect the rights of others, to be honest neighbors and kind. Help us to show our gratitude for those blessings, by living from day to day as thou wouldst have us live. In Jesus name.

Elsie Hagle

Quotes

By UNITED PRESS
PRESTONBURG, Ky. — Bill Leedy, 12-year-old boy aboard bus which plunged over cliff into river, carrying an estimated 27 of its 41 passengers to death:

"I had a numb feeling when the bus went over the cliff. The first thing I thought of when the water came in was to open the back door. I jumped out and swam to shore. Then I went back and helped two boys out."

NEW YORK — The Rev. David Wilkerson of Phillipsburg, Pa., after being ordered out of the courtroom where seven teen-agers are on trial for murder, when he sought to address the defendants from the floor:

"I have 65 teen-agers in my congregation, fasting and praying for two days that God give me an opportunity to speak to the defendants about their salvation. After I got here I called the superintendent of schools and asked permission to talk to all the boys in the schools here. But they told me they don't need God in the schools."

LOS ANGELES —Convict-author or Cary Chessman, winner of countless legal reprieves from a death sentence, answering question as to whether he was giving up after a new setback at the hands of a Los Angeles judge:

"I'm not fazed for that."

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. —Mrs. Dorothy Aldrich, bank teller who was held up by a woman bandit who escaped with \$1,663 in cash, describing her reaction:

"I was scared. We were all scared. The only thing I noticed about her was her eyes. They were very blue."

CHICAGO —An airline spokesman, telling how an evasive rat stowed away on a United Airlines plane met his final doom, after experts had suggested killing him with poison gas or lead bullets:

"It was an apple that got him. That, and a plain old-fashioned rat trap."

WASHINGTON — Rep. John J. Rooney (D-N.Y.) on the problems of U.S. participation in the Brussels World's Fair:

"This is one of the greatest snow jobs ever perpetrated on the House of Representatives by Madison Avenue and the hucksters."

Firearms Regulation Adopted

WASHINGTON (AP) — New firearms regulations, stripped of several proposed requirements which stirred up widespread protests last year, went into effect Saturday.

The new rules require, among other things, that revolvers, pistols and high powered rifles be stamped with the manufacturer's name, plus the serial number, caliber and model designation.

Conspicuously absent from the regulations are these requirements proposed earlier:

That dealers keep, along with other data, a record of all sales of ammunition for pistols, revolvers and high-powered rifles.

That all purchasers of such weapons or ammunition for them give their signatures.

That all shotguns and small rifles be stamped with the maker's name and serial number.

The new rules provide: The manufacturer's name must be stamped on all firearms, but the other data — serial number, caliber and model — may be omitted in the case of shotguns and 22 caliber rifles unless they are subject to provisions of the National Firearms Act. This act governs traffic in sawed-off shotguns, rifles and automatic weapons.

An extension from 5 to 10 years of the period in which licensed dealers are required to keep records of all acquisitions and sales of firearms.

4-H Group Plans Events

WEED — The Crag View 4-H Club will observe National 4-H Week, March 1 to 8, with a clothing display, a clothing demonstration, a field trip and a radio program. The clothing display will be in the window of the store formerly occupied by Lloyd's Variety Store. "What is a 4-H Club" will be the roundtable topic presented over KWSD, 7 p.m., Thursday, March 6.

Robert Collett will demonstrate the care and feeding of rabbits during a field trip on the afternoon of March 8 at the Soda Creek ranch of Robert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Collett.

At the next regular club meeting on the evening of March 13 at Hotel Dunsinuir Lillian Estep and Margaret Callick, club president, is planning to raise a guide dog for the blind as a project. Lillian Estep won a third prize in the 4-H regional contest last spring in Los Molinos.

Engineering Meet Slated

Several instructors in the engineering associates area of Oregon Technical Institute have made application for entry into an institute to be held from June 30 to August 8 at the Pennsylvania State University and from August 11 to 22 at Argonne National Laboratory.

The institute is one of nine institutes on nuclear energy for engineering educators to be held throughout the nation this summer under the sponsorship of the Atomic Energy Commission and the American Society for Engineering Education.

The purpose of these programs is to provide special training in the field of nuclear energy and the nature of nuclear reactor problems so the teachers can incorporate this material in their teaching programs.

Applicants will be selected by subcommittees of the ASEE Nuclear Committee on the basis of the candidate's experience and the instructional value to be made of the training.

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By Jimmy Hado



Federal Employee List Shows Drop

WASHINGTON (AP) — Civilian employees of federal agencies totaled 2,319,101 in January, a decrease of 5,467 from the previous month. Sen. Byrd (D-Va.) reported Saturday.

Byrd, chairman of the Senate House Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures, said in a statement the decrease was about equally divided between civilian and military agencies.

He reported that payroll expenditures of the executive branch of the government totaled \$5,600,000,000 for the six months ended Dec. 31.

SHARP COMPETITION

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Two Columbus swordmakers say they've lost a price-slashing duel. W. C. Popp and E. T. Lordier started making swords 3 1/2 years ago, after reading that the U.S. Navy would require officers to carry swords for the first time since 1941. But the two say they cannot compete with German competitors who pay "only 40 cents an hour for labor."

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