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Still Time

By BILL JENKINS

Although the official duck season has come to an end there is still a little fodder for the old scattergun before you hang it up for the summer.

The season on the lowly coo continues through next Friday. And there is no lack of the birds in the Basin. Almost anywhere you go you will find whole flocks of them. Herds of them roosting the hills around the stubble fields, masses of them along the highways, groups of them scouring the fence lines, bands of them paddling about in the canals and little ponds, strings of them fluttering along the drain ditches.

A few less along the flyway would mean that much more food for the better ducks.

You can hunt them with only an up to date hunting license, no bird stamp required. They are not a migratory waterfowl but are listed as a migratory game bird in the same class with the pigeons.

You can shoot up to 25 a day.

A few hints on cleaning them in the field:

Cut through the back bone along the body, being careful not to cut too deep and get into the entrails. Pull entrails out toward tail. Cut off tail section which is attached to entrails. Wash or shake out remaining blood. Head and feet should be left on for field identification by game officers, if any.

If you take the whole bird with you at the end of the day it is an easy chore to skin the birds by merely cutting off the wings near the body and stripping off the whole, shooting match. The easiest of all the water birds to clean and they have proportionately more meat for their weight than any other. Most of them will average around two pounds.

We have run a few recipes in the past. Another simple one is Southern Fried Coot.

Roll pieces of coot in well seasoned flour or bread crumbs. Fry in hot deep fat (365-380 degrees) about ten minutes or until brown. Fry a few pieces at a time and remove them to a covered frying pan or Dutch oven. Bake slowly (300 degrees) for 25 to 30 minutes. For shallow-fat frying cover bottom of kettle with one to two inches of fat and proceed as for deep fat frying, turning when browned on under side. Serve with cream gravy, candied sweet potatoes, spinach, crisp relishes, southern spoon bread and cranberry jelly.

Then, as the old hunter says: "If you've never tried it, don't knock it."

are a typical example of the fairness and justice that is the United States in comparison with other countries of the world.

In Cuba, Castro and his firing squads are busy consolidating the rebels held on the government. The elected assembly has been dissolved and the government will rule by decree.

They are widely quoted as having said they give the executed victims "fair" trials. Castro has even boasted that in Cuba, "We have more democracy than in the United States."

But the facts should serve to cram the heads back down Castro's throat.

How would the people of this country have felt, if, in 1952, after coming to power, the Republicans promptly lined up all the top echelon Democrats against the wall and eliminated them with a firing squad burst?

We'd all have been pretty horrified, and from that point on we'd try to make certain that we were on the winning side of any election or any revolt. To be on the losing side would be to stand before a firing squad.

I admit that it might be one way to make certain that you win all future elections, and it might be a little hard on the party that loses the election, and, if that is the case, you don't mind if I register as an Independent, do you?

Seriously, though, this incident alone, indicates how much we are out-of-touch with the thinking of other nations of the world.

In Russia, they subscribe to the same philosophy. There is only one party, the Communist party. When they came to power, they did it the same way as Castro, by eliminating all their opposition either via the firing squad or via a one-way trip to Siberia.

The same is true of other dictators throughout the world.

Hitler perpetuated his power by killing millions of innocent people, labeling it as for "the good of the German race."

The Red Chinese admittedly have executed many millions of Chinese since they took over. They hold the firing squad as the ruling sword.

If there were any other proof needed that the United States is truly the "Christian" nation of the world, this should supply it.

The awful vengeance of the Old Testament compares with the love of the New Testament as Cuba compares with the United States.

To me, events in Cuba are sickening, indeed, in this day and age of so-called enlightened people.

Yellow No. 1, No. 2, No. 3 and No. 4 have come under the disapproving eye of the Food and Drug Administration and they are expected to be ruled out.

Personally, we can think of no food or cosmetic containing artificial yellow coloring that we would miss.

But orange is something else again.

Traditionally, grandmothers have added a little box of candied orange peel to the Christmas goodies sent to their sons' and daughters' families. (We don't know exactly why it has to be grandmothers, but that's the way it is.)

If oranges aren't orange any more, there is going to be a serious loss at Christmas as well as the remainder of the year.

And that loss will be felt by three and four generations now living.

Buy a bag of green oranges? Never.

Maybe what will happen is that oranges, as fresh fruit, will disappear from our markets and every body will be reduced to drinking his daily orange from a can or reconstituted frozen orange juice.

At least, nature has made sure the inside of the orange is still orange.

in American tour was the complaint this country had played much too cozy with Latin American dictators.

In August President Eisenhower sent his brother, Dr. Milton Eisenhower, president of Johns Hopkins University, to Latin America to look over the situation and report on how this country could improve its relations.

Dr. Eisenhower took months preparing that report. He sent it to the President, Dec. 27, just a few days before Castro threw out Batista.

Among other things Dr. Eisenhower urged a stiffer policy toward Latin American dictators by suggesting that while the United States should embrace democratic regimes it should give dictators only "a formal handshake."

On Jan. 7, six days after Batista fled, the United States gave Castro's provisional government recognition.

This last action may come under questioning in Congress—particularly if relations with Castro grow worse—since it was taken before there was full time to see how the Castro wind blew.

They'll Do It Every Time



Rock 'n' Roller Hits Lean Days

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Rock 'n' roll singer Jerry Lee Lewis told a judge Friday that he has fallen on lean days since he was booted out of England.

Jerry, 22, was taken to court by his second wife, Jane Mitcham Lewis, 22, of Natchez, Miss. She said he was \$1,850 behind in his alimony payments.

Jerry said his income was way down due to the cry of "cradle snatcher" raised in England last May when he took his 13-year-old cousin bride to London on a personal appearance tour.

She due \$600 a month in alimony. Lewis' two children, in her custody, get \$50 a month.

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Basin Briefs

Mothers Club — Oregon State Mothers Club will meet Thursday, January 22, at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Phil Schroeder, 1321 Pacific Terrace. Refreshments will be served by the senior mothers, according to Mrs. Robert Thompson, president. Plans for the dinner meeting at which Dean Poling will be the speaker will be formulated, and all mothers of Oregon State students or alumni are urged to attend.

Sneak Attack Test Studied

WASHINGTON (AP)—Despite a pessimistic study, the United States is trying to devise a detection system so effective it would discourage any nation from undertaking sneak nuclear tests.

A Defense Department spokesman made this announcement Friday in amplifying a recent report by the President's Science Advisory Committee that detecting and identifying underground tests is more difficult than previously believed.

The spokesman gave no details of what type of system might be under consideration. But he told a news conference that one obvious way of improving detection and differentiating between a nuclear test and an earthquake would be to establish many detection stations.

Earlier last week, Dr. Hans Bethe, a leading nuclear scientist, told reporters that seismologists — the men who study earthquakes — had some very good ideas of how to solve detection problems. Bethe, who spoke out after testifying at closed hearings of the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee, didn't elaborate but believed a satisfactory detection system could be achieved.

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Approximately 72,000 compensation and pension cases, added to the rolls of the Veterans Administration after World War II, have required adjustment in the claims review now underway, it was reported recently.

The actual number of adjustments is 71,958 and is cumulative to September 30, 1958, VA announced. It involves 9.1 per cent of the 791,372 cases reviewed to that date.

Included in the adjustments were 7,638 instances of increases in monthly payments to reflect a worsening in degree of disability. Improvement in the degree of disability with accompanying decreases in monthly payments occurred in 27,179 cases. There were 37,141 terminations of payment.

Breaking down this last figure of 37,141 terminations, 23,027 were ended primarily because of an improvement in disability to a level no longer justifying monetary awards. The remaining 14,114 were terminated after VA found "clear and unmistakable error" in associating the disability with the period of military service.

Of the 23,027 veterans whose payments ceased because of an improvement in disability, service-connection was confirmed in almost all cases and these veterans may be returned to the compensation rolls if their service-connected ailments again become disabling, VA said.

Veterans involved in adverse changes have the right of appeal to the Board of Veterans Appeals if they believe that the changes were not justified.

Parents Help In Celebration

MOUNT PLEASANT, Utah (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Peterson, who celebrated their 80th wedding anniversary last month, will help the youngsters celebrate Tuesday.

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New Dictator

By JAMES MARLOW

Associated Press News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fidel Castro, in power in Cuba only 15 days, is already in a shouting match with the United States although his revolutionary government was given speedy diplomatic recognition by this country.

Castro's long fight against the dictatorship of Fulgencio Batista reached its climax Jan. 1 when Batista fled. Castro's announced purpose in overthrowing Batista was to restore democracy to Cuba.

What he has actually imposed—at least temporarily—is another dictatorship. His government has dismissed Congress and announced it will rule by decree for 18 months, after which elections can be held.

No observer in Washington can say whether such delay is justified or not.

But Castro's tactics since his victory—in approving mass execution by firing squads of Batista followers and in his violent attacks on the United States—raise questions.

Was his long fight against Batista simply that of a patriotic but emotional man who lacked the vision to plan long-range for orderly government or was he practical enough to do such planning?

His angry outbursts against the United States seemed prompted by American criticism of the mass executions.

He repeated charges — quickly denied by the State Department — that the United States provided arms and aid to Batista's defeated forces.

But Castro went further than merely attacking American policy. He said: "We are more democratic than President Eisenhower. We are more democratic than John Foster Dulles. There is more liberty here than in the United States."

Castro's fatigue, his anger at criticism, or just poor judgment may have been the root of these bitter attacks.

If the State Department seems—in the light of Castro's present performance—to have been hasty in granting him recognition, at least this country had been already made self-conscious about its dealings with Latin American dictators.

One of the reasons given last spring for the stoning and spitting inflicted on Vice President Richard M. Nixon during his Latin American tour was the complaint this country had played much too cozy with Latin American dictators.

Red No. 32

By FLORENCE JENKINS

We seem to be about to lose another standard we have known all our lives.

The federal Food and Drug Administration wants to ban Red No. 32, the coal tar color which is used to put a deep orange color into the peel of Florida oranges. Oranges have always been orange.

Orange is a standard. It is a positive. It is a thing.

And now it appears that maybe it isn't so at all.

It's going to be asked by Welfare Secretary Fleming to pass new legislation adding further control over the use of color additives in food, drugs and cosmetics. Nineteen coal tar colors were on the original permitted list. Only 12 of the total are still deemed harmless.

Florida orange growers will be permitted to use Red No. 32 only until March 1, when a temporary law permitting its use expires.

Then, it is reported, perhaps temporarily they will be permitted to use Citrus Red No. 2, another coal tar color, to tint their oranges while further research continues.

United

United Press International

HOLLYWOOD — Dalton Trumbo, blacklisted by the movie industry as an "unfriendly-witness" at House un-American hearings, in claiming authorship of the Academy Award winning screen play "The Brave One."

"The problem is not of proving authorship, but in Hollywood of admitting it."

WASHINGTON — Vice Adm. Hyman G. Rickover on the federal suit filed to compel him to remove copyrights on his public speeches: "I don't have time to get into a controversy like this."

CORSICANA, Tex. — D. E. Jones on the \$2,408,000 hoard of gold bars he claims he found buried in a berry patch: "If anybody tries to take it, I'm going to act like the alligator when the pond dried up."

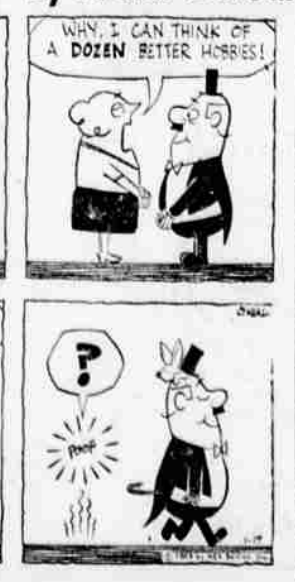
SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — Dr. William F. Mertz on a man found frozen stiff but who had so much alcohol in his blood stream it served as anti freeze: "I give alcohol the credit for saving his life."

WASHINGTON — Kim Novak after a call at the White House and a chat with President Eisenhower during which the President showed her some of his paintings: "I paint a little myself. I think I might do one of him."

SHORT RIBS



By Frank O'Neal



Firing Squad

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

There is a strange tragic comparison between the Cuban "blood bath" and the United States elections.

In Cuba, firing squads are busy liquidating the supporters of the fallen Batista government.

After 20 years in power, the Batista government fled the country under pressure of the rebel attacks, and Fidel Castro and his motley crew took over.

In 1952, the Republicans captured the White House after the Democrats had occupied it for 20 years.

But there, any similarity ends thank goodness.

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