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Fish

By BILL JENKINS
A cheerful call from Bill Hunt, known to his pals as "Fish 'n' Hunt," opened the season for me earlier this week.
Bill and his family had gone out early on the opening weekend and came home with a lovely catch.
Purpose of Bill's call was to present us with a couple of the 15-inch beauties.
Thanks, Bill. They were excellent. Since I am not much of an angler, not having the patience I keep saying, I always like my one mess of fish to start the year.

Which reminds me that I haven't heard from the old master of the river fishermen since the season opened. I refer, of course, to Doug Puckett of Keno.
But I imagine I will before too long has gone by.

I well remember a ride I had the pleasure of giving Doug one time. It was several years ago. He called and wanted some company on a trip down the canyon. Between us we rounded up Snuffy Smith and took off.

I was the driver and also furnished the transportation, which was a little Jeep, one of those open jobs that I had at the time.
Snuffy drew the front seat and left Doug to hunker as best he could in the back end.

It must have been somewhat like riding a spook horse when we started down the old Topsy grade. I know that on at least one occasion I looked up just in time to see Doug soaring out over the windshield. On the way back up, after dark yet, we lost him once on a particularly good spring-buster of a bump.

But it was fun and the fishing was lovely. As was the scenery and company. When Doug goes along you can be sure of getting to where the fish are likely to be.

Thinking about fishing reminds me of Harry Obenchain. I was fooling around his Bly ranch last Fall in the hopes that a band of geese would drop in to the fields along the river. Harry and I got to talking about hunting and finally ended up with him diving into the freezer to dig out a sample of his venison sausage for me to taste.

There in the freezer was the biggest trout I've ever seen. A real whopper.
Seems that Harry was sorta proud of that fish, too. He'd caught it several years before and it is still there on the ice. He's taken it out to show people so often most of the frost is worn away, but the colors are still there, bright and true, and it's still enough to make a fisherman's heart leap.

That's the only time I've ever seen a fish "mounted" in that fashion, but it sure works.
And that venison sausage is mighty fine, too.

About my first memories of fishing go back to a slough in the Willamette Valley. Graduated from that to a real pack-in when my dad took me in from Belknap Springs to Paradise Creek.

Nowadays I just read about it and go along on trips to take pictures.
That doesn't take so much patience.

Parking Tickets

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
I almost hesitate to discuss this painful subject, but something happened at Monday night's council session which will concern this item in about three or four weeks.
The parking tickets given out today can be dropped in the little red fine-o-meter boxes which are located in the middle of each block, can be dropped in the mail box, or can be taken to city hall.

Last night, when the city council authorized the purchase of 50,000 of the envelope type parking tickets, the question of whether or not the mailing frank should be included was roundly discussed.

It was brought out by Mayor Lawrence Slater that each parking ticket mailed to the city cost the city six cents in postage.

He questioned whether or not considerable tax money couldn't be saved by eliminating the franking privilege and letting people make a choice of either putting their own stamp on, dropping it in the little red boxes, or bringing it to city hall.

The convenience of dropping it into the mail box was discussed at length, and the city manager was instructed to inquire of other cities as to whether or not they used the franking privilege.

He contacted Eugene and Bend and found that they did not.
Checking the postage, it was determined that eliminating the

franking privilege would save from \$75 to \$100 per month for the city.
While it may seem to inconvenience people somewhat, it is a good example of being able to cut down on government spending by having the persons involved do for themselves.

How much saving will it represent?
Well, it was estimated that two-thirds of the tickets returned to city hall come by mail. Figuring six cents per ticket, that would mean about \$2,000 on the 50,000 tickets.

Use of the fine-o-meter boxes attached to parking meter posts in the middle of each block has been heavy, and indications are that it will become heavier when the franking privilege is eliminated.

However, it will take three or four weeks to get the new order back from the company. Until then, the old envelopes will be used.

Remember, you can save six cents tax money every time you put that ticket in the fine-o-meter box or deliver it in person to city hall.

It doesn't help reduce the 50 cent fine, but does help cut down on the tax bill when budget time rolls around.

Wool

By FLORENCE JENKINS
"And we'll raise a handful of sheep on the place, too," is a usual part of the planning when a couple starts its own farm operation.
That handful of sheep is proving profitable in the Klamath Basin. This year's wool clip, which was sold on Monday by the directors of the Klamath Wool Pool, added approximately \$80,000 to the Basin's economy.

Until four years ago, the individual producers of farm flocks made their own sale arrangements. When there was no shortage of wool, it was rather difficult to interest buyers in small lot sales. Representatives of bigger mills had to cover a lot of ground and make a lot of deals in order to make up an adequate order for their principals. There was little uniformity in price.

The Klamath Wool Pool is only four years old but its operation has upped the income of the Klamath Basin growers of farm flocks by about one-fourth, Earl Mack, head of the group, says.

Most of the farm flocks are mutton type sheep. Many of the growers make a practice of buying some white-faced range ewes each year to cross with the black-faced sheep to produce good-fleshed mutton type lambs. The lamb pool acts as sales agent for that crop which adds another \$130,000 to the Basin's economy.

The 118 members of the wool pool live in Klamath County, Tule, Lake, Dorris and Macdoel areas and have reelected Earl Mack as president each year.

President Mack gives full credit to the entire group and the advisers. After the annual election this spring, he requested that picture-taking be postponed until all of the directors were together at a meeting.

"One of the major reasons for our successful operation is the interest in the project of two men—Ray O. Petersen, Klamath County agent, who serves as our secretary, and Dorman Turner of the First National Bank, who is our treasurer," he stated.

The county agent was raised in Southern Idaho, at Rupert, and grew up with lamb and wool pools. Mr. Turner has spent most of his adult life working with livestock financing.

"We are exceedingly fortunate in having men of their ability and experience to help us," is the consensus of the Klamath Basin wool-growers.

Off-Beat Notes

By TOM STIMMEL
Personal notes:
Wayne Scott dreamed Monday night that the apartment he is building near the office was going up in flames.

The next morning, about 10, Sports Editor Scott heard fire engines. Out a window he saw smoke rising from his building.

Fired by his premonition, Scott charged around the corner with Photographer Otto Ellis in tow. They found the fire.

Kerosene from a tar-heating machine sprayed on a workman's car in front of the building, burning the car badly and creating much smoke and confusion.
Close, but no cigar.

Photographer Ellis had an adventure of his own last week.

He admitted, after having been assigned to get air shots of the Crusader cancer plane, that he never had been up before.

Otto made the flight without an ice-cream bucket or chewing gum or other time-tested precautions of the first-floer, and did very well, thank you.

"I was so doggone busy trying to get that camera moved around," he said, "that I didn't have time to think about it."

County Judge Bob Walker now wears a handsome lapel pin awarded by the Shell Oil Company for 10-years' service as a dealer.

That's very nice, but Bob actually has been a Shell dealer for 25 years. The pin apparently represents 10 years as a distributor in Merrill.

Deb Addison, as newly-named advertising director of Southern Oregon Newspapers, has added the Roseburg News-Review to his beat.
He made his first official visit a week or so ago, and on that occasion walked into the Roseburg newspaper office for the first time in 32 years.

"That time I was looking for a job," Deb said, "but I didn't get it."

Identical names mean unusual problems. These people tried to get state police involved, as well.
We'll say the name was John Q. Jones (although it wasn't). Seems that one John Q. Jones was arrested on a minor charge. So a Mrs. John Q. Jones (wife of another John Q.) wanted state police to "make that other man spell out his middle name whenever he's arrested, so people won't think it's my husband."

Geneva

EDITORS' NOTE — Geneva in the Swiss Alps is beginning to look like Manhattan, there are so many U.S. business executives there. Sam Dawson, AP business news analyst, describes the scene in a dispatch from Geneva today. Dawson is touring Europe.

By SAM DAWSON
AP Business News Analyst
GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — The junior executive, American style, is becoming almost as much a part of the Geneva scene today as of mid-Manhattan's.

In the past few months American firms have rushed to set up headquarters here to run either their European or entire overseas operations. More than 75 are here now, taxing Geneva's office and residential facilities and competing—often by higher wages—for the best office help.

The influx has been spurred about equally by the coming of the jet age, by the birth of the European common market and by a steady decline in U.S. exports due to rising prices of American-made goods which is overcome by operating abroad.

But their choice of Geneva for

central offices has many other guiding factors.

One is its transport facilities and location, easy of access to their plants all over Europe and to their markets there and in Africa and the Mideast.

Another is its worldwide banking facilities—cloaked in secrecy by law—and the ease with which currency from any part of the world can be exchanged, either for Switzerland's hard money or for American dollars that can be sent home without hindrance.

Swiss neutrality is an advantage. An American businessman here steps on no toes — as he might in some other European country whose relations with other parts of the world may be strained.

Taxes are big item, too. They are less than in the United States, and often less than elsewhere in Europe—both for the corporation and the individual employee. For example, a firm making \$50,000 profit on its Swiss operations (it pays no income tax on outside operations) would pay \$4,000 in federal tax and \$8,000 in canton and communal taxes (these are higher in some other Swiss cities). In the United States the corporation income tax runs to 52 per cent.

Some of the big firms here are: Chrysler, California Standard Oil, Daystrom, Dow Chemical, Du Pont, Eastman Kodak, General Electric, General Dynamics, I.B.M., Monsanto Chemical, Procter and Gamble, R.C.A., Royal Mc Bee, Singer, Underwood, Union Carbide, and Westinghouse.

How do American firms fare here?

They can find office help that speak two or three languages and a city with one of the highest standards of living in Europe. But it also has among the highest rents, a housing shortage, and high food costs.

You can't have everything.

Extra Holiday

By FRANK ELEAZER
WASHINGTON (UPI) — Rep. Tom Murray (D-Tenn.) looked at his calendar and discovered that Memorial Day, May 30, falls this year on a Saturday. So does the Fourth of July.

He figured this was a dirty trick on government workers who are off Saturdays, anyway, and who therefore will miss out on two of the eight special holidays which we provide them each year.

So Murray, chairman of the House Post Office Committee, put in a bill to relieve 'em. He said give them an extra day off, on the preceding Friday, whenever this happens. And that is why on Friday, May 29, and Friday, July 3, we could find our post offices closed.

More likely, they'll be open as usual. Eugene J. Lyons, the assistant postmaster general, said on past experience he didn't think we would stand for shutting them down. But he told the committee that if Murray's extra holiday bill becomes law keeping them open will cost \$3,900,000 on each of those days.

With the budget already unbalanced, Lyons said he didn't rightly know where he could scratch up that kind of money. Rep. August E. Johansen (R-Mich.) said wouldn't it have to be borrowed? And wasn't this bad?

Lyons said it would, and it was. Rep. John R. Foley (D-Md.) agreed we might have to go to the bank for the dough, but said this wasn't necessarily damning. He said we're already so far in the red that the regular pay of our post office workers comes out of money that's borrowed.

"So this is normal," he argued. Murray noted that it's already government policy that when a holiday falls on a Sunday, everybody gets off on the following Monday. Lyons said there's a difference. He said the Monday-off policy was adopted because Sunday, being a religious day, is not suited to the kind of celebrations we like to put on, say, on the Fourth of July.

Murray said he was just trying to do for the government's workers what many private employers do for theirs. Phillip Hughes, the assistant budget director, replied that he couldn't see that our help was suffering much. Anyway he said we can't afford to do what Murray proposed.

Hughes said the post office isn't the only government agency that can't just shut its doors anytime and go home. He said extra pay to keep essential things going will cost us overall \$6 million dollars each extra holiday Friday.

He said his calendar shows that over the next 40 years there will be 35 holidays falling on Saturday. He said that brings the total bill for Murray's proposal to 210 million dollars.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Commiss Announce Plan For Berlin Peace Pact

By RICHARD KASISCHKE
WARSAW (AP) — The Soviet Union and her Communist allies today announced their expected Western proposals of a package settlement embracing West Berlin, German unification and a European security system.

Foreign ministers of the Warsaw Pact powers and the deputy minister of Communist China ended a two-day parley on the East-West foreign ministers' meeting next month with a communique declaring:

1. Reunification of Germany must be "solved by Germans themselves with no interference from outside."
2. A peace treaty with Germany or settlement of West Berlin's future must not be made dependent on solution of the European security problem.
3. Poland and Czechoslovakia must be accepted as full participants at the Geneva conference and the summit meeting expected to follow next summer.
4. West Berlin should be made

a demilitarized "free city" guaranteed by the big powers and the United Nations; the peace treaty proposed by the Soviets for Germany should be approved at once.

The Warsaw conference, dominated by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, claimed it was contributed toward a tranquil road to the summit. It appealed to the Western powers to adopt the same attitude.

Regarding Western talk of a package settlement, the Communist ministers said a German peace treaty, West Berlin, German reunification, and a European security system, "each taken separately, is difficult by itself."

"Anyone who tries them into one knot obviously strives to hamper agreed decisions," the communique declared.

The conference repeated recent Soviet protests against the stationing of American rocket and atomic bases in Western Europe, particularly in Italy, and West Germany's plans to equip its army

with nuclear and rocket weapons. In addition to Gromyko and the Chinese deputy minister others attending the conference were the foreign ministers of Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, East Germany, Poland, Romania and Czechoslovakia.

Mom Rams Baby; Zoo Hippo Dead

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The pride of the Memphis Zoo, a 7-week-old baby hippopotamus, died Monday after being rammed by its mother.

The zoo is world renowned for its baby hippos and was looking to the youngster to start a new dynasty. The mother, Josephine, is expected to be the successor of Venus, who before her death a few years ago produced 18 infants and reared 16 of them.

The baby weighed 65 pounds at birth and was considered a perfect specimen.

Tykes May Have Civil War Shells

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP)—Authorities fear that children may be playing with deadly Civil War shells carted away from Ft. Sumter during the weekend.

The shells, dug up by workmen last week, can be touched off by a spark, heat, friction or a shock. About 50 shells were found, and the ammunition was to have been stored Monday.

But the shells were gone when workmen arrived. W. L. Luckett, superintendent of Ft. Sumter National Monument, said 14 of the shells were turned in by parents who found their children playing with the ammunition.

Bolshevik's Wife Dead In Moscow

MOSCOW (AP)—Ekaterina Davidovna Voroshilov, wife of Soviet President Klementi Voroshilov and a veteran Bolshevik herself, died Sunday.

She had been ailing for some time. Her 78-year-old husband also has been seriously ill for months. Her age was not given, but presumably it was close to her husband's.

She became a revolutionist at the turn of the century and in 1907 was sentenced to three years imprisonment. She was active in the 1917 Revolution and worked as a party organizer among the Red cavalry.

Apart from the mountain zebra of southwestern Africa, all zebras belong to one species.

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