



DISCUSSING OREGON. Secretary of the Interior, Fred A. Seaton, Washington, D. C., is shown with Bud Parks of Fort Rock, following the banquet at the 14th annual meeting of the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts held in Louisville, Kentucky, where Seaton was speaker.

Motorboat Poses Threat To Cranes

NEW YORK (AP)—The motorboat boom may be the latest threat to the existence of the whooping crane.

Only 33 of the big white birds made it back this winter from the Canadian wilds to the Aransas refuge on the coast of Texas.

Whether this change in habit will affect their courtship and survival pattern is something now worrying the experts.

Even autos can be hazards. A low flying whooper was killed last fall in Oklahoma by an auto coming over a rise in the road.

On the other side of the picture, he calls attention to the 20 per cent decline in the averages in 1957 when holdings of utilities, drugs, food chains, and tobaccos showed a good profit.

As Tabell envisions the market for the next several years, stock selection will be much more important than ability to catch the moves in the averages.

From Oct. 22, 1957, when the industrial average was at 419.79 to the record high set this Jan. 5 at 685.47, there has been a rise of 265.68 points or 63 per cent.

That decline is 29 per cent of the Oct. 22, 1957-Jan. 5, 1960 gain. In the period from July 12, 1957 to Oct. 22, 1957, the market fell almost exactly 100 points in the Dow-Jones industrials, a drop of 19.4 per cent.

If that decline were to be duplicated on a percentage basis from the 1960 high, it would amount to 132.99 points and bring the average down to 552.48.

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Youth From India Leprosy Victim

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (UPI) — Authorities today reported Syracuse's first recorded case of leprosy.

They identified the victim only as a 20-year-old native of India who came here about a year and a half ago and was reported employed in a hotel.

The young Indian was placed in isolation after the disease was discovered by a local physician and confirmed by the college medical center here, according to Dr. A. Clement Silverman, director of the city's Bureau of Communicable Diseases.

Silverman said, however, that Leprosy (Hansen's disease) was not considered a communicable disease in New York state.

Industry Rescued

HERKIMER, N.Y. (AP) — The factory whistle sounded a blast of victory and the 9,000 residents of this community rejoiced. They had saved a vital village industry.

Their efforts to raise \$150,000— they received pledges and contributions of about \$195,000—meant that the Standard Furniture Co. will continue operating, its 300 employees still have their jobs, and they will collect 1 1/2 million dollars a year in wages.

The company makes wooden office furniture. Competition from steel and aluminum rivals hurt. Standard said it lost \$57,000 last year but looked forward to a business upswing this year.

Standard said it needed a minimum of \$150,000 by midnight Thursday or it would go out of business.

The drive for funds in this Mohawk Valley community, spearheaded by a citizens' committee, began Tuesday. It ended Thursday night, about four hours ahead of the deadline.

Local 3715 of the Carpenters and Joiners Union represents the factory workers. The local pledged \$75,000.

Every employee pitched in, too. Some used their savings, others took bank loans and one mortgaged his home to buy \$100 company bonds sold in the drive.

The bonds mature in five years, at 6 per cent interest.

Samuel D. Earl, company president, described the response as "the most gratifying thing that has ever happened to me."

Standard has been a part of Herkimer for 75 years but never so much as it is at this very moment.

H.S.T. IN KEYNOTE LEXINGTON, Va. (UPI) — Former President Truman will be the keynote speaker May 2 at a mock Democratic National Convention staged each presidential year by Washington & Lee University.

French Girls Not Suited As Hostesses

PARIS (UPI) — The world admits that French girls have something special, but whatever they have it is not what it takes to make a perfect air hostess, a veteran American hostess-hunter said today.

Jack Huxley, of Kansas City, Mo., is a man who should know. For 11 years he has been touring the world choosing hostesses for an American airline.

"Here we are, looking for 50 French girls to serve as hostesses aboard our new Boeing jets on the transatlantic run," Huxley said.

"But after two weeks of non-stop interviews, we have been able to hire only two."

Huxley said most of the French girls who had appeared before him at the airlines' Paris headquarters either do not come up to the beauty standards—or look perfect, but shy away when the hard work is explained to them.

"The beauties all seem to be looking only for glamor, travel, or for the chance to find a rich husband aboard the planes," Huxley said sadly.

"The French girls are more willing than most to stand up and pose and show what they have got," he said. "In fact it's quite exhausting to spend a day with them."

"But when you tell them about the hard work involved they are not so eager."

The man from Missouri said a hostess had to be attractive and speak three languages.

"But it's just girls such as these who go and get married to passengers or crewmen at the rate of 25 to 30 per cent a year," he said.

"It doesn't take long to find out that this is what is in the minds of most of the French beauties I've seen here," he said. "It's a hard life."

Claims Paid

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Soviet Union has paid the United States \$1,100,000 on World War II commercial shipping claims.

The payment represented about a 1-for-7 settlement of original claims and was not related to the much larger Soviet lend-lease account on which new negotiations recently collapsed.

STRAIGHTENS OUT PARKER

NEW YORK (UPI) — Magistrate Rubin Levy fined Edward Fanelli two dollars Thursday and told him that, in the future, he should avoid doing what the police do and do what the law says.

Fanelli was fined for illegal parking because he tucked his motor scooter vertically between parked cars to save curb space. He said that was the way all the motorcycle patrolmen did it, but Levy ruled the law clearly banned all vertical parking.

CHAMBER COMMENTS

by GEORGE T. CALLISON Assistant Mar. KLAMATH COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

One of the activities carried on by the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce which doesn't often come to light is the answering of inquiries about the Klamath area.

More than 3,000 such requests for information were answered during 1959. Categorized by analysis, they range all the way from pleas from school children with a civics or geography assignment to specific requests for information about industrial, business or professional opportunities and living conditions.

A review of mail received during the last two weeks indicates a total of 17 families interested in the possibility of making the Klamath area their home.

The location of these families at the present time provides a revealing statistic. Seven are from California—Sebastopol, Arlington, Pico Rivera, Fallbrook, Clovis, Big Bear Lake and San Francisco.

Two came from other Oregon communities, one each from Washington, Colorado and New Mexico. Three were from Wisconsin and, for those interested in sheer distance, it was practically a dead heat with the remaining two letters—one from Northport, Long Island; the other from Wrangell, Alaska.

Among those writing were a Marine, soon to be discharged from the service and two doctors on military assignment—one with the Navy, the other with the Air Force.

Another chamber of commerce wrote to ask for several copies of our descriptive folder, and so there would be no mistaking the one they wanted, added: "The one we are interested in is the one with the lady water skier in color."

The chamber frequently receives letters that begin: "We are receiving increasing requests for descriptive folders showing views of your city and surrounding areas." One came in during the last week from the North Carolina Automobile Association, Inc., in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Stanford Research Institute representatives have been in the area for three weeks now, gathering data for their forthcoming report on future requirements for hospital facilities in Klamath Falls and environs.

Understandably, some people are already asking what the survey shows thus far. Actually, of course, it's too early to be able to tell much of anything because data gathered in a survey of any kind is meaningless until it has been analyzed and given interpretation.

On the other hand, the data-gathering phase of the study is well along and may be completed by mid-March. When it is, some preliminary conclusions could be made and, as soon as they are, that information will be made public.

An important phase of the study begins Monday and will continue for about two weeks. That is a random telephone survey to determine the hospital experience of a segment of the population over the past 12 months.

The caller will identify herself as a Stanford Research Institute worker and will require only two or three minutes of a person's time. All information obtained in this survey—as in all other phases of the study—will be held in strict confidence, of course. As a matter of fact, no names will be recorded in connection with the telephone calls.

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HALLECK EYES POST ST. PAUL, Minn. (UPI)—House Minority Leader Charles Halleck said Wednesday he thinks he has a good chance of being the next House speaker.

Halleck said that if the GOP doesn't capture the House in the November election "we'll be real close. We have a fighting chance to win." If the Republicans do win, he said, he expects to be speaker.

Mart Proves Old Adage; Unanimous Group Wrong

NEW YORK (UPI)—The stock market so far this year has proved the efficacy of the old Wall Street adage which holds that when any group is unanimous in anything it generally is wrong.

There was almost complete unanimity among business men, economists, and government experts that business would boom in 1960. There was unanimity in Wall Street that the stock market would rise to a new high—possibly 700 to 750 in the Dow-Jones industrial average in the first half and dip in the second.

Lately there has been growing unanimity that business is not holding up as had been expected—auto sales disappointing, steel inventories high and possibly will not be built much higher, and so on.

Edmund W. Tabell, analyst for Walston & Co., thinks there's a pretty good chance that all three of these forecasts could be somewhat off base.

Tabell, one of Wall Street's astute chart experts, admits he was in the crowd that looked for a high industrial average in the first half.

But he changed his mind when unanimity developed along this line. He became cautious in December.

And now, says Tabell, the way it looks the market could very possibly double-cross the experts and make its low in the first half and its high in the second half.

According to Tabell, the advance that started in October of 1957 is the fifth and final phase of the long-term advance from "the terrific undervaluation that existed at the 1949 lows."

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Flu Deaths Hike Noted

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Asian flu epidemic, now striking victims in almost half the states, is causing an increasing number of deaths from influenza and pneumonia.

During the first five weeks of this year, 4,033 persons were reported to have died of flu and pneumonia in 108 large cities, an increase of 44 per cent over the same period last year.

The 1960 death total was 20 per cent higher than in the first five weeks of 1958 when the original Asian flu epidemic still was in progress.

Surgeon General Leroy Burney said the figures, released Thursday by the Public Health Service, "seem to bear out clinical impressions of some physicians that they are encountering a more than normal amount of pneumonia."

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