

## KILLING OF EAGLES STIRS UP PROTEST

### Alaska's War of Extermination Vexes the Bird Enthusiasts.

Washington.—The news that Alaska has declared war on eagles has brought forth a broadside of protest from bird enthusiasts. "This means the beginning of the end of the American bald eagle," they say. "If the intensive and malicious slaughter of the species keeps up, it will soon be as extinct as the dodo, and we will have to look about for a new national emblem—for surely no vanquished bird would be a fitting symbol for our ship of state!"

Eagles have never been popular with farmers anywhere, owing to the bird's reputedly enormous appetite for domestic animals, such as young calves, hogs and sheep. Every effort has been made, therefore, to discourage their comfortable roosts in the vicinity of farms. In most rural sections, they are shot at sight whenever possible, or fed with poisoned bait, set out in traps. The last method is somewhat uncertain, however, since many supposedly deadly poisons have no injurious effect whatever upon eagles.

This persistent opposition has caused the American eagle, familiarly called "Old Baldy," gradually to abandon the United States where the species was once widely prevalent and take refuge in Alaska, where hunting grounds are less restricted. Lately, however, even Alaska has turned against him. Complaining that eagles are carrying off their carefully reared silver foxes, as well as large quantities of valuable fish and game, the citizens of Alaska have opened hostilities on the birds.

**Guilt is Questioned.**

The question now raised by the bird enthusiasts is whether or not the eagle is guilty of these alleged depredations. They are inclined to believe that the popular idea that eagles frequently feed on domestic animals is erroneous, like the idea that they also carry off small children. There is no doubt, of course, that eagles do kill and eat a large number of wild game birds, but they likewise eat vast quantities of carrion, which is a habit helpful to man.

When the question was submitted to Dr. A. K. Fisher of the United States biological survey, he adopted a neutral attitude. This at once looked bad for the eagle, because Doctor Fisher is one of our foremost champions of birds. Through his investigation of the stomachs of thousands of birds he has established the innocence of many species which have always been regarded as injurious to the interests of man.

Although it has been impossible to obtain many stomachs of eagles for investigation, the birds have been studied thoroughly by various members of the biological survey. The bald eagle lives partly after the manner of vultures, gorging itself to repletion when opportunity offers, then perhaps fasting for days. Lack of food even for a long period is apparently no grave handicap, for one individual under observation went without food for thirty-two days. The indigestible portions of its food are ultimately disgorged in the shape of pellets which resemble those of owls. These pellets have been of great value in solving the mystery of the eagle's diet.

"Fish seems to be the principal food of the bald eagle, and when obtainable is often preferred to anything else," says one of the investigators of the survey. "The dead fish found along the shores of sea or lake or river, those that the eagle catches by its own efforts and those of which it robs the osprey are alike acceptable. In many places it obtains a good share of its food from the dead fish cast up by the waves."

**Prefer Game Birds.**

"It is a regrettable fact that, after fish, birds constitute the most important part of the bald eagle's diet and sometimes furnish almost the entire food. The larger species, particularly of waterfowl and game birds, are preferred; song birds seem rarely if ever to be molested. Dead birds, especially waterfowl, whenever available are greedily devoured, as many observations prove."

Unfortunately, scientists point out, the bald eagle's fondness for mammal flesh leads it to attack domestic animals. This happens rarely to the larger kinds, though a sickly or weakling calf may once in a while be killed; but sheep and hogs in some places suffer considerably. Full-grown healthy sheep are seldom killed, the attacks being confined principally to sick or weakly animals and to lambs. In places where large numbers of pigs are raised and allowed to run more or less wild the loss is large, the bird occasionally venturing boldly even close to human dwellings in pursuit of its prey.

While from this it may be seen that the bald eagle destroys species useful to man, it is not, according to the biological survey, as generally injurious as rumor makes it. Its attacks upon domestic animals are seldom made except when other food is unobtainable. Its destruction of ducks, geese and other waterfowl, all of which are available as food for man, is a much more serious matter, because it is more frequent. These are liabilities against it, but to its credit is the fact that it devours large quantities of carrion.

### ROME PREPARES FOR 1,000,000 PILGRIMS

#### Vatican and City Plan to Look After 1925 Throng.

Rome.—The Eternal city has generally taken eternally long to make these alterations which her increasing size and growing population render necessary. Now, however, she has drawn up a program of improvements which, if half of it is carried out, will transform Rome from an old-fashioned, somewhat disorganized city into a modern capital. These changes will be made between now and next January, the beginning of the jubilee year. During 1925 Rome expects between 1,000,000 and 3,000,000 pilgrims.

The greatest needs of these visitors will be for housing accommodations, food and means of transport.

Both the Vatican and the municipality are ceding ground on favorable terms on which are being erected buildings suitable for future use as hotels. The Vatican especially is considering the needs of the poorer pilgrims, for whom large barrack-like houses will be provided, where all, however small their means, may have shelter and a reasonable amount of comfort.

The population of Rome has grown from the 250,000 in 1870 to about 1,000,000 today.

When Rome became the capital an excellent system of drainage was installed, but the increase of population has necessitated its enlargement, and this year alterations and improvements on a huge scale are being carried out. Half the roads of Rome have been relaid this winter and the other half are awaiting their turn to be dug up.

In preparation for holy year a large number of new lines of trams and autobuses will link together those already existing, in order that pilgrims may easily visit the distant basilicas and do as much sightseeing as is possible in the intervals of their religious exercises.

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**NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

To HARRY KING, NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT:

You are hereby notified that Winona King, your wife and the plaintiff herein, filed her petition in the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, June 9th, 1924, to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds of non-support. You are required to answer said petition on or before October 10th, 1924.

WINONA KING.  
419-1-12-24.

Mrs. Clara Speise and family and grandma Speise of Scotts Bluffs, Neb., have moved to Omaha.

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**NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

To James Mayo Non-Resident Defendant:

You are hereby notified that Theodocia L. Mayo, your wife and the plaintiff herein, filed her petition in the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, on the 26th day of May, 1924, to obtain an absolute decree of divorce from you on the grounds of wilful desertion for more than two years last past, and for non-support. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 27th day of September, 1924.

THEODOCIA L. MAYO.  
41-8-29-24

Texas has two colored postmistresses.

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Of the 1,855 colored school teachers in Tennessee, 1,497 are females.

A. Count Wilkinson, the genial editor of The New Era and Exalted Ruler of Iroquois Lodge of the Elks, has returned from a pleasant trip to Pittsburgh, Washington and other eastern points and is enthusiastic over the evidence of progress being made by our race along all lines.

Grand Emancipation Ball at Krug's Park, Monday Evening, September 22.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Haynes and little son Bill, who have been visiting their parents and other relatives in Pittsburgh and Washington are expected home Monday.

Services Sunday were exceptionally well attended the whole day through. Less than ten-per cent of the active membership was noted among the absentees and most of them were unable to attend. Thus we enter on the fall and winter activities with new zeal and courage.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Spriggs, president of the Women's Missionary Society, the program which was to have been rendered Sunday night was for the most part deferred to a later date.

The Sunday School having assumed responsibility for the lighting of the church, Mrs. Johnson, the faithful superintendent, is making a financial drive to that end.

The Christian Endeavorers, Miss Anna Speise, president, will render a special program Sunday evening.

The morning sermon topic will be, "Mobilization for the Defense of Souls."

**LEGAL NOTICE**

To CLEVE WARDEN, NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT:


You are hereby notified that on the 27th day of May, 1924, Dora Warden filed a petition in the District Court of Douglas county, Nebraska, against you, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from you on the ground of desertion.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 20th day of October, 1924.

DORA WARDEN, Plaintiff.  
Per W. B. BRYANT,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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