

Very Smart Ape Gets Visits From Very Smart People

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)—Fred Sandman used to enjoy lunching with a big ape at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

"The meals were always on the house when we showed up," he said.

The ape, who expected and got the best of service, was Jennie, a chimpanzee. To Sandman, who also helped raise Gargantua, the circus gorilla, Jennie was perhaps the most intelligent creature he handled in 31 years with wild animals.

She could type-write, eat at a table and use a napkin more daintily than the average night club gorilla of those days. She could also play the piano by ear—her ear.

"Whenever Fannie Brice saw us at a hotel, she'd have Jennie come over and sit in her lap," Sandman chuckled.

Today as supervisor of the Central Park zoo Sandman is

host to 450 caged animals and birds every day, to 50,000 human visitors every Sunday, and to Novelist Fannie Hurst once a month.

"She brought me a crow that had been hit by an automobile," he said. "She's always bringing me animals she picked up. Once she brought in two orchid-colored chicks somebody had turned loose in the park after Easter."

Each month Miss Hurst comes by to see how her crow—named "Nevermore"—after Poe's raven—is faring. He can walk but hasn't grown enough tail feathers to fly.

Rabbits Quickly Vanish

"People bring in all kinds of animals to the zoo," Sandman said. "They get to be a problem. At least 20 rabbits they bring me each summer."

"Sonny wants to keep them at home but his mama doesn't. I turn them loose in our bird sanctuary here. Then one night some boys climb over the fence, and the next morning the rabbits are all gone."

Sandman takes particular pride in two animals—Leo, the swayed-backed lion, and "Charles F.", one of the world's few tigers. Leo had rickets as a cub, and his legs never developed well. Now he walks like Charlie Chaplin and his body looks like a tawny dachshund.

The tiger's father was a tiger and his mother a lioness.

"He has a nervous habit of chewing off his tail," said the supervisor. "Done it twice now. Probably frustration. He just can't figure out how he ever happened."



CAMP SITE INSPECTED—A committee named recently to investigate possible sites for use of Camp Fire Girls of Roseburg and vicinity, is pictured above at a tentatively proposed annual summer camp on the Umpqua River near Tyee. Pictured are, from left, V. V. Harpham, Mrs. Harold Hoyt, council camp committee members; Mrs. W. H. Allen, president of Camp Fire Guardians' Association; Mrs. James E. Conn, president of Camp Fire Council; Mrs. Perry Thiele, vice-president; Mrs. Morris Bowler, member of camp committee.

Members of the Roseburg Camp Fire Council have been spending the past weeks investigating possibilities for a summer camp for Douglas County Camp Fire Girls. Several spots in the county are being tentatively considered for the camp, which will be the first organized summer outing planned for Camp Fire Girls in the vicinity since 1941.

A group of council members motored to Umpqua last Tuesday to look over a desired spot and will report definitely on the location at a special Camp Fire Council meeting to be held at the Chamber of Commerce next week.

Roseburg and vicinity now have well over 300 young girls in the Camp Fire organization and in the past have found it necessary to send the girls to organized camps outside of Douglas County for their summer outing. It is the hope of the council that the camp may be well enough organized and constructed by July to offer the girls their camping experience.

Pre-registration for the camp is under way at this time through the Guardians Association in order to give the camp committee a definite figure on the number of girls who must be taken care of this year.

Girls are asked to make a \$3 deposit with their registration for summer camp, which will be held July 18, and July 25 for Camp Fire Girls and August 1 for Bluebirds. Council members pointed out that these dates must be considered tentative, depending entirely upon progress made by the camp committee on construction of necessary buildings.

It is the sincere hope of the council, members stated this week, that the price of camp may be kept below \$15. However, council members said, the rising cost of food and camp personnel must be considered in the cost per week per girl. The camping sites under discussion are within driving distance for parents, and it is believed that transportation fees can be eliminated this year.

tirely as parents will be able to take their children to the camp site.

U. of O. Dean Proposed For Contested Position

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 12—(AP)—George L. Hall, for two years acting dean of men at the University of Oregon, was recommended last night for dean of Grays Harbor Junior College.

The recommendation was made

by Edward F. Bloom, city school superintendent, to the school board. It was taken under advisement.

If approved, Hall would succeed George Allen Odgers, who is contesting his dismissal from the post.

Odgers contends he was not provided with a reason for the non-renewal of his contract prior to April 15 as required under the state code of public instruction.

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Noted Consultant To Head Hearing On Rogue River Plans

BOISE, Idaho—Harlan H. Barrows of Chicago, nationally known consultant on development problems, will direct the public hearing which the Bureau of Reclamation will hold in Medford, Oregon, on June 8, to determine local sentiment concerning proposed development of water resources of the Rogue River Basin, R. J. Newell, regional director, announced.

He said Barrows would also analyze the testimony presented at the hearing and then prepare a report recommending a course of action to be followed with respect to the Rogue River development. The hearing will be held in the Armory in Medford, beginning at 10:00 a.m., June 8, and continuing on June 9, if required.

The bureau will seek to learn the feelings of people of the Rogue River Valley concerning the development of new irrigation, the provision of supplemental water, the development of power generation facilities, the

provision of flood control, the development of domestic water supplies and the effects of the potential developments on fishery resources. Information is also desired concerning the cooperation of local interests in such development under reclamation laws.

Barrows is one of the nation's foremost conservationists. As consultant in the Department of the

Interior, he is currently helping to formulate a plan and program for the settlement and development of Alaska.

In the past he has had charge of the Columbia Basin joint investigations a series of 28 problems studied by local, state, and federal agencies in connection with the development of the million-acre Columbia Basin project in Eastern Washington.

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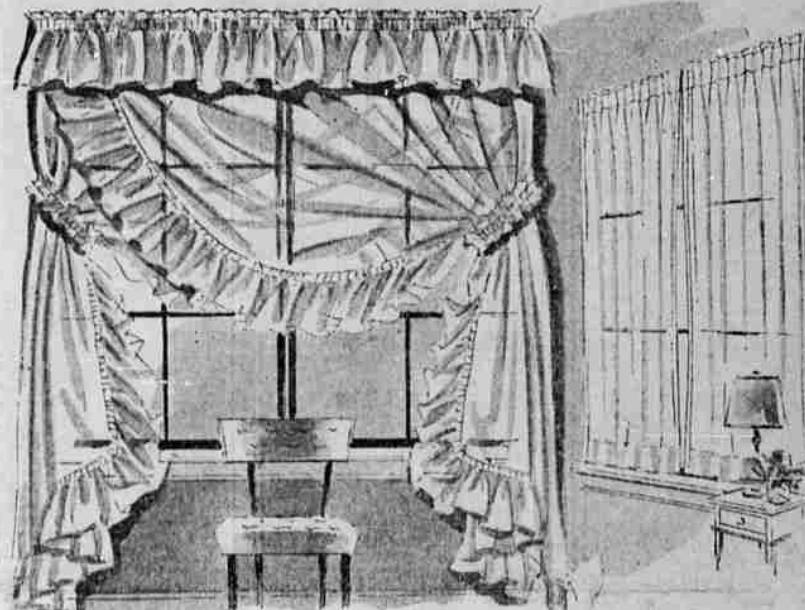
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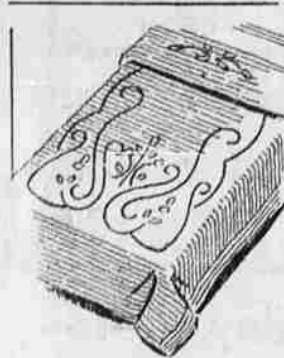
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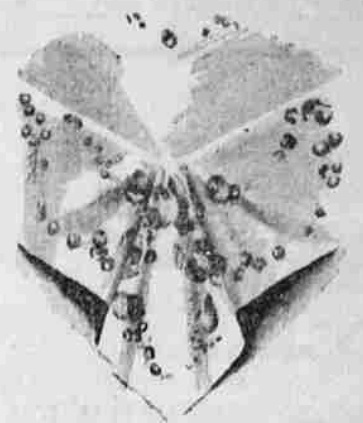


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