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MAKING FUNNY FACES

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The Southern (Friendly) Pacific has issued a cute little booklet entitled, "Why Don't Trains Fly?"

It really is a clever piece of work, all illustrated with comic doodlings and taking humorous jabs at advertising campaigns by airlines who draw comparisons between travel by air and by train. The railroad company doesn't believe such advertising to be gentlemanly and tosses back—friendly-like, of course—a few choice bits by way of cartoon and satire.

We must admit the "Friendly" Southern Pacific has a point, uniquely presented.

The point claimed by the "F" S. P. is that "everyone has the right to boost his own wares, but not by attacking his competitors."

Along toward the back of the book we find a list of the Southern (Friendly) Pacific's "Name-Trains," but nowhere do we find listed the Jerky-Worky, or Southern Oregon Nightcrawler. We find listed the "Lark," "Sunbeam," "Overland," "Cascade," and many others; but no "Nightcrawler."

Why, we ask, should the Nightcrawler be omitted from a comic book?

Klamath Spud Growers Give Service

Potato growers in the Klamath basin have come up with a new idea in the way of service. They are marketing potatoes in 10-pound bags.

It seems that mounting surpluses held in hands of the federal government, importations from Canada and other bad features of the potato market caused some concern among members of the Klamath Potato Growers association. As California offers the nearest and best market for Klamath spuds, some investigations were made into San Francisco and Los Angeles markets.

Investigators came up with the idea that a large percentage of housewives in both those large cities live in small homes or apartments. They shop at supermarkets and lug home their food purchases.

Potatoes are marketed in 100-pound burlap bags. Few housewives, particularly in the big cities, have room to store 100 pounds of potatoes and fewer still are capable of lugging a 100-pound sack home from the corner grocery. Too, few housewives like to carry a paper bag full of spuds in their arms, if the day is damp, while, if toted in the car, the bag has a nasty habit of falling off the seat and breaking open.

So Klamath growers are shipping an experimental four carloads of potatoes to San Francisco, with the spuds, U.S. Consumer Grade A Russets, packed in 10-pound sealed cartons, hoping to regain the potato market from competition.

We anticipate the experiment will be a decided success and the Klamath spud will again have the California market very much to itself.

Free Enterprise At Work

Klamath basin potato growers, offering their "hometoter" bags, show how free enterprise works.

Because they were losing their rich California market to competition, the Klamath growers came up with an idea. The advantage perhaps won't last too long. When the Klamath experiment proves successful, competitors will quickly be on the market with a similar idea—maybe a better one. In the meantime, the Klamath growers will be planning something else to promote their product. Under the free enterprise system the profits go to those who are best able to promote their product and give quality and service.

Referring back to Southern (Friendly) Pacific company policies, the railroad executives could well afford to take a lesson from the Klamath basin potato growers.

The "Friendly" S. P. operates a disgraceful Southern Oregon train. It complains that it can't give better service because people won't ride the train.

When people quit buying Klamath potatoes, growers conducted an investigation and laid plans to get back the lost trade. They could more easily have taken the defeatist attitude. Instead they plan to create a demand for their product by giving service.

If the "Friendly" Southern Pacific directors had a little of that spirit the company wouldn't need to make funny faces at the airlines.

National Science Foundation Bill Again In House

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—(P)—The House was called on today to approve establishment of a national science foundation.

It is the second time in as many years such a bill has come before the House for passage. It is the fourth time since 1946 that Congress has tussled with the question of putting the government into large-scale scientific research.

This time, however, Democratic leaders said they were hopeful of success in putting a Truman-backed science foundation law on the books. Although the bill has been blocked in the Rules committee, chairman Crosser (D-Ohio) of the House interstate commerce committee announced he was calling it to the floor under the House 21-day rule.

measures pigeonholed more than 21 days.

The bill, a substitute for one passed by the Senate would:

1. Establish a national science foundation to develop and spur basic research in fields of pure science and medicine.
2. Create a 24-member science board under a \$15,000 a year director to supervise the job.
3. Set up federal scholarships and fellowships for the training of young scientists, and provide for an international exchange of scientists.

The cost of the measure has been estimated at \$25,000,000 a year after it gets going.

There were advance rumblings of opposition from those who branded it unnecessary spending, or who balked at what they called the prospect of government controls in the field of science.

Average annual precipitation in Utah is only 13 inches, with some desert sections getting less than five and mountain ranges as much as 40 inches.

Rough Going, but Still in the Driver's Seat



In the Day's News

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chemist of the University of Chicago, and Dr. Frederick Seitz, physicist of the University of Illinois.

To all this Dr. Paul Elliott, Texas physicist, who did war work on the atom bomb, adds:

"Several hydrogen bombs, exploded simultaneously high in the air, might change the earth's orbit around the sun or speed up its rotation."

He added:

"That would change the seasons. For instance: Winter might be made longer and summer shorter. The days could be shorter, so that we would have 370 of them in a year instead of 365."

(Elliott's theory is based on the fact that the earth receives its energy from the sun at the rate of about four pounds of hydrogen exploding every second.)

THE situation suggested by these scientific guesses reminds us inevitably of a band of happy quarreling children playing with a million pounds of nitroglycerin.

I've often remarked in this column that our techniques of disagreement and conflict are growing FANTASTICALLY FASTER than our techniques of peaceful agreement. Where that can lead us to is pointed out by these gazers into atomic science's crystal ball.

COAL strike notes gleaned from the teletype's chatter:

"Hardest hit are needy persons in poorer sections of big cities who have been used to buying coal by the basketload. In St. Louis, Mike Palozolo, a basketload truck dealer, says: 'Today's my last day... I've just driven 200 miles into Illinois looking for some fuel to buy, but didn't find any... I guess the poor people will just have to freeze.'"

IN the coal fields, many miners are spending a part of each day trying to find fuel for their family stoves and furnaces. They pick up bits of the fuel from outcroppings on hillsides where coal is near the surface.

The diggers, who show no sign of going back to the pits without a contract, are having a hard time to feed and clothe their families. And so on.

TOUGH

Yes, surely. Modern strikes are close kin of WAR. War is tough. It never pays. Its fruit is unlimited suffering. No-body wants war—ever. But when our leaders get us into a place where war is inevitable we take orders and go to war.

We have to. There is no other way out. That is what has to happen when people find themselves unable to agree and have to fight it out.

BOYS' BAIL FIXED

Bail was set at \$500 each on two Yoncalla youths, aged 16 and 17, who were charged Monday with larceny, when they appeared in justice court on arraignment, said Judge A. J. Geddes. Both boys were lodged in the county jail upon failure to post bail.

The younger of the two had recently been picked up on a similar charge and was placed on probation until March 3, after paying a \$25 fine, said Geddes.



A balky windshield wiper set E.J. and me reminiscing about early days in cars... Does your memory, too, go back to when there were bright, brass carriage lamps which re-filled now and then with a white lumpy stuff? E.J. said it was carbide. I said maybe so; all I remembered was that it was lumpy, white powder. E.J. said if it was white it wasn't carbide... and it was carbide. I distinctly remembered it was lumpy and white. E.J. said "Scissors" and we changed the subject to starters, old and new.

When Dad cranked our Cadillac he put the crank in on the right hand side—no, the left hand side (what is now the driver's side) I am sure. Well, anyway, when he finally got it started, the car shook until the passenger had a shaking up a bit like a can of paint gets nowadays when the salesman says "Shall I mix it for you?"

As to windshield wipers. Was there even a windshield? Maybe so, but everybody wore dusters (linen coats in case your memory stops short of the very early 1900s) and yards of chiffon veiling. And goggles—mercy, don't forget the goggles! Some people who didn't come to town in an 'auto' also wore the regalia just because it was smart to wear such toggery. Merciful heavens, the dust in those days!

My father was the soul of kindness. When we met a horse and buggy, he always drew out to the roadside, and if a woman driver was holding the reins, he would stop the motor, get out and lead the horse by. How the women did like him for it! Not all motorists were that nice! Maybe they hated to crank up again? When I was thirteen Dad taught me to drive (simpler then) and I was also polite. Too much so. I overdid it, some thought.

One farmer told Dad he had met me on the road and I had scared him half to death. In my polite sharing of the road I had been, he thought, within one of tipping over into a deep ditch. He hoped after this I'd let him do the turning out!

Mother firmly announced to Dad: "You'll never get me in that thing!" But plenty of others needed no coaxing. In due time mother allowed herself to be persuaded... but on a certain hill she always demanded that dad stop and let her walk past what she considered a danger point. Me? I stuck with dad! If the car had somersaulted all the way down the hill I'd have thought—at that age—it was a lark!

DRIVER EXAMS DATED

A driver's license examiner will be on duty in Roseburg Thursday and Friday, March 2 and 3, at the city hall, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are advised to see the examiner well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure completion of their applications with a minimum of delay.

NOTICE TO ALL DOG OWNERS

Dog licenses are due the first of each year and for your convenience are available at the following places until March 1st:

- Frank Taylor's Hardware — Reedsport, Oregon
- Emma Hedden's Grocery — Scottsburg, Oregon
- Taylor's Grocery — Elkton, Oregon
- City Recorder's Office — Drain, Oregon
- Mrs. George Edes — Yoncalla, Oregon
- Oakland Feed Store — Oakland, Oregon
- O. L. Torrey's Hardware — Sutherlin, Oregon
- City Chief of Police — Glendale, Oregon
- Post Office — Azalea, Oregon
- Hamlin's Market — Canyonville, Oregon
- Gray's Hardware — Riddle, Oregon
- City Hall — Myrtle Creek, Oregon
- Mrs. Vada Meredith — Lookingglass, Oregon
- Camas Valley Store — Camas Valley, Oregon
- Hebard's Market — Umpqua, Oregon
- County Clerk's Office — Roseburg, Oregon

License fees are Males \$2.00, Females \$3.00, Spd. Females \$2.00 until March 1st. After March 1st a penalty of one dollar will be added for all dogs over the age of eight months, also anyone found owning or keeping an unlicensed dog over the age of eight months is guilty of a misdemeanor and liable to a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00) for each offense. License tag must be securely fastened to collar on dog unless dog is kept within the immediate possession of owner.

George Weseman

Dog Control Officer

Religious Teaching To Children Has Legion's Backing

William E. Mills, post commander of American Legion post 16, announced today that March and April have been designated by Oregon Legion posts as "Teach Children Religion" months.

A multi-colored poster to be displayed in store windows throughout the state will proclaim the affair, with the words "No child has a chance who hasn't been taught to pray and love God."

Mills said the program is being sponsored on a state-wide basis as a program without any partisan or denominational connections, and can be supported with equal enthusiasm by Protestants, Catholics and Jews.

He said the campaign is to awaken all citizens, regardless of their station in life, and without relation to religious affiliations, to the need for "moral and spiritual consciousness on the part of our children—the citizens of tomorrow."

"The child whose spiritual and moral future is secured will help secure a better way of life for all—and the child saved may be your own," Mills concluded.

According to Roseburg Adjutant Erwin Short, this is believed to be the first time an active program of this type has been initiated and actively sponsored on a state-wide level by any department.

Although the American Legion has initiated and sponsored the program, all individual citizens and other organizations are invited to participate, according to Commander Mills.

Skeet Trap Accident Puts Editor In Hospital

SEATTLE, March 1.—(P)—A "clay pigeon" put Publisher William Wilder into a surgery ward 500 miles from home.

The 24-year-old publisher of the Weekly Petersburg (Alaska) Press was standing in front of a skeet trap in the northern town Sunday. Some one tripped the trigger. At point blank range, the flying disc hit Wilder in the right eye. It drove fragments of the glasses into the eye.

He was flown to Seattle for possible surgery. His father, C. A. Wilder, mechanical superintendent of the Las Cruces, N.M., Sun-News, was flying north from Seattle to take over as acting Petersburg publisher.

Two Judgments Issued In Circuit Court

Judge Carl E. Wimberly signed an order Tuesday awarding Frankie A. Wallace, doing business as Bonded Credit company, \$750 and costs, in a judgment by default, naming Claude and Ethel Kellum as defendants.

The complaint stated that the account, taken on assignment, involved alleged non-payment on a truck purchase.

In another judgment by default, State Unemployment Compensation commission was awarded \$130.75, plus costs, in a judgment by default, naming Claude and Ethel Kellum as defendants.

The complaint stated that the account, taken on assignment, involved alleged non-payment of required contributions.

CONCRETE LESSON

VANCOUVER, B. C., Mar. 1.—(P)—Tommy Heckler, 10, will content himself with playing "cops and robbers" from now on.

With one eye swollen shut and a deep cut over his nose, Tommy told hospital attendants he had crawled into a cement mixer and asked a friend to turn the handle. "I guess I didn't hold on to the blades tight enough and I started bouncing all over the place," he explained.

Reports For Basic Air Force Training



Pvt. Boyd B. Thornton, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thornton, Sutherlin, has reported to Lackland AFB, the "Gateway to the Air Force," to begin the AF basic airman indoctrination course.

Lackland, situated near San Antonio, is the world's largest air force base, center of air force basic training for airmen and women, indoctrination station for prior service enlistees and home of the AF's officer candidate school.

His thirteen weeks of basic training will prepare him for entrance into air force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The course will include a scientific evaluation of his aptitude and inclination for following a particular vocation and career.

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Utility Co. Faces Damage Demands

Eileen Hardiman and Michael Hardiman, a minor, filed separate suits against California Pacific Utilities company, Tuesday in circuit court, for sums totaling \$8,208.69, plus costs, for injuries received as a result of alleged negligence on the part of the defendant, following a hot water heater explosion in the home of the plaintiffs, on June 28, 1948.

Both complaints state that the defendants did not take sufficient precautionary measures to prevent the explosion, following a service call to inspect the hot water heater for possible gas leakage.

Mrs. Hardiman charges she received injuries and suffered shock, making it necessary for her to stay in bed for some 30 days, during which time she incurred medical expenses totalling \$38.69. She asks \$5,000 general and \$150 other special damages, plus costs.

Young Hardiman asks for \$3,000 general damages and costs, by his guardian John Hardiman, for bruises about the back and legs and a permanent scar on the nose, suffered in the accident, for which he, too, was required to stay in bed for a period approximating 30 days.

The Providence Reds of the American Hockey league registered 44 victories during the 1948-49 season, which is the record for the circuit.

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FROM THE NEWS OF 56 YEARS AGO

The City and Vicinity

Short, Newsy Items and Personal Paragraphs.

The best corn cultivator on wheels is for sale by R. F. Hollis. Location blanks for placer mining claims on sale at this office. For agricultural implements of all kinds call on R. F. Hollis. The freight trains are very heavy nowadays. Three locomotives were required to haul the north-bound freight Tuesday.

The Plainedealer
May 31, 1894.

In mulling over the above news of 1894 we wondered what ever happened to Douglas county's gold mining industry. Gold, being where you find it, is often camouflaged as an insurance policy. It's our business to see you don't suffer a loss that COULD have been insured against. Phone us this week, won't you?

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