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WHITE INDIANS

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The American Indian moved his village frequently. He lived in a tepee, easily portable, and his few belongings could be carried by squaws and pack animals.

Villages had to be shifted occasionally because the Indian had no facilities for sanitation. Whenever accumulated refuse and filth became intolerable, the village was moved to a new site.

Population being small, due partly to the Indian's unsanitary habits, while living space was virtually unlimited, the moving of an Indian village was a more or less commonplace event.

We can't move our cities and towns as the Indians did their villages. But as we take a look at the roads and open spots on the outskirts of our settlements we find that a lot of people follow the practice of the American Indian insofar as promiscuous dumping of garbage and refuse is concerned.

Five persons have been brought into the justice court at Roseburg during the past six weeks and each was fined \$50. But for each person fined, dozens still are using the open countryside, the farmer's field, or the nearest picnic spot as a garbage dump. If the condition gets much worse, our sanitary situation will be quite comparable to that of the old Indian village, except that we can't pick up and move away from accumulation of filth.

Offenders Deserve No Leniency

It is extremely difficult to apprehend the individual garbage dumper. He travels by automobile, dumps his load and is miles away within a space of a few moments. His is no crime of passion. He breaks the law deliberately and with premeditation. He is fully aware that he is offending society, so he commits his act stealthily. He is entitled to no leniency when he comes into court to be confronted with evidence of his guilt.

Because apprehension is hard to accomplish, and few people are penalized for the offense, the fear of arrest is not a sufficient deterrent to prevent wholesale public garbage dumping. People who have so little regard for safety and welfare of the public, or respect for the scenic beauties of their surroundings that they will pollute the countryside, cannot be shamed or persuaded to desist. The only control method is through greater public vigilance and cooperation in identifying culprits, coupled with imposition of sufficient penalties so that like-minded will be discouraged.

Arrests to date have come principally through the efforts of county road crews who have tracked down offenders after much persistent work.

Curiously, one offender was identified when a road crewman found a signed receipt from—of all persons—the garbage collector, in a pile of refuse dumped beside a roadway.

Disposal Facilities Should Be Kept Cheap

Living costs have a definite relationship to promiscuous garbage disposal. Fewer people dump refuse on the countryside in prosperous times, but the service of the garbage man is one of the first to be discontinued when income drops. The same effect is obtained when cost of garbage disposal goes up.

Naturally, it costs more today to conduct a garbage collection and disposal service than it did a few years ago; the same as it costs more to conduct any other business.

The Roseburg city council has from time to time found it necessary to permit increases in garbage disposal service and to tighten regulations. Extreme caution should be used, however, to see that the garbage disposal cost is kept as low as possible and the service as convenient as it can be made.

Some of our smaller communities do not have garbage collection and disposal service. Nearly all, however, have dump grounds, available to the general public. These dump grounds have been carefully chosen, being located where they are not normally visible, and where they will not be dangerous to health.

The person who can load garbage into his car and drive out to dump the cargo along a public road could as easily transport it to the official dump ground.

There is no excuse for the modern white man to emulate the primitive habits of the native Indian.

DIME-A-DOZEN SKETCHES

By PAUL JENKINS

If you were to question the average man, pointblank, about the matter probably he'd tell you that he'd rather be found dead than caught attending a women's style show: when the truth is, if he happened to find himself in the presence of one and was quietly ignored and left to his own devices—either to leave or to stay—he would, in all likelihood, be willing to admit freely, afterward, that he had enjoyed himself.

At any rate if anyone had told me several days ago that I "ought to go to the Style Show at the Country Club; you'd enjoy it," I would promptly have reached for the nearest peavey and hit him over the head with it. But no one told me that; I found myself in attendance; I enjoyed it thoroughly.

I belong to the old fashioned, if perhaps bawdy, school that believes women wear clothes purely and simply for the purpose of adornment, and I believe further that they are extremely wise in so doing. Smart clothing adds smartness to any woman's appearance, and to those endowed with natural beauty of face and figure, snappy togs add an additional charm which old Mother Nature perhaps

intended but made no initial provision for.

Digging deeper into man's attitude towards women's style shows, I reckon he'd rather see one, any time, than for his wife to see one. When the little lady attends she often gets ideas that cost him good folding money, soon or later. Fortunately for my enjoyment of the affair mentioned above (I don't mean to sound hard-hearted) my wife sprained her ankle the day before and couldn't go.

"Well, never mind that. Did—"

"Why daddikins!" exclaims Martha. "Look, there's button off your new waistcoat."

"Is there?"

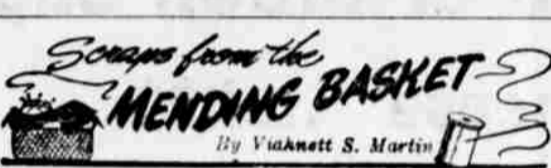
"Yes. Now you come into the mansion right this minute, and I'll sew another on. I don't know what would happen, daddikins, if I weren't here to take care of you."

And helpless daddikins would be led by Martha from the scene of the crime and forget all about it. He would know in his heart that she had cut down the tree, but he would never bring up the matter again.

Show Difference

These two incidents show a basic difference between the adjustment of men and women to any situation.

It's One Thing to Catch 'Em --- Another to Clean 'Em



By Viaknett S. Martin

To town in the rain. Wonder why we two love to ride in the rain? Even on top of a Fifth Avenue bus without an umbrella, with daffodils and violets in venders' baskets and barrows, and the glistening streets and lights to make, for us, an unforgettable memory of love in the springtime!

We were talking with laughter of other rain memories. There was the time, at summer's end, when I sighed for rain on my face. To be sure we used daily one or another of the eleven hose-connections, and the garden was fresh and green. But my heart was parched for the feel of rain! Over toward Whittier there seemed to be a big thunder-head . . . "raining over there," I sighed, "wish we were in it!"

A little while later we were in it! Beyond Whittier we ran out of the dusty wayside and into a sprinkle, then into a real storm. Oh, it was exhilarating! We kept going until we found ourselves on top of a hill in somebody's ranch dooryard; we had been watching the rain, not the roadsides. By then we were in an electrical storm, more than I bargained for. I had wished only for rain.

Back at home the neighbor

Poor Man's Philosopher Says It's Truly A Woman's World

By HAL BOYLE
 NEW YORK — (AP) — This is a woman's world, and for a good reason. Women are better adapted to live in it.

Let us take a simple case. George Washington's father finds one of his favorite fruit trees freshly axed. Very wroth he looks up his son and asks:

"Did you cut down my cherry tree?"

Taxed directly in this way, the young father-to-be of his country says:

"Yes, I did it with my little hatchet."

But suppose George had wanted to brazen it out. And said, "No, sir!" His face would have flushed red, his eyes had turned shifty—and he'd instantly have given himself away. And Pappy Washington would have put the cane to his pantaloons.

Suppose, however, the same incident had happened to Martha Washington when she was a girl.

"Did you chop down my cherry tree?" demands her father.

"Did someone chop it down?" My dear, someone chop down your nice tree, daddikins!" says she. "What'll happen around here next?"

"What I want to know is—did you cut it down with your little red hatchet?" asks father crossly.

"Oh, daddikins, you know I painted my little hatchet green last week."

"Well, never mind that. Did—"

"Why daddikins!" exclaims Martha. "Look, there's button off your new waistcoat."

"Is there?"

"Yes. Now you come into the mansion right this minute, and I'll sew another on. I don't know what would happen, daddikins, if I weren't here to take care of you."

You will note that young George not only confessed the deed—the named the weapon, Little Martha, on the other hand, not only refused to give a yes-or-no answer. She changed the subject, and got her questioner to think she was doing him a favor in the bargain.

And this art of confusing the issue has been developed by women into a great feminine asset over the centuries. Originally, when men were a strutting dominant sex, the girls developed this talent as a means of escaping responsibility when charged by her boy friend with doing something he didn't like. By wheedling, placating and cajoling, by pretending to be a flighty, thoughtless thing, woman managed to make the sexes equal. Men felt sorry for such seemingly brainless creatures.

Today men and women are pretty equal under the law. But the girls have retained their great social weapon of the past—this fluid ability to evade being pinned down or blam'd.

A man, however, is still caught in the old jungle code of straightforward answers. He's a poor dissembler, a lousy liar.

Yes, it's a woman's world. It's a civilized world that woman talked men into—and men can't talk their way out of, because most of the time they no longer even know what anybody is talking about, particularly women.

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LETTERS to the Editor

Rep. Ellsworth's Record Held Pattern For Others

ROSEBURG—I scan the papers each day in hope of reading something good. Many days go by with negative results.

This headline and the accompanying article give me a ray of hope. "No Socialism Wanted," "Truman program being ignored by lawmakers," Congressman Ellsworth states.

"Oh boy, what a relief!" Harris Ellsworth did not inherit his present ennobled position. He alone is responsible for the splendid record he has and the unimpeachable reputation he enjoys. Intelligent voters must have put him in Congress. Design, not accident, sent him to Washington.

Why can't we, the people, be as fortunate, or as farsighted, in all our choices?

We have no weapon to help clean up the mess we are now in other than our intelligent votes.

Putting a public official into office is not like buying a piece of merchandise that can be returned if it does not fit or you decide you don't like it. Recalls take time, work, sacrifice, heartache and plenty of cash. The Mike Elliott fiasco in Portland a short time back is a good example of what I mean. He was not elected by intelligent voting. No one dug into his background. Thousands of voters swallowed a line of tripe—pure, unadulterated hokum.

There will be more men of the same caliber as Elliott campaigning. Let's stop, look, listen and think.

On the other hand, there also will be quiet, unassuming, conscientious and reliable men, equal to or possibly better than Harris Ellsworth, who sincerely wish to help make this U.S.A. a better, cleaner, safer, saner and more economical place in which to live. If this type of men are not on a ballot, why not take time out to hunt them up and launch them?

C. F. McDONALD
 Roseburg, Ore.

Construction Equipment At Issue In 3 Suits

Three plaintiffs filed five separate suits in circuit court Wednesday seeking the release of construction equipment, held pending court litigation, and damages claimed for the alleged "wrongful and unlawful possession."

Sheriff O. T. "Bud" Carter, in his official capacity, named as defendant in the suits, has possession of the property, acting under a writ of attachment issued by court order. The order was issued as the result of an original complaint filed in Linn county by Pacific General Contractors against the State Construction company, doing work in Douglas county.

The Bank of Albany, one plaintiff, asks the release of a shovel with engine, and, in event it cannot be returned, judgment for \$40,000. The bank also asks release of a tractor, equipped, or in event it cannot be returned, judgment for \$8,000, the alleged market value, plus costs.

Carson Graber demands release of a tractor, equipped, and damages totaling \$16,352, plus \$56 per day from March 1, last. In event the property cannot be returned, judgment for \$6,000, alleged market value of the tractor, is asked.

Clyde Equipment company in one complaint asks the return of one wagon drill and nine other drills, and damages totaling \$8,047.50, plus \$20.50 per day from March 20 and costs. In event the property cannot be returned, judgment for an additional \$1,883.60, the alleged market value, is sought.

In its second complaint, Clyde Equipment asks release of one jack-hammer and damages of \$1,401.25, plus \$4.75 per day and costs, from March 20, 1950, and costs, or in

Housing Bill Still Awaits Final Action

Other Phases Considered Following Rejection Of Truman Co-op Proposal

(By The Associated Press)
 With the fight over President Truman's cooperative proposal ended by its stinging defeat, ranks consolidated today for quick and overwhelming approval of a housing bill providing:

1. A \$2,750,000,000 increase in the present system of government insurance of housing mortgages through the FHA. The Senate, after it too rejected co-ops, passed a bill providing a \$1,750,000,000 expansion of this insurance which is intended to encourage the flow of capital into home construction. The two houses now will iron out the differences.

(The government doesn't put up any money under the FHA program, but insures investors against any large losses on loans made for construction of homes or rental property. On loans it insures, the FHA puts a limit on the interest charged to the home builder and requires certain standards of construction.)

2. An increase by \$750,000,000 in the Federal National Mortgage association's authority to purchase home mortgages from private lenders. The present \$2,500,000,000 authority for this purpose is about used up, and the government yesterday called a halt in this program until more funds are available. The government through this program buys mortgages that private lenders already have made on homes so that these lenders will have more money on hand for loans on new housing.

3. Added \$600,000,000 authority to insure mortgages on large-scale rental apartment projects. Applications for this insurance more than exhausted available funds early this year although the law did not expire until March 1.

4. An increase in the amortization period of GI home loans from 25 to 30 years. Banking chairman Spence (D-Ky) said this would reduce the carrying charge on an \$89,000 GI home by \$4 a month.

5. A plan for disposal of 380,000 units of government-built wartime housing under the program authorized by former Rep. Lanham (D-Tex.). This housing was built to relieve wartime congestion in defense centers. Some is being sold and some is being given to public agencies.

Congress Chat

HARRIS ELLSWORTH, M. C., 4th District, Oregon

As this rather futile session of Congress grinds on toward the half-way mark it is becoming more and more apparent that nothing much will be done this year. In one way that is a good thing. The Administration's demands for socialistic legislation are being flatly ignored. On the other hand, Congress most certainly should act on several fairly important matters this year. It should make substantial progress toward adopting recommendations made by the Hoover commission. It should get rid of most of the war excise taxes. The administration should quit playing politics with the Taft-Hartley law and cease blocking the passage of several improving amendments.

There is considerable other important and desirable legislation pending, but there does not seem much likelihood now that the strictest "majority" in this Congress will be able to agree on very much of it.

The failure of this 81st Congress—both last year and this year thus far—to do much of anything of a constructive nature seems to illustrate an important point. Ostensibly overwhelmingly controlled by the Administration—certainly controlled by the Administration's party—the majority members of the 81st Congress have declined to follow the President's leadership. The point is that Congress is in fact responsive to the wishes of the people with the result that a majority of the members of this Congress clearly do not believe that the plurality of popular vote received by President Truman in 1948 meant that the people of the country want the enactment of his socialistic program.

What this situation really means is that the people must again in a few months indicate by their ballots the kind of a federal government they want. One third of the Senators and all the 435 members of the House of Representatives will be up for election. Most particularly those opposing incumbent Republicans, will campaign as supporters of the President's program. Without the fanfare of a Presidential campaign to confuse the real issues, the voters will be able to make their choice. This is the way our system or representative government works.

At the end of the seventh month of fiscal 1950, the federal government deficit was \$3,256,146,000. Treasury reports show that expenditures ran that much higher than revenues in the period from July 1 to January 31. The financial picture of the government on January 31 was almost three times as bad as a year ago when the government was \$1,448,567,000 in the hole on current operations. The public debt is rapidly approaching the staggering all-time high of \$257,000,000,000—or more than one-quarter of a trillion dollars.

event of its non return, \$275, the reasonable value claimed.

Clyde Equipment's third complaint asks release of one second jackhammer and damages of \$1,401.25, plus \$4.75 per day and costs, and an additional judgment of \$283, the claimed market value, in case it cannot be returned.



DENIES GIFT — Pretty Georgianne (Gigi) Durston, Pittsburgh, Pa., night club entertainer, smiles after denying reports her romance with Elliott Roosevelt is on the rocks. To prove her points, Gigi displays a star sapphire engagement ring on her third finger, left hand. It was given to her by Roosevelt she said. (AP Wirephoto)

Veterinarian Gets Award For Services To Cat

MINERVA, O., March 23 — (AP) — A Minerva veterinarian had an award today "for distinguished and meritorious effort on behalf of America's 21,000,000 cats."

The citation, from the American Feline Society, Inc., of New York, was bestowed on Dr. William Orr for the care he lavished on a cat that survived 36 hours in a fiery brick kiln.

It lauded his "prompt and skillful medical attention" as a factor in saving the life of "Miracle," the calico cat so named because of its narrow escape.

"Miracle" was sealed for 36 hours in a kiln heated to between 600 and 900 degrees. Amazed workers found the cat when they unsealed the kiln March 9. They didn't know how the cat got inside.

The cat was badly dehydrated, its tail burned off, and all four paws seared, but it came around in good shape under Dr. Orr's care.

Said Robert L. Kendall, feline society president, on Dr. Orr's skill: "A mark for other veterinarians to shoot at."

As much as 30 percent of the energy from the feed of swine may be given off as heat.

Local Group On 'Get-Acquainted' OSC Committee

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis—(Special)—Nine Oregon State college students from Roseburg have been appointed as members of the new Greater Oregon State committee to acquaint high school students in Roseburg and Douglas county who are interested in attending O.S.C. with the college.

Jim Poirot is chairman of the Roseburg group. With him on the committee are Neil Wissing, Joan Rutter, Lorraine Losee, Raeda Reece, Bob Feldcamp, Cynthia Turner, Rod Newland and Jim Young.

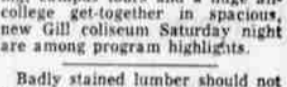
The immediate activities of the local Greater Oregon State committee will be working with alumni, O.S.C. students and friends in informing Roseburg high school students about Senior weekend at Oregon State college April 14, 15 and 16.

This is one of several Senior weekends held on all state systems of higher education campuses on the same day. It has been planned by the Oregon high school-college relations committee. High school seniors throughout the state have been invited to visit any one of the campuses they wish to on that weekend.

Students and faculty members at Oregon State have planned a gala weekend of entertainment combined with interesting and instructive educational exhibits in the different schools and departments that will enable visitors to get a better idea of job opportunities in these different fields.

An all-campus luncheon, variety show, band music, a talk by Football Coach Kip Taylor, the traditional freshman-sophomore tug-of-war, "burning of the green," a spring football practice scrimmage, square and ballroom dancing, campus tours and a huge all-college get-together in spacious new Gill coliseum Saturday night are among program highlights.

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