

## Library Arrivals

# Victory Over Red Chinese Captors Told In American's Inspiring Tale

The moving story of one man's resistance to dehumanizing pressures is related by an American Jesuit, Father John W. Clifford, in his book, "In The Presence of my Enemies."

### Wager Private War

In Shanghai on June 15, 1953, he was arrested by Chinese Communists. He was not told the charge against him. For the next three years he waged a private war against the most rigid and subtle physical and psychological tortures. Then, in 1956, Father Clifford literally was thrown out of jail by his enraged and frustrated captors, not having surrendered a confession or a single fragment of his integrity.

From the very start, Father Clifford fought to preserve his sanity against almost overwhelming odds. Alone in his tiny, filthy cell, he forced himself to intense mental activity—he relived his life, mentally reread favorite books, re-played football games—to keep his mind alive.

To counteract the pressures of starvation, constant humiliation, sinister threats and physical squalor, he shifted from defense to attack. His technique was to make his attackers appear ridiculous.

Gradually the priest's victories over his captors began to tell. A grain of rice fallen from his food bowl became a major issue, and a victory, when the guard is reduced to helpless screaming.

### Storm And Conflict

Paralleling in some ways the Biblical story of the Garden of Eden is "A River Ran Out of Eden" by James Vance Marshall.

Until the onset of the equinoctial storm, Unak sheltered only four human beings—the gray-haired Jim Lee, his wife Tania, and their two young children. But then came another, Howard Hamilton Crawford, sealer and salmon poacher—and still another, the Golden Seal, washed up on shore with her pups, in the fury of wind and water.

The story develops around the Golden Seal. Jim had dreamed of one day bringing into Dutch Harbor the pelt of a rare Golden Seal. To Crawford, she was prey, nothing more, just as Tania was. To Lee's son, Eric, 7, she was an object to be cherished in the perfect freedom of nature.

Out of this conflict of interests proceed violence, the testing of fundamental human relationships, even death—before Unak is re-

## Dixonville Miss Has Vacation Trip

Sue Hill has returned home after spending the past month visiting relatives in California. Her aunt, Mrs. R. W. Hill, and cousins, Allen and Adrian, drove Sue home from Pittsburgh, Calif. Sue saw friends and relatives in San Francisco and took a trip to Lake Tahoe.

### Working In Seattle

Kay Rockwell has left for Seattle, Wash., to spend the remainder of the summer working for her uncle, Jack Rockwell, and caring for her small cousins, while their mother is confined to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sanders and children have returned home from a two-week vacation in Eastern Oregon. They visited in Ontario with friends and with Sanders' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Sanders. The family visited friends in Caldwell, Idaho area.

Guests of the Ted Rockwell family for a few days were Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bergman and of Turlock, Calif. Mrs. Rockwell had not seen her aunt, Mrs. Bergman in 15 years.

The Joe Schmidts are in the process of building a new addition on their home on the North Umpqua highway. A large bedroom is almost completed.

Ronald Raddatz arrived last week from Hawaii, on completion of his U. S. Army service. He is visiting at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Raddatz.

Mrs. L. E. Mattson and three children of Idaho Falls, Idaho, has arrived to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Raddatz, for a couple weeks.

## Family Gathering Held At C. Valley

By MRS. DAVE THRUSH

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Brown in Camas Valley were Mrs. Brown's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Plunkett, and her niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tyke Dunn and daughter, Terry, all of Corvallis. Brown's niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones and children, came from Green to join the family group.

Terry Dunn stayed to spend the summer with the Browns.

On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Battles drove to Drain to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Neilsen, and son, Ricky. From there they drove to Winchester Bay to see Mr. and Mrs. Jess McMaster and later in the day the group gathered for a picnic lunch in the park at Drain. Bill Levins of Drain also joined them.

Mrs. Stewart Neely in a recent letter reported catching a 70 pound Chinook earlier this month while fishing out of Warm Springs Bay, Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Neely are currently acting as guides for friends on a fishing trip in Alaska. The huge chinook taken by Mrs. Neely measured 50 inches in length and over 32 inches in girth. A few days later she landed a 68-pounder.

stored to a state of innocence.

In "Border Guard" Don Whitehead tells the whole fascinating story of the Customs Service, from its beginning in the early days of the Republic to the vital, enormously varied work of its present-day operations.

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kind of adventure.

Other new books making their appearance on the library shelves this week are:

**Adult Non-Fiction:** Guess Whose Hair I'm Wearing, Hildegard Dolsen; Techniques of Picture Making, Henry Gasser; Prayers from the Ark, Carmen Gaszold; Oran-utan, Barbara Harrison; Land of the Long Horizons, Walter Havighurst; The Happy Child, Irene Josselyn; Life and Times of Theodore Roosevelt, Stefan Lorant; Chez Maxim's (Stewart Collection), Maxim's; Olson's Orient Guide,

Harvey Olson; The Cuban Dilemma, Ruby Phillips; The Bachelor's Cookbook, Lee Sheridan; Ride American, Louis Taylor.

**Adult Fiction:** Blind Girl's Bluff, Evelyn Berkman; No Hiding Place, Edwin Lanham.

**Young Moderns Non-Fiction:** Fell's Teen Age Guide to Winning Golf, M. Gillette Brown; Making Poems for America, Robert Frost; Gorham Munson; 1001 Questions Answered About Space, Clarke Newlon; Book of Etiquette & Entertaining, Seventeen (Per.); Young Moderns Fiction: Alaska

Challenge, Tom Clarke; Take Me to My Friend, Hope Jordan.

**Juvenile Non-Fiction:** The Adventures of Lewis and Clark, John Bakeless; The Animal Song Book, Ed Fisher; Possum, Robert McClung; Stan Musial: Baseball's Durable "Man," Ray Robinson; London, Maurice Rosenbaum, Bedtime Book, Shirley Temple.

**Juvenile Fiction:** The Mystery of the Vanishing Horses, Lynn Avery; Milenka's Happy Summer, Mary Barker.

**Easy Books:** Ski Pup, Don Freeman.

## Father Is Located By Dixonvillager

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kratzmeyer and family have returned to their home in Dixonville from a two-week trip to Arkansas. In North Little Rock they visited Kratzmeyer's mother, Mrs. Ella Mae Phant, and friends.

According to Mrs. Albert Radcliffe, correspondent, the highlight of their trip was meeting and getting acquainted with Kratzmeyer's father, Bryant Speck of Fayetteville, whom he had never seen.

Mrs. Kratzmeyer reports that it was necessary to go through practically the same procedure in trying to locate her husband's father as they did several months ago

in finding Kratzmeyer's mother. In corresponding with a nephew, Billy Speck, the father was located.

Mrs. Radcliffe said that Kratzmeyer also learned that he had seven half brothers and sisters, some of whom he saw while on the trip. As a small boy, Kratzmeyer was adopted, which accounts for the difference in names, she said.

Mrs. Kratzmeyer visited the nuns at the Good Shepherd Orphanage in Hot Springs, where she had lived and been brought up until the age of 17. Her brother, Cecil E. Rucker of North Little Rock, was also visited.



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