

CABELL

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remote than that distance suggests.

The dense forest, primarily lodgepole pine and tamarack, with a dense strip of alder along Onion Creek, contributes to the sense of isolation. You can't see the buildings until you're within a hundred feet of them, and their presence, in this lonely spot, is a trifle disconcerting.

But also fascinating.

The details, in particular.

Although I didn't examine the mill buildings thoroughly — I'm current on my tetanus shot but I have an aversion to impaling any part of myself on sharp, rusty metal, and an exaggerated fear of hantavirus besides — you can glean quite a lot by stepping just inside.

A bare light bulb dangles from a rafter, its metal pull cord still attached.

A piece of machinery still bears the manufacturer's metal plate, identifying it as a "Moto-Trimmer" built by the Bosworth Engineering Co., 6723 Denison Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. What a journey that machine made, from the urban Rust Belt most



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Intact machinery inside the mill building at Cabell City.

of the way across the country to the Blue Mountains, here to remain, among the pines, probably partially buried by blizzards if the wind is right.

On the dilapidated porch of the house — watch your step — a single leather boot sits, its laces missing, its metal eyelets rusted.

On the floor in the main room is an ancient car radio, its presence perplexing and inexplicable. I wonder how many decades it has sat there.

I wonder, as I always do in such places, what it must have been like to live here.

There was electricity, at least — the wires still



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The cemetery at Cabell City.

dangle from the wall near the front door. But here in the Blues, where snow accumulates many feet deep and the temperature, in the low ground along the creek, must often plunge below zero, it would require no small amount of courage and dedication to stay it out year round.

More courage, certainly, than is required of the actors in the B movie that someday ought to be made here.



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An old leather shoe on the front porch of the house at Cabell City.

BERRIES

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the truck.

I remember one year Katy and I hit one of our spots on the way home from a trip up high. When we pulled up and parked I killed the truck. We had a thermos of coffee so we poured a cup before we got out to pick. We were sitting in the truck shooting the bull and Katy says whoa! I'm not getting out. It sounded like a light hail

storm due to all of the mosquitos hitting the sides of the truck. So carry mosquito protection because in some years they can be horrendous.

So if you don't have anything to do this weekend, grab the wife and kids, pack a picnic and go up picking berries. But you and the wife ought to be sure to carry a pistol. You might just be picking in a popular bear eating area.

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The bushes are loaded down with huckleberries this year.



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Wild raspberries are Koko's favorite berry. While hiking she could not pass a raspberry bush without stopping to pick a few.

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- 5 Truth bender
- 9 Viscid exudate
- 12 Pac-10 school
- 13 Like some chatter
- 14 Sierra Madre gold
- 15 Lie detector
- 17 Earlier
- 18 Unpaid, as a bill
- 19 Supplemented
- 21 Lake Nasser dam
- 24 Intuition
- 26 Gimmick
- 27 Came out on top
- 28 Revenuers
- 32 Links goal
- 33 Seabird
- 34 Way of Lao-tzu
- 35 Little kid
- 37 Aloof
- 38 Formal

DOWN

- 39 Thin strip
- 41 Watery
- 42 Abysses
- 45 Frat letter
- 46 "Exodus" name
- 47 Present
- 53 "My — Sal"
- 54 Cheap nightspot
- 55 Personality parts
- 56 Stallone nickname
- 57 Auction sites
- 58 Took pictures
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- 2 Author Umberto —
- 3 Every
- 4 SOS
- 5 Tevi Fountain coins, once
- 6 Potato st.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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YOUR BIRTHDAY by Stella Wilder

Born today, you are likely to achieve a very high standing in the professional arena and to serve as an example to others about how to balance professional accomplishment and success with personal contentment. You are able to keep things very much in perspective, and you are not the kind to let even your own publicity go to your head. You understand that you are and always will be the same "you" that you were when young.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Your energy and drive are enough today to see you through almost any challenge. You become interested in something that used to leave you cold.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- The personal and the professional can be combined in a clever way today -- but not indefinitely. You don't want to miss the window!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- You have some

hard work in store today, but it's of a kind that really inspires you. You can include a friend and double your fun, perhaps!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- You're preparing for a journey that you must take alone, but for now you can work with others to ensure you make a strong start.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- You can make the most of an opportunity you very nearly missed altogether today. A few more will come knocking -- and you'll be ready.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- You may find yourself fighting against environmental forces that you can't easily resist. A change of venue lets you turn things around.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Your relationship with someone who shares certain responsibilities with you may be somewhat affected today by something beyond your control.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) -- You may not start the day quickly, but you'll have your goals

squarely in mind, and it's not likely that they'll elude you. It's a good day.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- You may find yourself asking questions about the overall tenor of certain things -- but the answers you can provide may not be satisfying.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- That which you cannot control you must learn to accept -- and you can begin today. Certain key developments give you reason to make a move.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- You may be struggling at this time with a certain doubt or insecurity. A friend steps in and eases a burden. You solve a fleeting mystery.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Getting it all done today is as easy as one-two-three, but that assumes that your methods are as efficient and effective as possible.

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