

Marines Claim 'Copter Mark

CHERRY POINT, N. C. — (U.P.) — Aviation authorities at the Marine Corps air station here believe they have another helicopter "first."

A "whirly-bird" on a troop-carrying mission developed engine trouble and had to put down in an inaccessible swamp. Amphibious vehicles were unable to reach the grounded craft.

The Marines flew in two more

helicopters, hovered over the spot and lowered swamp boards to make a landing platform. They then landed on the platform, dismantled the disabled craft and flew the pieces back.

The \$185,000 helicopter was repaired and is flying again.

Air pressure at 16,000 feet above sea level is about half that at sea level.

Lightning Brings Music To Main Farmhouse

CUMBERLAND, Me. — (U.P.) — Some persons fear a thunderstorm but it brings music to the Kermit Kelley farmhouse here.

If the Kelleys leave a light burning during lightning, the bulb burns out and musical sounds pop out from the other lights, refrigerator and all electrical appliances.

"It sounds like xylophone music," Kelley said. "We don't know what causes it."

An electrician said there's nothing wrong with the wiring.

Two Businesses Change Owners At Oakridge

OAKRIDGE — Mr. and Mrs. C. Nesmith of Eugene have purchased the Highway Confectionery from Mr. and Mrs. David F. Fillbach, as of Monday. They took over the business Tuesday. Nesmith was a painter for Kenneth Bettis, Eugene painting contractor, and this is his first venture into the confectionery-restaurant business.

Mr. and Mrs. Nesmith will live in the apartment in the building. Mr. and Mrs. Fillbach will move to Eugene, after showing the new owners the business for a week or two. They will also take a vacation to the middle west. They have announced no other plans. They have lived in Oakridge about six years.

The Town Tavern was sold Wednesday, to Otto H. Erickson and Eva Erickson, by Alfred R. Elliott, owner-proprietor. Mr. and Mrs. Erickson have been proprietors of the Package Grocery next to the Oregon Hotel in Eugene. The liquor license was transferred to the new owners at city council meeting, Wednesday evening. The Tavern is on First Street in up-town Oakridge.

Smart Farming Pays in the End

PINK HILL, N. C. — (U.P.) — Twenty-two years ago Gaston Branch and his wife were poor tenants on a rural farm, struggling to send their 13 children to school.

The Negro couple lived as tenants for 15 years before they managed to buy a small farm. Now, Branch has told the Duplin County Negro farm agent, Riddick Wilkins, "\$75,000 couldn't buy me out."

"It's taken 65 years of work," Branch said. "It hasn't been a bed of roses."

Now, Wilkins said, Branch has reached a goal attained by few tenant farmers—he can retire.

Wilkins said Branch believed in diversified farming from the start—emphasizing livestock production with a herd of hogs and cattle and use of improved farm machinery.

WRONG ADDRESS
SEYMOUR, Tenn. (U.P.)—Seniors at Harrison Chilhowee Baptist Academy were quick to call for a correction in a newspaper story regarding their class play, "One Foot in Heaven." The paper, erroneously called it "One Foot in Hell."

Stocks, Bonds Good Covering

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — Dr. Robert U. Cooper has part of his house papered with stocks and bonds.

Cooper's father, a Lutheran minister, accumulated the securities in 88 companies, all of them phony, over 30 years and left the certificates to his son.

"When we finished papering the hall with father's stocks, there were enough left over to do my den," the doctor said, "but my wife put her foot down."

"Father was on the sucker list of every fly-by-night organization in the country, but he never learned. He kept right on buying until he died in 1944."

With his father's mistakes in mind, Cooper has taken up finance as a hobby. He is a member of the board of directors of a local bank and has written a book, "Investments for Professional People."

Cooper confesses that he made one error himself, before buying stock in a gold mining company in Canada he visited the site and watched the digging.

"The only catch was," he said, "the mine cost \$1 more to operate than the gold was worth."

Fancy Names For Old Ships

BOSTON — (U.P.) — Owners of the famed clipper ships of a century ago reached to strange places for names for their vessels, according to information compiled by the State Street Trust Co.

A booklet on the subject shows that some ship owners favored names associated with the sea such as Ocean Eagle, Sea Nymph, Flying Scud, Sea Witch and Dashing Wave.

Others picked fictional or mythological characters such as Hamlet, Orpheus and Galatea. Still others favored American heroes, including David Crockett, Andrew Jackson, General Grant and Winfield Scott.

Also honored were Harvey Birch a revolutionary War spy made famous in the novel of James Fenimore Cooper; Pocahontas, Garibaldi, Solomon and King Philip, the Indian Chief.

Daniel Webster, described as "The Defender of the Constitution and expounder of the same," was honored by a vessel named The Expounder.

Animals were represented by the Flora Temple, a vessel named for the trotting mare which won 92 out of 108 races. A tiny animal with a clipped tail, Flora Temple was believed the inspiration of the line, "I'll bet my money on the bob-tailed mare."

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