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SIPS FOR SUPPER

Get Your Wood In

By DON UPJOHN

Our compatriot Fred Zimmerman has a cabin up in the Abi...
The trip revealed something of great im...



Don Upjohn

to be. Acting Postmaster Jack L. (Hopalong) Freeman and stable operator Clarence Warman found that out yesterday when they tried to reenact the old days by carrying 80 pounds of mail on horseback to Huntington park, two miles away. They wore beards, check shirts and boots in honor of Maywood's forthcoming silver jubilee week. But the stunt backfired when the horsemen found the railway roadbed they had to travel cluttered with rocks, stones and unpioneer-like bottles. So the mail was sent ahead by auto trailer and transferred to horseback again a few blocks from the Huntington Park post office. Then the riders galloped up and delivered it.

The Cascade Highway association is a live organization over at the east end of the county made up of terrific boosters for the Cascade highway, proposed route for a cutoff into Portland from the North Santiam, and a very happy idea at that. Last night they had a big banquet at Silverton and invited Sam Baldock, state highway engineer, in for a speech. And Sam made a darned good one, too. He told the guests a lot of the problems of the highway department and gave out a lot of facts and figures. The speech was lacking only in one detail. He forgot to mention the Cascade highway.

The Phony Pony
Maywood, Calif. (AP) — The pony express ain't what it used

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Lou, 38, Built His \$50 Into a Big-Time Outfit

By HAL BOYLE

New York (AP)—The way to success in Tin Pan Alley today is as wide open as a closed door.

"But it is usually an amateur songwriter's own fault if he finds the door is closed," argues Lou Levy, president of Leeds Music company and manager of the Andrews Sisters.



Lou Levy

Levy, now 38, started his music publishing firm ten years ago with \$50 and a single song copyright. Today his firm controls some 17,000 copyrights. And Lou is buying up more right along. "I think they're a better investment than diamonds or old masters," he said. "When you buy a new song you're never sure of what you've got. But if an old song made money once, it can do it again. A good song never dies. It comes back every 14 years." Once Levy bought a small music firm just to get the copyright on a single song—"Piccolo Pete."

"But I made my money back because the number on the other side was 'Heartaches,' one of the hit revivals last year," he said.

Lou, a former vaudeville dancer, is as adept at picking talent as song hits. In a decade as manager of the Andrews Sisters he built the trio's salary from \$125 a week to \$12,500.

He went into the entertainment field after a brief and unhappy career at a vat stirrer in a perfume factory. One day he fell into the vat and had to be hauled to safety.

"I think I am one of the few people who ever had to be rescued from drowning in perfume," he laughed.

Levy has a simple prescription to get Tin Pan Alley out of its current business slump. "We have to make America a nation of piano players again," he said. "We could do it if they'd put a \$90 plastic piano on the market."

"But so far I haven't found a manufacturer who'd try it."

(Ed. Note—While Drew Pearson is on vacation, the Washington Merry-Go-Round is being written by his old partner, Robert S. Allen.)

By ROBERT S. ALLEN

Washington—Republican national headquarters is in a dither. The air is thick with reports that new chairman Guy Gabrielson plans a wholesale head-lop.

Gabrielson takes over active command this week. Friends have been dropping broad hints that high on his agenda is a hardboiled housecleaning of "defeatist-minded deadwood."

It is known that, since his election Gabrielson has conferred with congressional and other party chiefs on revitalizing the committee's big staff.

Former Chairman Hugh Scott made no changes when he took over. He became very popular with the staff, on which he leaned heavily. Some of his critics held this as a complaint against him.

There has been no indication who is listed for the ax. That's the reason for the staff's uneasiness. Also, Gabrielson has a business reputation of a hard worker and driver.

National headquarters has 80 full-time employees. Highest paid are Publicity Director William Murphy who gets \$27,000 a year and Finance Director Edwin Bacher who receives \$20,000.

Meanwhile, democratic warlocks have a brickbat they are nursing for the first time. Gabrielson sounds off on "big government spending."

The brickbat is the fact that one of his firms is a heavy RFC borrower.

The Carthage Hydrocol Corp., which Gabrielson heads, has received three RFC loans totaling \$18,500,000. The first loan, for \$9,000,000, was granted in April, 1948. Subsequently, the company got two other loans of \$3,500,000 and \$6,000,000, the last in April of this year.

The transactions were perfectly legitimate. The corporation, with offices in New York and Brownsville, Tex., is engaged in making gasoline from natural gas under a new process. Full-scale production is scheduled for November.

Democrats will not attack the loans. But if and when Gabrielson assails administration spending, they are all set to counter that he is a big beneficiary of the spending.

SHORTS

Washington's feid heat has made no dent on Rhode Island's Senator Theodore Green. The rugged 82-year-old millionaire still travels to and from his office in crowded, steamy street cars.

Workers remodeling the senate and house chambers are uncovering smudge marks of the burning of the capitol by the British. The marks are under inch-thick coats of paint.

Iowa supporters of Senator Robert Taft emphatically deny that close ties prevail between him and National Committeeman Harrison Spangler. The Taftites are saying they favor the Iowa state central committee's demand that Spangler resign.

All three of Connecticut's republican congressmen—James Patterson, Antoni Sadlak and John Davis Lodge—would like to run as successor to Sen. Raymond A. Baldwin. Rep. Chase Going Woodhouse (D., Conn.), is practically certain to be named to Baldwin's seat by Gov. Chester Bowles.

POINTED HINT

Philippine President Elpidio Quirino got no definite promises of aid while in Washington, but he did take away with him a pointed hint.

It was that the U.S. would look with favor on the liberation of several hundred imprisoned wartime Filipino guerrillas who fought under American officers.

The partisans fought valiantly against the Japs. After the war, they were imprisoned on murder and other charges made in many cases, by former collaborators now holding high Philippine office. Many of the alleged offenses were "liquidations" ordered by American officers.

The imprisoned guerrillas were offered amnesty several years ago on condition they "confessed their crimes."

They flatly refused. One reason was their desire to avoid embarrassing their former American commanders.

NOTE: Members of Quirino's party told Washington officials that Chiang Kai-Shek's visit to Manila was chiefly to try to obtain funds from "wealthy Chinese. It was also intimated an effort was made to call off Chiang's trip but he insisted on making it.

BRANNAN PLAN

While Secretary Charles Brannan's farm plan is getting the gate in congress, the farm bureau federation is losing membership in Iowa and Minnesota because of opposition to the project.

The farmers union has definitely made membership gains as a result of its pro-Brannan-plan stand.

Sen. Edward Thye (R., Minn.) says farm bureau membership in his state is higher than last year, but admits the farmers

union is making "inroads." Also, that the fight between the two organizations is intensifying.

"The militant opposition of the national officers of the farm bureau to the plan is unquestionably causing a lot of doubts among rank-and-file members," Thye said. "It looks like the fight between the bureau and the union will get hotter in the months to come."

NOTE: Wallace's Iowa Farmer (no connection with Henry) will release figures next week on a poll on the Brannan plan. They will report the following: 24 per cent of Iowa farmers are for the plan, 16 per cent opposed, remainder no opinion. Twenty-six per cent of Iowa farm bureau members are for the plan, 18 per cent opposed.



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MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

Will U. S. Channel Feeling In Asia Toward Democracy

By JAMES D. WHITE

(Substitute for DeWitt MacKenzie, AP foreign news analyst) One of the more thoughtful men I know is a Chinese, born and educated among Americans.

A man like that never quite belongs to either world. Life has put him on a fence between the two peoples he springs from. And from that fence he may see things coming before either world does.

This man was talking recently about the way communism is sweeping over the land of his ancestors, China. He said:

"Japan failed because China saw through her filmy promises of an Asia for the Asiatics, and cast her lot with the west. But in this cold war, China is falling on the other side, and as a colored people fighting for freedom from western control she will affect all other colored peoples fighting for the same thing."

"The thing is," my friend went on, "communism flows into this part of the world because nothing has replaced the once-great prestige of the white man."

"Communism's headache will come when the problem of retaining this vast new area of power becomes paramount. It has to satisfy Asia's highly varied peoples who today are buying its promises for a better world."

"I think communism is too inflexible a doctrine ever to deliver on these promises. When its time comes to put up or shut up, communism will answer in Asia by preaching hatred of the white man."

"Regardless of Moscow's pose of racial harmony the local boys will beat the drums of race hatred just to stay in power. People will listen then as they listen now—because they are poor and know there must be something better than what they have."

This talk took place some months ago, but very recently its viewpoint has been backed up by two interesting sources.

One is old Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts of South Africa. Here is another man who has lived with the racial problem all his life.

He sees the world as being in the middle of a century of revolution by the "colored" races of mankind. This is a revolution out of backwardness but it also is a revolution among the black, yellow and brown races to get out from under the domination of those western races usually called white.

Sunday a third man spoke up in Manila.

Thomas H. Lockett, top American career diplomat in the Philippines, said that Asia is definitely on the march. Whether westerners like it or not, he said, Asia feels that colonialism belongs to a dead era.

He said the United States would be wise to try to channel popular feeling in that part of the world towards democracy and freedom now, rather than see it stream into communism later.

Someday, Marie believes, a lithe young gypsy will come along and take her for his bride in a blood ritual. He will have tight bronze skin and a quick eye for the future. He will know, and help her understand, the American way.

"It will have to be like that or nothing," she says. "Because, you see, we are gypsies and we can never change."

Marie likes American girls but for one thing: "Some of them are shallow and some are bold, especially where men are concerned," she says. To her, the art of coquetry and courtship is missing.

She goes to the movies often. Her favorite female star is Joan Fontaine, her favorite male actor Tyrone Power. A recent film life among the gypsies was soundly criticized by Marie and her kin. In it, the gypsy heroine tears a hunk of meat apart with her hands and gnaws it like a she-wolf.

"It's never like that with us," says Marie with a serious light in her oblique eyes. "We're neat and have manners."

Their quarters bear her out. They live in one long room, formerly a store. Heavy draperies partition it into clean rooms. Brightly-burnished cooking utensils hang on the kitchen wall. A small shrine is there, too. Marie and her family are Roman Catholics.

The men are trying to fit themselves into the modern pattern. One has taken a steady job in an industrial plant and wears an Odd Fellows lodge pin.

Marie does not dance in the "popular" version. But the gypsies here are planning a com-

Two Wives Swap Mates But Keep Own Children

Los Angeles, Aug. 16 (AP)—Wilma Mayfield, 25, is now Wilma Botsford and Frances Botsford, 28, is now Frances Mayfield.

A mutually agreeable exchange of spouses was completed Sunday night with the marriage of Don Mayfield, 27, and the former Frances Botsford, at the home of Mayfield's mother, Mrs. L. B. Mayfield.

It all started when the two Piru, Calif., couples, who had met at a party, decided they would be happier if they swapped mates.

Frances divorced John Botsford, 30, August 4, Wilma divorced Don Mayfield August 8 and that night married John Botsford. Frances and Don were wed Sunday night to complete the circle.

John and Frances were married in 1938; Don and Wilma in 1943. Both couples separated last June 13. The wives will keep their respective children. Wilma has two daughters and Frances a son.