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WHEN BILLS COME DUE

It is about this time of year that the head of the family sits down and ponders over how much he owes. He collects all his bills and budgets his income accordingly. It is just a natural aftermath of Christmas giving.

It is not likely, though, that he will include in his debts a little item of several hundred dollars which he probably isn't conscious that he owes. Yet that debt does actually exist. It represents his share, and his family's share, of the I.O.U.'s that repose in the Federal Treasury. There is nearly forty billion dollars in I.O.U.'s there. They represent the Federal Government's deficit (the public debt.)

Right now the per capita share of that debt is about \$303, so if the head of a family of five is figuring up his debts, he must add \$1,515.

That would be quite an item to have to include in the family budget. Yet it is going to have to come out of every family budget in the form of taxes for many years to come.

Well, how much do you owe?

Early Clockmakers Made Odd and Useful Tickers

Craftsmanship among the medieval clockmakers was carried to a point which would do credit to a modern artisan. Working for cardinals and princes, they had unlimited funds and unlimited labor power to aid them in production and they set up some very creditable clocks which tell the time as well as when they first did 500 years ago.

Clocks were so rare and so useful that they were held in esteem and awe in those days. The first clock to be set up in England—in the old palace yard in 1288—had a permanent official appointed by the crown to take charge of it, says the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Medieval clocks could be very elaborate pieces of work, out rivaling anything to be seen in our day. To strike the hours, singing birds, crowing cocks or horn-blowing trumpeters would be ejected from special compartments. Processions of church officials and military officers, dressed in vestment or uniform complete to every detail, would be made to parade on a platform in front of the dial to announce the time of day. Bells would sound a different chime for every hour of the day.

Some of the medieval clocks were even rigged to show the movements of the stars and planets. This they did with considerable accuracy—a by no means unworthy achievement for any clockmaker anytime.

METZGER ITEMS

W. H. Lawrence recently returned from Wichita Falls, Texas, the branch office of the Cyclone Tractor Cleaner Co. with which he is connected. He will go back after the holiday season to take care of his business. His home is in east Metzger and his wife is one of the teachers at Metzger grade school.

Gene Enlow of Metzger in the Navy four years, has returned and taken a position with the Sperry Mills in Portland.

Harry Carsh recently let the contract for clearing up the balance of his land in west Metzger to Leon Palmer and M. Dingley of the Green burg neighborhood.

Carsh Bros. lately completed a well drilling job for M. Grossenbecker at Hazelia, south of Oswego, going down 163 feet. Their outfit is now at work on a place on Boone Ferry road, southwest of Oswego so far having got down 78 feet.

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SAFETY SONNETS



A HOG AT THE TABLE JUST BOOSTS HIS OWN WEIGHT.



BUT A HOG ON THE ROAD BOOSTS THE ACCIDENT RATE.

Cats Said to Have Come From Section in Egypt

Where did Puss come from originally? Her first home, like that of wheat, tea, and other commonplace things, is lost in the past. Her name, Puss, is a form of Perse (Persian), according to a writer in London Tit-Bits Magazine.

Experts tell us that cats migrated from ancient Egypt in two directions, after crossing into southern Europe. The first tribe went northward and westward; these appear as the wild cat of the Carpathian and Hartz mountains, and the north of Scotland. The others went eastward and northward; these produced the familiar Persian cat. From the same tribe came the tailless Manx variety, whose home was in Japan before it reached the Isle of Man. A third kind arose from the same source, in the East Indies, with a short, smooth tail having a knob at the tip.

Puss lost her high character rapidly after the old Egyptian times. She got mixed up with Satan, witches and that kind of thing. A witch, it was said, loved to change herself into a cat.

It was once a common trick in country markets to tie up a cat, instead of a sucking-pig, in a bag, and offer it for sale. Should any country mouse not want to "buy a pig in a poke," he must first "let the cat out of the bag."

GLENCULLEN NEWS

IRENE WILLIAMS
The Clark Fishers of SW Martha spent Christmas day and had their Christmas dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Lockwood in Lents, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Deisch of SW Martha St., had as their dinner guests for Christmas Dr. and Mrs. I. R. Dix of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Peterson and daughter Jean, also of Portland.

A seven and a half pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Emile Waldhard of the Bertha Beaverton high way at the Good Samaritan hospital December 14.

The L. Finches of Martha street spent their Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sanders of Portland. Mr. Finche's nephew from Seattle, Washington and sister from California were also there.

The A. J. Harveys of SW Flowers street spent Christmas day with the Harry Godfreys of Portland.

The Byron Meeks on SW 45th avenue had a very lovely Christmas tree and it looked especially nice at night.

The F. L. Newtons on the Bertha Beaverton highway had a beautifully decorated Christmas tree in their front window; they also had the evergreen trees outside the window lighted up making a lovely sight to see.

The Walter Chess's of Cullen boulevard had one of the prettiest Christmas trees in Glencullen. It was a large tree and only decorated in blue and silver.

A group of young people from the Senior Young Peoples society of the Glencullen church went over Glencullen and vicinity singing Christmas carols.

The first meeting of the Dorcas society for 1939 will be the first Tuesday in January at the Glencullen church at 1:30 p. m.

Mr. Goddenson and Mrs. Amala and son Delbert of St. Johns were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Collins.

The H. H. Robinsons of Cameron road had their Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Robinson in Portland.

So Help Me, It's True

By E. F. (Woodie) Woodman

3 STACKS EACH 32 FT. HIGH

STRANGE "MERCY" BOAT IS UNSINKABLE

SO HELP ME!

FRICITION STRIPS FOR 25,000 PACKETS OF MATCHES... ENOUGH TO LIGHT SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND CIGARETTES, ARE MADE FROM THE ABRASIVE COLLECTED BY THE MOTOR OIL OF A CAR IN TRAVELING 1,000 MILES.

THROUGH THIS OIL, TRAVELING THIS DISTANCE, IS DRAWN UPWARDS OF 12,000 CUBIC FEET OF DUST AND ABRASIVE-LADEN AIR... AIR ENOUGH TO FILL AN AVERAGE 11-ROOM HOUSE. SO SAYS E. F. HALLOCK, CHIEF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEER OF THE COMPANY PRODUCING MOBIL OIL. HE ASSIGNS THIS COLLECTION OF HARD PARTICLES IN OIL AS A REASON WHY SO MANY MOTORS DRAIN CRANK CASES EVERY 1000 MILES.

SO HELP ME, YOU CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE, WHEN ANN TOBIN TALENTED ACTRESS OF "MOBIL MAGAZINE" GETS BEFORE THE MIKE. HER VAST AUDIENCE OF THE AIR HEARS HER AS A 4-YEAR-OLD, A 14-YEAR-OLD OR AN 84-YEAR-OLD. WITH EQUAL FACILITY SHE PORTRAYS CHARACTERS OF ANY AGE. THATS WHY THIS YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL GIRL... BARELY 21... WAS RECENTLY SIGNED ON A 5 YEAR WARNER BROS CONTRACT.

THE MIDGET CAR THAT WON A RACE WITHOUT ANY GASOLINE IN THE TANK

THE GASOLINE IN THE CARBURETOR WAS SUFFICIENT TO PROPEL THE CAR TO WITHIN 100 FEET OF THE FINISH LINE AND THE MOMENTUM ACCUMULATED BROUGHT THE CAR HOME THE WINNER, SO JUDITH BARRETT, ANN PRESTON AND HENRY ARMETTA, UNIVERSAL PLAYERS ARE SEEN TESTING IT OUT FOR MILEAGE, JUST TO MAKE SURE.

QUEEREST CONVEYANCE OF THE AGE IS THE "AEROMYDROCRAT" PORTLAND ONE AMBULANCE BOAT, DESIGNED BY VICTOR W. STRODE. THE ENGINE POWERED WITH MOBIL GAS, MAKES 40 MILES AN HOUR. IN THE PICTURE PORTLANDS MAYOR, JOSEPH K. CARSON, IS AT THE WHEEL. THE STRANGE "MERCY BOAT" IS EQUIPPED FOR FIRST AID LIKE AN AMBULANCE.

IF SHE'S A BABY... A CHILD... AN AGED WOMAN... ROLLED INTO ONE BABY PLANE FLIES ON ITS OWN POWER

THIS PLANE 4 1/2 FT. LONG, WITH 7-FOOT WING SPREAD, HAS ATTAINED AN ALTITUDE OF 600 FEET. ITS ONE-CYLINDER ENGINE RUNS 1 1/2 HOURS ON 1/2 OUNCES OF GASOLINE. THE INVENTOR IS JIMMY JARRELL, BURLINGAME, CAL. SCHOOL BOY WHO BUILT THE SHIP WITH THE AID OF HIS DAD J. R. JARRELL, LUBRICATOR ENGINEER OF GENERAL PETROLEUM.

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WANT ADS ARE SURE!

Builds Nest, Hunts for Bride

The male stickleback, common in British ponds and streams, is a wonderful father but a fickle husband, observes a writer in Pearson's London Weekly. He builds a nest, similar to a bird's nest, with decaying vegetation. Then he assumes his brilliant coloring and goes in search of a bride. He brings her home and she lays her eggs in the nest. Then she gets the "order of the boot" and Mr. Stickleback brings home another bride. Then another and another until the nest is full of eggs. He then fertilizes the eggs and mounts guard over them, fanning the water with his fins to keep it circulating. When the young hatch he is still the dutiful parent and watches over them until they are strong enough to fend for themselves.

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Young Drivers More Careless Says Report

The statement that young automobile drivers are killing three times as many persons as middle-aged drivers, made recently by an eastern educator is no exaggeration but is a slight understatement of the facts as they apply in Oregon, according to Secretary of State Earl Snell.

"Our accident reports for last year indicate that drivers under the age of 24 are involved in three and one half times as many fatal accidents per capita as are drivers between the ages of 55 and 64," Snell stated.

He said there is no definite age at which this transition takes place, but that there is a progressive improvement, as the age group advances.

These statistics should be a real stimulus to school teachers and everyone else working to educate young people in safety driving practices, the secretary of state believes. A large part of his safety education campaign is devoted to training young drivers in the proper handling

of their cars, and acquainting them with highway regulations and motor car mechanics through classroom activities.

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