

NATURALIST FINDS PLENTY TO STUDY ON SARDINE CREEK

Bees, Birds Offer Interesting Parallels With Conduct of Humans — Tiny Things in Constant Battle

SARDINE CREEK — (Spl.)—This canyon is a sort of paradise for the amateur naturalist who is more interested in the esthetic thrill of finding wild flowers of delicate beauty or in the curious behavior of multitudinous insects than in their scientific names and classifications.

There is scarcely a dull moment in the canyon for anyone interested in the phenomena of Nature. If in addition to an insatiable curiosity one has a penchant toward philosophizing, many parallels can be drawn between the animal and the human worlds.

Quails taking care of a covey of young ones, for example, remind you for all the world of nervous and extremely fastidious parents who are constantly in alarm lest something dreadful happen to their first born.

At the first approach of danger Mama and Papa Quail will emit excited, staccato gurgles which in their language is a command to the babies to scam. And how quickly and obediently the little feathered creatures get going. There is no stopping to argue the point.

Then, if the danger still approaches, Papa Quail will very bravely come out into the open, where there is no doubt that he can be seen. That's just a stall to divert attention until Mama supervises the hiding of the babies. Papa will take wing in time to save himself and then Mama will repeat her husband's trick. By that time the little ones are safely concealed under leaves or underbrush where nothing less than the sensitive nose of a bird dog can find them.

If you happen to be the danger that approaches and you stop in your tracks in time, Papa and Mama will stand their ground until the babes are concealed. Then, likely as not, they will take up a position on a fallen log where they can watch you and the little ones at the same time. Mama Quail will be content to stand as motionless and as quiet as a statue, letting well enough alone, but Papa Quail, bumptious like most fathers, will have to issue occasional warnings and stick his head out now and again to obey the command to remain still. If you watch closely enough you'll observe Mama giving Papa a disdainful look that says eloquently: "Oh, pipe down and quit trying to make a noise like a father. Do you want to give away their hiding place?"

In the insect world that provides most of the marvels, especially the marvel of what the tiny creatures do with all the food they eat.

The voracious yellow jacket will eat anything from a growing apple to a dead zebra. Yellow jackets will strip a tree of its fruit in jig time and in a few hours they will reduce a slain rattlesnake to a glistening skeleton. They eat everything but the bones, including the venom. That is why there is a saying here that when you kill a rattlesnake you should bury at least the head, for after it has consumed the poison the insect can inject it with its stinger and the effect is the same as though you were bitten by Mr. Rattler himself. Your correspondent does not vouch for the scientific authenticity of that assertion; he merely repeats what is a saying here.

The yellow jacket is a fierce and fearless fighter. You may see him attack a locust four times his size. He stings the locust into paralysis and then, to be rid of the annoyingly weaving legs, he will clip them off, one after the other, with his scissor-like mandibles. After that the yellow jacket proceeds leisurely to cut the locust into small pieces that can be devoured conveniently. He will leave only the inedible wings and legs.

For all its ferocity the yellow jacket is not always victorious. Your correspondent recently saw a death struggle between a yellow jacket and a black bee. Each clutched the other in a battle to the finish and over and over they rolled, each trying desperately to survive. Finally the black bee took flight, triumphantly, a dead yellow jacket in its clutches.

A pool of water hole is always a thrilling showcase for the nature student. If you sit quietly by the water's edge for a few minutes, presently you will see all manner of tiny life unfold drama after drama on a miniature stage. No doubt you will be surprised to realize that so many different kinds of life can thrive in so small an area and yet you haven't seen the microscopic life at all!

On the surface of the water you will see the skippers, those little insects with the ridiculously long legs that skim over the pool as though they were on skates. They look harmless enough, those skippers, but let a yellow jacket come to the water's edge for a drink and in a trice they will pounce upon him, drag him into the water and hold him submerged until he is drowned. Then the skippers will have a meal.

Yes, life is real and very earnest in

Ex-Secretary



Sam A. Koser, for eight years secretary of state, was born in Pennsylvania in 1871 and came to Oregon in 1890. Six years later he was employed as auditing clerk for the state. In 1909 he was appointed insurance commissioner, and from 1911 to 1920 he was deputy secretary of state. In 1920 he was elected secretary. In 1928 he became state budget officer. He is a Republican.

the insect world. It's a question of every insect for itself and Satan take the hindmost, only Satan frequently takes the foremost too. It is a fiercely competitive life of rugged individualism, a constant and not always edifying struggle for survival.

"It only goes to show," commented the sage of Sardine Creek, "that insects don't know any better than we humans."

GOLD HILL PLANS ENLARGING SCOPE OF ANNUAL FAIR

Announcement was made in Medford today that a northwest Jackson county fair will be held at Gold Hill, Saturday, September 21, as a development of the small community fairs that have been held at Gold Hill for the past several years. The Gold Hill Garden club and the Gold Hill Commercial club are the sponsors, with the cooperation of Granges of the surrounding area.

A fund of \$500 has been awarded by the county court to be used as prize money, and this is the first event at Gold Hill in which cash awards are made. With a large number of prospective exhibits from all sections and the cash prizes as a drawing power, many entries in the various competitive features of the fair are anticipated.

Friday, the day preceding the fair proper, will be entry day during which those who expect to compete for prizes must prepare their exhibits.

The general program has been tentatively outlined to include various sports events in the morning. A parade will be held, in which will appear school children and floats arranged by business men and others. A general picnic will be held at noon at the city hall grounds, which will be the locale.

After a general inspection of the exhibits during the afternoon, visitors will be given a free salmon bake or barbecue, from 5 to 7 p. m. The exhibits will open during the entire day, according to plans, and also late in the evening. A dance will conclude the program.

Eagle Point

EAGLE POINT, July 17.—(Special) Mr. and Mrs. Buford Clark of Eagle Point left Medford Tuesday by train for Bellingham, Wash., taking with them the body of their infant son, aged three weeks and two days, who passed away July 15 in Medford. Bellingham is their former home and the tiny body will be interred there. Our deepest sympathy is with them in their bereavement.

Mrs. George Millard and Mrs. Everett Teicamp drove to Ashland one day the latter part of last week, where Mrs. Millard is receiving medical treatment.

Mrs. Cliff Hickson and little daughters, Doris and Arline, spent last week end in Medford with Mrs. Hickson's brother and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hurst have returned to their home in Eagle Point after having spent the past two months at Prospect.

Mrs. Vida Rankin of Fish Lake came down to Eagle Point Monday evening, where she met Mrs. John Bacon and took her back for a visit on Monday night and Tuesday. Mrs. Bacon will leave for her home in Mountain View, California, July 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob LaRoque, Hazel Stoner, Lyle VanSoy, Jack Stoner,

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown of Eagle Point and Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood and Kelson Strader of Medford were Sunday guests of Wm. Hess at his summer home on Rogue river.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stanley drove to Ashland Monday, where Mr. Stanley received treatment for an injured foot, received by a wagon wheel running over it.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Grow and family in the

bereavement of Mrs. Grow's father, George Sturgill, who passed away at the home of a son near Medford, July 13.

Miss Minnie Putman, who is employed in Medford, spent Sunday with her parents.

Miss Margaret Simonds of Prospect is spending a few days with Florence Putman, this week.

Little Frances Davidson spent Tuesday with the Merritt family of Reese Creek.

Donald Ashpole has taken a position at the Medford National Bank and drives to and from work each day.

Fourteen employees of the Chevrolet company of Medford took dinner at the Sunnyside Sunday, as also did James Elliott and family and Chas. Elliot and mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kiste of Astoria visited "Ma" and Hattie Howell July 13 on the way to Crater Lake and Eastern Oregon points.

Tolo

TOLO, July 17.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne Williams of Grants Pass and sister Nell Goets of Los Banos, Calif., lunched with Mrs. Tracy recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen LaBarre have moved from Medford and will make their home here for awhile with Mrs.

LaBarre's mother, Mrs. Margaret Hamor.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Owens of Roscommon, Michigan, arrived Thursday to visit relatives in Oregon and Washington. Mrs. Owens is a sister of Add Tracy. They motored through in six days, saw Crater Lake on the way, will see the Redwoods, go north by the coast highway and on the return trip see Yellowstone park.

Mrs. T. A. Muse, who has been on the sick list, is improving.

Attending the Sunday school picnic at Rogue River park in Grants Pass Saturday were Misses Marjorie and Elizabeth Davis, Arlene Immann, Mr. and Mrs. George Wright, Mrs. P. A. Tracy and Ernestine. This was the annual picnic given by the C. F. Federated church.

Little Diane La Barre is happy over the return of her beautiful teddy bear lost on July 4 and found by Johnny Bohmert.

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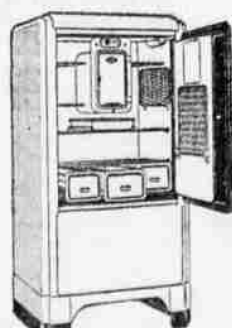


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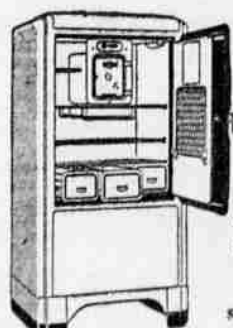
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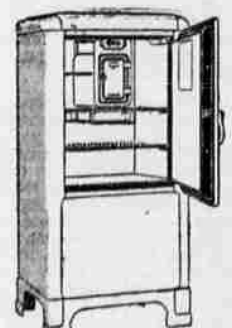
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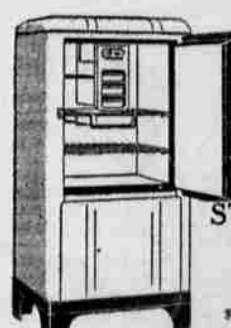
DELUXE 159.95
\$6 DOWN
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6.35 Cubic Feet, You Save Up to \$75!
All 20 late features! 13.65 sq. ft. total shelf area, 84 full-sized cubes—6½ lbs. ice at a freezing! A beauty! Ideal for average-sized families.



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