

Martin and Lewis 'Give Away' Nearly \$75,000 At Las Vegas Blackjack Table

Las Vegas, Nev. — (U.P.)—Jerry Lewis and Dean Martin, clowns on and off the screen, took over a blackjack table in a swank resort here and "gave away" almost \$75,000 during a 35-minute period, the hotel said today.

The money, said a spokesman for the Sands hotel, came from the coffers of the resort's casino. Martin and Lewis did not use their own cash on the give-away spree.

"That \$75,000 is nothing compared to the \$2,000,000 in gold will the boys just made for the Sands with the public," said Jack Entratter, one of the hotel's owners.

The team recently patched up a feud. They came here Sunday night for a brief vacation. While waiting yesterday for a car to take them to the airport and the return flight to Hollywood, on a plane which had been delayed, Martin and Lewis sat at an unoccupied blackjack (21) card table.

"At first they were just playfully dealing cards to kill time," said Entratter.

Your Deal

Hotel visitors spotted them and started crowding around the table. Some joined in the game. Lewis, rubber-faced clown of the act, set himself up as dealer. Martin took over the money tray which contained silver dollars and \$25 and \$5 chips. Soon it became apparent that Lewis was running a different sort of game. The customer was always right and always won, no matter what cards he held.

Martin and Lewis kept peeking at cards of players and advising if they should stop or draw. Lewis berated players who did not heed his tips. Players who legitimately had better hands than Lewis were paid two to four times the winnings to which they were entitled. More than 100 persons crowded around the table which seated six.

Martin and Lewis kept making players give seats to other persons. "I guess they wanted

to spread it around," said hotel press agent Al Freeman.

Money Flows

For 35 minutes the wheeling and dealing — with the players always winning — continued. Freeman said the entertainers went through almost five full trays of chips, each tray containing \$15,000. The exact cost to the casino was \$74,895, Freeman said.

Entratter watched the game throughout. He was smiling, too, particularly when the comedians' agent, Mack Gray, pulled them from the table to take a car to the airport.

"Just think of the goodwill," said Entratter. "Of course, we're awfully lucky the plane finally arrived. Six hours of this could be almost financially embarrassing."

A hotel spokesman, who refused to permit use of his name, said that the \$75,000 the boys handed out was "nothing" compared to the amount of business they drew into the hotel merely by being there for three days.



TO GO ON DISPLAY—Pictured above is the new 1956 Pontiac Star Chief Custom Catalina hardtop four-door sedan. Built on a 124-inch wheel base, and 212.6 inches long, the new car is powered with a 227 horsepower Strato-Streak V-8 engine and is equipped with Pontiac's new Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic transmission. The 1956 Pontiac automobiles will go on display Friday at Dean and Taylor Pontiac, West Sixth and Grape sts.

Boxcar Shortage Idles Westfir Mill

Eugene — (U.P.) — The boxcar shortage has forced the layoff of about 75 men at the Edward Hines Lumber company at Westfir and mill spokesmen said they would not be rehired until more cars are received.

The spokesman said the company was receiving only about 30 per cent of the cars needed to handle shipments.

The Hines mill, which employs about 320 men, said logging operations were not affected by the car shortage.

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In The Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS

As mentioned here before, the underlying philosophy of the California State park system is to make more easily available to the people of a state that is growing more rapidly than any other state of the Union, whose cities are spreading out over the surrounding countryside at a rate that is nothing less than amazing, the majesty and the beauty of the great outdoors.

melon rinds, chicken bones, paper cartons and everything that people throw away.

PEOPLE, taken as a whole, are **WONDERFUL**.

but there are strange and incomprehensible individuals among us.

Bar Harbor, Me. — (U.P.) — Residents of this community would have become increasingly irritated over the delayed maiden voyage of Canada's sea going ferry which is part of a \$10,000,000 project to connect Bar Harbor with Yarmouth, N. S.

Now they have dubbed it the "Calvin Coolidge — I do not choose to run."

It is an inspiring philosophy. It is a **REASONABLE** philosophy. The beauties of nature have an uplifting quality. They tend to raise man up out of his pettier moods. We can stand beside a rushing, clear river or a placid lake or in the presence of a shining snowpeak—or in the awesome shadows of a redwood forest, with the sunshine filtering down through the mighty trees—without thinking better thoughts and planning better deeds?

Few of us, indeed.

BUT—

Man is a strange animal. For example:

IN THE heart of the lovely Humboldt Redwoods state park, there is a new and shiny plaque commemorating the gift of a million dollars by John D. Rockefeller to the Save the Redwoods League, whose efforts have been responsible in a large way for the preservation of so many thousands of acres of these magnificent trees for the enjoyment of future generations.

The reason for the new and shiny plaque is that a year or so ago some character with a high-powered rifle stood in front of the old plaque, there in the shadow of these spirit-uplifting giants, and shot it so full of holes that it looked more like a colander than a commemorative inscription.

The pattern of the bullet holes indicated that he wasn't even using it for a target to sharpen up his marksmanship. He was just **DESTROYING** something.

HERE'S another one for the book:

Not too long ago, a party of people camped for the night in one of these parks in the heart of the great outdoors. They bought a standard package of fuel at the park headquarters and with it they cooked their evening meal. As the shades of night fell, they wanted the cheering light of a fire—as who doesn't, out in the big woods.

But they didn't want to buy any more fuel. So they took axes and went to the building that houses the shower baths for the use of public and chopped down a couple of the partitions and used the wreckage to replenish their fire.

It takes all kinds of people to make a world.

IN MENDOCINO county, south of the heavier growths of redwoods, there is a tiny creek beside Highway 101. It is a pleasant little trickle running between green banks. Beside it is a soda spring. People bring lemons there to make lemonade with this nature's bounty of sparkling water. For all I know, they may bring firewater to make highballs, but that is beside the point.

The point is that between the creek and the road there is a little flat beneath a spreading tree—an ideal wayside stopping place. The rubbish and litter in the little flat are bad enough, but when you look over the bank, down toward the creek, you get the full jolt.

It is a mass of discarded paper.

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DR. SPOCK
now talks with Journal mothers!

This month, this famous child-care authority tells how to keep the first child from becoming upset when the second child is born, and how to make each child feel comfortable in his family. Be sure to read Dr. Spock on "A Child's Position in the Family," in the November Ladies' Home Journal. Out today — on all newsstands.

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