



Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist

Welcome quizzes! Collect a score of 95 on this Natural History roundup of foregoing columns and you rate the degree, Park Naturalist; 85 qualifies you as a Ranger Naturalist; 75 as a Ranger; below that, 65 makes you a Woodsman, 50 a Dude Wrangler; and 35, a lowly Drugstore Cowpoke. Answers with their values follow questions. Leave us essay it! (Five each; 50 points.)

LEAVING prison after 32 years, Floyd Hall, 51, notorious gunman and killer of two in Twenties, pledges he'll "go straight." (International)

General Motors Lists Record Pay

Detroit, Mich.—(U.P.)—General Motors reported today workers in its United States plants received an all-time record weekly pay averaging \$102.41 during 1955.

"General Motors people had a good year in 1955," Harlow H. Curtice, company president, and Alfred P. Sloan, chairman of the board, reported in a special statement made in advance of the company's annual report.

The pay of the workers was up an average of nearly \$11 a week from 1954, when the weekly average pay was \$91.44.

The number of workers drawing the pay checks also was up sharply. In 1954 hourly-rate employment averaged 367,462 in United States plants. In 1955 hourly-rate employment was up to 410,022.

Workers in the car, truck, body and assembly divisions did even better than the average for all General Motors workers. They drew weekly pay checks averaging \$104.77. In 1954 their checks had averaged \$95.34.

Total employment in all GM plants throughout the world was \$24,011 salaried and hourly-rate workers, who earned \$3,127,145,514, the report said.

India To Ask Antarctic To Be UN Trust Territory

New Delhi, India—(U.P.)—India will ask the next General Assembly of the United Nations to proclaim the entire Antarctic area as a U.N. trust territory, government officials said today.

Indian delegates to the United Nations said overlapping territorial claims in the Antarctic could "open up a new cold war arena."

1. As long as you live and breathe, people will bombard you with astonishing facts. By nature you should believe some, disbelieve others. What about the following ten? Which are false?

1. The smallest new-born mammal in the world is the young of the opossum.
2. The male gaff-top-sail catfish incubates the female's eggs



in his mouth; and in doing so, may abstain from food for 80 days.

3. To serve as ballast, a sea lion has been known to carry a six-pound load of rocks, many as large as hen's eggs, in his stomach.

4. A single cornstalk during one growing season has been known to give off a quarter ton of moisture.

5. There is no spot within the 48 states which is absolutely exempt from frost.

6. Owls regurgitate tightly packed pellets, about three inches long and one across, which contains such unpalatable things as rabbit's teeth, bird's claws, feathers and fur.

7. A ruffed grouse may drum during the middle of the night.

8. The night hawk, a close relative of the whippoorwill, is an insect feeder.

9. The belted kingfishers dig tunnels in a bankside which may be 10 feet long, at the end of which they incubate the eggs.

10. An early frost can be decidedly beneficial to a fruit tree—even after it has started to blossom.

11. Everyone knows there are a lot of birds on this earth. Of the following figures, which one comes closest to the approximate total number: 100,000,000,000; 10,000,000,000; 1,000,000,000; 500,000,000; 10,000,000. (Fifteen points.)

12. Some fish reproduce in astonishing ways, including the

1. He builds a bubble nest.
2. The male incubates the eggs in a special abdominal pouch.

3. When danger threatens her young, the female opens her mouth and lets the young take refuge in it. After danger is over, she releases them.

4. This female lays her eggs during the night high up on a sandy beach out of the water.

5. Among several kinds of this fish, the male takes the female's marble-sized eggs in his mouth and hatches them there.

Answers: I. Among these ten, 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 are correct. No. 3 is wrong the rocks are there to help digest the food; and 5 is wrong because in some Key West islands it has never frosted.

II. 1. 100,000,000,000 birds.
III. 1. Siamese fighting fish; 2. sea horse; 3. convov fish; 4. grunion; 5. sea catfish. Now, start counting!

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COMFORTS DYING WIFE—Edwin Larson holds head of his dying wife as ambulance attendants try to cull him away. Larson and his wife were walking along a country road near Seattle when they were struck by a car driven by Antone J. Himple. Police charged him with hit and run driving.

Lockheed Machinists Authorize Strike

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Members of the International Association of Machinists yesterday voted their negotiating committee power to call a strike against Lockheed Aircraft Corp.

Union officials estimated 7500 members of Lodge 727 of the IAM attended the mass meeting in Hollywood Legion Stadium. They said vote for the strike authorization was more than 96 per cent.

The members also rejected a company proposal to settle negotiations. The contract between Lockheed and the union expired last Wednesday.

The machinists seek a 10 per cent pay boost, protection of job security in event of plant dispersal and a retirement program. John Snider, president of the union, said a strike would be called as a last resort and not without another mass meeting of the workers.

The first photo-electric cell, forerunner of modern television transmission and reception, was developed in 1888.

The supreme court ban on school segregation affects the District of Columbia and 17 states where segregation was compulsory and four states where it was optional.

Pickin' Pears News and Notes From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH
Los Angeles—There are few world war veterans in these United States who have not heard of Sawtelle, and many of them have spent some time in the environs of the present VA Center located on the site of the old soldiers home, now recalled only in memories.

But there are not many domiciliary members at Camp White or elsewhere who know just why the name Sawtelle persists. Actually, the facility is bisected by Sawtelle blvd., but this does not account for the name.

At the beginning of the century a small town was located in what is now West Los Angeles called Barrett. Since there was another place in California called Bassett, the post office objected and so the town was named after its leading citizen of the time, W. E. Sawtelle.

The Santa Monica Outlook reviews the story of the founding of the veterans home, and in many respects the story is similar to the incidents leading up to the establishment of Camp White in the Rogue River Valley.

"Many political maneuvers marked the selection of the present site of what earlier was known as the Soldiers Home. Cities in all parts of the state vied for it, but a group of Santa Monicaans, headed by Senator John P. Jones, won out by offering the government 640 acres and some cash," according to this report.

A legend still persists that the land was deeded by Leo Carrillo's family with the stipulation that it was to remain in per-

petuity as a soldiers home. And so today the heart and center of "Sawtelle" is the domiciliary which remains like a dwelling house in a city surrounded by tall office buildings. The home itself is completely surrounded by hospital facilities.

Work started on the first building here in 1888. "Ward Memorial Hall, primarily an amusement building and boasting a stage, was opened in 1898 and was the scene of many plays and concerts," the Review states.

"Members were not idle, either, but worked their acreage. They raised hay, grain, citrus fruits, cattle, horses and hogs and sold the surplus. During the 1903-04 growing season they netted \$25,069 from farm products.

Another bit of history is related as follows: Col. A. G. Smith was transferred to the home in April, 1897, from the Leavenworth Home. He was a strict disciplinarian and made numerous rules and regulations for the conduct of the men.

Needless to say, he was not overpopular, many of the residents taking the attitude that he was interfering with their personal liberty. One man, who had been wavering on the brink of insanity, settled the matter once and for all.

As Col. Smith walked through the grounds on Sept. 26, 1898, the man shot him. He recovered, but his health was gone and he resigned the following January.

The present manager is Col. R. A. Bringham, who has become an institution. He is a West

Grange

Gold Hill Grange met Feb. 16, with a good attendance and all officers present.

Business consisted of committee reports, buying of music box, and motions to take part in community projects, including the improvement of the grange grounds, and the cleaning up and maintaining of the Gold Hill cemetery.

The box social given Feb. 11 was a success and enjoyed by all. Boxes were sold and games and dancing furnished the entertainment.

The lecturer's program was celebrating Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, also a Valentine exchange.

A gift was presented to the Rev. and Mrs. Dierdorff and Master Herman Kamping gave them their Grange pins.

They are moving away from Gold Hill to Medford. The Grange closed at the regular time, with the retiring drill. The lunch, served in the dining room, consisted of pie, ice cream and coffee, and was enjoyed by all.

Point trained officer, now retired, and has won the respect of all. The street flanking the west approach to the station, now in course of construction, is to be named Bringham avenue in his honor.

Not many of the original buildings and houses of Sawtelle remain. The chapel and three of the wooden structures in the domiciliary area were designed by the famous architect Stanford White.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 am Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.



Is your girl a Toast Teaser

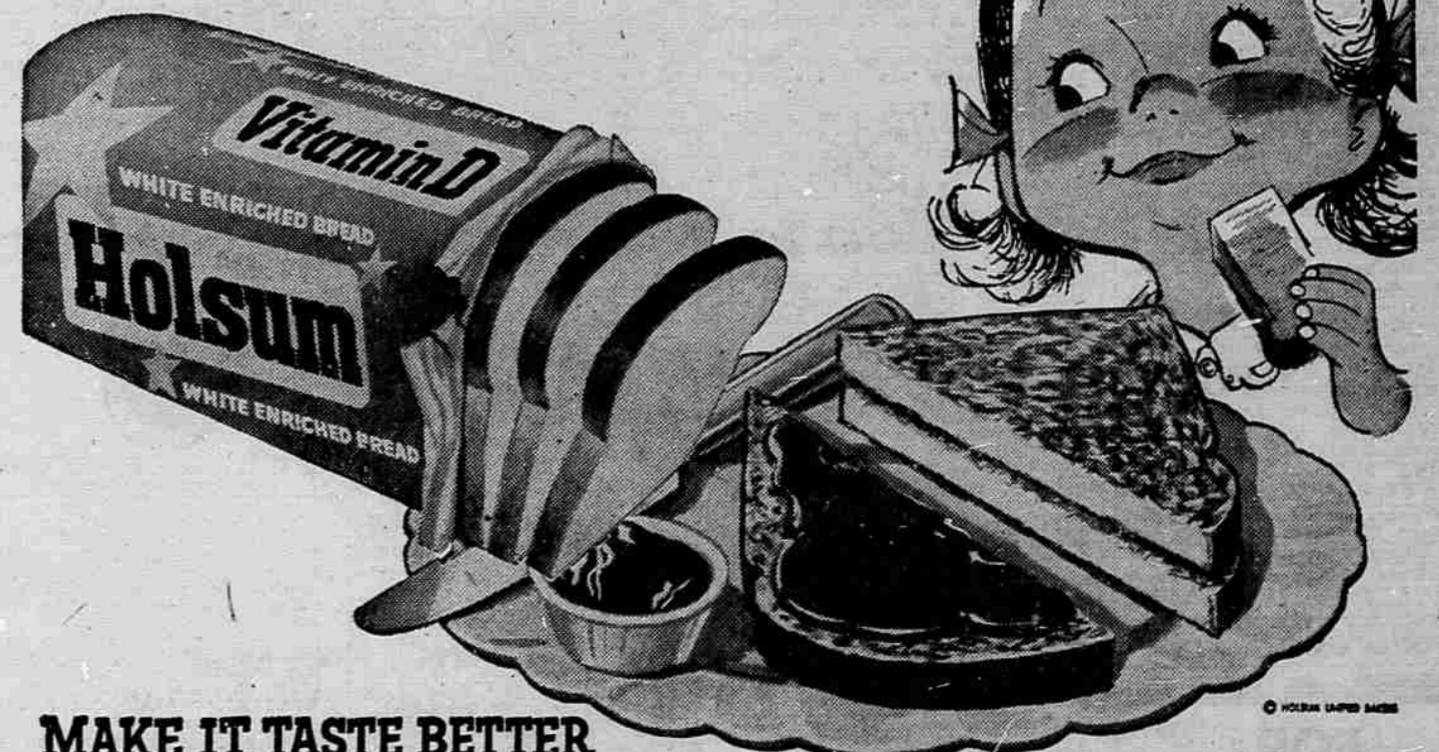
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