

## Oakland Plans Bird Stop-Over Station

Oakland, Calif.—(U.P.)—Migratory birds winging South this year will have a strictly modern stopover on the shores of Lake Merritt in downtown Oakland.

Work began Wednesday on an aluminum flight cage, a dome-shaped structure designed to house different varieties of wild birds.

The cage, to be built of aluminum donated by the Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation, will be of a special design. Aluminum struts, cut to support a dome of wire mesh, will do away with support pillars to provide a maximum of space with a minimum of materials.

The dome will be 28 feet high and 36 feet in diameter at the floor level. It will be located near the lake's duck feeding station and is expected to house migrant ducks, geese and other wild fowl.

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## Czech Refugee Proud That Sons Becoming 'Real American Boys'

Chicago — (U.P.) — John Drost said today that his sons are "real American boys."

He said it with pride in his voice and a quiet smile in his eyes. It was plain he thought it was the best thing any dad could say about his sons.

"I think they'll make good American citizens. I've dreamed about that."

Before Drost, 47, and his wife, Doris, 36, began to dream about a new life in America for their children, there were years of nightmare living under first the Nazis and then the Communists in their native Czechoslovakia.

**Arrested By Nazis**

When Hitler's troops marched into Czechoslovakia in 1939, Drost was a practicing lawyer and his wife was a kindergarten teacher. His associations with liberal Czechs led to his arrest by the Gestapo in 1943, a short prison term and forced labor in a factory.

With the liberation of Czechoslovakia in 1945, Drost reopened his law office. Three years later the Communists took over the government. They confiscated all Drost's assets, some \$60,000.

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"Just in time to get Georgie on our papers to come to America under the Truman Displaced Persons Act."

Despite his degree, Drost started to work making meat balls in a canning factory. Then he switched to a job inspecting parts in an organ factory. Now he's doing work in keeping with his background, as administrative assistant of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church. He is thinking of studying law again.

"We're very happy," he said. "There's so much freedom here. We'll never go back — except for a visit if things change there."

He and his wife became American citizens Dec. 6, 1955, and voted for the first time in the Illinois primary election last April.

"There was big excitement that day," Drost said. "Finally we could vote as we felt."

## Actor Has To Borrow Money in Order To Pay Tax After Earning \$500,000 in Year

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Eze, France — (U.P.) — A famous American actor who begs to remain nameless had to borrow \$20,000 on his life insurance in order to pay his taxes even though he earned \$300,000 last year!

His \$35,000 home, considering his income and as houses go in Movieland, is one of the least expensive.

When I asked if the interior decoration was expensive his wife replied, "Heavens, No. You can describe the decor as early nothing."

"We don't have the pleasure of

spending or saving that \$500,000 yearly income. After household necessities and usual expenses like dentists, summer camps, and a ridiculous amount of high rate insurance just because we are a movie family and therefore a target for nuisance suits, there is nothing left for extras," she said.

"Maybe you can call painting our house an extravagance. Excuse me, I mean wanting to paint it."

**Earned Extra**

In order to pay for it the actor had to earn extra money. He played in Las Vegas, followed by six performances a day for three weeks in movie houses and he earned \$90,000.

That's enough to paint 40 houses, I would imagine. But after paying for piano arrangements, dancing and singing lessons, new dinner jacket, accompanist-director and material writers, and deducting taxes he ended up being able to afford painting only the outside woodwork.

"I've been sounding as if I were complaining," said the actor's wife. "Well I want you to know I am."

"I think it's a shame our government doesn't put a few more experts to work to show us how to save enough money out of my husband's large earnings to enable our kids to eventually go to

**VOLCANO ON SUN**  
Berkeley, Calif.—(U.P.)—Physicists in all parts of the world observed recently what probably was the most violent shower of radiation from outer space ever recorded, according to a University of California scientist. The cause of the cosmic ray shower, he said, was a volcano on the sun.

college," she said.

"Of course we do have tax deductions: 10 per cent agent, five per cent business manager, 5 per cent Community Chest, 2½ per cent to the Motion Picture Relief Fund, and then of course the Damon Runyon fund, heart, cerebral palsy, tuberculosis, Boys Town, Girls Town, and three religious orders."

"Well darling," I said, "Don't grieve about the actors relief fund because it might come in handy . . . Soon."

## Morse, Newbry Smith Codefendants

Portland — (U.P.) — Sen. Wayne Morse, Gov. Elmo Smith, and Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry have been named codefendants in a federal court action launched here by Woody Smith, a Hood River filling station operator serving as his own attorney.

Smith was defeated by Morse for the Democratic nomination for United States senator last May. He has petitioned for a court order declaring him the lawful nominee.

Smith, who has made previous attempts, all unsuccessful, to challenge Morse's registration as a Democrat, charges that the three elected officials "conspired successfully and illegally to deprive plaintiff of the Democratic party nomination."

The defeated candidate asks triple damages of \$4102 for his losses in the primary campaign.

Said Smith, "the conspiracy was accomplished by defendants by a false oath made by Wayne Morse with full knowledge and intent when he said on Feb. 17, 1955, that he was in good faith a Democrat."



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## The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, a newspaper editor, a women's page editor and two newspaper writers. These consult with clergymen of all faiths and denominations. All letters are held to complete confidence.

**Frank**—Father is being hoodwinked.

**P. J. N.**—My children neglected me.

**Frank**—My father was naturally badly upset when my mother died a year ago. At that time my sister and I arranged for him to spend some time at a vacation resort. While there he met a younger man and his wife with whom he became very friendly. This man has talked him into selling some property and stocks in order to invest the money with him in a new business venture.

My sister and I have both expressed our strong opposition to what he proposes to do, but he refuses to listen, arguing that it is his money and that we have no right to tell him what to do with it.

This attitude hardly seems fair to either of us. My sister subjected her husband and children to neglect in order to nurse our mother. Years ago, I abandoned my own ideas for my future in order to obey my father.

Now we feel that he is being hoodwinked because, in his loneliness and grief, he has been captivated by the smiling face of this man's wife. We feel, further, that there is no way to stop him except to lay claim on him as his heirs, odious though that course is.

**P. J. N.**—I resent my children's jumping to their conclusions just because these people are charming and welcome my company more than my own family.

The investment idea appeals to me as a sound one. I made a mistake, it now seems, when I retired from my job because of my wife's fatal illness. Now I am lost without something to do, and I am confident that the new venture will be good for me financially and in morale as well. I have done things for my children, and I don't think they should begrudge me my chance just because I am past 60.

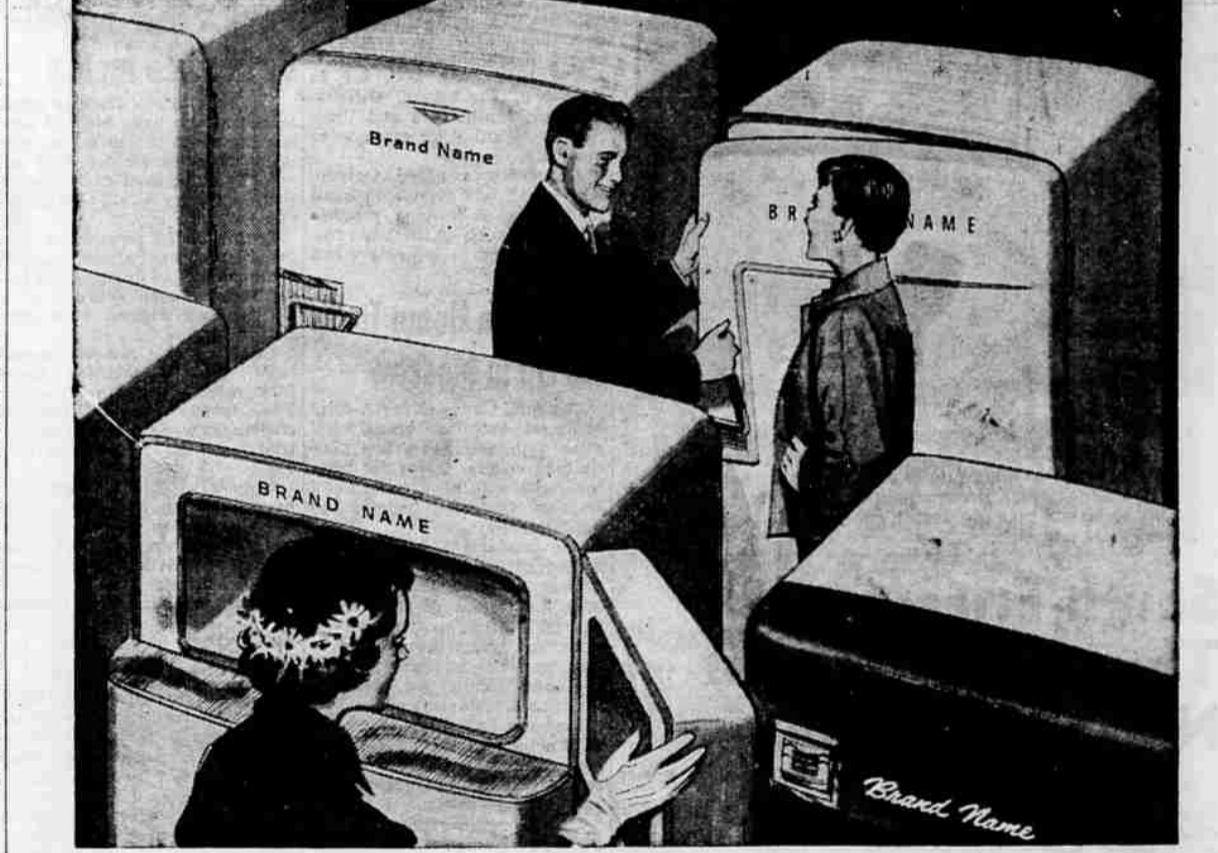
**The Council** Brother and sister made a serious blunder at the time of their mother's death. They should have stayed close to their father during his most difficult adjustment period, or they should have arranged for other relatives to stay close to him. If the father has been unduly influenced, it is because he was abandoned at his weakest time to the danger of such influence.

Having made that mistake, the children should realize that the best way to undo it is to be fair and to seem fair about the present situation. Accordingly, they should cease arguing and agree to discuss the proposal with open minds and in a friendly manner.

If it is a bad scheme, their best hope for thwarting it would be in learning about it firsthand, in a discussion with its promoter. Whether it is a fraud or a legitimate venture, they should proceed to learn about it. As a preliminary, however, they must manage to end the present argument and persuade their father that their minds are not closed to reason.

They have certainly not helped matters by asserting their inheritance rights. Such rights are usually stronger when they are not offensively asserted.

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