

### They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

LOOK GRULLER—YOU'RE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE—THIS IS THE WORST MEAL WE EVER HAD—I GOT A HUNK OF MEAT LIKE A HOCKEY PUCK....

LET'S HOLD NEXT MONTH'S MEETING IN SOME OTHER JOINT—ANY CLUB OR RESTAURANT IN TOWN WOULD DO HANDSPRINGS TO GET OUR BUSINESS....

AFTER EVERY DINNER, THE SAME TWO GUYS TAKE IT OUT ON POOR GRULLER! THEY WOULDN'T KNOW A GOOD MEAL FROM A COW'S CUD....

FLUKEY AND FIGAROW—WAIT! THEY HEAR WE'RE GONNA BE ASSESSED SO'S WE CAN BUILD OUR OWN CLUBHOUSE....

THEY NEVER EAT WITH US—THEY ALWAYS GO TO A ONE-ARMED BEANPOT AND DROP IN LATER FOR THE MEETING FOR FREE....

THEY'RE SORE BECAUSE THE TIP WASN'T INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF THE CHOW....

SYMPATHIZING WITH THE GUY WHO HAS TO LISTEN TO THE BROTHERMEMBERS' BELLVACHES—THANK AND A TIP OF THE HAT TO JIM BARDOUKAS, OMAHA, NEB.

### Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS  
Ranger-Naturalist

Although most animals are very standoffish in their way of life and seldom if ever cotton up to creatures except of their own ilk, some prove the exception and seek the society of outsiders. And curious messmates they make.

In a few instances, it is true and fast friendship with no ulterior motives attached; in many more, it is because of mutual benefits derived from the companionship.

Among true friendships observed was the relationship between a little monkey and a wombat in the London Zoo, certainly a pair of opposites but utterly devoted: the monkey was lively and mischievous, the wombat solemn, lugubrious, and dignified. The two never quarreled and the long-suffering wombat was always ready to take the monkey for a piggyback joyride.

In the Vienna Schoenbrunn Zoo, a beautiful white peacock took up with a giant tortoise and nothing could break up the devoted friendship. It all happened innocently enough: the peacock was the last survivor of an early-hatched brood which perished in a prolonged period of cold weather. Hoping to save the peacock, the caretaker put him in the warmest room to be found in the whole zoo which was in the reptile house with the giant tortoise. After that they were inseparable.

Similarly, a gorilla may become attached to a chimp; a dog or rabbit.

**Will Ride Hosts**

As for friendships for convenience, ox-peckers will ride their hosts, such as water buffalo, and rid them of external parasites. Another, the tick-bird will select a rhinoceros as his host. Another bird, the Egyptian black-backed courser also known as the crocodile bird has been found since ancient times keeping company with the crocodiles feeding upon the latter's leeches. In our country, cowbirds keep cattle company—and waddling lazily among the hooves of cattle and gobbling up insects. And there is another relationship—bird with man—the honey-guide of Africa. This bird points out nests of wild bees to man. The African natives, who profit by this "guiding," usually break open the bees' nest and take the honey giving the bird pieces of the honeycomb of which it is inordinately fond and consumes avidly.

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### McLEOD Cold Wears Out Welcome

By CAROLINE L. HARDY

People living in the McLeod area were relieved to have the rain and warmer weather as the recent freeze did much damage and several small fires were started in the process of thawing out pipes.

Mrs. Roy Vaughn was a dinner guest of Mrs. Sherman Poole Wednesday, Feb. 6.

Mrs. Arthur Hume, who is attending SOC in Ashland, spent the week end of Feb. 1 with her family on Butte creek.

Mrs. Helen Axtell celebrated her birthday with a dinner, having Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richardson as guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dillsworth of Ashland were visitors in and around McLeod and Prospect on Thursday, Feb. 7.

### Home Economics Club Of Upper Rogue Grange To Meet on Thursday

Home Economics club of Upper Rogue grange will meet Thursday, Feb. 14, at 10 a. m. in the hall.

Clothing for a rummage sale will be sorted and ironed during the morning. Members are asked to collect and take to the meeting all articles that need repairing and pressing.

Mrs. Herb Carlton and Mrs. Ray Gillespie will serve the luncheon at noon followed by a valentine exchange and business meeting.

All ladies of the grange are invited to attend and join in the grange work.

### Realty Board to Offer Annual Scholarship

The Medford Realty Board, at its meeting Friday, voted to sponsor an annual \$250 college scholarship, it was reported by William Frohnmayer, president.

A committee of three members, Cap Vandagriff, Mrs. Mary Maass and William Fasel, was named to draw up requirements and conditions for the fund, which will then be considered by the board.

### HOW TO LOOK LIKE SLAVE

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Martha Scott would have worn burlap in "The Ten Commandments" but producer Cecil B. DeMille decided the costume would photograph too handsomely for her role as a hungry, ragged slave. She wore \$30 a yard imported Italian raw silk instead.

### The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Mrs. A. R.—I want to live for myself.

Mrs. T.Y.—Mother is too much of a hermit.

Mrs. A.E.—I am a widow in my 60s, in good health and working. I like being independent and having my own apartment, but the suggestion of my married daughter I have taken another woman into my apartment as a boarder.

I am not happy with this situation. This woman has very different habits of living. She likes to entertain a lot. I like to relax and just watch TV in the evenings. She likes change and always wants to rearrange the apartment or buy something new, and I like things the way they are.

All my life I have had to do things to please other people—my parents, my husband, my children. I want to live for myself now. I want to be alone, but my daughter says it isn't good for me and I should find somebody else to live with if I don't like the woman who is now staying with me.

Mrs. T.Y.—I think it's not healthy for my mother to live alone. I worry about her a great deal. She could feel sick at night and there would be nobody to help her, or somebody could break into her apartment and harm her.

Besides, Mother is too much of a hermit. If I don't call her, she would go days without even talking to me. When she comes to visit me or my brother, she leaves early because she says the children's noise gives her a headache. She has a few close friends and sees them about once a week and says that is enough for her.

Some of my friends have commented that my mother is really a very queer person because she likes to be alone so much. I think that if she lives with another person, it will prevent her going off the deep end in her oddities. I wish she'd be more normal.

The Council:—Mrs. T.Y.'s anxieties about her mother do not appear to have a very sound basis in reality. A woman who holds a job and maintains a steady relationship with a few close friends is unlikely to be on the verge of "going off the deep end."

It is true that from the point of view of physical safety, it is desirable for an older woman to live with someone else, but if this safeguard can only be gained at the price of a sacrifice of day-to-day happiness, many individuals would choose day-to-day happiness.

Psychologists point out that younger persons often tend to project their own anxieties about ill health and death on their parents. In most cases, the parents are far more prepared to accept these facts of life than the children. The parents should not be required to make unreasonable concessions to their children's fears.

In Mrs. T. Y.'s case, her fears about the mother seem to extend to the area of mental health. From the facts given, her only basis for this fear is that her mother is unusually self-sufficient. This may not be quite "normal," but it can be argued that a woman in her 60s who has fulfilled all her responsibilities has a right to her "oddities." Mrs. T. Y. should not interfere with her mother's choice of a way of life at this time.

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### Car Plunges Over Bank in Portland

Portland—A car plunged 200 feet over the embankment off Southwest Canyon Road in Portland early Saturday killing one man, injuring another and scattering high voltage power lines over the wet pavement.

Police identified the dead man as Francis Smallwood, about 35, with both Arkansas and Portland addresses listed in his papers.

Twenty-year-old Terry Lee Meidel, Portland, was hospitalized with injuries.

Witnesses said the Smallwood car struck the divider just west of the Vista avenue bridge "and seemed to go completely up in the air, sideways."

Power was disrupted in the vicinity after the car struck a power pole and snapped 11,000-volt and 4,100-volt power lines. Police held back crowds endangered by the crackling wires strewn across wet pavement.

Police searched the undergrowth at the accident scene in case other persons had been thrown out of the convertible coupe but they said apparently the two men were the only occupants of the vehicle.

### Hells Canyon Dam Still Has Chance

Washington — (U.P.)—The controversial Hells Canyon dam proposal was assured another chance for approval in this Congress Saturday with the Senate Interior Committee scheduling hearings on the proposed federal construction project for next month.

The Irrigation and Reclamation subcommittee will hold hearings March 6-8 on a bill introduced by Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon.

Spokesmen said opponents of the federal project have requested two days to present their case before the committee. Officials said testimony taken given at previous Hells Canyon hearings may be accepted in the record to shorten the hearing.

Witnesses who have requested time to appear in favor of the bill include Govs. Robert Holmes of Oregon and Albert Rosellini of Washington and Reps. Al Ullman and Charles Porter of Oregon. All four are Democrats who were elected last fall.

The proposed federal dam would flood the sites of three private low-head dams already licensed for the Hells Canyon stretch of the Snake river. Idaho Power Company has one of the dams under construction.

### Illinois Valley High Students Pass Exams

Cave Junction — Ron Cherry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cherry, and Floyd Mathews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Bird, are among 75 Oregon boys who passed the Navy Reserve Officers Training corps aptitude tests last Dec. 8.

The Illinois Valley High school seniors passed physical examinations in Portland last week, and now must await selection by a board composed of Oregon educators and leaders. Only 25 of the 75 who passed the tests and physicals will be chosen for Navy training.

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