

**They'll Do It Every Time** By Jimmy Hatlo

I BOUGHT IT FROM AN OLD JUNKMAN—ONLY \$1.25—I HAD IT BUFFED AND REFINISHED—HAD AN ELECTRICIAN WIRE IT—BOUGHT THE SHADE AT SPATZEV'S—ISN'T IT A DREAM? AND ONLY \$1.25!

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IT STILL LOOKS LIKE AN OLD OIL-CAN TO ME!

SHE MAKES LAMPS OUT OF ANYTHING—BUT THAT NICE MAHOGANY FLOOR LAMP WE HAD—SHE MADE THAT INTO A COAT-HANGER—

TO HEAR HER TELL IT, SHE GETS NOTHING BUT BARGAINS—

LISTENING TO THE GAL WHO CAN JUSTIFY ANY PURCHASE WITH HER TRICK ARITHMETIC—

### PP&L Purchases Atom Power Site

Yakima, Wash.—(U.P.)—Site for a potential future atomic power plant has been purchased by Pacific Power and Light company near the Hanford Atomic Energy Works reservation, according to Paul B. McKee, president of the utility firm.

Part of the 9,000-acre tract already has been purchased and PP&L soon will exercise the options it holds on the remainder of the land, McKee said.

The utility official said that his company, along with Washington Power, Portland General Electric and Montana Power companies, have indicated by letter to Admiral Lewis Strauss, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission in Washington, D.C., that the group is actively interested in atomic power possibilities.

All or part of this group might be participants in the future construction of an atomic plant on the site which Pacific now has available for such a purpose, Strauss was told.

The site is located about 35 miles east of Yakima and adjoins the eastern boundary of the U.S. firing range military reservation.

### Portland Bus Service To Stop

Portland — (U.P.) — The Rose City Transit company has filed formal notice that it intends to stop bus service here at the close of business on Mar. 22. The action followed denial by the city council of a fare increase.

City Commissioner Stanley Earl warned that if buses stop the parent Portland Traction Company had "better prepare" to shut down its freight operations in Portland. Earl said he would act to prevent the latter company from using city streets.

Mayor Terry Schunk said he planned to send one or more members of the council to San Francisco and Seattle to look into bus systems there. The possibility of borrowing buses will be studied along with possible extension of fringe lines into Portland.

Councilmen said the door was still open for negotiations with Rose City.

Meanwhile, a Public Utilities Commission hearing was told it would cost Portland Traction Company \$6589.04 a month for resumption of shuttle bus service from the east side terminus here to west side. The 12th session of the hearing came after the firm was granted a stay on a PUC order requiring it to provide the cross-river service that had been stopped Jan. 1.

Every day 150,000 bottles of cognac brandy are shipped to all parts of the world from the town of Cognac, France.

### Data Shows Driver of Last Year's Death Car

Concord, N.H. — (U.P.) — Who was the driver of last year's death car? A man in his late 20's, driving a year-old car. He became involved in a fatal accident on a Sunday within 25 miles of his home, because of speed or his own recklessness.

The New Hampshire motor vehicle department, from data it compiled in the state's 96 fatal traffic accidents in 1956, gives the following description:

### On The Side

By E. V. DURLING  
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"Here are a few questions I would like some of your feminine subscribers to answer for me" writes a young man of Manhattan. "1. Why shouldn't young women be drafted for the United States armed services as young men are? 2. If young women insist the man they marry wear a wedding ring, why shouldn't a prospective bridegroom have an engagement ring? That ring to be paid for by the prospective bride. 3. Take the case of a young man and a young woman both engaged in business. The young woman's salary is equal to or higher than that of the young man's. So why, when they go out together, should the young man pay all the check? Shouldn't it be split two ways?"

**Posters**  
In the days beyond recall, when all regular customers had their personal shaving mugs in their favorite tonsorial parlor, shaving provided the major part of a barber's income. Nowadays shaving accounts for only 10 per cent of the average barber's gross. Haircuts bring in 40 per cent. The rest comes from special services and the sale of tonics. According to a nationwide poll of barbers, a fair tip for a tonsorialist is 15 per cent of the check.

**Smoking**  
Say, young fellow, does the girl of your dreams work in an office? Is she a chain cigarette smoker? If so, chances are that she smokes. Such is the claim of those who have done some checking on the smoring situation.

**Asides**  
Do you know what a "Femme De" is? Neither did I until I was told that is what the nurses call women physicians. As for Billie Burke, who said, "Women are entitled to both children and a career. Their husbands have both. I have backed my theory by practice."

Seven cigars a day and one highball (an old fashioned double) in the same period are still my limits. Am also still a \$2 a show better. On the solid horse, of course. A school teacher of many years named Donald, Fred and Ernest are always the most difficult to handle in a classroom. But she has never been able to figure out why.

**Romance**  
Am asked how old Marjorie Hills was when she wrote the book titled "Live Alone and Like It." Marjorie was 46 when she wrote that book. Three years later, at the age of 49, she married a millionaire. He was Thomas O'Roulston, Brooklyn grocery store chain tycoon.

**Fan Mail**  
When at the peak of his career as a columnist, O. O. McIntyre said he received an average of 100 letters daily. As for individual cities he received the most mail from Denver, Colo.

**Horses and Women**  
Do gentlemen really prefer blondes? Did they when your grandpas and grandmas? Any and your grandma was a whistle girl? How about your great grandpas and grandmas? Anyway, none of the celebrated beauties who made up the original Floradora sextette, all of whom married millionaires, were blondes. They were brunettes and redheads. They were all about the same height, 5 feet, 4 and each weighed around 126. Their names were Marjorie Reliance, Agnes Walburn, Vaughn Foxsmith, Marie Wilson, Margaret Walker and Daisy Greene.

### 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.

Rita K. — My husband is a gambler.  
Frank K. — I bet for pleasure.

Rita K. — We have been married for three years and I have been working the entire time. We planned to build up savings for the family we hope to have, but have been unable to do so because of my husband's gambling.

My husband bets every extra cent he has on the horses. When he loses he says he must make up for his losses, but when he wins it goes to his head and he says he must win a bit more so that we'll have something extra to bank. But I'm the only one who ever makes a deposit at the bank.

I'm at my wit's end about what to do. My family tells me that marriage to a gambler can't last and I might just as well forget about having a family. My friends tell me to quit work and see what happens.

Frank K. — My wife is trying to make me out a gambler when I'm nothing of the sort. I enjoy racing and following news of racing and I bet just for pleasure. Every man has to have some sort of recreation and this is mine.

Rita gets hysterical every time she sees me look at a racing sheet, but she doesn't say anything about the money she spends on senseless gadgets and costume jewelry. Every day she comes home with another piece of junk that she gets tired of within a week.

The truth is that I have made more than I have lost on the horses in the past year. Rita will be sorry for the way she's been acting once she sees me deposit a nice few hundred bucks in the bank. That's more than she'll be able to do out of her silly spending.

The Council — Frank claims he gambles for pleasure, but then gives himself away when he tells of his hope to make something of a killing on the horses. This is the true gambling spirit and Rita is right to be distressed about it.

It won't help very much to point out to Frank how many unhappy and futile lives have been spent in the quest for a killing on the horses. He undoubtedly has known many of the victims of this dream. He just takes it for granted that he will be one of the lucky ones. The trouble is that no "lucky" gambler ever calls it quits, and today's winner, almost without exception, becomes tomorrow's loser.

If Frank can admit to himself that he has been bitten by the gambling bug, it would be a first step toward helping himself recover from this virus. He should make every effort to find a new kind of recreation that does not dangle the tantalizing hope of easy money.

Rita can help her husband, not by scolding or nagging, but by proving he can have more fun at other forms of recreation — sports events (at which he does not bet), theater, movie and entertaining at home. This would be a positive step toward filling his need for amusement.

Budgeting is another angle that will help save this marriage. Frank and Rita should allot a certain small amount per week for personal fun. If neither of them exceeds this small amount, they should not question one another as to how it is spent. If Frank spends exactly this amount on the horses, he could indeed say that he bets for pleasure.

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**ALL ALONE**  
Lewiston, Me.—(U.P.)—Shirley May Kimball, 17-year-old Bliss College freshman, had a unique high school graduation. At the Canton, Me., high school she was valedictorian, salutatorian, class essayist and only attendant at the senior prom, being the only member of the school's senior class.

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