



THIS HOLLYWOOD MARRIAGE STILL GOING—Hug-ging happily behind their anniversary cake, Jeanette MacDonald and Gene Raymond give visual proof that Hollywood marriages can last. They celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary at the Hotel Sahara in Las Vegas, Nev. where Jeanette has a singing engagement. Gene is still acting, producing and directing, mostly in television work.

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Scout Troop Sets Court of Honor

Phoenix — Boy Scout troop 15 of Phoenix will hold a Court of Honor Wednesday, June 26, at 8 p. m. in the community building.

Ranks and merits will be issued to Rodney Fowler and Jimmy Floyd, life Scout; Sidney Yarnell and Roger Kelsae, first class Scout; and Rodney Biddle and Lee Jackson, second class Scout.

Rodney Fowler will receive merit badges in firemanship, personal fitness, fishing, camping, art, public health, fingerprinting, citizenship and community, nature and explorer apprentice. Jimmy Floyd will receive merit badges in hiking, public health, camping, athletics, fingerprinting, safety, nature, art, citizenship and community and explorer apprentice.

Other merit badges will be awarded to Raymond Thompson (fingerprinting, safety, basketry and art); Ralph Browning, safety; Jack Fowler, cycling, swimming, life saving and dog care; Roger Kelsae, music; Billy Short, citizenship and home and Jimmy Scott, first aid and painting.

Refreshments will be served and each boy will bring doughnuts and soda pop, according to Scoutmaster Earl L. Floyd.

Bing Crosby Blasts Radio and TV Music

Washington — Bing Crosby blasted a harsh note Sunday night in commenting on popular music played on radio and television. He labeled it just "so much trash."

Crosby told a Senate that broadcast music is not having a good effect on the morals, ideals and tastes of the American public.

Morse Denounces Charge of Deal In Passage of Hells Canyon Bill

BY A. ROBERT SMITH
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Washington — The Senate vote to pass the Hells Canyon dam bill had hardly been tallied before some of the losers began shouting that dirtiest of all epithets in Washington politics, "deal."



A deal had been made between Sen. Wayne Morse and other western Democrats who backed Hells Canyon and the southern Democrats who wanted their support in the boiling civil rights fight, according to Republicans who were smarting under the whipping they had taken on Hells Canyon.

Morse immediately denounced the charge.

The setting for the charge was that on the night before Hells Canyon came to a vote, Morse and six other western Hells Canyon sponsors—Magnuson of Washington, Murray and Mansfield of Montana, O'Mahoney of Wyoming, Anderson of New Mexico and Bible of Nevada—had teamed up with southerners on the big fight over what to do with the House-passed civil rights bill. Then next day when the Hells Canyon bill came up, the bulk of the southerners voted for the bill in contrast to last year when eight of them helped Republicans defeat Hells Canyon.

Similar Complaints

The charge that a deal was made is reminiscent of similar complaints voiced in past years by the losers.

Last year, when the Senate rejected Hells Canyon 51-41, it was

said by some Hells Canyon backers that the explanation lay in a deal arranged between the southerners and the then GOP senator from Idaho, Herman Welker, who opposed the high dam bill. Welker, it was said, was offering to use his influence as a member of the Judiciary Committee to barter civil rights bill, if southerners would help him kill off Hells Canyon. Eight of them did just that. And nothing came of civil rights legislation.

Another reported deal was made several years ago between Oregon's ex-senator Guy Cordon, Republican, and Senator Russell B. Long, Democrat, Louisiana, when they were both on the Senate Interior Committee. Long was most anxious to win support for the controversial tidelands bill in those days and it was alleged in that committee of which both men were members. The charge was that Long pledged to oppose Hells Canyon legislation in return for tidelands support.

Managed Through Senate

Cordon subsequently became committee chairman and conducted exhaustive hearings and managed the tidelands bill through the Senate during Eisenhower's first term. Long, as long as he was on the committee, voted with Republicans against the Hells Canyon bill and helped bottle it up until he transferred

red to another committee last year. He then voted against the bill on the floor last year, but this year voted for it.

Another story going the rounds concerns Washington's Sen. Warren G. Magnuson, floor manager of the Hells Canyon bill. It is that southern senators from gas producing states were anxious to please Magnuson in return for promises that Magnuson's committee would soon report favorably on the reappointment of Jerome K. Kuykendall as chairman of the Federal Power Commission. Kuykendall opposes federal gas controls, as does the gas industry, and the senators from gas states.

Many senators are free to charge that others have entered into deals which they find reprehensible, but none, to the knowledge of this reporter, has ever confessed making a deal himself. And it is, in the nature of the case, one of the impossibilities for Washington correspondents to nail down conclusively.

The charge is always made by the loser of any bitter fight to explain why his side lost. The winner always attributes the majority vote on his side to the noblest of motives. It is for the voters, measuring the men involved, the issues at stake, and the final results, to render the verdict.

On The Side

By E. V. Durling
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How would you like to be a mind reader? Or how would you like it if your wife was a mind reader? In that highly amusing play titled "A Visit to a Small Planet," the stranger from the other world can read minds. A professional mind reader once offered to teach me the art. It seemed an attractive offer but I turned it down. I figured if the news got around that I was a mind reader I couldn't get anybody to play poker with me. Besides I am not particularly desirous of knowing too much as to what people are thinking about me. I get enough of that in the mail.

No Parking

The "No Parking" signs in Manhattan are being widely and steadily ignored. It is not uncommon to see an automobile parked in front of a fire plug. What New York City needs is a very active "tow away" squad to take care of the parking violators. The London police department has a squad of 80 "tow away" cars. Parking violators there return to find their automobiles gone. And they have a very difficult time getting them back.

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. Who originated the phrase the "Iron Curtain"? A. Winston Churchill in a speech at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo. on March 5, 1946. Q. Who said, "All the things I like are illegal, immoral or fattening"? I say it was Alexander Woolcott. My wife says it was Dorothy Parker. Who is right? A. You're both wrong. It was Fannie Hurst. Q. Has any major league ballplayer ever been killed by being hit by a pitched ball? Was the pitcher in the case trying to "dust off" the man fatally hit? That is, trying to drive him away from the plate? A. A New York Yankee player named Chapman died after being hit by a pitched ball. It was considered strictly accidental.

Blondes

Clark Gable has a platinum blonde for his leading lady in his latest picture. This, it is claimed, will inspire a revival of the popularity of the platinum blonde shade. That is improbable according to experts on feminine appearance. They say that smart women feel platinum blonde hair makes a woman conspicuous rather than attractive.

Working Hours

What were the best working hours you ever had? For a brief

period I worked as a hotel room clerk. I worked a "long day" and a "short day." The long day was from six a.m. to noon. From six p.m. until midnight. The short day was from noon to six p.m. What I liked about these hours was that one day you had the afternoon off and could go to the ball park or races. On the "short" day you could sleep late. Then after working in the afternoon you had the night off. This variety added plenty to the spice of life. Especially for a young fellow.

First Baby

In 1930, a British bride, then 22, made the following statement: "I want complete freedom when I am young. I am not going to have a baby until I am 49 years old." There are several living witnesses who heard this strange remark. Recently this woman, now 49, gave birth to her first baby just as she planned. She is said to be planning to have another baby when she is 50.

Mosquitoes

Where in this country are found the most aggressive mosquitoes? Some people say it is in Texas. Others claim it is New Jersey. However, some experts on the subject are now maintaining that the most aggressive, dangerous and irritating mosquitoes are found in New York City in the boroughs of the Bronx, Brooklyn, Richmond and Queens. Manhattan is excepted. There are no mosquito breeding swamps in that borough. These New York City mosquitoes are being called "flying tigers." Their bite causes a very large swelling. At times as large as a marble.

Roundabout

Strolling around lower Broadway, I saw a shop specializing in old phonograph records. This shop boasts that it has 100,000 different recordings dating from 1900 to the present. Also saw a shop bearing sign "Men's Hats Made to Order." I'll bet a made-to-order hat lasts a long time. In another store I saw a window display of over 50 different brands of safety razor blades. One brand was priced at \$1 for 100 blades with each blade guaranteed good for four or five shaves.

METER PIONEER DIES

Washington — Walter H. Bowes, 75, a founder of Pitney-Bowes, Inc., of Stamford, Conn., and a pioneer in the development of the postage meter and the metered mail system, died Monday.

Solemn Ceremony Marks Graduation

Painted Post, N. Y. — Fifty-eight heavy-hearted seniors accepted their diplomas from Painted Post High School Monday night mindful that there should have been four more among their number.

The four were not forgotten. Their names were called, Roland Leinhos, Jack Van Deventer, Stanley Bartlett, Richard Gumberts.

Only Gumberts will get his diploma. The other three are dead, victims of an automobile accident which claimed six lives and hospitalized Gumberts.

Classmates of the accident victims did their best to carry on as "the boys would have wanted it." But it was rough for these teenagers still feeling the shock of the worst tragedy to strike this community of 3,000 in 13 years.

The graduates observed a moment of silent prayer, and it was undoubtedly the most profound moment of the night.

After the graduation, congratulatory handshakes and hugs

were stiff and awkward. Their smiles were forced.

The Leinhos youth, who was the class salutatorian, had his speech prepared prior to dying two days before he was to have delivered it. It was decided that his address should not be read by anyone else.

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