

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



THANK AND A TIP OF THE HATLO HAT TO TWO MINDS ON A SINGLE THOUGHT WAVE — BOB KOCH, CLARENCE W. UHLAND ROAD, AND GRUNSFELD, WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA #15 LEMMON AVE., DALLAS 2, TEXAS

Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS  
Ranger-Naturalist

When I used to drive cows home, come milking time, the orderliness of each evening's procession was most impressive. The same old cow headed up the column, and the second cow took her position, and so on down to the last one—with Gene Burns bringing up the tail end of the show.

Since then I have observed many animal groups—and these, too, in small numbers, always fell into orderly groups.

This social hierarchy can be studied most easily, perhaps among barnyard chickens. Invariably one cock heads up the flock. His is the undisputed right to peck all others and not be pecked back. Below this despot, there is yet another grouping; and another, until the last droopy hen has no one to peck back at.

In a group of chickens, for convenience numbered one to seven, I noted the following pecking order:

One pecked two, three, four, five, six, and seven; two pecked three, four, five, and six; three pecked four, five, six, and seven; seven pecked two, four, five and six; four pecked five and seven; five pecked six; and poor six, the bottom hen on the totem pole, pecked none at all.

These dominances among chickens and other animals, too, seem to depend upon several factors: strength, experience, cockiness, and maturity—older animals just naturally tend to dominate younger ones even after the younger ones are physically stronger. Of course there are exceptions. Newly matured canaries may lord it over their fully matured associates, and half-grown kittens can keep cats away from the milk saucer.

**Males Unusually Dominate**  
Among birds, males usually dominate females, particularly when there are larger and showier. Among warm-blooded mammals, females usually take over—except during the short mating season. Experienced grand-mother elk and deer always lead the herd.

Pecking orders change, too. A small retiring female—a colorless nonentity, low on the peck dominance scale, as it is called—may accept the courtship of a dominant male. So what happens? Her pecking status goes up.

Any resemblance to human beings, of course, is wholly coincidental.  
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**WET WORK**—Surrounded by flood waters, reporter Jim Costello of Monterey, Calif., makes an effort to keep his already wet feet from getting any wetter as he stands in pan while calling his office from inundated Carmel, Calif. Area was flooded when the rain-swollen Carmel River overflowed into lowlands.

What Is The Law?

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Ex-Owner Takes Away Sam's Shoe Repair Trade

Sam Beak received his discharge from the service and set about to learn the shoe repair trade. He wanted to open a shop of his own. He found one that was doing a thriving business in a good neighborhood; and the owner didn't hesitate to show him the books, which indicated a very fair return.

Sam put up his savings and borrowed some money to buy the shop. Business continued briskly for about two weeks—just long enough for the former owner to open another shoe repair shop around the corner. His customers followed him to the new location. Sam, a stranger in town, saw his trade vanish to practically nothing. Yet there was nothing he could do.

**Prohibition Agreement**  
Before buying, Sam should have insisted that his purchase agreement contain a prohibition against the seller opening a similar business within the same general area. Such agreements are enforced by the courts and are valuable protection to buyers.

A business of any respectable size must occupy space, and a person opening a business is likely to rent it. Suppose he signs a five-year lease. Would the building owner permit him to sub-lease it if he wished to? If, after a year, he decided to sell, would the building owner agree to rent to the new owner of the business? Suppose he installed elaborate equipment—to whom does it belong when he moves? Not necessarily to him.

For example, one man put a refrigerating system into the building he leased. The court decided he had no right to remove it because the system had become a part of the building and could not be taken out without some damage. Another man put in an expensive plate glass window and marble front. When he left, he took this out and carefully rebuilt the store as it

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Advent of Kiddie Cowboy Towns Offer Youngsters Taste of Old

New York—Kids don't need imaginations to play cowboy any more. They can run around in imitation wild West towns that have sprouted across the country.

The kiddie cowboy cities, usually consisting of a general store, post office, bank, 'saloon,' jail, trading post—all made from rough-hewn lumber—and a dusty main street on which real horses and cowboys travel, permit children of all ages to relive the frontier days.

At last count, there were 10 such towns in the country, scattered in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Ohio and California. They have different names—"Dodge City," "Cowboy City," "Adventure Town," "Cowboy Valley," "Tombstone"—and they come in different sizes, ranging from 25 to 2,000 acres.

**Make Believe Holdups**  
But regardless of size or location, they all have one thing in common—make believe holdups and gunfights, sometimes every hour on the hour, for the edification of the small fry.

The main event consists of holdup men grabbing "money" sacks from the bank or stage coach and running for the hills. In a flash, the sheriff rides up, deputizes the kids and all dash off in hot pursuit. When the bad guys are caught—they always are—they are hauled back to the main street, given a fair trial, and locked up.

Joe Phillips of the Cimarron Ranch at Putnam Valley, N.Y., who bills himself as "King of the Eastern Cowboys," recalls one chase where a youngster got carried away and began to clout the robber with a club. "This work can get dangerous when the kids get excited," says Phillips, who earns his living appearing at the cowboy towns with "Smoky," a trick horse, and his "wonder dogs," "Shep and Sandy."

**Competition Increasing**  
Phillips notes that his competition is getting stronger, for some nationally known TV cowboys are making themselves available for week end appearances along the kiddie cowboy circuit in the East. The holdup attraction usually is followed by professional entertainment in the form of a trick rider, rope artist, rodeo or Indian war dance.

After that, the kids and their parents can visit the shops and spend all their money on soft drinks, cowboy hats, belts, spurs, pen-knives, badges, stage coach rides and pony rides.

There is no clear-cut claim as to which cowboy came first since the germ of the idea can be traced to various dude ranches. Knott's Berry Farm and Ghost Town, at Buena Park, Calif., started in 1941 and now is in a solid, permanent looking 200-acre village, complete with au-

authentic log cabins, a gold mine, grist mill, saloon, play-house, general store and railway.

The wide publicity corraled by Walt Disney's "Frontierland" at Anaheim, Calif.,—part of "Disneyland"—gave the cowboy city gimmick another big boost. In no time, smaller models cropped up along the East Coast.

**Employment Drop In Coast States**  
San Francisco—Wage and salary employment in the three Pacific Coast states dropped by 40,000 jobs between mid-January and mid-February, the U. S. Department of Labor regional office has reported.

Employment on the Coast has dropped by 390,000 jobs since the all-time peak last September, the Department added.

Total employment in February, excluding farm workers and servants, was 5,512,100. This was 80,000 under the total for the same month in 1937.

The bureau said most of the January-February decline was in business and trade employment but there were also heavy layoffs in manufacturing and construction.

**Mrs. Oregon To Compete in Contest**  
Portland — Petite, blonde Mrs. Polly Sue Steffens of Portland is Mrs. Oregon of 1938.

The new Mrs. Oregon will compete with 47 other state winners and one from the District of Columbia for the title of Mrs. America—this nation's top honor for a homemaker.

Oregon's 1936 entrant, Mrs. Cleo Maletis, went on to become Mrs. America. The new Mrs. Oregon is a part-time hostess and model at a downtown department store and turns out ceramics in her own kiln. A native Texan, Mrs. Steffens is the wife of a grocery store manager and is the mother of a seven-year-old daughter.

Susan Hayward Leaves Kitchen To Return To Screen Roles

By VERNON SCOTT  
UP Hollywood Writer

Hollywood — Social note: Mrs. Eaton Chalkley of Carrollton, Ga., has recovered from a bout with measles and reported to Goldwyn studios for her starring role in a new movie.

Mrs. who? Chalkley Ch-a-l-k-l-e-y. But she is better known to moviegoers as Susan Hayward. She also is making her first picture since marrying the Georgia attorney-businessman.

The voluptuous star has spent the last year in Carrollton playing the role of housewife so convincingly that she thinks the South should have won the Civil War.

What happens when a movie queen is transplanted from the glare of tinsel town to the quiet confines of a town of 15,000 population?

"I've never been happier in my life," says Susan without a hint of southern accent. "Maybe more actresses would find happiness if they moved away from Hollywood and led more normal lives. Doesn't Miss Hollywood

"I don't miss Hollywood in the slightest. I don't even miss my psychiatrist!" How does Carrollton feel about having a movie star in residence?

"There seems to be no reaction at all," she laughed. "I'm accepted as Mrs. Eaton Chalkley. The townspeople are just as gracious and lovely as they would be to anyone else. I'm never ask-

ed for autographs, nor do they make a fuss over me.

"So far I have many acquaintances. I hope they soon will become close friends. Friendships are not cemented over night like they are in Hollywood, but they last much longer."

A Brooklyn girl who always has lived in the big city, Susan could reasonably be expected to feel hemmed in living in a small town.

"Not so," says she. "We're only 50 miles from Atlanta, and I go to the city two or three times a week. I've made three business trips to Hollywood with my husband since we've been married, too.

"There is plenty of activity at home to keep me busy. I manage the household and spend most of my time just seeing that my husband is happy."

The red-haired beauty currently is starring as a murderess in "The Barbara Graham Story," for Walter Wanger, and wants it known that she is not retiring from the screen.

**A Real Southerner**  
"I have still more pictures to make for 20th Century-Fox and two independents coming up," she said. "So I will be coming back to Hollywood from time to time.

"But when I'm not working my permanent address will be in Georgia. I've become a real Southerner, suh, and love every moment of it."

Bit parts: Jack Benny will be presented with a special

"trustees award" by the television academy during the Emmy Awards show April 15 in honor of his contribution to the broadcasting industry through the years. . . . Ernie Kovacs has been signed to co-star in "The Wreck of the Old 97" with Doris Day and Jack Lemmon at Columbia. . . . Singer Tony Martin will appear at the Brussels World Fair slated for the international bash. . . . Glenn Ford spends more time in uniform than a braid-happy admiral. He begins his starring role in "Torpedo Run" at MGM this week his sixth in-uniform picture in a row. Zsa Zsa Gabor, told that "Matinee Theater" in which she has starred seven times was folding, quipped: "Why didn't they tell me? Maybe I could raise the money to keep it going."

**Mercy Flights, Inc. Takes Bleeding Boy**  
Richard Wakeland, 2½-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wakeland, 41B Myers ct., Medford, was flown to Portland by a Mercy Flights Inc., air ambulance plane Monday.

Officials said he was suffering from uncontrolled bleeding, and the emergency flight was to take him to Doernbecher hospital in Portland. The flight left shortly before noon.

The little boy was the 791st patient carried by ambulance planes of the non-profit corporation.

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