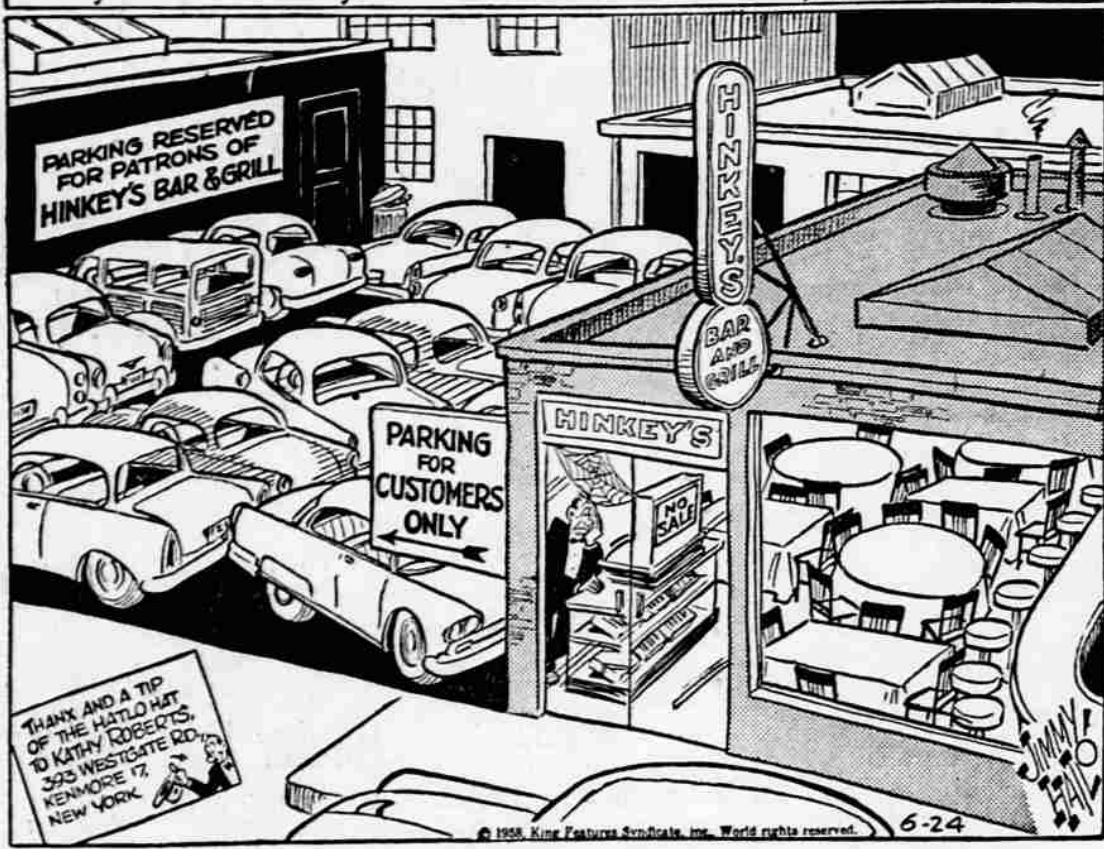


They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist

Beirut — Hiram, king of Tyre, a nearby ancient city, was history's first lumber king because of the Cedars of Lebanon.

The famous tree, shown on the Republic of Lebanon's flag, was supposed to be almost extinct for many years except for a small grove in the Kadisha Valley, some 15 miles away. But it isn't. Here and there, along the slopes of

easy to tell they were the same tree.

It would be difficult to make a mistake. For one thing, there are not many trees of any kind in this relatively barren mountain area, and for another the Lebanon cedar has the rather unusual characteristic of a greater horizontal breadth of foliage than its total height, which sometimes reaches 80 feet.

How much lumbering of the cedars there may be in the areas where they still are plentiful, I don't know. But there is certainly some. I bought a small bowl of the light, coarse-grained, reddish-brown wood. It contained three or four cones, and even after the cones had been removed for some hours, the wood continued to emit a strong fragrance.

It is possible, of course, that the wood was from some other type of cedar imported to satisfy the tourist trade, but I don't think so because the cones were undoubtedly authentic. They were of a reddish color, nearly five inches long and two wide, still fresh enough so that bits of resin were exuding here and there. Its odor was so strong that I could well understand why the ancients believed that cedar oil and pitch would make a good unguent for lepers, let alone a preservative for manuscripts, as it once was used.

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Grange News

The lecture hour at Gold Hill Grange Thursday, June 19, was planned by Nora Wait, chaplain, to take the place of the annual Church Sunday observance, a required part of the Grange program.

It was in the form of a memorial service, with a message brought by the Rev. D. A. Millard, long-time resident of the valley. He reminded his listeners that the best memorial to any departed friend is a life spent in service to humanity. The Rev. and Mrs. Millard also entertained with several vocal numbers.

Mrs. Grace Bruce, lecturer, attended State Grange as a delegate, and from there went for an extended visit to Illinois. In the lecture's chair for the evening was Mrs. Harriett Elliott.

Visitors for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Smith of Central Point. Smith told of plans for a Pomona Grange booth at State Fair. Members were urged to watch for outstanding exhibits of farm produce to be used in the booth.

The chaplain reported sick members Mrs. Willie McLean and Mrs. Ruby Quackenbush much improved. Following the business meeting refreshments were served by Charles Foote and Mrs. Harriett Elliott. Mrs. Roy Eskew won the attendance prize.

At the next meeting on July 3, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Walker and Mrs. Jessie Hays will be the serving committee. Mrs. Roy Eskew, Temporary Reporter.

Griffin Creek Grange will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 26, for a covered dish dinner.

The dinner will be followed by a "fun night" program, supplied by several Grange families. Mrs. Clyde Sturgill, lecturer, will be in charge. Friends of Grange members are invited.

The Home Economics club met Thursday, June 19, at the home of Mrs. Sturgill for a picnic dinner, but due to rain it was held inside.

Mrs. Jake Brown, Mrs. Paul Force, Mrs. Cal Lusk and Mrs. Otis Jones from Eagle Point were guests. Mrs. Brown invited members of the Griffin Creek HEC to be her guests for a luncheon July 17.

Head of Portland Jail Division Dies

Portland—(UPI)—Head of the jail division of the Portland police bureau, Capt. Clyde Ensminger, died Sunday in Emanuel Hospital after more than a year's illness.

Capt. Ensminger, a veteran of 28 years on the police staff, had served as night commander of detectives, chief of the traffic bureau and chief of the east precinct. He was head of the jail division at the time he became ill.

The 59-year-old police officer joined the Portland department in 1930. He was made a sergeant 11 years later and in 1944 he was assigned to the harbor patrol with the rank of lieutenant. In 1952 he was promoted to captain and put in charge of the traffic bureau.

PROSPECT

Family Makes Trip East

By MICKIE LARSON

Prospect — Mr. and Mrs. Paul Struck and daughter, Evonne, and a cousin Dina Govonor, left Wednesday, June 18, for Minnesota, where they plan to visit for several weeks.

Miss Karen Karjala is spending a few days visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Govonor on Elk creek.

Mabel Mallard and daughter, Geneva Andressen, and Fern Stevens are working at the fish hatchery at Diamond lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Boast and children David, Ronald, Glen, Shirley and Dennis, from Eagle Point, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Larson's Tuesday evening, June 17.

Mrs. Joe Colley, who has been ill, is up and around now.

Mr. and Mrs. Geary Sullivan and children from Shady Cove were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ellis June 15.

Mrs. Myrtle Ferns, who has been visiting in New York state for the past few months, visited with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ferns of Prospect Monday and Tuesday of this week.

She is now at her home in Phoenix, Ore.

Miss Sherry Downing is visiting at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer on Red Bluff-Butte Falls road, for the summer months.

Mrs. Lorena Short and children, Donna and Sandy, from Klamath Falls, visited Mr. and Mrs. Sharold Chapman Sunday, June 15. Mrs. Chapman is her sister.

The Ladies Guild met one day this past week to work on rummage articles for the rummage sale to be held in Medford, Friday, June 27.

Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clevenberg is William Jacobs from Medford. Clevenberg and Jacobs are doing some fishing at Diamond lake.

A picnic and swimming party was held Wednesday, June 18, at Walch's lake. Those attending this play day were Mrs. Jack Ellis and daughters Donna Jean and Diane, Mrs. Jack Rieken and daughter, Janie, Mrs. Sherald Chapman and sons Lonnie, Jerry and Monte, Mrs. Archie McKillop and son, Kim, and Mrs. Geary Sullivan and daughter Amber, and son Carter Woods, from Shady Cove.

Mrs. John Shellenberger's father, W. E. Farlien from Cave Junction, is making his home here during the summer months. He is to work on a lookout for the Forest service.

Also making his home here is Kenneth Caldwell from Cave Junction. He is also working for Forest service.

Visiting for several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Denny and family were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Willy from Cave Junction. Denny and Willy fished at Diamond lake.

Grand opening of the Country Play House, eight miles north on Elk creek rd., will be a dance, Saturday, June 28, at 9 p.m. The ladies are to bring box lunches to be auctioned off. There will be prizes given for the two best boxes.

An evening potluck dinner was held at Union Creek, Wednesday, June 18, for both Prospect and Union Creek wives and children of Forest Service personnel.

Forest Service four-week first aid classes ended Monday evening, June 16. Tests were given by the instructor, Mr. Mayberry of Crater Lake park.

Mrs. Jerry Baker and Mrs. "Boots" Young and children enjoyed picnicking and swimming at Diamond lake on Wednesday, June 18.

Mrs. Dick Larson and Mrs.

Bob Krell and children picniced at Union Creek Wednesday, June 18. Miss Judy Betts and Miss Shawn Shellenberger were also at the picnic.

Miss Dorothy Pontus and niece, Betty Jean Young, went by bus to visit in California.

CAMPUS COPS

Cortland, N.Y.—(UPI)—Police Chief Michael Canestaro solved the problem of policing the Cortland State Teachers College campus by organizing nine male students into a uniformed collegiate police force.

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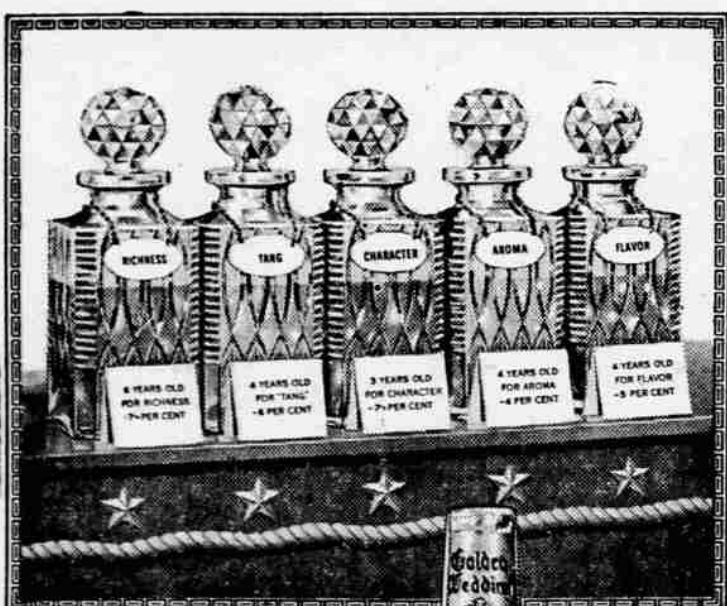


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