

# Is That So?

By OLGA BURNS

Occasionally, while looking at starfish in a saltwater pool, you may see one walking. If you do, don't be deceived by the awkward sight. His mode of locomotion, though slow, is serviceable.

While he makes only a few inches a minute by pulling himself forward along an extended arm, he has another faculty of movement that makes up for his lack of speed.

He can compress himself or stretch himself out, and because of this rubbery gift,

## Negro Minister Remains Critical

New York — (UPI) — The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was "only a sneeze away from death" after a Negro woman plunged a stiletto-like letter opener into his chest Saturday, his doctors said today.

The Negro leader of the successful fight to get buses in Montgomery, Ala., desegregated remained in critical condition at Harlem hospital. It will be two weeks before he is out of the hospital and at least three months before he fully recovers, doctors said.

Mrs. Izola Ware Curry, 42, the domestic who thrust the letter opener into King as he autographed copies of his new book in the L. M. Blumstein Department store in Harlem, was committed to Bellevue hospital for mental observation.

## Oxbow Fishtrap Near Completion

Portland — (UPI) — The emergency ladder and fish trap at Idaho Power Company's Oxbow dam on the Snake river is expected to be completed today, Stanley G. Jewett Jr., of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reported.

Jewett said the facilities would enable the capture of upstream-bound salmon for overland transport to a point above Brownlee dam. He said chinook salmon were arriving in increasing numbers at the Oxbow site and that the fish were being dipnetted while the temporary trap has been under construction.

Jewett said some of the fish dipnetted had died but that this was to be expected in such an operation.

Jewett said he was not certain when work would be finished to complete repairs to the permanent fish trap at the exit to the Oxbow diversion tunnel.

there are few crevices into which he cannot penetrate in his hunt for food.

His preference, however, is for oyster, or so oyster fishermen think, and once he has strolled into an oysterbed he calls another faculty into play. It is his strength. That isn't required for the smaller oysters, of course. He just shoves them into his mouth on the center of the underside of the star. The bigger ones he handles differently pulling their shells apart by the steadily mounting pressure of his suckered, encircling arms.

Not far apart, though, just wide enough so that he can push his own stomach through his mouth and into the shell where it scoops up the unfortunate oyster and returns.

Since starfish have damaged oysterbeds to the extent of \$600,000 a year in some states, they present a problem that has not yet been fully solved. For years fishermen, catching starfish, tore them apart and threw them back. But that merely made matters worse by 100 per cent, for sometimes an entire new starfish can grow from a single severed arm.

This extraordinary spiny-skinned animal—he isn't a fish—also sometimes captures fish as large as himself. His back is studded with spines equipped with sheaths that are armed with tiny, tongue-like jaws.

If a fish brushes against a starfish, the sheathes rush up along the spines. The tongue-like jaws are open and instantly close on the unfortunate intruder. As he struggles, more jaws bite into him and the suckered arms encircle his body, dragging its tail first toward the protrusible stomach.

The starfish doesn't seem to have many enemies. Some of the bigger fish eat them occasionally, and so do gulls, crows and a few land animals like the fox and raccoon.

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# SHADY COVE-TRAIL Wonderland Meeting Set

By EVALYN P. WATSON  
Shady Cove-Trail — The Rogue Wonderland association will hold a general meeting Tuesday evening, Sept. 23, starting at 8:30 p.m. at the Rogue River lodge.

This is to be a public meeting at which important facts will be discussed regarding the coming Oregon Centennial exposition. There will be a speaker for the evening and the local chairmen for the centennial will be present. Bill Ducker is chairman for Shady Cove and Heston Grieve for Prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson made a trip over to the coast to Big Lagoon near Trinity, Calif., where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jantzer and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jantzer of Central Point and Carl Jantzer and children of Shady Cove.

The County Playhouse is continuing to hold the regular dances every two weeks with the next one scheduled for Sept. 20. On alternate Saturday nights there is square dancing to records in the hall.

Members of the Shady Cove Home Extension unit attending the district meeting of Home Extension units in Jacksonville were Mrs. John Lowery, Mrs. Kenneth Paulson, Mrs. Ted Daw and Mrs. Alberta Alicki, all of Shady Cove. Members attending from the Rogue Elk Extension unit were Mrs. Oscar Hanson of Trail and Mrs. Ken Lacey of Central Point.

Mr. and Mrs. William Schulz of Shady Cove entertained with a card party at their home last Saturday evening. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Huffman of Prospect, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Strother, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bartuss, and Dr. and Mrs. Verne Wilson, all of Shady Cove.

Mrs. Eldred Matthews of San Jose, Calif., was a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Pfeifer of Shady Cove. Mrs. Matthews is a niece of Mrs. Pfeifer.

Mrs. Ivan Hale and children have returned home from their trip to Callistoga, Calif., and brought Ivan's mother, Mrs. Mary Hale, of Grants Pass home with them.

Mrs. Laura Hall of Chino, Calif., is now at her home on Indian creek, and expects to be up here for about two months.

Mrs. Frances Miller of Shady Cove has returned home from the Osteopathic clinic in Medford, where she has been undergoing treatment and observation. She expects to return to the hospital within a short time for possible surgery.

Dr. and Mrs. Verne Wilson were hosts at their home on Rogue River drive for a dinner party Sunday evening. Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blaar of Medford and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bartuss of Shady Cove.

Mrs. Arthur Greenley of Shady Cove has been confined to Sacred Heart hospital for treatment and observation. She entered Rogue Valley hospital on Saturday but was transferred to Sacred Heart for treatment.

Wayne Buttram of Shady Cove got a large bear which measured about 6 feet in length and weighed in the neighborhood of 200 pounds. Judging from the condition of the teeth it was thought to be a three-year-old. Dogs followed the bear for about two miles after it was wounded before Wayne could get close enough for the final shot.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kirby of Gresham, Ore., are taking care of the Shady Cove motel in the absence of M. and Mrs. Art Hutchison. The Hutchisons have gone to Los Angeles, where Mrs. Hutchison is to have a medical check-up.

Mrs. M. L. Lane of Shady Cove, mother of Mrs. Bill Shepherd, flew to San Francisco where she was met by her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lane. They all went to Morro Bay, where she was to visit with another son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lane. She plans to attend the "Old Timers" day at King City in October. She will return home about Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vincent of Gladstone, Ore., have

been visiting with Kenneth's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vincent of Shady Cove.

Bob Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers of Elk Creek, Trail, has left to enroll at Pacific Union college at Angwin, Calif., where he will study electronics.

Members of St. Martin's Guild of Shady Cove attending the Southern Deanery meeting of the Diocese of Oregon of the Episcopal church held in Prospect last week were Mesdames Allan Rodgers, A. Mylebye, Bill Massey, Oscar Hanson, Ed Brown, Dale Sawyer, Dolf Larson and Pat Hawks.

Judy Leekey of San Diego, former resident of Shady Cove was a recent house guest of her friend, Pamela Vanderlip of Shady Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Erickson of Glendale, Calif., have been visiting with Bud's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Winslow of Shady Cove and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Conover.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Devine and children, Patty and Denny of Yokohama, Japan, were overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Watson of Shady Cove. The Devine's spent two years in Yokohama where Joe was employed in the Army audit department. They returned by boat recently to Seattle, where they lived before going to Japan. However, they were transferred to San Francisco and were on their way when they stopped en route to visit the Watsons. Mrs. Devine's mother was an old time friend and neighbor of the Ralph Watsons of Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bush of Elk Creek, Trail, entertained at their home Sunday with a birthday dinner honoring the 73rd birthday of Mrs. Bush's father, Harry Nicholson, of Central Point. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson and family of Trail, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lacy and family of Central Point and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stone of Medford.

Leonard Peterson of Trail is confined to Sacred Heart hospital for treatment of injuries sustained in a logging accident while working for Oscar Hanson Logging. First reports from the hospital were that no bones were broken but that he had a dislocated knee and suffered other injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Turner of Trail, together with M. and Mrs. Eldon Ward of Dufur, Ore., made a trip over to Winchester bay fishing. They caught their limit for the two days they were there. The Wards accompanied the Turners back to Trail, where they spent three days visiting with them at their home. Other house guests of the Turners have been Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gleason of Long Beach, Calif.

The Shady Cove Grange held an outdoor barbecue and potluck dinner Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Littlefield of Shady Cove. Members and guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Vanderlip, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Moteschenbacher, Merle Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Minor and children, Mrs. Isabel Wunderlich, Mr. and Mrs. Don Cattanaeh and family, all of Shady Cove; Mrs. Thelma Reinning, Mr. and Mrs. Reed McKay, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Monical and baby daughter, all of Trail, and the Monicals guests from Grants Pass.

The Shady Cove Grange will hold the annual Booster night Saturday, Sept. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Shady Cove school gym. A program will take the place of the regular meeting. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Buchwald of Hermosa Beach, Calif. have been at Trail for the past several months working on their house and property on the Tiller-Trail highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Trusty of Elk Creek, Trail, took Mrs. Trusty's sister, Mrs. Clara Schrader, who is visiting them from Amesbury, Mass., on a trip to Crater lake last week. They returned by way of Ashland and left Mrs. Schrader in Ashland to visit with her brother, Mr. W. H. Fraley.

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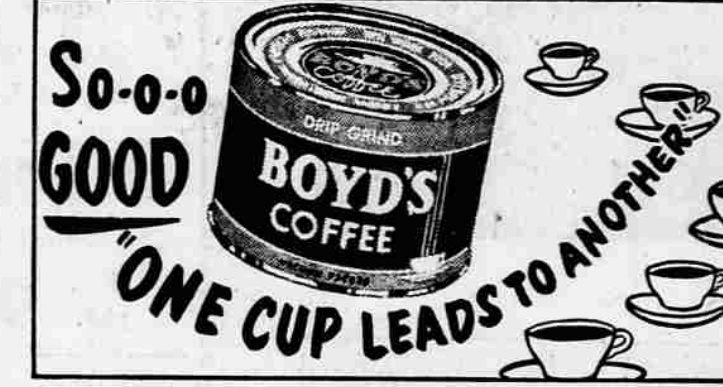
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