

## Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

THEY DO SAY that a Mrs. O'Connor is the most philosophical woman in all Ireland, still cheerful and smiling despite all kinds of miserable luck. To cap the climax, a miscreant broke into her house and stole everything she treasured most highly. Mrs. O'Connor told Father Donovan the next morning, "I know the good Lord doesn't plan to send me more trouble than I can bear—but I just do wish He didn't have such a powerful good opinion of me!"



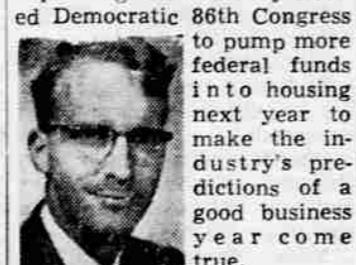
I have it straight from Ollie James, in Cincinnati, that the skin of a zebra is black and that it's the stripes that are white—a bit of information I admit I've been puzzling over for the past fifteen minutes.

Frank Lloyd Wright's definition of a pro: "A person who does his best work when he feels least like working."

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## Lumber Industry Depending On Congress for Good Business

By A. ROBERT SMITH  
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Washington (Special)—The lumber industry appears to be depending on the newly-elected Democratic 86th Congress



to pump more federal funds into housing next year to make the industry's predictions of a good business year come true.

This was the past week here during the annual meeting of the directors of the National Lumber Manufacturers association.

The one gloomy note in the outlook, the lumbermen agreed, is the tightening money supply, making mortgage loan financing more difficult for home buyers and builders to get. Nevertheless, the industry said it expects to see home building next year equal this year's building, and possibly better it.

**Figures Outlook**  
An economist, Edwin W. Magee Jr., of F. W. Dodge corporation's construction news and marketing service, figured the coming year looked like this:

1. Demand for lumber in non-residential construction will be up 2.6 per cent, farm demand for lumber will rise by the same percentage, use of lumber for furniture will increase 3.9 per cent, demand for lumber and wood products by the railroads will show a gain of 1.6 per cent, and the use of lumber for wood containers will be about the same as this year.

2. Demand for wood paneling will be up 4.7 per cent.

3. Net profits after taxes may increase 5 per cent.

4. Total costs of lumber plants will show a rise of 4 per cent.

5. Employment in the industry will be about the same as 1958.

6. Prospects for an adequate supply of raw materials next year are good or fair.

7. Lumber manufacturers will spend about the same amount for new plants and equipment next year.

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9. Exports of lumber and wood products will be about the same.

10. The industry appeared to be solidly behind the NLMA campaign to promote wider use of wood products. When NLMA asked in its survey for suggestions to bolster industry prospects next year, lumber manufacturers gave top priority to "advertising, wood promotion, research and related activities."

But they thought "tight credit" was the economic factor likely to affect the industry the most in 1959.

## Eagle, Other Awards Presented at Meeting

Dick Swinney was presented the Eagle award at a Boy Scout court of honor of Troop 8 at St. Marks Episcopal church last week.

The Eagle palm award went to Jerry Swartzley, and Steven Swartzley received the life award.

Other awards included star award, Joe LeFaive, first class, John Moir, senior patrol leader, Tim O'Mara, assistant senior patrol leader, Bill Edwards, patrol leaders, Jim Moir, Larry Humphreys, and John Moir; and assistant patrol leaders, Terry Phillips and Bob Bennett.

Perfect attendance awards were presented to Bill Edwards, Tom LeFaive, Steven Swartzley, two bars; Gary Dawson, Tim O'Mara, Jim and John Moir, one bar; Bill Edwards, Tim O'Mara, Steven Swartzley, two stars; and Gary Dawson, Jim Moir, Don Kingla, Bob Bennett and Tom LeFaive, one star.

All members of Troop 8 were presented 25-year pins for being a troop which has been registered for that period of time. The tenderfoot investiture was given to Jim Cotton, Ward Conger and Him Brinson.

**New Office Manager Named in Medford**  
Gerald (Jerry) Neidergall, 1331 Vawter rd., Medford, has been named manager of the American Finance corporation office in Medford.

He came here from Santa Rosa, Calif., where he was assistant office manager. Neidergall has been with the corporation about two years.

## Suit Challenges Jury Indictment

Portland—UPI—Walter Evans Jr., attorney for James B. Elkins, has filed proceedings in the Oregon Supreme Court challenging the Multnomah county grand jury indictment of Elkins and six co-defendants.

The seven are accused of conspiracy to commit the felony of safe burglary. Evans filed a motion in circuit court here Friday seeking to quash indictments. The motion will be argued Monday.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In these pieces from down in the Sacramento valley—gleamed in the course of a hasty trip to San Francisco—I've been talking about CHANGE. The change in Redding is from a one-time roaring gold camp, living by supplying the miners from the surrounding area, to the beginnings of a modern industrial city, with growing payrolls arising out of the processing of the adjacent forests.

The changes in Red Bluff are from the quiet, peaceful everybody-knows everybody, at times sleepy capital of a century and a half old cattle empire to the budding status of a modern half agricultural, half industrial community. The changes in Corning is from a few olive groves to a lot of olive groves. And so on.

It is all a part of the cycle of growth and change that is taking place from the Mexican border to Canada. The statisticians tell us the 11 Western states are growing twice as fast as the rest of the nation, and the three Far West states are growing twice as fast as the remainder of the West.

THIS process of growth is creeping steadily northward—as it has been doing ever since the dusty Pueblo of Los Angeles began to grow into a metropolis that bids fair to become America's largest. Already it is Gargantuan.

As standing room gets scarce south of Tehachapi, people move on northward to the San Francisco Bay area. As the Bay area becomes crowded, people step over the edges of the congestion into the open spaces to the north. Southern Oregon and far northern California are in the line of march.

BUT enough of the big changes. Let's talk about some of the smaller ones.

Down below Corning, there was for many years a snake pit. It was located at the side of the road in a little draw between rolling hills. Signs stretched in both directions from it. The signs were dillies. They made your hair stand on end. For years this snake pit sat there by the highway and ladled out horror in big helpings. Always there was a cluster of cars around it.

Then—Suddenly—Its proprietors tired of the

snake pit business. Maybe it got on their nerves. Possibly they took to dreaming dreams of awakening in the middle of the night with the doors of the reptile cages all wide open and the bed full of scaly, slithery monsters.

Anyway, they closed out their stock of snakes and opened up, of all things, an ANTIQUE SHOP!

FOR several years life was peaceful in that neighborhood. You could drive along the highway without having your hair rise up and push your hat right off your head. It was wonderful.

But—It couldn't last.

THERE came the day when, on the gentle rise just to the south of the old snakepit now turned antique shop, there arose ANOTHER snake pit.

And, not long after that, another one set up shop. The final step was a horror shop entitled Hell's Angels, guaranteed by the signs to send you out shivering like a bowl of jelly and gibbering like a sheeted ghost or your money cheerfully refunded.

AH, ME. These horror shops and horror shows. Isn't there horror enough that comes for nothing without setting up horrors that have to be paid for?

About the only explanation that occurs to me is that provided by the old colored boy who had the weird habit of butting his head against a wall until his wits were clattered and then leaning back against the wall with a beatific smile on his wrinkled face.

Asked how come, he answered: "It feels so good when you quit, boss!"

### Court Records

**MUNICIPAL COURT**  
Levi Anson Lewis, transient, drunk in public, \$25.  
Harry Hurb, Camp White, drunk in public, \$10.  
Andrew Dooney, Camp White, drunk in public, \$20.

### FAMILY AFFAIR

Westerly, R. —(UPI)—After a car driven by police officer Peter Comforti of Westerly collided with one driven by police officer Floyd Culhane of Bethel, Conn., the off-duty policemen did the most logical thing. They called another cop to investigate.

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### Drivers Licenses Suspended Listed

Salem—The department of motor vehicles has released names of 254 drivers whose licenses were ordered suspended during the period beginning Nov. 3 and ending Nov. 7.

Length of suspension varies, depending on charges involved, recommendation of court, discretionary action by the department or requirement of Oregon law. The department said some of the licenses involving financial responsibility and court recommendations may have been re-instated after suspension was ordered.

The department warned drivers that the penalty for driving while suspended is a jail sentence of no less than two days and up to six months, and there may be imposed a fine up to \$500. Under licensing procedures, this will also result in an additional year of suspension.

Those suspended in Jackson county were:

**Financial Responsibility — (Failure to show proof of financial responsibility)**  
Gartin, Frances Virginia, 2792 Buckshot rd., Medford.  
Gartin, Harold Richard, 38, of 2792 Buckshot rd., Medford.  
Magruder, Robert Malcolm, 19, of 312 Granite st., Ashland.  
Simpson, Donald Jason, 36, of 8554 Downing rd., Central Point.

### Medford Man Gets Suspended Sentence

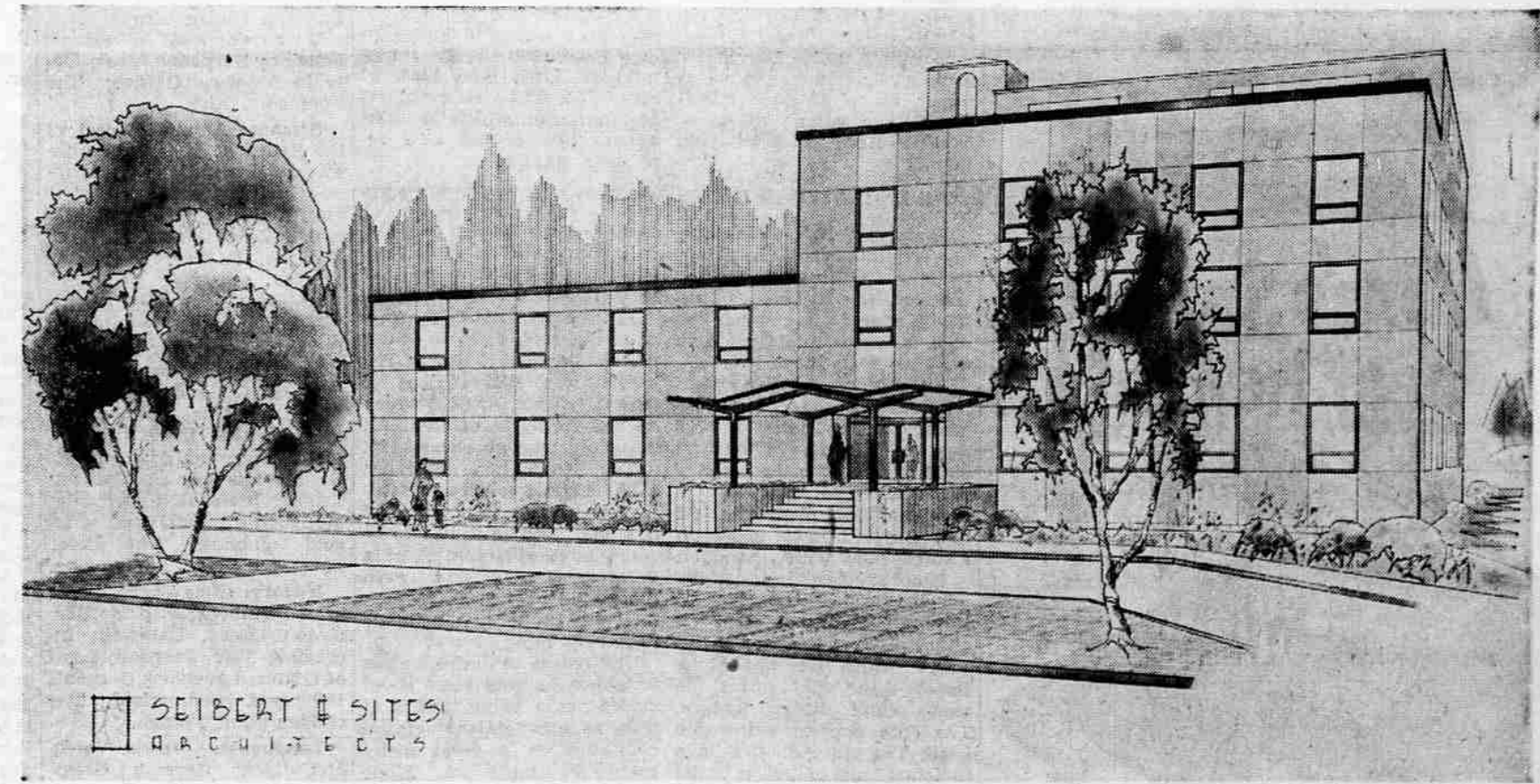
Theodore Roosevelt Wheat, route 4, box 308, Medford, was given a six months suspended sentence to the county jail Thursday on charges of indecent exposure. He pleaded guilty to the charges.

Richard Earl Smith, Phoenix, John Arnold Simmons, Camp White, and Johnson Creard Sells, Eugene, all pleaded guilty in district court to charges of petty larceny.

Smith was sentenced to one year, Simmons to six months, and Sells to six months, all in the county jail. All were charged with taking \$75 from Charles M. Turner on Nov. 3. Sells has been released by district court order.

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