

**WOMAN DRIVER**  
Putnam, Conn. —UP— When mechanic Hector Cote pointed out to a woman motorist that the reason her car wasn't working properly was because the choke was pulled all the way out, she replied, "Oh, I thought that was to hang my pocketbook on."

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**News About Books From the Library**

Of 357 volumes added to the Jackson County library during the past month, 146 were for junior readers, 211 for adults. Gifts of 42 volumes were received, the donors including F. W. Barnhart of Trail and H. M. Freeman of Medford.

Following is a list of the 132 new titles added to the adult shelves of the library for the use of all residents of the Jackson County library district:

**Business:** Management and Organization, Allen; Credit Management Handbook, Credit Research Foundation; Construction Financing for Home Builders, MacGiehan; Profitable Farm Management, Hamilton.

**House and garden:** Wood-frame House Construction, Anderson; Old Rooms for New Living, Chamberlain; Flowers of the World, Lemmon.

**Travel and Adventure:** Sail Ho! Bisset; All About Portugal, Long; The Americans, Boorstin; Homespun America, Brockway; Arizona Highway Color Album, Carlson.

**History and Biography:** Double Exposure, Venderbilt; The Jack Dempsey Story, Schoor; Journey to the Beginning, Snow; The March of Archaeology, Marek; The Great Declaration, Comma; The Conquest of Our Western Empire, Laut; The Territorial Papers of the U.S., Carter.

**Religion:** Prayer that Prevails, Jordan; A Prayer for Every Day, Sandlin; The Great Religious Leaders, Potter.

**Science and Technology:** Earth's Shifting Crust, Haggood; In the Beginning, Pilkington; A Field Guide to Reptiles and Amphibians, Comant; Popular Mechanics Chevrolet Manual for Owners, Packer; Elements of Psychology, Kreech.

**Health:** Heart Attack, Prinzmetal; The Neuroses and Their Treatment, Podolsky; The Cerebral-Palsied Child, Phelps; The Better Half of Your Life, Lerrigo; So You Want to be Psychoanalyzed, Freeman.

**Home making:** Ceramics and How to Decorate Them, Priolo; Sewing the Easy Way, Johnson; The Complete

Christmas Book, Watts; The Family in American Culture, Truxal.

**Fine Arts:** Jewels and the Woman, Ostler; Gold Coins of the World, Friedberg; Photography, Clerc; Beginner's Book of Dance and Ballet, Franks.

**Social subjects:** Brave New World Revisited, Huxley; To Plow with Hope, Faris; Community in Disaster, Form; The Coast Guard, Paxton.

**Other non-fiction:** The Personality of the Cat, Aymar; Yearbook of the United Nations; Never Underestimate the Power of a Woman! McGinley; The Bathtub Hoax and Other Blasts and Bravos, Mencken.

**Historical Romance:** The Golden Eagle, Jennings; The Winter Serpent, Davis; Jacob, Cabries.

**Other fiction:** Madman's Memory, Verel; A Medea, Barclay.

**Warning Issued For Blight Trees**

A warning to remove blight from infected trees and shrubs in the valley was issued today by Clifford B. Cordy, county horticultural agent. This is the area's worst blight year in 20 years.

Cordy stated that branches with dead leaves still clinging are "an almost infallible sign" of pear blight. The easily transmitted disease affects numerous trees and shrubs. One orchardist removed 15 acres of pear trees to fight the blight, he said.

The only way to remove the infection is to remove the affected area well below the discolored bark.

If property owners don't remove the blight, Cordy said, it will get worse in their own trees and shrubs, as well as hazard other orchards and gardens. Blight is transmitted by insects, especially during the bloom period, so preventive steps should be taken now, Cordy declared.

There are now approximately 4,000 car washes in the U.S. In 1945, there were only about 50 of them.

**Robert Fulton Painting May Be Valuable Item**

Though no one is likely to find an original working model of one of Robert Fulton's many inventions, it is quite likely that people will find more of his paintings and drawings.

Whoever does will really have something of value, for the fabulous inventor of the steamboat was primarily a painter. Despite his having invented an argon while working when a teen ager in an arms plant during the Revolution, he decided to switch to art. It was a smart move. By the time he was 21, he had made so much money painting Philadelphians that he was able to buy his widowed mother an 84-acre farm, plus several lots as dowries for his three sisters.

When he was 22, right after Ben Franklin sat for him, he went to London to complete his training as a painter. The English went nuts about him. Two years later he was admitted to the Royal Academy, and from then on he was swamped by commissions.

Fulton however was a restless fellow who apparently could paint with one hand while he invented with the other. After helping Watt build one of his steam engines

and having invented a machine for sawing marble, he decided to go to France. While there he built a submarine that operated successfully in the Seine and painted a picture in a specially constructed building, making a small fortune by charging admission to see it.

But France soon palled on him. He couldn't interest Napoleon in an automatic torpedo he had invented, so he returned to England and sold an option on it to the British for a sum that made him independent.

A few years later, he returned to the United States and settled down to the task of inventing the steamboat and operating those he built. Because of that remarkable contribution to progress, his art was largely forgotten, and almost immediately. His artistic output, however, was tremendous, and much of it is undoubtedly still undiscovered.

So, if you come across a drawing, crayon, water color or oil marked R. Fulton, Pinxt—that last stands for painted—there's a distinct possibility you have come across a real treasure.

**VALUES OF GLASS TOOTHPICK MATCH HOLDERS HIGH**

If the manufactures of glass toothpicks—or match-holders of the 1870s and 1880s could see what is happening to their products today, they would undoubtedly be shocked at both their use and their price.

In those days cigarettes were a sign of effeminacy in a man and forbidden to women. It was the time of the spittoon, the heyday of the pipe and cigar, but today the main use of the match-or-toothpick holder is to hold cigarettes.

As for the prices—well, a friend of mine, highly out of favor with his wife, didn't bat an eye the other day when he saw the price tag on one of them.

"That's for me," he said whipping out his billfold. At first, I thought his attitude was due to a certain sardonic appreciation of his position. The toothpick-holder was a glass doghouse, done in a smoggy color. It was about five inches long and maybe four inches high at the roof-

line. From one end protruded the head of a sad-looking bulldog. The top could be lifted off to get at the contents.

"This will mollify her somewhat," he said, handing over \$30 plus tax. "She has one in clear glass, but she's always wanted one in either blue or amethyst. . . . If I could only get a blue one, too."

I thought she was a collector, but she wasn't in the usual sense. She merely realized that among the vast quantities of novelties turned out by American glassmakers during the Victorian period there was a substantial number that were either attractively quaint or beautiful and which could be put to a good use today. She also knew enough of their values to know that the firm whose name was on the box in which it came had probably not marked up its value more than 20 cent above the price at which it would sell in many shops.

**GUANACASTE OVERPRINT ON STAMP GIVES IT VALUE**

If you ever come across a stamp with the word GUANACASTE printed across it, you may have found a fairly valuable item. In any case it will be one that is linked to one of the most romantic parts of Central America.

Guanaacaste is a northwestern province of Costa Rica, bordering on Lake Nicaragua which is inhabited by man-eating, fresh water sharks. It is a rich area which William Walker, an American filibuster financed by San Francisco pioneers, tried to conquer only to be totally defeated 101 years ago.

The Guanaacastians were an independent lot who deeply resented Walker's effort to enslave them. They saw no percentage in the Guanaacastian stamp is a case in point.

Back in the 1880s, Nicaragua thought it could persuade the Guanaacastians to become Nicaraguans. Though the Guanaacastians were intensely

patriotic, they saw a chance to get greater concessions from their central government. They let it be known they were tempted, and sure enough, the concessions began to roll in.

Among those they grabbed was an offer of Costa Rican stamps at wholesale rates—an almost unheard of proposal before or since. They took it, and soon the central government began delivering stamps carefully overprinted GUANACASTE.

The overprint may be either vertical or horizontal and in black or some other color. One of the more valuable of them is a two-centavo, carmine-colored Costa Rican issue bearing the portrait of General Prospero Fernandez. There are three types of overprints on this item and all of them are black and vertical. The most valuable is worth around \$70. (Released by McClure Newspaper Syndicate)

**Diary of a Bird Watcher**



Friday, Dec. 19.

Late this afternoon my young son and I drove by the new Wilson school to see what it looks like. I noticed a flock of starlings maneuvering around in the air, but they passed out of sight before I got any clue about where they are roosting now. If I had the time I am sure I could find this out, but these are busy days.

Sunday, Dec. 20

Today I finished off another week's list of birds noted on the home place with 26 on it. We still see cedar waxwings and bluebirds sometimes. No doubt they feed on mistletoe berries in nearby oaks, and in good weather catch some insects. I saw both ruby-crowned and golden-crowned kinglets this week. This has been a good year for golden-crowned kinglets; some years we have had a hard time seeing any. Lately, a Lewis' woodpecker has been coming to the home place frequently, apparently picking up acorns. It is larger than the commoner acorn woodpecker and flies with a crow-like flight, different from other woodpeckers.

Monday, Dec. 22

In spite of the Christmas rush J. H. and I decided to go out birding this morning to relax our minds and do a little more surveying of possible good territories to cover on our Christmas count. Once more, we visited a couple of new ponds (new to us, that is) which we had discovered on a map. We found three birds that gave us special pleasure: a golden eagle, a prairie falcon and some whistling swans. I will be happy if we can see these three species on our Christmas count. They are fine birds, strong in flight, and the swans most graceful on the water.

Over on the north side of the Rogue we found impressive numbers of birds in flocks. There were some immense flocks of goldfinches feeding on star thistle and other weed seeds. We saw one flock that included easily 150 mourning doves.

Coming back toward home via Gregory rd. we went by Charlie Hoover's place and stopped to ask him for passes to visit his lakes. He talked to us most enthusiastically about plans for establishing more lakes for recreational purposes and also planting trees and grasses. We were glad to see his interest in wild life.

Tuesday, Dec. 23

This morning three starlings landed in our birch tree. This is the first time we have had them on our place this season. I stared at them and they moved along. I am not interested in trying to feed them in numbers, even though they may not be actually bad birds. I have enough trouble with jays and house sparrows eating up my food and monopolizing the feeders. Speaking of staring at birds, that is what I do to the jays when they land on the window sill where I put a little special food in the mornings. They get pretty bold when they are hungry, though, and sometimes I have to raise a hand as well as stare to get them to move along.

Thursday, Dec. 25.

This was a beautiful Christmas morning. The sky was mostly clear when I got up at 6:30 and the full moon was going down behind a few clouds in the west. When we opened packages after breakfast there was a long one that interested me especially. It turned out to be what I had hardly dared to hope for, a small 30 power telescope. I have long wanted one to make it possible to see birds farther away than I can with my binoculars. I have wanted it the most at the coast where so many birds stay just too far off shore to be seen clearly, but I know I can get a lot of use out of it here in our valley, too, for seeing ducks that are so shy they fly before you get close enough to identify them or hawks that perch on a distant tree. The telescope was sent by my son and his wife that are in Japan.

I was like a child with a new toy. I wanted to go right out and try it. I intended to go to Hoover lakes. There I could use my new pass and new telescope both. But I discovered the fog was pretty thick in the lower valley so I decided to go part way up on Roxy Ann. I found I could use the telescope quite handily by letting it rest on the car window. I could identify birds two or three times as far away as I could with my binoculars. I didn't happen to see any rare ones this morning, but some day I will. While up on Roxy Ann I met my friend, J. H., and his daughters, who had been higher up on the hill. I was able to share with them my joy in the new gift. — T. M.

**CLEARANCE SALE**

New York —UP— The Metropolitan Museum of Art held a clearance sale this summer and did a thriving business in such articles as neolithic flints, scarabs, jars found in tombs and fragments of stone and pottery. The purchasers were adults and children who visited the Museum during its second annual sale of surplus materials that other museums in the country did not want. The sales have netted the museum about \$230,000, with which it bought a painting, an Egyptian cat sculpture and a

couple of other important objects.

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**ANSWER: THE DAILY NEWSPAPER.** In a recent study of teens made by Eugene Gilbert & Co., the daily newspaper was shown to be a big influence on their living and spending habits. When asked which medium they considered the most practical, 54% said it was the daily newspaper, while only 17% named TV. To advertisers who want to get their share of the \$9 billion teen market, we say, "Tell it to the teens in the daily newspaper!"

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Only one-fifth of the land area of Massachusetts is devoted to farming and three-quarters of this is used to grow hay. Salem—UP—Gov. Robert D. Holmes has appointed Fern E. Emerson, Albany, to the State Chewings and Creeping Red Rescue commission.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR, 1959**

Rich in the promise of new discoveries and new progress is the New Year now dawning. May it generously fulfill your expectations with a full measure of success, happiness and good health.

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