

More Fun Than Crosswords

Sunday Supplements Provide West With Entertainment for Rainy Day

By DICK WEST
Washington — (UPI) — Just about my favorite form of entertainment is provided by a question-and-answer column in one of the Sunday supplements...

Your Money's Worth

By SYLVIA PORTER
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'REPLACEMENT DEMAND' NOW RISING
'We need a new stove,' stated Louise, our no-nonsense housekeeper...

These two conversations, by coincidence on the same day, pointed home to me the enormously important but still generally overlooked fact that we are entering (or already have entered) a new cycle of rising replacement demand for durable goods.

This replacement demand will range from autos and appliances to business equipment and houses. It will be a factor which could give our entire economy a strong upward push in the years ahead.

Buying to replace big-ticket items we bought in the early-middle 1950s and which are now wearing out will help raise the 'floor' under the demand for durable goods...

Scrapage of automobiles sold during the boom mid-1950s is up sharply this year and will continue to increase. Junking cars in 1963 is estimated at an all-time record of 5.5 million compared with 4.4 million in 1962 and only slightly over 3 million a year early in the past decade.

Scrapage of appliances also is climbing steadily, and as one appliance manufacturer put it, 'All we need will be one hot week in July and the number of refrigerators going to the junk pile will skyrocket.'

Scrapage of obsolete business equipment is accelerating, but even so a new 'American Machinist' survey reveals that 84 per cent of all machine tools today are average (more than 10 years old) against 60 per cent five years ago.

The scrapage pattern in automobiles is of major significance to the American economy. To be specific: It was in 1953 — 10 years ago — that the years of big auto sales began.

At the 9-10 year age classification, scrapage of autos becomes heavy — which means we are into the peak scrapage years. Heavy junking, of course, increases the demand for new and used cars.

Actually, the evidence is that at six years, cars are junked in rising volume. The average age of cars on the roads today is six years against 5 1/2 years in 1957. It's estimated that 23 per cent of 1955's cars already have been junked.

Replacement demand is only one factor in the sales outlook for durable goods, obviously. It is a highly important factor, though, which has been operating against the economy rather than for it in recent years.

for by the late 1950s we had loaded ourselves with new durable goods. Beginning back in 1955, the rate of rise in our spending for durable goods fell sharply and helped slow our whole economy's growth.

But now the stove we bought in 1956 needs replacing, says Louise — and to paraphrase the popular song, what Louise wants, Louise gets. Now what is happening in our household surely is happening in households across the land.

A provocative variety of forces are emerging and converging to bolster future business in our country. When Congress eases our tax burden and gives us new incentives to create, construct and spend, we at last could get back into a period of great, sustained growth.

Louise Schneider wanted to know that, I dare say that most American girls aren't even aware that the late Italian dictator had a piano-playing son.

Is Louise a friend of his? A relative? This could have the ingredients of a good human interest story.

On the other hand, it could be that Louise Schneider does not really exist and that the question actually was sent in by Romano's booking agent.

The poor guy may have lost track of where Romano was supposed to appear and was too embarrassed to inquire under his own name.

At any rate, this is the way that I entertain myself. I read the questions printed in the column and then I invent situations to fit them.

It makes a fine pastime for a rainy day and in my opinion is more fun than working the crossword puzzle.

Following are some of the questions that have been submitted recently along with my conception, in parentheses, of who might have written them:

Q I would like to know the name of the 17-year-old Belgian girl Stewart Granger is now going with (Stewart Granger).

Q Is Rosemary Clooney reconciled with Jose Ferrer? (Jose Ferrer).

Q I understand Eddie Fisher is writing a book. What will it be about? (Richard Burton).

Q Does McGeorge Bundy have the same relationship to President Kennedy as Sherman Adams had to President Eisenhower? (President Kennedy).

They'll Do It Every Time

WHEN SOAPWORT HIRED A LAWYER TO CONTEST HIS LATE UNCLE'S WILL, "MONEY WAS OF THE LEAST IMPORTANCE"
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By Jimmy Hatlo

SOAPWORT GOT A GOOD SETTLEMENT... BUT-AHEM...ABOUT A LAWYER'S FEE... HOW IMPORTANT IS MONEY NOW?
MY BILL? OH, I DON'T KNOW... I GUESS ABOUT A HUNDRED...
WHA-AT? A HUNDRED? DO YOU MEAN A HUNDRED DOLLARS? DO YOU THINK I'M MADE OF MONEY? THIS IS POSITIVELY OUTRAGEOUS!!

1963 May Be Known as 'Year of Noise' As Buzz Sounds Bother Legislators

By ZAN STARK
Salem — (UPI) — It may be that 1963 will be known as "the year of the noise."
"The noise" may plague constitutional attorneys and legislative analysts for decades.

"The Noise" is the conversation — muffled, siren-sounding, ear-piercing symphony of gasoline-powered chain saws at work dismantling trees down by the 1962 Columbus Day storm.

Work of clearing the park surrounding the Capital Building still is under way. It seemed to start in earnest shortly after the 52nd legislature convened.

The racket has been faithfully recorded during testimony before virtually every Senate and House committee.

It seems to reach a crescendo during discussion of major parts of key legislation. The proceedings of almost every legislative activity are being recorded on tape this session.

The taped recordings will be catalogued and placed with the legislative archives for future generations.

Not only the words, but the tone in which they were spoken, will help jurists

Grange News

Shady Cove Grange
Shady Cove Grange was host for visitation night for members of Jackson county Granges recently.

Two hundred forty-two Grangers were present, including the following Grange Masters: Melvin Lattie, Jackson County Pomona; State Overseer Roscoe Roberts; Ernest Radnoske, Sams Valley; Lisle Van Hoy, Live Oak; Francis Moffatt, Roxy Ann; Sterling Fryreer, Ashland; Lloyd Whiteside, Phoenix; Theodore Fredenburg, Butte Falls; James Cornutt, Central Point; Cliff Moore, Eagle Point; Roy Vaughn, Uppelogue, and John Minor, Shady Cove.

Roberts obligated David Bliss in the first and second degree.

Master John Minor called for committee reports. The following chairmen reported: Betty Dusenberry, HEC; Jenny Lindem, agriculture; Marguerite Pote, legislative; Paul Robinson, educational; and Cecil Kee, insurance. Ed Houston reported on progress of the Rogue Basin Project.

Lecturer Phyllis Calloway presented a program which opened with community singing followed by a reading by Marguerite Pote. A comedy skit on income tax was presented. The cast included Cecil Kee, Della Littlefield, Dick and Sandy Schauble, and Neil and Edna Dusenberry. Cecelia Kee entertained with a tap jazz dance. Richard Calloway closed the program with a solo accompanied by Madeleine Wells.

Sams Valley Grange
The traveling agate will be taken to Sams Valley Grange by Shady Cove Grange Saturday, May 11. The business meeting is set for 8 p.m.

Mrs. Bessie Davis, HEC chairman, has asked all Sams Valley Grange women to take a full loaf of sandwich bread that has been made in 12 sandwiches to serve during refreshment hour.

Plans will be discussed for the annual picnic for Grangers and friends. It is set for Sunday, May 19, at 12:30 p.m. at Valley of the Rogue State park.

Scout News

Pack 5
Badges and pins were awarded members of Cub Scout Pack 5 at a recent meeting in Jefferson school gymnasium, also attended by families of members. The cubmaster, Wayne Bennett, presided.

Presentation of colors was conducted by Den 2, Akela's council found a new boy seeking admission into Cub Scouts. Michael Lortie was presented his bobcat pin.

A skit entitled, "Saga of the Great Southwest," was presented by cubs of Den 2. The badges and pins were awarded by Jack Pope.

Bob Wilson was presented a wolf badge with gold and silver arrows; David Farmer, David Price, Jim Whalen and Jerry Wagar, wolf silver arrow; Jerry Wagar, bear badge; Douglas Wilcy, denner; Stephen Phillips, assistant denner; Jerry Crippen, David Farmer and Stephen Phillips, one-year pins.

Cub Scout graduation certificates, along with Webelo badges, were awarded to Kent Duysen, Steve Crippen, Robert Farmer, Greg Gleave, Dick Williamson and Scott McConnell.

Mr. Bennett announced tentative plans for a skating party to be held as the May pack meeting.

Mt. Angel College Sets Special Course

Mt. Angel — A special summer program in College Preparatory English will again be offered at Mt. Angel college for high school juniors and graduates.

The program is designed especially for the college-bound student who needs concentrated work in the field of English composition. Dates of the course offering are from June 23 to July 19.

Students interested in enrolling in the four-week program may write to: College Preparatory English Program, Mt. Angel college, Mt. Angel, Ore. Additional information may be obtained upon request.

Top ticket seller was Kenny Renfro with a total of 127. He was awarded a camper's pack sack and compass.

The Illinois Valley Pack 20 sold 323 tickets. The picnic planned for May 26 was discussed.

Recently Troop 70 Boy Scouts held a meeting at the Episcopal church with Chris Basham conducting the program. Colors were presented by Danny Starks, 11 Scouts were present at roll call. A hike to Lake Selmac was discussed and patrols organized.

Central Point Girl Chosen for Board

Corvallis — Alice Thompson of Central Point has been chosen for membership at Oregon State university in Mortar Board, campus organization for senior women who have distinguished themselves by high scholarship and leadership.

Twenty junior coeds, who will be seniors next fall, were chosen as new members.

Miss Thompson is majoring in the school of science. Her home address is route 1, box 546.

DRAFT CALL ISSUED

Washington — (UPI) — The Army issued a draft call Thursday for 7,000 men in July, 4,000 more than it requested in June. The July request is the third highest monthly figure this year.

Small Worlds Around Us

By LYNN M. WATKINS
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Strange Case of Traveling Wasp Remains a Mystery
She was about as angry as a wasp could be.

Her wrath was justified, for she was subjected to several indignities. Her life's work was interrupted, and she was called upon to perform a feat few of her kind ever attempted.

She was minding her own business, putting the finishing touches to a mud cell under the over-hang of a garage roof. She had been carrying mud and plastering away at the job for three weeks. Now it was entirely built-all finished except closing the opening she had left in one end.

Was Ready
At last the mud capsule was ready for placement of a dozen or more spiders which she would sting into unconsciousness and pack into the cell. Then, on the last spider she would lay an egg, seal the opening with a mud door, and rest for a few days before starting another mud cell in which to lay other eggs.

It seemed she was ready to start the hunt for spiders when we caught her. Holding the very angry and violently struggling wasp with tweezers, we rubbed a bright yellow dab of quick-drying lacquer on her left rear leg. We placed her in an empty safety match box.

To her, inside the closed box, it must have seemed like night after a terribly short day had overtaken her. Too bad, for she still had such a great deal of work to accomplish.

Quiets Down
In the dark inside of the box, she quieted down. Silence. We held the box to our ear. Not a sound; she was evidently asleep. She must have wondered what all the jiggling and bouncing was about as the car sped over the road, or the reason for bumps and jars when we turned off on a side road. The wasp slept all the way, or had been in a state of thoughtless stupor.

We picked the box from the car seat and carried it to a nearby stump. We slid the cover back.

The wasp blinked in the sudden sunlight. She extended first one wing then the other. One by one she stretched each one of her six legs. With a little spring she came out of the box and into the air.

We watched her as she flew in an ever-widening circle, then she disappeared in the heat waves that were ascending from the parched roadside.

Watched Mud Capsule
We turned the car toward home. On the way we found two cars that tried to "occupy" the same place at the same time," completely blocking the road. It was over an hour before we could proceed. We wondered if Mrs. Wasp was encountering traffic problems too.

We reached home and watched the empty mud capsule. Suddenly, as if by magic, a wasp with a bright yellow rear leg, alighted on the mud capsule.

Maybe it's not so strange that she wanted to get back. She had put in a great amount of time and work, but how she had found her way back is beyond human understanding. Five miles, to a wasp, is a considerable distance. She

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