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Have Your Cake and . . .

By DEB ADDISON
All right! You folks who are figuring on retiring on social security benefits augmented with a little insurance of the private type and, maybe, a little rent money . . . go to it. You can have that income, in any amount, and still draw on social security benefits.

It was stated here the other day (and rather frivolously, perhaps) that you either had to die or else have no income amounting to as much as \$15 a month in order to qualify for social security payments on retirement after age 65.

You can have any amount of income from any source—other than from employment covered by social security—and still qualify.

A printer, for instance, could save his money, buy a chicken ranch at age 65, and have income from the chickens, from social security, and from his printer's union retirement insurance. (Not that any of these here now printers are smart enough to raise chickens. This is purely a hypothetical case.)

But he'd have to stick to his chickens. If he worked a shift to help out on a rush day he'd make more than \$15, from employment covered by social security, and social security payments would fly away from the little chicken ranch.

THERE is plenty of competition for Governor Douglas McKay's time while he visits Klamath this week-end. The Klamath Falls Rotary club signed him up for a talk to that group months ago, timing it to coincide with the Klamath Basin Potato Festival, an event he wanted to take in. The Merrill folks wanted him for the full Festival, naturally, including crowning the queen at the banquet Friday night.

Rotary offered to make it a noon meeting Friday instead of evening (same hour as the Festival banquet) but the governor couldn't make it here by noon. Also there was OTI to inspect. It finally boiled down to this tight schedule: OTI inspection upon arrival Friday afternoon, talk to Rotarians Friday night, Potato Festival Saturday until three o'clock, then take off for dedication of Dorena dam in Lane county.

Hope he didn't want to open the duck season Friday noon.

GETTING back to Merrill, we have it from Bill Jinnette that construction of the new Presbyterian church, which was burned out last winter, is well under way. The church had a building fund and so went right to work. The only catch is that the fund isn't enough to complete the job, so Building Committee men Dwight Eagle, Leland Pope, Luther Haskins, Myron Haskins and Melvin Bowman have a job on their hands.

Have you ever driven through a small town and had one of the passengers remark that it would be a fate worse than death to have to live here? And then had someone take it up that it would be pretty nice, though, to live in a small town like Merrill? It's happened in my hearing more than once. The southerners have something.

MRS. GEORGE W. O'FIELD and Mrs. Laura Hill are charter members of the Merrill Presbyterian church. . . Mosquitoes are hatching on Lakeshore Drive. This is a sign of a light, short winter. . . Sidewalk superintendents on Andy Collier's 11th and Main building for Western Auto wonder whether the large metal framework gimmick is for a Mae West sprinker or for solar heat. . . The phenomenon of a live spring that flooded the press pit and basement of the Herald and News building—

Deft Touch

One-Finger Surgery New Heart Disorder Operation

CHICAGO, Oct. 16 (AP)—Single-fingered surgery with the human heart— with the surgeon using a knife secured to his index finger and working by touch alone—was described today.

The American College of Surgeons was told the new technique still is in trial but so far is encouraging in the fight on a frequent disorder of the heart.

Log-Jamming
It is designed to combat a kind of log-jamming process involving the heart valve most vulnerable to the after-effects of rheumatic fever.

In the operation, the surgeon's finger explores and guides the knife through a single quadrant of the

which was blamed variously on nature, Copco, the K. D. company, the reclamation service and all the neighbors—has been solved. Plumbers are replacing a pipe in the hot water heating system. . . What we meant to say the other day was that we'd let Paul Robeson go to Georgia, USSR, and sing the Third Internationale permanently—after hearing Arthur Lee Simpkins sing The Lord's Prayer. (You can't blame a country boy for being confused in the city.)

These Days

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY
THE United States census bureau gathers data on all subjects; how many people there are; what ages, whether white or black or otherwise; how employed and how housed; married, single or indifferent, and so on. All this information is interesting, often vital, and occasionally amusing. The census bureau is a great organization and its publications are numerous. This article must not be taken as a criticism of that bureau, but rather as a discussion of a phase of American life.

Such a bureau ought not to be sensitive to objections to the gathering of facts on particular subjects. It should not become involved in the horrible rule of political necessity. It should never dodge a fact. Yet it will not ask, in 1950, whether you are affiliated with any religion or with none at all. That question is as valuable as whether you are married or single and how many children have you? Religion is an activity of a great many persons, there being in the United States some 250 varieties. It would be interesting to know how many belong to each, whether they are increasing or decreasing; how many are just born that way or practicing their faiths by conviction. It is not idle curiosity to desire to have this information; it provides a clearer view of the actual pattern of thought in this country.

APPARENTLY, the census bureau has avoided this subject as a matter of fact, although it has, on occasion, conducted special censuses of religious bodies, which may or may not be of value because the religious bodies have different yardsticks and thereby produce different results, some of which may not be accurate but rather appraisals or guesses. Also many of them are optimistic.

It is interesting to note that prior to the 1940 census, the bureau received many letters on the subject, both pro and con, many objecting to being asked whether he ever had a loathsome disease which he could only have got by a voluntary act, but I cannot begin to grasp the mentality of the person who resents answering an objective question concerning his political or religious affiliations. I suppose some assume that it is an invasion of privacy, but they will answer whether they are married or single which is very private, indeed. Affiliation is a right in this country amply protected by the constitution; it is a right so secure that many wear emblems on their lapels or other devices to indicate affiliations. It seems to be cowardly for a person to belong to something, to partake of its activities, and then to deny it.

Apparently the religious "denominations themselves are not in complete agreement as to the advisability of collecting information on religious affiliation . . ."

THIS is very difficult to understand. Why should these bodies not want us to know the facts? They provide statistics; why not have them checked by an objective body not directly concerned with the necessity of proving popularity or indicating conversions, or even raising funds? It would be of great value, at this moment, for instance, to know how many young people, say ages 21-35, are willing to declare directly, in response to a question, that they believe in God; that they practice that belief by means of a particular creed, canon, and ritual; that they practice it privately in their hearts, or communally through an association.

Certainly such data would provide much food for thought and discussion and could give us the material for an appraisal of the next years of American political orientation. For the truly religious person cannot accept marxian dialectics, no matter what the professors teach him. He will resist a biologic interpretation of man's place in the cosmos. If Marx rules our youth, we ought to know it. If the churches are growing in strength, the American tradition is safe. If the churches are dying off, what is taking their place in the associations of youth? These facts need to be known, but they need to be gathered factually and objectively.

SIDE GLANCES



"I'm dying to date him! He's so mysterious—always wearing a necktie!"

Boyle's Column

Warning: Look Out Below! Boyle Unloads Weighty Mind

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)— Sayings of a sidewalk Socrates: Nature keeps a nice balance. For every woman who rocks a cradle there's another one growing up to rob it.

A fellow who feathers a love nest usually ends up a plucked chicken.

Small mind, big bellyache.

No man really appreciates his father until he has had a son himself.

The common man's greatest solace is being married to an uncommon woman.

Would it really be a better world if flies walked and horses had wings?

A hen-pecked husband can't see matrimony for the acrimony.

Where food is free, liberty isn't.

Sell yourself down the river—and you're bound to end up at sea.

The only thing that holds more frustrated hopes than the average man is the average slot machine.

A cynic is a man who buys a repeating rifle to commit suicide.

A watchdog is the poor man's radar.

Everything depends on how you look at it. The stars that light our night may be — to the angels — only dewdrops on the city dump of heaven.

No matter how dark your future you still have more to look forward to than a used toothpick.

Burning coal is only a forgotten tree remembering the sun.

Don't smile always. Remember, rain gets more attention when it turns into hailstones.

A private who becomes a general never forgets one thing — he does not want to be a private again.

The biggest agrees there are two sides to every question — his side and the wrong side.

A gent with water on the brain is sure to spill his mind.

It's no fun being a go-getter if the only rest you get is on a psychiatrist's couch.

The biggest mistake men ever made was in abandoning the theory that work is for women and children.

The idealist puts a woman on a pedestal — and the practical man comes right along with a ladder.

liver paste and other whale products along with processing the oil. Learn something every day, don't you?

GOT a brochure in the mail the other day addressed to the "Propaganda Publicity Dept." of this paper. Nothing like coming right out in the open and telling people you're handing out a lot of propaganda. Too worn out after struggling with the address to notice what was inside.

SCIENTIFIC research, according to this news release, proves that if you eat breakfast you are better fitted to carry on with your work, you'll be sharper in your thinking and actions, and will be calmer and steadier while you work. Well enough. Then, however, the scientist ruins the whole rosy picture with an ideal menu: fruit, breakfast cereal, milk, bread and butter. Not only is that the best breakfast (it said) but it furnishes from a quarter to a third of the day's food requirements for most people. All well and good. But didn't science stub its toe along the line somewhere? Where's the coffee, the ham, the eggs, or at least the hot, buttered roll? If you're gonna give up that last half hour's sleep just to eat breakfast, why not get it up for something worth while? Or, better yet, why not get the extra sleep?

STILL on the subject of whales, Norway will have the biggest whaling fleet since the war in action this year. 119 whaling boats and 10 processing ships will participate. Newest addition—the Kosmos V, which will do canning of whale meat.

Icy morning . . . cold hands . . . loaded shotgun . . . INSURE! Hans Norland, 627 Pine St. Phone 6960.

The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

When Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru was asked by a small New York schoolgirl what his country's worst problem is, he replied with hesitation: "Poverty. We must have food for our people."

There in eight plain words Nehru summed up the paramount task he faces as leader of India's three hundred millions. No evasion, no effort to gloss over a situation which men of smaller calibre might have found embarrassing on their first visit to a foreign land. Just a blunt admission of a tragic fact. India's greatest burden is stark hunger.

The same can be said of her sister state of Pakistan with its population of 100,000,000. It is no exaggeration to say that the majority of the people in the vast Indian subcontinent always are hungry. And, of course, the other oriental lands. The Western world does not know the half of the trials of the east.

Hard Life
About 70 per cent of the 400,000,000 people in India and Pakistan are dependent on agriculture, and the average farming family doesn't get enough to eat. The farmers struggle with antiquated methods on land which has been worn out through countless generations of tillage.

I have visited much in Indian villages and found conditions appalling. The homes are little mud huts, which are fearfully dirty and have no sanitation. Probably there isn't even a single "backhouse" of that sturdy type known to the Western world. Cowdung, gathered by the women with their hands, is plastered on the outside walls of the huts to dry for fuel. Human beings and animals live pretty much together. There are few watches or clocks. The members of the family probably go to bed in the dark because their only lights, if any, are open dishes with oil and wick, such as used for thousands of years.

Death, Kind
Amidst all this awful squalor, death and birth do their rounds—and the one who dies is lucky.

Doctors? They are mostly sadhus, or spirit doctors, who work their "cures" through incantations and other weird practices. Whether you live or whether you die is a matter of luck.

And these poor people always are hungry. You can see it in their faces and starved bodies. Hosts of them have only one meal a day and that consists of gruel made from a little grain.

Naturally conditions in the towns and cities are better, though there is much poverty and consequent under-nourishment among them.

Solution
As Nehru says, this poverty is his greatest problem. Just as it is the greatest problem of India's sister state of Pakistan. Its solution is the foundation on which he must build the new and independent India.

What are his chances of success in this great undertaking? As the signs read he will go far. I have spent a good deal of time traveling about the peninsula during the past 33 years, and India is on the move. She has made tremendous strides this last generation.

VALLEY FORGE 'SUNK'
ABOARD USS ELDORADO, Oct. 16 (AP)—An "enemy" submarine torpedoed and sank the aircraft carrier Valley Forge yesterday in a mock attack on the Miké maneuvers invasion force.

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By DAVE UNDERHILL
Today's mystery menu offers the Cisco Kid on J1 at 7:30 p.m. Cisco and Pancho find themselves in a patch of trouble and are accused of murder when a dead man's will comes to light.

For the answer to this perplexing problem listen to the "Cisco Kid" tonight and hear the adventure of "The Seven Devils."

Right off hand, I'll bet you couldn't guess what is the longest non-scientific word in the English language.

According to the "Answer Man" who appears every night on most MDL stations the word is "antitribism."

Take it in small bites and you won't get choked up on the syllables.

More news comes through on the appearance of Lawrence Weik at the auditorium this coming Friday night.

Besides being unique in featuring an accordion with his outfit, Weik is one of the few leaders in the business who highlights an electric organ and a celeste.

To those of you who are not familiar with a celeste—I had to look it up myself—it is an instrument with five octaves which gets its tones from steel plates struck by hammers.

I would say that it is a small member of the organ family.

Another interesting thing about Friday night's engagement, there will be a forty-five minute floor show.

Baldy didn't inform me of what this would consist. But I imagine that Weik will feature his two vocalists and his whistler.

The sweet singer in the "Champane Music" group is Bob Cromer. He is described as a tall good looking chap, who really wows the ladies.

Bob also does a dual roll as a slap bass player in the band.

There is also a scat-singer in the outfit named Dick Hill who hails from Houston, Texas.

Although Dick originally started with Weik as a trumpet player his vocal talent was soon discovered and he now handles the scat and novelty songs, keeping everyone highly entertained.

He resembles Mickey Rooney in appearance and personality and has a secret ambition of one day getting in the movies.

In his spare time, Dick works on new routines and collects records for his library.

A whistling act always proves popular, and such is the case when Roy Wolrdum trills a tune.

Roy started with the Weik band as a truck driver, and occasionally got to whistle up a tune for the public.

Finally he became so much in demand by Weik fans that Roy was established as a permanent member on the bandstand.

All told, it looks like Baldy Evans is presenting a stellar group in Lawrence Weik and his orchestra.

HIGH SCHOOL News and Comments

By Flo Ann Perkins

Officers of the five Girls' League clubs were elected yesterday when every girl met with her designated club. Dance-a-Lot club which sponsors the spring formal every year elected Gloria Vanderhoff, president, Oleta Vinson, vice president and Mary Brown, secretary-treasurer. Tea Toppers who put on the mothers' tea in the spring elected Gwen Hanka for their president, Barbara Swanson for vice president and Pat Leinhan for secretary-treasurer. Earning money for Girls' League activities is the main duty of the S.O.S. club which elected Clarissa Mason president, Jeanie Duinlay, vice president and Joyce Werner, secretary-treasurer. The Big and Little Sister club which sponsors the annual dance for senior girls and their freshmen little sisters elected Kay Johnson president, Kay Craig, vice president and Rosemary Murray secretary-treasurer. Li-Lo the friendship promoting group, named Sandra Moore president, Phyllis George, vice president and Jean Henderson, secretary-treasurer.

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KUHNS students who had Kater subscription receipts or paid 15 cent admission attended the first matinee dance of the year today in the girls' gym. The dance was sponsored for the purpose of earning badly needed money. Mike Shadle's band played for the affair.

Pelican Service club members will be all decked out in new uniforms when they usher at the Longview football game on Modoc field this Friday night. Uniforms will include red sweaters worn with white skirts or pedal pushers for the girls and white pants for the boys. Later the sweaters will have pelican emblems attached.

All second-year Latin students have been given unique little magazines called "Auxilium Latinum." The magazine comes out every two months and includes such features as cross-word puzzles, jokes, editorials and articles. In the first issue received this week, there was a biography of President Truman and Vice President Barkley, proving perhaps that the Latin language is not as dead as it is sometimes supposed. Also through this magazine awards are given for passing certain Latin tests at the end of the second year course.

Chamber to Buy Potato Ducats

It was reported here today that the chamber of commerce inter-city committee is planning to buy a block of 20 tickets for the Klamath Potato Festival banquet to be held in Merrill Friday night.

Chamber Manager Charles Stark said that attendance at the banquet will comprise the majority of the Merrill salute activities.

Logger Suffers Broken Leg

A Malin logger, 61-year-old Lawrence Kirtley, suffered a broken leg yesterday afternoon while working for the Lovens Logging company.

He was taken to Klamath Valley hospital by Kaler's ambulance, after receiving treatment at a physician's office in Malin.

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4:15 Today's Sport Page*	Gabriel Heater MBS	12:30 News, Noon Edition*	News Bands*
4:30 Home Town News*	Klamath Theatre Quiz*	12:35 Musical Roundup*	Bill Henry MBS
4:35 World News Summary*	So The Story Goes*	12:35 Payless Kidwalk Show*	News Headline*
4:40 The Time ABC	Around Town*	12:45 Melody Promenade ABC	Year Dance Tunes*
4:45 Elmer Davis ABC	Weather*	1:00	Market-Livestock*
4:50-5:15-Min. Mystery*	Sports Roundup*	1:15 It's Dancetime*	According to the Record*
5:15 The Lone Ranger ABC	Bill Henry MBS	1:30 Modern Romances ABC	Say It With Music*
5:20 Names the Record*	Behind the Mayor's Desk*	1:35 Concert Master*	News*
5:25 Bedtime Stories*	So The Story Goes*	1:40 Bride & Groom ABC	Against the Storm MBS
5:30 Home in the Country*	Cisco Kid DLB	1:45 Vera Vague ABC	Ricky's Request*
5:35 Boris Karloff ABC	What's Name of Song MBS	1:50 Ladies Be Seated ABC	Living With God*
5:40 The Crozier ABC	Family Theatre MBS	2:00	Organ*
5:45 The Steel Strike ABC	Glen Hardy MBS	2:05	David Ross MBS
5:50 The New ABC	Sammy Kay's Showroom*	2:10	Fulton Lewis Jr. MBS
5:55 Richfield Reporter ABC	Wrestling*	2:15	Frank Hemingway MBS
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