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Billboard

By BILL JENKINS

And still the good weather holds. If you consider it good weather, that is. Down here we've got a bunch of transplanted southerners — Alabama, Georgia, Florida, California — who consider our Indian Summer weather just one step off the winter of the blue snow.

Then on the other hand you've got people like Gary Corad. Gary got back Sunday from a visit in San Francisco and informed us that it was foggy practically all the time and all he wanted to do was get back here and get a gander at the sun.

So there are two sides to it. Your writer will take the safe stand that at least it's better than two feet of snow.

Sam Dawson

NEW YORK, AP—A shortage of skilled workers already showing up in some defense industries. And the government is expected to urge industrial firms to step up training programs.

More than 5000 skilled workers are badly needed in the tool making industry, the national tool and die manufacturers association reports.

A campaign to induce more young men to study engineering—and to induce the government not to draft them while they're studying—is to be pushed by the engineering manpower commission of the engineers joint council. The council says there's a need right now for 80,000 more engineers to man the expanding industrial plant of the nation.

How to end the "alarming shortage of engineers and scientists in the United States" will be tackled by 60 educators at the second Thomas Alva Edison foundation institute for science teachers to be held next week in West Orange, N. J.

A survey of all types and sizes of manufacturing companies by the magazine "Mill & Factory" shows that 30 percent have job openings for graduate engineers which they have not been able to fill.

The defense mobilization administration is reported worried about future serious bottlenecks in vital defense production because of the shortage of professional and scientific personnel. The lack of a few key scientists can slow down defense production even more than a shortage of production workers, Washington reports.

To meet this problem both government and private industry come forth with plans—training for new men, more pay and productivity for old.

Factories and plants should provide training plans both for new workers and for increasing the skill of present workers, the government hopes.

Industry's reply is that some government policies are actually helping to increase the shortage of skilled men.

NEW YORK, AP—

A wounded officer whose one-man battle raged on him the Medal of Honor is now on a one-man campaign to get more blood for troops in Korea.

"It's a personal thing with me," said Capt. Raymond Harvey, who at 31 has been wounded three times in two wars. "I'd be dead except for the 12 pints of blood and plasma I got."

"And I want to pay it back..." Harvey got hit twice and won two Silver Stars for combat heroism as a company commander in the 7th division in Europe during the second world war. He refused to leave his outfit despite his wounds and was the only officer in the division to stay in command of his company through the entire campaign.

He went ashore in Korea as a company commander in the 7th division, and made two amphibious landings.

"Our company was the first to reach the Yalu river a year ago," he recalled proudly.

The captain had been awarded a third Silver Star before the action last March 9 that won him the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest reward for valor.

MEDAL FEAT

Leading a platoon up a ridge, he braved strong automatic fire and personally knocked out four emplacements with hand grenades and his carbine. Of 25 enemy dead in the action, he killed at least 10 before he was shot through the lung.

Harvey refused even then to be evacuated until he was sure his company could complete its attack successfully.

"I took my corporal and four Korean litter bearers nine hours to get me down out of the hills and back to an aid station," he said. "Six hours after that I was in a tent in a mobile surgical hospital being operated on."

The surgeon who operated on Harvey told him later he was surprised he survived. But prompt blood transfusions and the young captain's will to live pulled him through.

"I was in hospitals for four months," Harvey said. "Often I wondered who had given the blood that saved my life. Perhaps, however, it's just as well you never knew. The important thing is that they did give it. And I decided I'd pay back the debt—with my own blood."

During his convalescence Harvey

worked as a technical advisor on 20th Century-Fox's Korean war film, "Fixed Bayonets," and played a small role. He is now assigned to the department of defense blood collection program.

Hospital doctors told him he should wait a year at least before giving any blood himself. But recently, although his back still is draining from his unhealed wound, he insisted on making the first installment on his debt—a pint of his blood.

NO REACTION

"It didn't bother me at all," he said. "And the doctor says I can give a pint now every two months. Here's nothing to it really—no reaction. I gave four pints at different times before the Korean war began."

Harvey said he isn't disillusioned at the slowness of the American people to respond to urgent appeals for more blood.

"Our people never let their soldiers down before," he said. "I don't think they appreciate how desperately the blood is needed. If they could just realize that the blood they give is the chief reason that 98 out of every 100 wounded men in Korea survive, they'd support the program 100 percent."

CONCLAVE AT PASCO

PORTLAND, AP—Next Year's Northwest convention of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen will be held at Pasco, Wash. That was decided at the brotherhood's convention here Saturday.

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JACOBY on Canasta

"Please settle a dispute," requests a Portland, Ore., correspondent. "I was the dealer the other night, and happened to have a red three in my hand. When my first turn came, the player at my right had discarded a black three. Even if I replaced my red three at that time I couldn't possibly decide to let the red three stay in my hand."

"At my next turn, the top discard was a king. I had one king in my hand. In my opinion, this was the time to put down my red three and draw a new card. I might not get the other king that I needed, but at least I had something to shoot for."

"As it happened, I did draw another king. Since I also had the count, I wanted to pick up the discard pile. I put my two kings down, together with the count, and tried to take the pile. You should have heard the fuss my opponents raised."

"To be brief, they wouldn't let me take the pile. They said I had to draw from the stock pile. Is this really the rule, or did I get jobbed?"

The opponents were right. My Portland friend had no right to take the discard pile. His only right was to draw the top card of the stock pile in this situation.

To begin with, he had no right to let the red three stay in his hand. It didn't matter that he couldn't pick up the discard pile that time. He had absolutely no choice. He had a red three in his hand and it was up to him to put it on the table and replace it then and there, not at any later turn.

When he let the three stay in his hand, he was deliberately breaking the rules. Of course he didn't mean any harm, but it's considered very bad form in any card game to break a rule deliberately. Among experienced card players that sort of thing isn't much better than using marked cards. Casual card players don't take it so seriously, of course, but

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Poet's Corner

DARRELL

By Diane Nicodemus

Little and cute, mean as can be,
Freckle-faced angel, middle name Lee.
Hair of brown, eyes of blue,
And our song is 'Because of You.'

Just can't stand to mow that lawn,
I hear is 'Her, look, a blonde,
Never ever will he call,
Guess he just likes to stall.

Glenna is his sister's name,
Canasta is their favorite game.
The editor, the churchman, sometimes the lawyer or businessman
or labor official, a tiny group of courageous lawmakers, these alone speak out.

They have not this far held the fortress against the insistent assault of the misguided patriots. Innocent men are going down before a wave of hearsay, rumor, half-truth, evidence wrenched out of context, vague inference.

Policies and programs of tower-

Says he liked Sharon Styles.

Says he thinks a lot of me,
But this I surely cannot see,
For I think he is a-lyin'
Cause all I hear is Shirley Tyler.

And although it is an awful crime,
I thought I'd jot it down in rhyme,
The story of my Darrell Lee,
Who means the world and all to me.

BIG BUSINESS

NEW YORK, AP—Many liquor stores in New York's better neighborhoods are doing a case-of business as brisk as the usual Christmas rush. During the past few days there has been a mild stampede to beat price boost that goes into effect next Thursday, along with increased internal revenue taxes.

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By NORMAN WALKER

For James Marlow

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This leaves Murray only about four or five cents under the current wage regulations so it is clear that if he is to get anywhere near the 12 or 14 cents pay increase which union sources say will be demanded this time, the government formula will have to be changed.

One way for Murray to get more of what he wants without necessarily breaking the present formula is for him to take benefits in the form of added insurance, pensions or productivity allowances.

Dr. E. P. Jordan

"My mother," writes Mrs. R. E. L., "has just been told that she has Addison's disease. She is being given medicine now, but it isn't satisfactory. She will receive shots. I would appreciate it if you would give some information on this disease."

Addison's disease is fortunately a rather rare disorder. It received its name from a famous English physician, Thomas Addison, who first discovered the condition in 1855, and it has been a subject of great interest and concern to physicians ever since.

The disease arises from small glands lying next to the kidneys called the adrenal or suprarenal glands. These glands have a rather complicated structure. They belong to the glands of internal secretion. They contain several kinds of cells which form hormones which flow into the blood.

A chemically prepared substance called epinephrine or adrenalin has the actions of part of the adrenal gland.

The treatment of this disease, which was formerly almost invariably fatal, has been greatly improved. Complete rest in bed and great interest in and concern to physicians ever since.

Those who have mild cases do well when they are given an excessive amount of ordinary salt—sodium chloride—at the same time that potassium, another chemical, is kept low.

Addison described the characteristic symptoms as anemia, languor, or general weakness, feeble beat of the heart, irritability of the stomach, and a peculiar brownish change in the color of the skin.

General weakness is particularly characteristic and the deep, yellowish-brown color of the skin, which is due to deposits of pigment, is also usual. Most patients lose weight.

Patients with Addison's disease have a low blood pressure and examination of the blood by chemical tests will reveal changes which clinch the diagnosis.

Those who do not respond well to treatment are given another chemical related to the preparation of the adrenal gland. This has the lengthy name of desoxycorticosterone.

Theoretically, extracts from the gland itself should be still more helpful, but because the preparation of such substances is difficult and terribly expensive, they have not been used much. Since the adrenal glands are being studied now as never before, further improvements in treatment are likely.

It's still the wrong thing to do. If you break one rule deliberately, somebody else may break another rule. In a short time the result is complete confusion.

That is the reason for the law. The law itself is quite clear on the point: "If a player makes the correct play, down a red three that he should have put down at an earlier turn before drawing, he must at that turn draw from the stock and may not take the discard pile."

Dedmon Admits Tule Burglary

YREKA, AP—A 15-year-old parolee from the Woodburn, Ore., state training school, Danie Dedmon of Klamath Falls, has confessed the burglary of a Tulelake hardware store.

According to Siskiyou Probation Officer Lester Newton, Dedmon also confessed breaking into two other stores in the area.

Dedmon gave his home address as Stronghold.

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The Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp. has announced a new incentive bonus system under which workers may increase production and receive an average of 15 or 20 per cent more pay.

Murray may try to get some sort of productivity arrangement for the entire steel industry. For

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