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BILL-BOARD

By BILL JENKINS

Heading south on the Alturas road there is one spot that always means a stop. That's Jim Hamilton's Tumber Mountain Inn, just across the highway from Perza.

You can spend countless hours in the place just looking over Jim's collection of antique music boxes. He's made a hobby of gathering in the old relics for years and years. Not only that but he repairs them himself, makes parts when necessary and keeps them in good running order.

The one that particularly fascinates me is the Violano Virtuoso, made by the Mills Novelty Company way back in the late 1800's. Jim put a sign on this one that reads "the man who built this machine spent twenty years perfecting it, and then went to the insane asylum." And after looking at the machine you can see why. It is a big box with a regular violin fixed in the center. The bow is composed of rosined rubber rollers which touch the strings from above. The tremolo is supplied by a vibrator at the end, the tuning is done by means of weights suspended at the end of the instrument. It plays five different melodies and is really worth the drive down just to see and hear it. It has two of 'em, both made by the Mills people, one older than the other and not quite so fancy. (The Mills outfit switched from music boxes to slot machines a while ago and now that that business is on the skids are engaged in electronics of some sort.)

If the place is quiet and there aren't too many customers maybe Jim will haul out his singing canary for you. This gadget, made over a hundred years ago, is comprised of a mounted canary on a perch inside the cage. He turns his head, opens his beak, flirts his tail and sing a typical canary lilt. If you didn't know the whole thing was mechanical you might be

Bruce Blossat

Since the Marshall Plan was born in 1947, it and its successor programs have been an annual target for alleged congressional "economizers." It is therefore nothing new that this has happened again in 1952.

In the current instance, the administration is asking for \$1.9 billion for foreign military and economic aid in the year starting July 1. House and Senate committees reduced this total by \$1 billion, a not unreasonable gesture in the light of past experience with the program.

This was not enough to satisfy foreign aid critics in the House, however, and they proceeded to hack another \$726 million off the figure, bringing it below \$6.2 billion.

Among the so-called economy bloc on this issue are numerous lawmakers who make no pretense of their distaste for any foreign aid at all. There are others who feel the same but have the courage to say so and thus give lip service to the program while voting to cut it severely.

A more important group than either of these is comprised of men who seem sincerely to understand the need for foreign aid yet still

are convinced there is no harm in drastic cuts.

VANDEBERG

The late Senator Vandenberg, who labored so valiantly for the Marshall Plan in its beginnings, predicted this approach to that of tossing a 15-foot rope to a man drowning 30 feet off shore.

The weakness of these sincere economizers is that they have little by their own opinions to offer in support of these sharp reductions. They find it quite easy to state arbitrarily that the move "will in no way endanger the security of this country." That is pretty confident talk for men who have so slight a foundation of evidence to back them up.

The testimony of the men on the scene, the men most deeply concerned with executing foreign aid programs and observing their effects upon our own and our allies' future, almost unanimously falls in the other direction. They declare there would indeed be danger in too severe cuts.

Certainly few programs presented to Congress are immune to reasonable reductions. The foreign aid bills always have been trimmed, and probably it was right that they were. But the exercise of prudence is a far cry from license to slash a program to pieces.

BLINDNESS

The blunt truth is that most of the economizers, including the sincere ones, are acting from ignorance, or indifference to uncomfortable facts. They make up their minds to cut, and that is that.

In their powerful compulsion to reduce this program—an urge which never seems to seize them when flood control outlays and other home district matters come up—they blind themselves to the security risks. They dismiss them by stating flatly that they do not exist. But their saying it doesn't make it so.

In most cases, the primary role of security is to provide a margin of safety, to buttress your strength with that you need, to err on the "up" side. What strange argument it is that tells us we can do just the opposite and feel perfectly safe. What irony there is in pronouncing that security matters come up—they blind themselves to the security risks. They dismiss them by stating flatly that they do not exist. But their saying it doesn't make it so.

There may indeed be less danger of war than some of our experts imagine. But the average American wants assurance of that from people whose guesses are informed, not from men who accept only the facts which support their opinions.

No Favoritism For Vandals

VAN NUYS, Calif. (AP)—Vandals who toss rocks at the headquarters of two political candidates Thursday night were strictly non-partisan.

Windows were shattered in offices of Joseph Holt and Dean E. McHenry, both candidates for Congress in the 22nd California District. Holt is a Republican, McHenry a Democrat.

They'll Do It Every Time



Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP)— Could you get by on \$50,000 a year?

The average man figures with that kind of money he could satisfy Uncle Sam, live the life of Riley himself, and still have enough left over to feed gold peanuts to Pigeons in the park.

But many a person in the \$50,000 and up income bracket today complains he finds it hard to make both ends meet.

Why? Well, people who dwell at that exhilarating financial altitude say they have so many unusual obligations that their big incomes often turn out to be all gross and no net.

This is particularly true with top public entertainers, who sometimes get the feeling they have been cut up more ways than a pie in a Bowery restaurant.

'HILLBILLIE'

Where does all that dough go? Let us take a typical case—Dorothy Shays, the "Park Avenue Hillbillie." Her robust songs have made her a queen of the supper club circuit, at \$5,000 a week and higher. These high-priced chanteuses, however, are like racehorses. They don't perform for the customers each and every week. How many Kentucky Derbys are there in a year?

Last year Dorothy, who is a good business girl, asked her accountant to estimate the minimum income she would require for 1951. His figure: \$81,000.

Of this business expenses and taxes came to \$65,625. They included such items as commission

and managerial costs \$18,630; federal taxes, \$10,040; California income tax, \$3,750; legal services, \$2,600; traveling expenses, \$12,150; professional wardrobe, \$4,000—etc., etc.

Subtracting \$65,625 from \$81,000, Dorothy found she had \$15,375 for living and personal expenses.

That seems a cozy sum for a single girl, but household costs—such as \$1,200 for domestics, \$1,500 for food, \$1,500 for rent—ate up \$5,720.

That left her \$9,655. But she had to figure into this \$600 for dependents and gifts, \$3,560 for life insurance premiums, \$1,500 for medical expenses, \$1,200 for personal wardrobe and laundry, \$1,265 for miscellaneous expenses and \$1,200 for non-deductible business expenses.

ALL BERS

The result, according to Dorothy, was that she had the grand sum of \$330 left to save or do with as she wished.

Rising prices, she feels, have made the \$81,000 estimate inadequate for the demands of 1952.

"How can I get by with only \$15,375 for food?" asked Dorothy, a strong healthy girl who likes steak once a day. "And where today can you find a domestic who will work for \$1,200?"

There is only one answer—to sing more often.

That she can afford to make in 1952 is \$100,000," Dorothy said glumly.

It takes a lot of money to make money these days.

3,000 Volunteers Working For County Civil Defense

(Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of articles on Klamath County's Civilian Defense Program, its purposes and its operation, based on information supplied by Margaret Santo, director of publicity and education.)

By MALCOLM EPLEY JR.

Among a volunteer defense army of over 20,000,000 (U. S. people scattered across the United States are 3,000 Klamath County citizens who are being organized and are working quietly and rapidly to ready for any emergency—natural or man-made—which may arise.

Under the overall leadership of



JOE LaCLAIR

County Chairman Joe LaClair, a school teacher by profession, Klamathites ranging from Boy and Girl Scouts to adults of all ages and businesses have volunteered their services.

HELP

However, LaClair is the first to point out that lots more volunteers will be needed before his county-wide organization can be completed.

He's backed by a panel of ambitious deputy directors, each one leading an important division. Twelve of them have been named so far, and in many cases work and organization has been going on for several months.

Included among the directors are Mrs. Altha Urquhart, Aid and Welfare; George Conrad, communications; Dr. Gerald Cosgrove, health; Frank McBerlin, warden services; Louis Soukup, transportation; Guy Barker, personnel; Rev. Gordon Ashby, plans and operations; Sher-

iff Murray (Red) Britton, law enforcement; E. A. (Taxi) Thomas, engineering; Sam Ritchey, public utilities; and Buster Gordon, fire service.

Vacancies presently exist in the ground observation post and air transportation divisions, but LaClair expects to fill them almost immediately.

COOPERATION

"Our civil defense organization," LaClair says, "is going to be ready for any emergency. But... public institutions, private concerns and individuals should take it upon themselves to prepare right now for any emergency."

"They can arise right within a business establishment—or even in a home."

He advises each institution—whether it be home, school, office or business—be adequately equipped with fire fighting tools and people in the area should know how to use them.

"Civil Defense is our home and our backyard," the chairman said, "and it's consequently our job. He called it a fourth arm of national defense, and with an adequate program he felt Klamath people would have confidence to face anything that might come before them."

Clay Discounts Russ Blockade

NEW YORK (AP)— The man who broke the Soviet blockade of Berlin with the historic airlift of 1948-49 says the West can whip another one, if and when the Russians impose it.

Gen. Lucius D. Clay, former U. S. military governor of Germany, noted the Soviet Union is making menacing gestures in Germany but he does not believe they are ready to make war.

"It is always possible that they would push us more than we would take, but I doubt that," he said. "I think war will come only if the Soviets are ready for it. I doubt very much that they think they can win such a war now. If they had wanted a war and were prepared for it, we would have had it in 1947."

Clay left Germany in 1949 after directing the airlift which dealt the Soviet Union a mighty psychological blow. He is chairman of the Continental Can Co. He also heads the privately operated Crusade for Freedom which supports Radio Free Europe's broadcasts.

Seattle Gets New Mayor

SEATTLE (AP)— Seattle will have a new mayor for the first time in 10 years Monday and the new chief executive will get \$2,000 more per year for the job than his predecessor, William F. Devin.

Allan Pomeroy is taking over the position after his narrow victory in the general election. He won the final after Devin beat him in the primaries.

The salary was increased to \$12,000 annually by the city council several months ago, when it also boosted the checks of other city officials, effective June 2. The city attorney is to receive \$10,000 a year and council members \$7,200 each.

However, five councilmen whose terms do not expire until 1954 will have to receive their present \$4,850.

U.N. Forces Outnumbered

SEOUL, Korea, (AP)— Gen. James A. Van Fleet said Saturday Communist armies in Korea outnumber United Nations forces 2 to 1 and suffer for nothing for "communist" but he does not expect an immediate Red offensive.

The U. S. Eighth Army commander at a press conference took up Eighth Army problems. These ranged from the fighting front to the troublesome "southern front" at Koje Island's prisoner of war compounds.

On Koje, Van Fleet said, he believes the situation is under control and the impending breakup of the huge 4,000 to 8,000 man compounds into smaller groups will be carried off without incident.

"It is true that the enemy has taken advantage of the long stalemate to build up his power and resources," the general said.

Van Fleet said that any new Communist push would be met by the massed power of the Eighth Army and a rocklike determination to smash the Communist formations as they have never been smashed before.

Dr. E. P. Jordan

Here we go again with the usual early summer crop of sun-worshippers who don't have enough sense to know when enough is enough.

Invariably, after the first sunny Sunday or holiday of early summer, a few shining lights appear in almost every office with bright red skins and blisters, showing their lack of good sense in exposing themselves to the sun the day before.

Notice, too, how often it is the same ones who burned themselves the year before and ought to have known better, but just never seem to learn.

A severe sunburn is not only uncomfortable but can be dangerous. Furthermore, sunburn is no aid to health. True, the sun's rays are necessary for the growth of plants and help in maintaining the health and well-being of human beings and animals.

One of the benefits which the sun can give is to aid the human skin to produce a substance called vitamin D, which is necessary for complete good health and which prevents rickets in children.

A brown, tanned color is the result of the deposit of a pigment or coloring matter in the skin called melanin. This helps to protect the body against getting too much from the sun's rays. When the skin becomes pale it means that there is not much melanin present.

Melanin does not flow to the skin at once on exposure to sun, but takes time. A white skin, therefore, is not as well protected against the sun as it is when good tanning is present.

Until the skin is protected in this way it can be burned by the sun in almost exactly the same way that it can be burned by any other hot substance.

When the skin is burned by sun the outer layers are killed and have to be replaced from the layers below. After a severe sunburn, for example, the outer layers are shed in sheets and pull off.

The dead outer layers do not get any benefit from the sun and actually prevent some of the good which is desired.

People who are not accustomed to much sunlight and do not show tanning should be careful about the first few exposures. Falling asleep in the sun is particularly risky.

A number of ointments or lotions can be placed on the skin and will protect somewhat against rays of the sun and promote tanning rather than burning, but someone with a pale skin should not put too much reliance on them.

Klamath Missionary Finds Life in Thailand Rugged

Dorothy Uhlig, Klamath Falls girl doing missionary work in Thailand, is encountering about everything except the comforts and conveniences of home.

Miss Uhlig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Uhlig, 311 Haskins Street, is supported in her Thailand work by the First Christian Church of Klamath Falls.

A Klamath Basin reunion of sorts was affected in Miss Uhlig's base city, Chiechakan, Thailand, recently. Forrest Traville, who was pastor of the Merrill Presby-

Swim Lessons Start Monday

MALIN— Red Cross swimming lessons will begin at the Malin pool Monday.

All classes have been scheduled for standard time and will be as follows: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays (morning), Newell Elementary and Malin, Monday (afternoon), Merrill and Winema.

Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays (afternoon), Dorris and Henley.

The classes will be divided into age groups as follows:

Girls 7 to 11, mornings 9 to 10. Boys 7 to 11, mornings 10 to 11. Boys and girls 12 on up mornings 11 to 12.

Afternoon classes are:

Girls 7 to 11, be at pool at 12:45. Boys 7 to 11, be at pool at 1:30. Boys and girls 12 on up, 2 p.m. Bonanza and others who are not yet organized will come on Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday afternoons.

Persons in charge of the organized groups and who may be contacted for information are: Mrs. William Ernst, Newell; Mrs. Byron Johnson, Malin; Mrs. Bob Drake, Merrill; Ross, Regland, Tulelake; Mrs. W. J. Owsley, Dorris; Mrs. Lillian Hill, Henley; Mrs. Harry Mitchell, Winema.

Mrs. Bryon Johnson, Mrs. George Shuman, Francis Kolkow, Mrs. Bill Ernst and Mrs. Lillian Hill will be the regular instructors.

Managing the pool this season will be Francis Kolkow.

The pool has been newly painted with a white bottom and blue walls. A new, higher diving board has been installed, a new diving board has been installed on the pool building exterior and dressing room floors have been revarnished.

Actor Completes Tedious Trip

LONDON (AP)— Charles Laughton who started from New York to London by plane six days ago, finally made it Friday night.

The round actor's first plane got 300 miles over the Atlantic, developed engine trouble and turned back. He then took a plane that had to stop at Newfoundland for repairs.

Laughton, who came here to visit his 85-year-old mother, said on arrival: "What day is it?"

Barbecue Aids Cemetery Aid

BONANZA— The Bonanza cemetery will benefit by some \$575 from the Memorial Day barbecue held here yesterday. Several hundred persons participated.

Beef for the affair was donated by the Lost River Ranch and was barbecued under the direction of Gib Fleet, Klamath Falls. Assisting were O. C. Wells, Mrs. Orville DeVal, Mrs. Lloyd Gift, Mrs. Luther Noble, Mrs. Wesley Dearborn and Bertha Vinson.

Barbecued beef, beans, cole slaw, baked potatoes, rolls, pie and coffee.

Money from the affair will go to the completion of the cemetery.

Colorful Flower Services Held

DEPOE BAY (AP)— Hundreds took part in the seventh annual Fleet of Flowers Memorial Day observance here Friday.

A fleet of 26 fishing boats and charter vessels put out to sea from Depoe Bay and cast wreaths on the water in memory of dead seamen.

Gov. Douglas McKay and Mrs. Amy Keuhl of Glendon Beach were principal speakers at the shoreside observances.

Portland Woman Dies at 102

PORTLAND (AP)— Mrs. Lulie Truett, 102, a native of Switzerland, died here Friday.

A resident of Portland for 68 years, she is survived a son, William, and a daughter, Minnie Crawford, San Francisco. Private services were to be held Saturday.

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