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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

Winter must be here at long last. County and state road crews are keeping busy these days plugging in snow poles along the main country arterials. That's a sure sign that at least there is an expectation of harsh weather to come. There is something about the sight of the orange poles along the road that automatically turns one's mind toward home and cheery fire on the hearth.

(That statement by the way, baffles me. You find it in all the novels and "specialty" those dealing with Christmas and Yuletide events. Me, I build a fire in the fireplace. If I touched one off on the hearth there would be harsh words from the head of the household, a badly scorched ceiling and a smoky house to contend with. But, let's stick with tradition and refer to the hearth.)

Let's hope the snow doesn't become deep enough to cover the poles. Or if it does, let's hope I'm home with a suitably supply of food and things to last out a long siege.

Paul Winter, Klamath Shrine Club president, dropped the information last week that the local club had just mailed a check for something over \$200 to the crippled children's hospital. This is the total take from the dance held here last June after the expenses were taken out. In short, the Shrine workers did a job for nothing. Put on a dance that drew a huge crowd, and sent all the cash to the hospital fund. One of the finest organizations currently going. More power to the Shrine. They do more than their share

of good in this tired old world. Notice the first of the Fire and Ice accounts in a national magazine the other day. Big splashy picture of a snow-eyed brunette in a grey dress that looked like a nun down monk's hassock complete with ashes and showing off some fingernails that made her look much-washed. It should just come from a throat cutting. Fact is, the ad was for some brand of nail polish.

Seems a weak start on the Fire and Ice heavy that was so enthusiastically bawled a few short weeks ago. I thought maybe we'd have three-dimensional ads or sump'n. Guess I'll just have to wait. But don't worry about it. There's plenty to do while waiting.

The Hire the Handicapped people must be chortling with glee this year. They have scored a major triumph. The demand for decorated female models is terrific. Pick up any of the better slick paper magazines dealing with the world of feminine attire and see for yourself how many models you see with only one arm.

Wonder if they specialize. Like when an actress calls up, do they ask for a left armed girl or a right armed girl?

It wasn't long ago that all the ads featured girls buried up to their necks in sand, gravel, sylvan pearls and other commercial products. Now they go for the type that looks like they needed either (1) a square meal, or (2) a session with an accredited alienist. And, of course, fifty percent of ads should look like a mass manufacturer of artificial limbs.

THE DOCTOR SAYS

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.

Sometimes this column receives questions on rather unimportant but interesting subjects such as today's first.

Q—Why is a yawn "catching"?

J. L. F.

A—Yawning is considered to be a complicated nervous breathing reflex which is associated with being mildly bored, and with irritability, mental effort or mild anxiety. It seems to be under partly voluntary control, but in a group, the members of which are all somewhat bored, anxious or tired, a yawn will often be unconsciously imitated by many after the first one starts.

Q—My left breast has been increasing in size for the past five months. This began slowly but is now more rapid. I feel no lump or pain.

Mrs. M. J.

A—Any change in the size or shape of the breasts calls for immediate examination even though this does not sound like cancer.

Q—Are cysts in the breast cancerous? Can they be removed other than by surgery? What is the cause?

Mrs. M. C.

A—Cysts in the breast are not cancerous but may become so. There is no way to remove them except by surgery. Their cause is not known.

Q—I recently read in the news-

papers a dispatch from Moscow which quotes a Russian professor as recommending soda baths as a means of living longer. The statement said bicarbonate of soda, when added to hot baths, would not only prolong life but reduce fat. The dispatch added that the method did not guarantee eternal youth, and said that improper use might prove injurious. What do you think of this?

B. L.

A—How silly can one get? Here is something which is claimed to prolong life, and yet might be dangerous at the same time. Personally, I cannot see how it would do any harm or good except to the manufacturers of baking soda.

Q—Will petit-mal epilepsy in a child of nine inevitably develop into grand-mal or may it disappear in later years?

A—Petit-mal epilepsy does not inevitably lead to grand-mal or serious attacks. It does sometimes disappear later years, but a child with any form of epilepsy should be under medical care.

Q—What are radio-active iodine treatments and how are they administered?

Mrs. M. V.

A—Radio-active iodine is one of the treatments sometimes given for toxic goiter. In properly selected cases it is of great value and is administered by drinking a fluid containing radio-active iodine in proper dosage and at proper intervals.

BRUCE BLOSSAT

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's astonishing landslide victory is above all a personal triumph for him. Across the nation he ran far ahead of his party in state after state. The outcome is a deep affirmation of the faith the American people have in Ike as a man qualified to lead them to safety and well-being at home and abroad in these days of great trial.

When a victory of such proportions is made it means a new mood is upon the people. This was not an election that could have been won or lost by slight changes of strategy, by talking differently to the voters, by endorsing or not endorsing particular candidates in particular states.

This result shows the American people have a yearning for a new face, the face of a man they can trust. They clearly want fresh and original thinking upon a whole host of problems that the present administration seems able to meet only with tired, worn, unproductive and sometimes corrupt effort.

Beyond doubt Ike's triumph measures these things first. The reinforcing fact is that issues like the Korean war, inflation, communism in government, corruption and the like have bitten deep into the consciousness of the average voter.

And that very token, Eisenhower—and his party—are on fire with notice from the people to deliver. In this victory he has cut across all lines, sectional, economic, ethnic. He plainly has captured countless normally Democratic votes. The men and women of America who handed him this stiff challenge expect him to take it up with full courage and resolute action.

In 1946, the Republicans rode to victory in Congress on a wave of post-war resentments against controls, shortages and such. When the people did not like what the party did to solve those problems, they promptly threw the GOP out and restored the Democrats to power.

That could happen again. For

nothing in this victory, however sweeping it may be, suggests the Americans have yet shaken off their predominantly Democratic voting loyalties. They are merely giving somebody else a ring, and Ike Eisenhower is able to produce answers matching his remarkable contributions to America's security during and after World War II. Then he may be able to consolidate the hold he now has gained on his own party, and begin to cut away Democratic strength in a more lasting manner.

Should that happen, the country may mark Nov. 4, 1952, as the inaugural date of a real two-party system in the South. For nothing since somebody else a ring, and Ike Eisenhower is able to produce answers matching his remarkable contributions to America's security during and after World War II. Then he may be able to consolidate the hold he now has gained on his own party, and begin to cut away Democratic strength in a more lasting manner.

There can be no gloating among Republicans, if they do not gloat it now, they will learn that winning the presidency in this critical age is something like winning a war—it is only slightly better than losing.

For General Eisenhower instantly inherits a frightening catalogue of problems of world-wide scope. He has great difficulties ahead in party organization and control. He must continue the process—no well begun—of making himself over from a military man to a statesman and politician.

In this task all men of good will in America can only wish him the very best of fortune and voice the hope that with God's help he may succeed.

CASUALTY LIST

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department today identified 155 Korean War casualties in a new list (No. 693) that reported 29 killed, 117 wounded, 11 missing and seven injured.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

HOWCUM? TEXAS M^o CAKERS WITH 10,000 ACRES BUILDS A HOUSE THAT IS STRAIGHT UP AND DOWN....

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Telling The Editor

By HAL BOYLE

SACRAMENTO — This month comes opportunity to study bird nests in leafless trees. It's surprising how many can be found in trees of even city streets. Robins' nests are an example. They were deposited in a mulberry tree in the first week of the month. The first one I ever found was in Georgetown, N. J. Dorado County. Looking down at a second story window, I thought at first it was half a coconut shell. I had seen in Ceylon, in Java, coconut shells thus used in two. Each half used as a drinking cup. Hence my first impression of a robin's nest.

There is no phase of nature study more fascinating than such winter study of nests in leafless trees. It opens the way to investigation which may continue over a long lifetime. You will commence to learn how different birds have different colored eggs. Some, in burrows or holes, are entirely white. This true of the ground owl, the kingfisher, the woodpecker, in Central America I found parrots nesting in holes in the soft volcanic tuff. Here again, there was no need of protective coloring. The eggs therefore were pure white.

C. M. Goethe

HAL BOYLE

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Leaves from a travel notebook:

The streets of Lisbon are reputed to be the cleanest of any city in the world. This gives the visitor a favorable impression of Portugal on first view.

The clean streets are only one of many external signs of the brisk efficiency with which Premier Antonio de Oliveira Salazar runs his country.

Dr. Salazar remains one of the least known but most successful dictators of Europe. Under his long rule Portugal has emerged from its century-old financial dependence on Britain and is today a creditor rather than a debtor nation.

There is no articulate protest against Dr. Salazar nor evidence of any wide-scale effort to overthrow his government. As one native put it:

"The people will not die for Salazar, but they have a lot of respect for him and faith in him, because he has proved him right in most of the decisions he has made in the last 25 years. Salazar has never made any attempt

to gain personal popularity, because he doesn't attach much importance to it."

The dictator feels his place in Portugal's history will be determined largely by the results of his campaign to industrialize the country and develop its huge African colonies.

The revolutionary spirit is a flame in Asia, a glowing coal in Africa, but in Europe it is a cold ash.

The drain of the last great war—the fear of another one—weighs upon the peoples in almost every land. The specter of more unemployment, of more reason, simply appalls all classes.

The common goal is to earn enough bread for the table—and a chance to eat it in peace. European nations are opposed to war talk. They don't even wish to hear the word said aloud.

Walking through St. Mark's square in Venice one night, we were approached by an old lady beggar. We gave her some coins, and after we passed on heard her grumble aloud to herself:

"When Mussolini was alive, I had more food and more fun, too. Somehow her words of complaint in the darkness left me feeling sad and troubled.

Many Italians still recall the days of Mussolini with nostalgia and even remember him kindly.

"He did many things to help Italy," one young veteran said. "But he made one great mistake—he took us into a foolish war. And for that we will never forgive him."

Malin Youth in 'Who's Who'

Larry W. Johnson, son of Frank Johnson, Malin, and a high school graduate there in 1947, has been named to "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" from Southern Oregon College, Ashland.

Sylvia R. Keedy, Klamath Falls, was previously listed on the "Who's Who" selection.

Young Johnson has been a consistent honor student, was president of the sophomore class, active in speech work, publicity manager of the Future Teacher's of America Club, an officer of the men's glee club, and a member of the guidance committee.

President's Power Small

WASHINGTON (AP)—Robert Ramspeck, Civil Service Commission chairman, says a new president can hire and fire only about one-half of 1 per cent of all federal workers.

Ramspeck, in a recorded radio interview last night, said that this amounted to approximately 2,500 out of more than 2 1/2 million federal employees.

However, he estimated a new administration can change between 12,000 and 25,000 jobs, apparently counting right actions. To these is added a number of deputies not appointed directly by the president but by officials under him.

Federal Payroll May Be Slashed

DUNKIRK, N. Y. (AP)—Rep. Daniel A. Reed (R-N.Y.), who is slated to become chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee in the new Congress, says he believes the number of federal employees can be cut in half.

He also says he favors cuts in both domestic and foreign spending.

"Anybody who is fair-minded, and who knows how the people of Europe feel, says the time has come to let them carry their own burdens.... We are not gaining any friends or aiding our position by continuing to give our money away," he said yesterday.

Funeral Slated For Rightist

TOURS, France (AP)—Funeral services will be held here Wednesday for Charles Maurras, 84-year-old orator of France's royalist and extreme right factions, who died yesterday of uremia.

The aged writer and agitator was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1945 for wartime collaboration with the Germans but was given a medical pardon last March.

FIRST DEER AT 85

NEW LISBON, N. Y. (AP)—After nearly 75 years of fall hunting, Christian Klindt bagged his first deer at 85.

He shot a nine-point buck near this Otsego County Hamlet.

James Marlow

By ARTHUR EDSON (For JAMES MARLOW)

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Justice Department is having a hard time convicting those charged with contempt of Congress.

It had another setback last week. Julius "Blinky" Fink of Baltimore, who had declined to discuss his business affairs with the Senate Crime Investigating Committee, was acquitted by U. S. District Judge James R. Kirkland.

Kirkland said Fink was within his rights in claiming he might have incriminated himself by answering certain questions asked by the senators.

When Kirkland made his ruling, similar indictments were dropped against Abraham and Isadore Mink, Richard, P.A., brothers, and their nephew Lex Fudeman.

The Senate Crime Committee—it's the one that was headed by Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee—had been interested in what, if anything, the four knew about gambling. But none would talk.

The unofficial box score for the past two years: 48 indicted, 3 convicted, 29 acquitted or cases dismissed and 11 either not yet tried or cases not yet presented to the grand jury.

The problem is exceedingly difficult.

If it is to legislate wisely, Congress needs all the information it can get. But the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution says no man can be forced to testify against himself. The Supreme Court has held this applies to congressional hearings too.

When a witness balks, the committee then decides if it thinks he is in contempt. If the answer is yes, it asks the House or the Senate to back it up. When this is done, the Justice Department turns the case over to a grand jury.

A witness can use any reason he wishes for not talking. But if he says he's afraid he may incriminate himself, and says it to the right questions, the courts generally have agreed with him and his lawyers.

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8,000 American Servicemen Build Up Serious Diplomatic Problem in Oxford

OXFORD, England (AP)—British Reds and red light ladies are cashing in on one of the biggest booms to hit Oxford in centuries—8,000 American airmen.

Scores of prostitutes have trooped into this ancient cultural city to grab easy money from free-spending Yanks on leave from the three big U. S. air bases nearby.

And a few unpleasant incidents involving Americans and Britons have provided big headlines for the sensational press and fresh propaganda for the Communists.

"Yank go home" campaigns.

Both U. S. Air Force officials and Oxford city authorities do not believe the situation has reached the serious stage yet. But both are anxious to do something about it.

Maj. Gen. Francis H. Griswold, commanding general of the Third Air Force in Britain, this week began a series of flying visits to all nine major American bases in England to lecture the 45,000 airmen on good behavior.

The three bases in the Oxford

area—Upper Heyford, Brize Norton and Fairford—are on the general itinerary.

The Air Force also has begun "re-indoctrination" courses on friendly Anglo-American relations.

The Air Force action followed a report by a private British-American group which said there is "bad feeling" between American airmen in Britain and the British public.

Oxford was one of the areas covered in the group's five-month study.

Both the Air Force and Oxford city authorities insist that the 8,000 American airmen in this area have behaved as well as can be expected. They agree the real problem is prostitution.

A week-end visitor to Oxford finds American airmen by the hundreds crowding the city's main streets, cinemas, restaurants, bars and dancehalls.

So do the girls—many hardened prostitutes from out of town, others local girls out for a good time. Scores of the girls are in their early teens. To Americans out for a good time, it's easy to get a

girl.

Often, there's a bit of free and easy necking under a street lamp or in a doorway. This shocks some of Oxford's older citizens.

Gangs of young toughs, or "apivis," many dressed in American-style "zoot" suits, sometimes roam the streets looking for trouble.

Occasionally, there's a barroom fight, a quarrel over a girl or a drunken argument involving Americans and Britons, but most of these are of minor nature.

To Oxford's small but active Communist cell, it's an open season for stirring up anti-American feeling among local British inhabitants.

Ernie Keeling, veteran Communist party organizer for the South Midland district of England, has argued workers at Oxford's big motor works and steel plant, he says, "The Yanks have turned Oxford into a city of shame."

Some of the workers listen. But the majority of Oxford citizens don't blame the Americans so much.

"They know that Oxford has always had its seamy side, even in Edwardian days.

And the Americans are not blamed directly for the fact that Oxford's rate of illegitimate births last year was seven out of every 100 babies, nearly double the national average. The rate has grown since 1950.

City Alderman E. W. B. Gill, burar of Oxford's Merton College, told a reporter: "It's no use saying—as some people do—that American servicemen are to blame. Half the trouble is these confounded girls."

A woman welfare officer said: "I think the girls are mostly to blame, and in some cases their mothers encourage them. The mothers can't forget that during the war many English girls got good American husbands."

But she thinks part of the trouble is that "so many of these young American visitors are mothers' darlings. Americans spoil their boys, and when they are left on their own in a strange country, they take naturally to 'womanizing'."

Most authorities believe a better solution to the problem can be found in organizing more and better recreation facilities for the airmen off duty.

HUGH PRUETT

1. "In a recent article, you listed the Indian names for most of the months, but a few were missing. Is the complete list?" M.J.W.

Since the article was written, Miss L.T.B. of Salem, Ore., has sent me a copy of the Bell Telephone Almanac for 1952, in which all the months are named. It is mentioned that these names were furnished by "Te Ata" (Beauty of the Morning), the Chickasaw Indian woman, famous as a lecturer on Indian folkways, who was married to the late Dr. Clyde Fisher of Hayden Planetarium. Her father was a member of the last Council of the Chickasaw nation.

Te Ata states that the following list applies only to certain tribes of Indians. Here are the names of the moons, or months as used by her tribe and some others:

January, snow moon; February, hunger moon; March, crow moon; April, grass moon; May, planting moon; June, wild rose moon; July, thunder moon; August, red or heat moon; September, hunting moon; October, leaf-falling moon; November, beaver moon; December, long-night moon.

2. "At what time of the fall does Indian summer come?" J.P.

There are no fixed dates for the delightful season. It is a condition rather than a definite time. Sometimes it occurs as early as the latter part of September, or it may be as late as early November.

3. "Wasn't there an eclipse of the moon last night?" B.B.

This question was asked about a month ago regarding the crescent moon in a clear western twilight sky. No, there was no lunar eclipse. The questioner saw what often brings inquiries to astronomer, the phenomenon poetically known as "the old moon in the new moon's arms." This can be seen for a few evenings any month if the sky is very clear. Many people who have telephoned me that they never saw it "until tonight."

The outline of the entire round moon can be seen. A thin crescent is brilliant; the rest is dark and dimly seen. The bright part is in sunshine; the dim part, where it is lunar night, is illumined by earthshine.

Nixon Hurt In Swimming

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Vice President-elect Richard Nixon, his wife and a group of friends spent Sunday on an all day fishing trip.

Nixon, vacationing here with his family, gashed his right foot on a barnacle or some other sharp object while swimming Saturday. Seven or eight stitches were required.

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