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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

Thank God the Christmas season is finally here.
I don't even mind it getting off to a well-plugged start long before Thanksgiving has even rolled around.

Because it's the only semi-pleasant season of the year I have. Not because of Christmas, specially, and I'm no more filled with the milk of human kindness and compassion than at any other time. But it is the time of year when a friend heaves in sight you raise a cheery "Merry Christmas, old man," accompanied by a hearty handshake, a clap on the back, a toasty grimace which expresses pleasure and go on your way feeling a cleaner and better man.

and also without trying to remember the name of said friend. You can get by with the time-honored and mawkish statements and gestures and be regarded only as a Christian and a man whose heart is in the right place.

I take the stubborn and unreasonable attitude that there is only one of me as compared to 20 of my friends. So how can I remember all of them and my own name at the same time?
Of course, that theory doesn't work very well. Mainly because all my friends adopt it, too, and so no one knows anyone's name. But—"Merry Christmas," anyway!

Klamath Falls is once again in the limelight. We have a one-page (to Klamath Falls) author on the loose. His book was released last month. Ours by the title of Women and Yamsy Leggers. At least that's what it was supposed to be. Written by a chap by the name of Carl Lange, who is currently to be found at Box 244, Prairie City, Oregon.

Carl came in to see us some time after spring and before sum-

mer. That's as close as I can come to the date. Told me about the book and said it was going to be published. Now it has by Exposition Press. We shall be anxious to get our hands on a copy and read it.

Carl came down to this country in 1920 and put in some time working for Alfred Gellier at Swan Lake, swinging an axe, then went the way of the educator and taught at Healey for a time, later taking on the duties of principal at that school. He also worked under Fred Peterson, spent his summers in the woods, and finally to Lakeview where he was a distributor for Associated Oil for sixteen years. He helped Bob Adams build the mill at Prairie City, then went into the retail lumber business there and finally retired to write books.

This is his first. He says the setting of the book, which is fiction with a background of fact, is the Klamath country. That's one I think we'll have to get a hold of and read. It sounds good.

There seems to have been a pretty fair amount of criticism of Wayne Morse lately for his nimbleness in leaping from crag to crag, party to party and, incidentally, into the fire out of the pan. But he still has one supporter. William Geurts, an Oregon Turkey farmer, who sent the senator a 30-pound turkey as a gesture of admiration for Morse's move in bolting the GOP and tying the first firm knots with the Independents. Geurts being an Independent voter, according to the Associated Press.

We hope the senator enjoys the bird. We also hope that this will not ruin the prestige of the noble bird. Perhaps it is only the first step in a move by the Independent party to use the American Turkey as their national emblem. The Eagle for the nation, the Turkey for the Independents.

JAMES MARLOW

by ARTHUR EDSON
(For James Marlow)

WASHINGTON (AP)—Elmer Davis, the radio commentator, wrote the New York Times the other day to say, with tongue in cheek, that he had erred when it put this headline on an editorial:
"We have a president - elect."
"We have nothing of the sort," Davis said. He's right, of course. Dwight D. Eisenhower hasn't received a single vote for the presidency, even though he is so near the White House he has named three men to be cabinet officers.

The electors, picked in the voting on Nov. 4, meet in their state capitals on Dec. 15 and vote for a president. Their decision becomes official when their votes are counted by Congress on Jan. 6. Not until then is Eisenhower legally the president-elect.
Probably no other part of our federal government has come in for more criticism than the electoral college.

Supreme Court Justice Jackson, with Justice Douglas agreeing, has said it is "mystifying and disturbing." Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. of Massachusetts has called it a "relic of the past." The words "antiquated" and "useless" have been hurled at it again and again.
Yet for 150 years it has successfully withstood all assaults.
Two years ago it looked as if it might topple. Lodge, a Republican, and Rep. Ed Gossett, a Texas Democrat, introduced a proposed constitutional amendment to change the system.
Under the proposed amendment, the use of electors would be done away with. And, instead of all the state's electoral votes going to the candidate who carries the state, the electoral vote would be split in the same proportion as the popular vote.

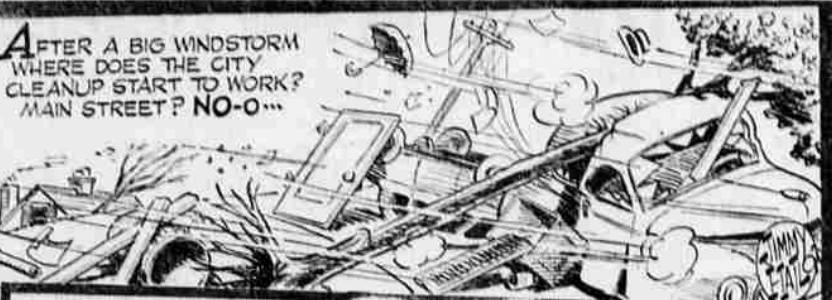
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T. Glenn Lawrence, Missionary to the Belgian Congo under the Conservative Baptist Foreign Missionary Society.

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo



The Doctor Says...

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.

It is really a most discouraging thing to have to write about certain diseases year after year, and to say that no great progress has been made in conquering them.

Among such conditions is a disease of the skin known as psoriasis, pronounced with the "p" silent.

In this common skin disease the lesions are most frequent at or about the elbows, knees, and in the scalp and lower back. Although the skin is disfigured, the disease is not dangerous to life or general health.

The involved areas are usually bright red, level with the skin surface, and scaly. There is a sharp dividing line between the normal skin and that which is affected by the disease.

When psoriasis starts suddenly, severe itching is common. In the more chronic cases (which are most frequent) there is little or no itching. These portions of the skin which have been involved for a long time generally become covered with a thick scale. If this scale is scraped off, tiny points of bleeding appear underneath.

Unfortunately, to cause of psoriasis, like so many diseases of the skin, is not known. The condition frequently comes in several members of the same family and this familiar tendency has been noted by many students of the disease.

Also psoriasis is frequently associated with certain kinds of arthritis, though just what the connection is when they do occur together has aroused difference of opinion.

Persons between 10 and 30 years old are the most likely to be attacked. The cause is almost certainly not an infection. There is also a tendency for the skin lesions of psoriasis to come and go over a period of time.

Many treatments are being used for psoriasis. Most of them bring about good results, at least temporarily. However, it is all too common for people with psoriasis to get better for a time after treatment and then to get worse again, and if the same treatment is tried again, they often do not respond at all.

Many studies of this disease are going on and it would be strange indeed if some fine new treatment is not found within a few years.

HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—The explosion of an atom bomb in the case of the television image, chewing tobacco succeeded by bubble gum.

The key phrase of that sturdy, distant time was "All I want is a fair chance, an opportunity to show what I can do."

Badgered and bedeviled by these years of ceaseless change, a 32-year-old man today worked fewer hours than his father did. But his leisure also is now tormented by fears of new doom as his grandfather never dreamed of even in his nightmares.

It is no wonder that this middle-aged man in a middle-aged century now often yearns, most of all, for some form of security, sanctuary from the threat of immense disaster that has palsied his times almost as long as he can remember.

Even the young, ordinarily venturesome, are infected today by the craving for a kind of security no generation ever really has had in the long hard lot of mankind on this earth.

The ordinary mortal would like science to quit dealing with fresh mass-death instruments and build him instead an escape hatch from the perils of the twentieth century.

But in his heart he knows the wry truth: There is no escape hatch. A man must live in the time he has been allotted, and face its tasks with what courage and kindness and hope he can muster.

It is bad enough to feel like one floating alone on a broken spar in an unknown sea.

But there is no point in anyone at that plight worrying about the possibility of a hurricane. He has trouble enough already, and that is why the average American today isn't in any panic over the H-bomb.

LOS ANGELES (AP)—John Mee died in slavery 107 years ago at Calendenia, Ark., died yesterday at the home of a daughter here.

SAM DAWSON

By T. E. APPELGATE
(For SAM DAWSON)
NEW YORK (AP)—A costly cushion is going to be put under the nation's supply of domestic iron ore within five years.

It's intended to assure continuity of steel production. The cushion consists of facilities to convert iron-bearing taconite rock, available in the Lake Superior district in almost inexhaustible quantities, into pellets of high content ore to feed steel industry blast furnaces.

Two factors spur the move to utilize this rock: Declining output of Minnesota's Mesabi ore that could be mined and shipped "as is" to the furnaces, and fear that flow of ore from prolific new foreign sources would be interrupted in a war emergency.

The swift expansion of steel-making plants for more and more vast new sources of usable iron ore have been uncovered outside the borders of this country, boosting imports of ore by nearly 24 per cent last year.

But steel companies don't want to have too many eggs in a foreign basket. They have been working for years on methods of using the iron contained in taconite, and some pilot operations have been in progress.

The timetable for enlarging this work is not too exact, but it is reported to envision some output on a commercial scale by 1955.

Poem

NEW BROOM

President elect Ike is now under way
Picking new men who will have
all the say:
Of the State, Defense, and Interior
Affairs.

He's calling them in threes and not just in pairs.
The trio selected who will have all the say:
Are Dulles and Wilson and a guy
known as McKay.

What will they do, what will be their intent
Who knows says Bob Taft... eh...
no comment.
But I can sure talk says Oregon's
Wayne Morse

The guy who has trouble staying
on top of a horse.
Here is a trio, they're really the
Heroes... says he... for the
reactionaries.

Who are the three, just what have they done
We haven't the time the long list
now to run.
But one of the things causing Bob
to get da!
They voted for Ike and not Robert
Taft.

By Charlie McFarlan

BRUCE BLOSSAT

From Rep. Charles Wolverton, New Jersey Republican, comes one of the first healthful signs of what it means to vote in a new regime in Washington.

He proposes a sweeping inquiry into all federal regulatory agencies that have been developed or expanded in the past 20 years.

Thus the Civil Aeronautics Board, the Federal Communications Commission, the Federal Power Commission, the Federal Trade Commission, the Interstate Commerce Commission and many another agency may be due for a few vigorous swipes from the Republican broom.

That broom must not be wielded vindictively. It must not be a weapon employed to destroy useful federal operations. The agencies that may come under scrutiny are most certainly all here to stay.

But it is entirely fitting—indeed necessary—that their work and their personnel be examined closely and put to acid test. For 20 years they have grown and grown, seldom feeling in all that span the corrective lash of independent criticism effectively applied.

There is no part of government that ought to be free for too long from the cold eye of the outside appraiser. Agencies cushioned against such appraisal are likely to grow soft and slack, to substitute arbitrary, even capricious decision for fair judgment, to step over the bounds of legal authority.

These agencies—government itself—free of real challenge, safe behind the protective wall of uninterrupted power, tend to devote more and more time to defending or cloaking their errors. In time they operate perhaps less in the interest of justice for all than in the interest of self-justification.

Of each element in our vast federal establishment we ought now to ask:
What functions does it perform? Are all of these useful and proper? If some are not, should they be abandoned or given to another agency? How efficiently and eco-

Meat Prices May Drop

DETROIT (AP)—Livestock and meat prices "are generally expected to be a little lower than in the past year," Economist Henry B. Arthur told the National Industrial Conference Board in discussing the "post-election business outlook" here Thursday night.

Arthur, economist for Swift & Co., said "This is particularly true of beef, with expanded marketings in prospect."

"It may not be true in the same degree with pork, which has been relatively much lower than beef over the past two or three years," he added, saying that the pig crop of last spring is reported five to 10 per cent smaller than a year ago.

Telling The Editor

HASSOCK?

Your Bill Jenkins made a monkey of himself monkeying with a monk's hassock as per "Billboard" of Nov. 17th.

Mrs. Cecil Hunt Bonanza

Ed note: It would be fun to see one try to wear one, wouldn't it? However, it is possible to sit on a cassock.

Three Die In Chicago Fire

CHICAGO (AP)—Three persons perished in a fire which swept a three-story brick apartment building early Friday. Firemen rescued a woman and two children from the top floor of the building on the city's south side. Another 100 persons fled to the street in sub-freezing weather. Fire officials, who estimated damage at \$4,000, said cause of the blaze had not been determined.

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