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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

This is being written on a snow-filled Sunday morning. Being written, in fact, in front of a snapping fire in the fireplace, the type-writer balanced precariously on an ottoman, the dregs of breakfast resting on the record shelf and a first class snowstorm raging just outside the window.

Here, in this pre-season glow, what with the holidays only a whistle away, the prospect of a quiet Sunday at home, the distant chiming of the church bells only an echo and a whisper away over the hills, well, one should be filled with thoughts of Yuletide cheer, kindness to his fellow man and the general spirit of well being.

Instead of which your writer is staring out a huge view window overlooking some of the most gorgeous scenery to be found in the Klamath Country—and the power lines running from the main line to the house, slender, fragile, almost intangible link with the rest of civilization that is currently so heavily coated with a sheathing of ice as to be almost indistinguishable against the backdrop of grey clouds and swirling snow.

It has sort of brought to mind the fact that the old fashioned Sunday, spent at home with the roaring fire and the favorite books and the goodies (corn bread, meat pie, apple pan downy and the spiced last year's braided cherries come in) is a thing of the past. Unless you live in a cold water apartment somewhere and read by the flickering light of a coal oil lantern. All the while warning your shivering soul with the hereof of an old fashioned rebellion that burns wood or some substitute.

When that line snaps it takes with it all the cheer and livability of the modern home. The light goes, the heat goes, the electric blanket goes, the stove goes out, the sun lamp dims, the radiant glare and sits as a mute testimony that winter is here. In fact everything but the fireplace goes out.

Strange, that such a minor little thing as a wire less than half an inch thick could mean the comfort and safety of everything in the home.

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The birds were low. They were flying very slowly into the teeth of the storm. Their direction would bring them right over the house.

So Short got out of the car, went into the house, got his gun, found his shells, loaded up, stepped out on the porch and bagged two mallards!

We now understand the color, sound movie, "Cocopeland." This is the film that Copco had produced to show the wonders and beauties of the country it serves.

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Of course, this morning we have a comfortable feeling of foresight and complacency. There are ways to get around anything. If the heat, the gift of the office force, by the way, and much appreciated gleams dully on the table ready to take over the cooking duties when the power goes out of the stove. Warm clothes hang in the closet to guard against the loss of heat.

Let'er rip! We're ready. Of course, this may not be published exactly on schedule. Among other preparations there is a large type snow shovel in the basement, but there is also a large type driveway leading a matter of a good many yards down to the road where the snow plows are currently working, and that much shoveling isn't for the man who spends most of his time in the office.

Thinking along these same lines leads us to consider the sad plight of some of our men in the community. We refer to the trouble shooters for Copco, for instance, who spend their stormy nights out in the snow and cold patching up just such things as broken power lines and drowned out connection boxes. The telephone crews who risk their teeth and work with numbed fingers to keep the wires open. The drivers of the snow plows who give up their warm homes to keep the roads open. All the various men and women who do their part to see that things go along according to schedule despite the storm. They have our heartfelt sympathy—and thanks.

One other thought occurs. Around here we get up every morning and tip-toe to the window to count the number of quail and pheasants that are feeding in the back yard. We spend a good deal of time scraping snow out from under the trees and spreading high priced chicken scratch for these little foragers.

But it certainly makes one feel warmer and cozier to think of being in a nice warm house instead of bunkering in the snow, scratching for our food. My wife just counted and said there were twenty two quail at the moment standing in the bread line. She also mentioned something about Christmas plans. More tomorrow.

CAUGHT IN THE ROUNDS

By DEB ADDISON

The snow storm came just right for the old boys and just wrong for the young ones.

The weekend timing was just right for the old man to wield his snow shovel, get out the camp cooking equipment, and do whatever was necessary, on his normal day at home.

The young sprouts complained bitterly that it came on the weekend when there was no school anyway. This outlook was changed to rejoicing when it finally was learned that school was cancelled for Monday.

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They'll Do It Every Time

By JIMMY HATLO



The Doctor Says—

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M. D.

An annoying and common condition of the colder months of the year is the subject of today's first inquiry.

Q—Each winter the skin on my finger tips cracks. What causes this and what is the best remedy?

A—In all probability this condition is the result of coming in contact with some irritating substance such as soap, alcohol, dyes on clothing, or even the nickel plating of safety pins. If it can be traced to soap the use of some soap substitute cleansing agent may be helpful.

The use of an ointment with a wool fat or petroleum base may be used, but a few people are also sensitive to the former. Avoidance of contact with anything which proves irritating is a desirable measure, and in some cases large doses of vitamin A should be considered.

Q—Can married individuals cause much harm to themselves either physically or mentally by forced celibacy for an indefinite period of time?

A—Direct physical harm would not be expected, but the mental strain under such circumstances could be considerable and might lead to various symptoms of a nervous nature.

Q—I am 58 years old and some mornings find blood in my nose, sometimes on one side and sometimes on both. What can be done for this?

A—You should have your doctor look at the inside of your nose to see if there is not an ulcer present or some other definite process which explains the nosebleeds.

Q—My legs and ankles swell up. Please tell me what could cause this.

A—The most common cause of swelling of the legs and ankles is edema or dropsy, resulting either from heart disease or disease of the kidneys. Both of these have serious possibilities, and you should not let this go without making an effort to find out what is the cause.

Q—What is the right treatment for a fissure near the outlet of the bowel? Is dabbing with a weak solution of alcohol helpful?

A—Almost always the best treatment for this condition is an operation. It is extremely doubtful that dabbing with a weak solution of alcohol will help the fissure to heal.

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JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (U. S. P.)—If Gen. Eisenhower has thought of some way of trying to end the Korean War, he can hardly say so openly—at this time, anyway.

Since he's not yet president, he's not in a position to give orders although he can lay the groundwork for them. He may be doing so during his conferences with members of his Cabinet in the Pacific.

And while the American public would like to know if he's made a decision about Korea, the Communists would too. For instance, if he decided on a surprise offensive and let the word leak out, the Communists would hardly be surprised by it.

It has been said before that no president could give orders in the nation or about two in every 100 persons. The rate is so low that economists are having to revise their notions of what constitutes "rock-bottom" unemployment.

Only in World War II, when the total ranged around 1,000,000, have we had a lower figure in modern economic times.

Present totals have to be measured, too, against the prospect that peak defense output will probably not be reached for another six to eight months, and we may have on top of that gain a small but steady rise in civilian production for even less unemployment.

The year 1953 thus promises a continuation of the high economic without a break since 1945. But, oddly, many business and industrial leaders appear to believe that a recession will get under way before the new year is ended.

This feeling is a phenomenon more curious than the fact that the experts are confounded by low unemployment rates. Why should industrialists faced with such bright signs envisage a downturn?

The only answer seems to be that the memory of the Great Depression, fading but still real in the minds of millions of ordinary workers, is too real to the managers of American business. They worry that things may be just too good to be true. History tells them that booms must end some time.

Certainly we have no reason to assume that we have abolished depressions. And we have not for a long time tested the strength of our basic economy in a time free of war or the preparations of war.

Nevertheless, it is true as well that the economy today has many legal and other props which did not exist in depression days. Government, whether Republican or Democratic, is pledged to throw its full resources quickly into use to prevent the disaster of another depression.

In the light of this situation, and in view of the fact that no important external evidences of trouble have yet appeared, it seems hardly sensible for either economists or businessmen to adopt at this moment the gloomy approach. When the signs turn dark, that is time enough to sound the alarm.

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Senators Say Eisenhower Should Take Offer of Advice Given By MacArthur

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (U. S. P.)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) said today President-elect Eisenhower would be wise to "utilize the genius" of Gen. Douglas MacArthur in forming any new plans to end the Korean War.

MacArthur, who refrained from endorsing Eisenhower in the election campaign although he noted the GOP convention, announced Friday he has a plan for a "clear and definite solution of the Korean conflict" without involving untold heavy Allied casualties.

He declined to disclose the plan publicly, but left the clear impression he would be glad to discuss it with Eisenhower. He made the remarks in a speech to the National Association of Manufacturers.

MacArthur, Sen. John Marshall Butler (R-Md.) and Sen. John Stennis (D-Miss.) said in separate interviews they believed Eisenhower should and probably will seek MacArthur's views after returning from his trip to the Korean war zone.

And one of Eisenhower's close friends here told a reporter he believed the President-elect "would not ignore" MacArthur's apparent offer of advice.

This man, who declined to be quoted by name, said he also expects Eisenhower will keep MacArthur's allies in Korea advised of his own thinking.

MacArthur does not stand on ceremony, and it would be very typical of him to move with speed and quiet informality to let his views to be known to our allies without waiting until the official change of administration, this source said. "I believe that will be done."

On Capitol Hill, the three senators expressed hope Eisenhower would look into the MacArthur plan before making decisions.

"I don't think Gen. MacArthur spoke with any small motive, or any political motive," Stennis said. "I think he spoke as an eminent figure in our military and public life, whose views on military matters deserve careful consideration."

Butler told a reporter he believed Eisenhower would welcome advice on military matters from the man who led the allies to victory in the Pacific in World War II.

"It is up to Gen. Eisenhower to take it or leave it," Butler added. "I personally feel a meeting between them to discuss the plan would be very beneficial."

MacArthur said "Gen. MacArthur has a well proved genius for winning with the least losses among his men. I hope this genius is utilized to help win the Korean conflict."

Ex-Convict Reveals Record Of Theft On NY Waterfront

NEW YORK (U. S. P.)—A longshoreman recruited for dock work while he was still in Sing Sing Prison says the "worst record you had, the easier it was to get a job" on New York's waterfront.

The ex-convict Anthony "Tough Tony" Tischen testified yesterday before the State Crime Commission in its probe of waterfront crime.

The witness stand appearance of Tischen, who was given police protection for fear of possible reprisals, was pointed up by a plea from a shipping firm official for more city and state protection on the docks.

Moving through a fourth day of testimony yesterday, the Crime Commission was given a picture of racketeering along the 700-mile waterfront in both New Jersey and New York, which milk the harbor's seven billion dollar shipping industry of an estimated 350 millions annually.

Tischen, who has spent 11 of his 33 years behind bars, testified that a fellow convict offered him a pier

job while both were still in Sing Sing Prison at Ossining, N. Y.

Saying ex-convicts were preferred for waterfront jobs, Tischen said he spent most of his working time "playing cards and looking to steal something."

John E. Slater, president of the big American Export Lines, told the commission that company officials were helpless about conditions which he said forced them to take on ex-convict pier supervisors.

Slater, whose line operates the big luxury liners Independence and Constitution, said there "unless we could see reforms in the proper protection, would be given all the way down the line."

"I mean protection by the city and the state," he added.

The testimony by Slater and Tischen, was in contrast to the silence of a number of other witnesses among them three local officials of the AFL International Longshoremen's Association.

Tischen, who no longer works on the waterfront, said he was sent to Denby St. John, a hiring boss, by Joe Powell, an ILA shop steward. Tischen said Powell is the ex-convict who recruited him at Sing Sing. St. John was among witnesses who refused to answer commission questions on ground of self incrimination.

Some longshoremen, Tischen said, used insurance records to find ships' passenger luggage of more than ordinary value. "They then would break into that particular bag," he added.

"If anything's stolen, don't forget the bosses down here."

N.M. Prison Riot Over

SANTA FE, N. M. (U. S. P.)—Calm returned to the New Mexico State Prison today with at least eight convicts in isolation after a vain effort to trade hostage guards for freedom.

Six more inmates, not yet identified, presumably were due the same punishment for taking part in a 20-hour rebellion. Warden Morris A. Abram said only that they probably were involved.

Gov. Edwin L. McMechen said there would be an investigation, but Abram and other officials would be allowed to rest first. The chief executive flew back from a Western governor's conference in Phoenix to take charge while the outbreak was in progress.

It ended shortly before noon yesterday when eight captive guards demanded a cap to carry them through opened gates of the 69-year-old penitentiary—were freed by the 14 rebel prisoners.

The guards, weary but obviously relieved, emerged unharmed from the barricaded prison. They refused to talk about their experiences. Abram said they were well treated and their captors gave them food and coffee.

McMechen and Abram described the attempted break as "a spontaneous proposition" led by Robert Eads, 23-year-old holdup man from St. Louis.

"The boys suddenly had a bright idea and took it," said the governor.

One convict, Leopold Mares, 28, suffered minor wounds. Three shot-gun pellets hit his leg soon after the insurrection started.

The convicts won only promise of temporary isolation instead of confinement to "the hole," a dark and bare concrete cell under the prison.

Durkin Says Taft 'Fair'

WASHINGTON (U. S. P.)—Martin P. Durkin, who has been named to be secretary of labor in the Eisenhower Cabinet, said today he is certain Sen. Taft (R-Ohio) will be "reasonable and fair minded" about discussing changes in the Taft-Hartley Labor Act.

The secretary-designate said he regards Taft, who was sharply critical of the President-elect's choice of Durkin, as a "fair-minded man."

Durkin told a reporter he is hopeful that organized labor and management can find a middle ground of agreement on the potentially explosive question of labor legislation.

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