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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

Better late than never department: About every so often we read in a newspaper somewhere about some old buddies getting together after an absence of years and cutting up old touches. Earlier this month we had the same thing happen right here in the Klamath country. Lloyd Low, our beloved ex-sheriff being one of the men in question.

Seems that along about the middle of the month a chap by the name of Walter Erickson, who was raised over in Lander, Wyoming, came through Klamath Falls and called to see if his old comrade in arms, Lloyd Low, was still around.

The two men met back in 1917 in Jacksonville, Florida, where they both joined up with the 302nd Remount Squadron. After joining they went to France and after the armistice did occupation duty in Coblenz and stayed together until they were discharged in 1919.

Erickson is now a mining engineer in Alaska, Anchorage to be exact, where he has tungsten and gold interests. Lloyd has turned into, or kept on being, I don't know which, a rancher.

During the two days Erickson was here, Lloyd claims, they fought all of World War One over again and completely mined out Alaska, Wyoming and Oregon.

After not seeing each other for thirty six years I can see where they would have a lot to say to each other.

Comes spring and comes is the weather.

Never fails to happen that about the time all our outdoor activities get started April showers get in the act, too. What with dog trials, hill climbs, thrill shows at the fairgrounds and during gardening it was a cinch to rain over the weekend. But it should clear up in the very near future.

Doesn't look like much for the future but indoor work. And that usually means nice weather outside.

What the heck. The country can sure use the moisture even if some of us office birds do get a wistful look over the sunshiny days.

TELLING THE EDITOR

SPRING SONG

Dear Bill:

I have noticed your editorial references to the imminence of springtime. That is a period of the year when I am always reminded of those immortal lines of John James Ingalls, former United States Senator from Kansas, to-wit:

"Grass is the forgiveness of nature — her constant benediction. Fields trampled with battle, saturated with blood, torn with the ruts of cannon, grow green again with grass, and carnage is forgotten. Streets abandoned by traffic become grass-grown, like rural lanes, and are obliterated. Forests decay, harvests perish, flowers vanish, but grass is immortal. Beleaguered by the sullen hosts of winter, it withdraws into the impregnable fortress of its subterranean vitality and emerges upon the first solicitation of spring. Sown by the winds, by wandering birds, propagated by the subtle horticulture of the elements, which are its ministers and servants, it softens the rude outline of the world. Its tenacious fibers hold the earth in its place, and prevent its soluble components from washing into the wasting sea. It invades the solitary deserts, climbs the inaccessible slopes and forbidding pinnacles of mountains, modifies climates, and determines the history, character, and destiny of nations. Unobtrusive and patient, it has immortal vigor and arrogance. Banished from the thoroughfare and the field, it bides its time to return, and when vigilance has relaxed, or the dynasty has perished, it silently resumes the throne from which it has been expelled, but which it never abdicates."

Yours truly,

Bert C. Thomas

SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK (AP) — Labor union funds continue to grow.

Pushed upward by swelling pension and welfare funds, total assets are estimated now to be around 1½ billion dollars, a gain of about 50 per cent in four years. Search for profitable investment makes these dollars a potential force in the financial world.

One field in which unions report good growth in recent months is that of insurance. There are insurance companies owned by union locals and by the benefit association of a national labor group.

In Texas is a growing company in which the majority of stock is owned by individual union members on a strictly business risk basis.

One of the oldest and largest—The Union Labor Life Insurance Co.—reports that "higher interest rates on new investments" boosted its net yield from 2.88 per cent in 1951 to 3.06 per cent in 1952. This compares with the average for all insurance companies, which the Institute of Life Insurance puts at 2.98 per cent in 1951 and 3.07 per cent in 1952.

Started 27 years ago, the Union Labor Life Insurance Co. is owned by American Federation of Labor locals. Its money is invested in government bonds, railroads, gas and electric companies, industrial firms, savings and loan association and first mortgages.

Mushrooming in Texas is a different type—the Insurance Co. of Texas group—which boasts it is teaching union members how to be capitalists. Some 13,000 labor union members and 327 locals own two-thirds of the stock. Management is in the hands of Jack Cage & Co.

Organized in June, 1951, the ICT group of five affiliate companies offers life, fire, liability, hospitalization, health and accident insurance, and also discounts commercial paper and installment loans, and makes direct consumer finance type loans on cars, furniture and appliances.

Cage reports total assets rose from under two million dollars in 1951 to more than six million dollars last year.

THE DOCTOR SAYS

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.

Today's first question is particularly puzzling:

Q—When I was a boy (I am now 62) I used to go to sleep in church and the habit stays with me. I can go to sleep at my desk, and in fact one day they put a sign on me and then I wake up. This usually happens after lunch, though I do not eat much. The doctors have found nothing organically wrong with me. If we have callers at home in the evening I am just as apt to go to sleep while the others are doing the talking. I have no warning of any kind, it just happens, and my wife is very much disgusted when I say I can't help it. Do you have any comments? K.W.

A—This question revolves around whether the easy-going-to-sleep of which Mr. W. complains is really normal and just a habit which has developed over the years or whether there is some mental or physical reason in the background. According to what is said there does not seem to be any physical explanation.

There is, I suppose, a possibility that he at one time had a mild attack of brain fever or encephalitis, and quite likely a psychiatrist could think of other possibilities. In the absence of some definite explanation, however, and if the health is otherwise good, the use of some stimulating drug taken carefully under a physician's direction, might be of some use.

Q—I have read of an injection which will change the blood pigment. The article asserted that its use would even turn white the skin of a Negro. Do you know where such injections are obtainable and are they safe and inexpensive? Mrs. H.

A—I have never heard of such injections, do not believe that they exist, and should think that if they did they would be neither safe nor inexpensive.

Q—I know a person who has a habit of eating ice cubes. Isn't this injurious to the stomach and not good for the system? Mrs. R.K.

A—If indulged in excessively, I should think that this habit could do no good, and might cause some disturbances in the digestive system. At any rate, it seems like a particularly useless habit.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

Bruce Biossat

The golfing spree enjoyed by President Eisenhower and Senator Taft gave news photographers and feature writers a field day. But actually it was a lot more than just a lark.

It was a tangible sign that these two highly important men are trying earnestly to get to know and understand each other at all levels of living. So far they appear to be succeeding.

How well they succeed in the end will have great significance for their own careers, for the Republican Party, and for the United States. Their highest collaborative efforts probably will be required to give the Eisenhower administration a triumphant record and the GOP future winnings at the polls.

Mr. Eisenhower is one of the most popular Presidents ever to occupy the White House. He broke all vote-getting records last November, and very likely could do as well today.

But much of what he must accomplish to merit this confidence can only be achieved through Congress. And there is stoutest possible ally is Taft.

Taft has not only the title but the substance of power in the Senate. His knowledge of the legislative process, his capacity for work, his stature with senators in both parties, his basic integrity, all contribute to this fact.

There is no exaggeration in saying Taft can do more to assist the President than any man on Capitol Hill. Taft as an enemy or obstacle would be a tremendous handicap to Mr. Eisenhower. Both men understand this, and seem determined that the opposite shall be the case.

By nature the President is neither overly combative, no vindictive, but one might argue that as the winner in last year's bitter Taft-Eisenhower fight for the nomination he would, of course, find it easier to extend a friendly hand.

It may have been much harder for Taft, the loser. But he is doing it. More than that, he is serving as the President's right-hand man in the Senate. That is the meaning of the majority leadership. It is not just a platform for personal power, but a part of the whole power structure of any administration.

The growing Eisenhower-Taft relationship is a happy demonstration of statesmanlike behavior on both sides. In pooling their labors, they are striving constructively to set a course that will be sound and good for the nation, and—not incidentally—for their own party.

It is an example that might well be followed by some lawmakers of lesser stature and a good deal less than 20-20 vision.

BRIDGE SET

PORTLAND (AP) — A 99-foot concrete bridge across Deception Creek on the Willamette Highway five miles west of Oakridge will be built by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads.

HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — You think it's hard to find a good baby sitter today?

Well here is the way the problem will probably size up by 1960.

Joe McParb and his wife Mary Ann decide to take a night off from parenthood and go out and see a movie. But who will stay home and watch little Junior? Joe calls up the Happy Home Baby Sitting Agency and the conversation runs as follows:

Joe—I would like a good baby sitter for tonight and—

Agency—For tonight? Are you kidding? We are booked up through the spring and summer. How about next fall?

Joe—I don't know what movie will be showing next fall. Mary Ann and I want to see the one that's on tonight. Maybe you'll have a cancellation.

Agency—We don't like to do business on an emergency basis. Usually our sitters insist on having met our clients socially to be sure they are proper people. They can't afford to get mixed up with the wrong crowd.

Joe—Look I'm in a real spot. Can't you help a fellow?

Agency—It's against the rules but—. I'll try to speed up the formalities.

Joe humbly — Gee, thanks, what do I have to do?

Agency — Well, you and your wife and son had better drop down to our office at once. Bring along a recent photo of your home. We will also need a letter of credit from your bank and a character testimonial from your pastor.

Joe (crazedly)—That all?

Agency—No, we'll have to have a copy of your son's latest school report card, an estimate of his personality by his teacher and a certificate from a doctor stating he is free from contagious diseases.

We also require written permission for us to consult your family psychiatrist privately to get his opinion on the status of any unresolved conflicts within your home.

Joe (weakly)—Is that all?

Agency — Well, of course, naturally you are prepared to pay our usual limousine costs for picking up your sitter and co-sitter and returning them to their homes. They will expect a hot meal on their arrival and refreshments in your refrigerator in case they should wish to entertain a few friends while on duty. It goes without saying that your television set must be in perfect condition.

Joe—Wait a minute. You lost me. What is this business about a co-sitter?

Agency—All baby sitters today insist on bringing a co-sitter along for company. You know like airplane pilots do.

Joe—How much is all this going to cost me?

Agency—Our minimum fee is $75 but right now we aren't taking on any more of these charity cases.

Joe—Look mister all I want is some nice elderly lady who knows about kids and weight like to pick up maybe $5 watching little Junior for us while we take in a movie. Don't you know of any baby sitters like that?

Agency—I do. We had one like her and made the mistake of selling her to a museum that wanted to preserve her for historical purposes. Well?

Joe — Look, Mister, I want to make you a proposition. To heck with the movie. What I want to know is if I sleep Junior with Mary Ann and I go to work for you as baby sitter?

Agency—You can. But be quick. I've got four jobs waiting for you right now. All high class.

Square Dance Newsnotes

By CLAIRE ELLIS

Square Dance Calendar

Monday—A & I Folk dancers meet every Monday evening at Altamont Elementary Gym. Shirley and Bill Mayhew leaders—Phone 9967.

Tuesday—Circle Eighters meet every Tuesday evening in the City Library. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stanley leaders—Phone 6667.

Wednesday—Beginners group meet every Wednesday evening at Klamaire. Mr. and Mr. B. M. Antle leaders—Phone 2-2005.

Thursday—Do-si-do Club meets every Thursday evening at Klamaire. Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Antle leaders—Phone 2-2005.

Friday — Suburban Five group meet every Friday evening in the suburban fire hall. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stanley—Phone 6667.

Saturday—Peterson Parent - Patron group meet every other Saturday in Peterson school gym.

Open dance held every other Saturday night at Klamaire.

Keno Promenaders meet every 4th Saturday in the Keno school gym.

Any additions or corrections to this calendar may be made by writing or calling Claire Ellis, 526 Main, Phone 2-2659.

JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower's new security order should give the government better protection. Time will show whether it also gives the individual government employe better protection.

The Truman administration had two programs: (1) loyalty — to bounce people of questionable loyalty; and (2) security—to weed out security risks: people whose loyalty was not questioned but who might spill secrets.

The loyalty program applied to all government employes. The security program covered only those with big secrets, like the State and Defense Departments and the Atomic Energy Commission.

The new Eisenhower move telescopes the loyalty and security programs into one. It covers all government employes, no matter how "innocuous" the agency where they work, on loyalty and security.

In doing this the administration has made some changes in the way people in both groups are to be handled to make it easier to get rid of people it decides can't be trusted to work for the government.

The best way to understand the new program is to compare it with the old.

The old loyalty program:

A man or questionable loyalty was given a hearing by a board made up of officials from his own agency. If it recommended he be fired, the head of the agency or department could do so. Then the man could appeal to the Loyalty Review Board, men specially appointed by the President. If the board found the man loyal, he kept his job.

At these hearings the accused man was entitled to counsel and to get a copy of the charges against him, in writing. There wasn't one case in 1,000 where this man was told who his accusers were. The government didn't have to tell him. So he got no chance to cross-examine witnesses against him.

The Eisenhower loyalty program:

The Loyalty Review Board goes out of existence in seven months, long enough to clear up pending business. It can't take on new cases. Thus the head of an agency or department now has the last word. A man he fired on loyalty grounds stays fired, with no appeal. He gets a hearing before a board set up by his department head but made up of men from other agencies.

At all stages he's entitled to be represented by counsel and, as under the old program, gets a copy of the charges against him. And, the Eisenhower order says, he "can" be told who his accusers are and can cross-examine them. But since the order doesn't say this "must" be done, it probably won't.

The old security program:

The top Loyalty Review Board had nothing to do with security risk cases. The man under investigation didn't have to be told the charges against him. He could get a hearing by a board in his own agency and then be fired by his agency head and he had no appeal.

But only 10 government agencies or departments were covered by the Truman security program. In those places which dealt in secrets a man might be considered loyal but a bad security risk if he drank too much, talked too much, or among other examples, was a homosexual who might be blackmailed into giving secrets.

The Eisenhower security order:

Now every government employe, no matter where he works, can be fired on security grounds. He, too, has no appeal if the agency heads fires him. If suspended while under investigation, he would get a copy of the charges against him. But he wouldn't be allowed to cross-examine any accusers, or even learn who they were.

Under Truman a man considered a security risk in a certain job could be transferred to another, non-sensitive job in the same agency. Or, if he was fired as a security risk in one agency, he might be able to get a job in an agency not handling secrets.

Under Eisenhower's security order, covering all agencies, a man still could be transferred to a non-sensitive job or get a job in another agency, but under definite limitations.

Now each agency head will decide what jobs are sensitive, what national security is, and what a security risk is. This is pretty great latitude.

It's assumed that anyone fired as a security risk will be a real risk to national security and will not be fired on some trivial ground thought up by an agency head.

Pear Bureau Names Chiefs

PORTLAND (AP) — E. R. Pooley of Hood River, Ore., again will serve as president of the Oregon-Washington-California Pear Bureau.

He was reelected last week at the board's annual meeting.

Vice presidents include: J. A. Hodapp, Placerville, Calif.; Paul Seeley, Wenatchee; H. B. Murphy, and George Heuscher, Yakima. Fred J. Stratmann, Portland, was elected secretary-treasurer, and F. V. Warrington, Portland, assistant secretary.

Committee chairmen are: R. A. Patterson, Medford, advertising and marketing; J. E. Klahre, Hood River, legislative and export; Floyd Baker, Medford, research.

Traction Company Employes To Vote

PORTLAND (AP) — Some 1,200 union employes of the Portland Traction Co. are to vote Thursday on a tentative contract agreement reached Monday by the union and management.

Terms of the proposed contract were not announced. However, Federal Mediator Guy Lintner said agreement had been reached on "all issues in dispute." These included a pay increase, an increase in pension funds and a number of changes in working conditions.

IN LONDON

LONDON (AP) — Crown Prince Akihito of Japan arrived at London's Waterloo Station Tuesday aboard a boat train from Southhampton and was welcomed by a crowd of Japanese residents waving some of the first Japanese flags seen in postwar Britain. The 19-year-old heir to Japan's throne came to represent his father at the June 2 coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

Briton Ra US Move Joseph Da

LONDON (AP) — The Ho Commons Tuesday cheered ish government spokesman ment criticizing the Ameri cision to call for new bids Chief Joseph Dam project in ington State.

The spokesman, H. R. M son, secretary for overseas expressed the hope the issue not be used to promote ill between the two countries.

Last Dec. 1, U. S. Army neers asked for bids on a co for transformers and oth at the dam. The English E Co. put in a bid of $6,228 lowest from an American firm $7,120,000.

Mackeson said American ities had decided to call for bids on the contract. He gathered from statements in Washington that "the A authorities felt they could ness the comparative cost British and American prices added.

"I can only say that in every effort should have made in such a case to the necessary information matter from the firms con rather than invite fresh bi thus, in effect, give another to firms whose prices are high."

A. M. F. Palmer, a la asked if the minister had plain to American authorit such an action "is bound a most discouraging effect ish manufacturers anxious pete in the American ma the spirit of trade, not aid."

Replacement Cost Of License Upped

SACRAMENTO (AP) — passed by the Senate wo quire you to pay a dollar of 50 cents for a duplicate lost your drivers license.

Sen. Randolph Collier (R) told the Senate Monday the other fee increases would g Motor Vehicles Departme 2½ million dollars a year n needs to stay in the black.

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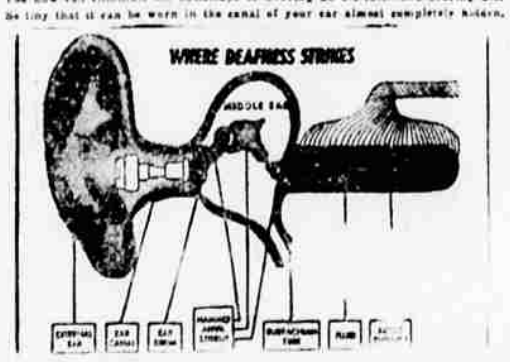

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