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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

The various 20-30 clubs seem to be active this summer. We have heard from Tulelake that the club down there is going all-out in a drive for an emergency car. A splendid idea, we think.

The boys down there will be going around rounding up funds. If you have a donation leave your porch light on during the drive, and if they manage to wangle \$6000 they'll turn up with a completely equipped ambulance.

There are so many so-called charity drives these days that one hardly knows where to turn for relief. But this is one that carries our full stamp of approval.

When you need help along the line of an ambulance there just isn't anything that will "do just as well." The boys tell me that they are making no effort to take business away from the regularly established ambulance services. This is just an on-the-spot service for the people of the south end.

Also on the subject of 20-30 we have just received word that children under seven years of age will be admitted free to the big 20-30 barbecue at Modoc field this Saturday night. That's for the square dance jamboree being sponsored by the local group to raise funds for the playground equipment at Conger Field.

Word comes in from Bud Morgan, the man at Southern Pacific, that their new dome car will be in Klamath Falls on the 8th of this month. If I read the notes right it will also be through here on the 10th, 11th and 12th of the month, making the run on trains number 9 and 10.

From the brochure the thing looks positively fantastic. All the view anyone could use. Guess we'll have to go down and see it.

CAUGHT IN THE ROUNDS

By DEB ADDISON

AN AMAZING thing occurred to this column the other evening. It was attendance at a dinner for visiting firemen at which no speeches were made, no presentations were presented and no backs were slapped.

The amusements didn't stop with that, or rather, it started with something else. It was the dinner for the travel editors, and we were introduced to two men who had the appearance of, not newspaper writers but, city professional men or bankers, and to a young lady who could easily have passed for a Powers model.

Allyson Sanders, the Houston Chronicle travel editor, wore neither a tan galton hat nor cowboy boots, and he admitted that, while he had seen some "twists" appointments to club rooms and such in Texas, the ladies powder room in the Eugene Hotel beats anything yet. (Just how he got that first-hand information was not explained.)

Fred Taylor Kraft, the Long Beach Independent Press-Telegram travel editor, did not bore us with dope about Mac Epley that we've known for 25 years. Further, he readily admitted that Crater Lake is located in Klamath county, Oregon, and that it is the most amazing and beautiful sight in Nature.

Dorothy Powers, the Spokane Spokesman-Review and Chronicle travel editor—well—she is a Powers model in more than name and she is our immediate domination as the world's most beautiful travel editor.

Most amazing of all, Eric Bergman, assistant manager of the travel information division of the Oregon State Highway Department,

volunteered the information that he is a long time reader of "Caught in the Rounds".

Gene Kinney, photographer for the highway department who currently has a picture in Holiday magazine, also has made the boat trip down the Rogue from Grants Pass to the sea—he didn't get any decent pictures on the trip either. (Bad weather, of course.)

The only thing about the get-together that was not amazing and which did not turn out to form was that the gathering wound up with Frank Tucker at the piano. And, well, Mayor Paul Landry did make a slight speech of welcome.

"Frier" Tucker, manager of the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce, which was host to the travel editors, was an Everett, Wash., high school classmate of Jim Winde, new Klamath Buick dealer.

It used to be an interchange of Brookings, now it's between Klamath Falls and Newport. Bill Colbert, with the state police here for many years, now is sergeant in charge of the Newport detail. Jim Winde came here from Newport. Now we have Dr. Paul M. Noel, Dr. James H. Noel and Dr. Donald P. Noel, from Newport, taking over the Boyd Sprague dental establishment.

"Doc" Noel (senior) is a Klamath County High School graduate, class of 1915. Jimmy and Don (sons) are KUHS grads of later dates. Jimmy is getting the dental practice under way now, while Paul is recovering from an operation, while Don is sweating out the tough assignment of a plump Air Force post in Honolulu.

Noel, Noel, Noel. Sounds like Christmas, doesn't it?

Vet's Mailbag

Veterans have repaid in full \$64,623 GI loans for homes, farms, and businesses totalling more than \$2 billion in the past decade of the GI loan program. Veterans Administration announced today.

The \$64,623 loans repaid as of June 30, 1954 represents nearly 19 per cent of the \$343,818 loans made totalling \$33.9 billion.

This high rate of repayment is matched by the low rate of claims. VA has paid on foreclosed loans—23.57, or less than one per cent of the total number of loans made.

To date, the government has suffered an out-of-pocket loss of only \$27 million and that amount is subject to substantial further recovery either by sale of acquired security or from veterans themselves.

Although the majority of the loans, or 63 per cent of the 214,544 loans made, have been paid back in full.

Total amount of the business loans repaid is more than \$332.9 million out of \$377.7 million borrowed by veterans.

Of the 214,544 business loans made, VA has paid claims on 11,463, or only 5.4 per cent. The current loss before further recoveries is \$9.4 million.

Fifteen per cent, or \$13,000 of the \$86,843 home loans made since 1944 have been repaid in full. Money-wise, nearly \$2.7 billion has been repaid out of \$23.1 billion borrowed. GI home loans are usually written with 15 to 30-year terms.

Claims paid by VA on foreclosed home loans amount to only 18,800 or approximately one-half half of one per cent of the loans made. Current loss to VA before further recoveries is \$16.3 million dollars.

As for farm loans, veteran-farmers have repaid \$6,819 loans total-

POET'S CORNER

ENDING OF LETTERS POETRY
By ORPHA COLLINS

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ALONG NATURE'S TRAIL

by KEN McLEOD

With expanding population there likewise develops an increasing demand upon the outdoor areas for recreation. Recreation areas that appear to be adequate in 1954 will be entirely inadequate by 1964, in fact, our present recreational facilities in the National Forests have already begun to show the fact that they are inadequate to accommodate the demands placed upon them. The use of our State and National parks has increased greatly and some of these areas, especially in California are beginning to show signs of deterioration under the impact of current use levels.

Direct human use is a most important factor in the changing pattern of land use within a region and the opportunity for outdoor recreation in natural environments is one of the mainstays of the important Tourist industry. Marshland, woodland, lakes, rivers, mountains are all essential units in a successful program to meet the needs and requirements of a well-balanced recreational program. The expansion of some forms of outdoor recreational use is already becoming limited by the available facilities.

Any community which looks intelligently to the future must recognize the demand for recreation—al use of well-land areas and that the demand for recreational use of such land will expand under the combined effects of a greatly expanding population. The increase in leisure time and improvements in transportation, with super highways reaching out from our mountain areas to the centers of dense population are beckoning fingers to people to seek the freshness of the outdoors—not everyone will spend their leisure time sitting in darkened rooms watching TV.

The problem posed in this coming demand is one of balancing the demands for a way of life with the essential needs of providing for a means of livelihood. The question foremost today is whether we have the vision to recognize these future demands of a great recreational industry or whether in our blindness we will let personal greed for immediate use destroy a great potential that in the end will have to be rehabilitated at an excessive cost to the recreational industry.

The callousness with which we destroy places of great value to the general recreational field is an amazing element of our present day civilization. It is generally accepted that certain areas of superlative recreational and aesthetic values should be reserved from agricultural and industrial use yet how often are we willing to concede these values if some agency or individual proposed plans for developing them for some immediate financial gain?

Not all destruction, however, comes about from the desire of personal gain often destruction is created merely for convenience and a lack of appreciation of the latent values a place may present. Such destruction often comes through the development of highways—now for example right in our own backyard I can point to the careless indifference with which the Oregon Highway engineers destroyed the natural potential of Barclay Springs above Algona. Here is a most desirable wayside area that is essential as a unit in the enjoyment of our Upper Klamath Lake area. In fact Barclay Springs is one stopping spot on the high-

Telling the Editor

REPLY

This is a reply to Nelson's diatribe on our Wayne Motel. What I have little love for Wayne, I have less for Cordon. Why should prices continue to rise when the country has an over supply of everything? Look at coffee, gas and drugs. Did Cordon make effort to keep them down?

Thanks,
C. J. Hess

"GNOME LIKE SPYXN"

By C. J. HESS

1. What gnome like spyxyn glides in and out, obscure and shrinking when his vote would count? Why Cordon of course.

2. What Senator is it that makes me boil, to pay my bills I sweat and toil, when he gives the rich the power, the oil? Why Cordon of course.

3. What Senator is it that is so lame, one half the people in Oregon

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HAL BOYLE

HILL CITY, S.D. (AP)—How can a middle-aged woman who has lost her husband and reared her children adjust to a world that suddenly seems empty?

That was the problem that faced Mrs. Arthur Wermuth, mother of Maj. Art Wermuth, the famous "one-man army of Bataan."

She found the answer by turning her back on the busy social life of Chicago and settling down in a cabin in this old small (pop. less than 500) mining town in the Black Hills. She lives alone with her 3-year-old Dalmatian watchdog, "Sissy," and says she has found here a new peace and purpose in life.

"Ever since I came here," she said, "I have loved these hills so much that I could kiss the ground for the happiness they brought me."

Sitting in the living room of her log-cabin, Mrs. Wermuth, a vivacious, dark-eyed woman whose age is still her own secret, told the story of her life.

"When I was in the third year in high school I had my appendix out," she recalled. "The surgeon had a son, who was also a doctor and helped him."

"I started hollering for the young doctor, and wouldn't let the old man take care of me. Before I left the hospital the son and I were engaged."

"I guess he fell in love with my insides," said Mrs. Wermuth, laughing, then adding quietly, "The young doctor became a famous overworked surgeon. In 1925 his wife talked him into coming to the Black Hills on a fishing trip, and each year after that they returned."

"In Chicago he belonged to the people, and the city finally killed him," she said. "But out here he belonged only to me—and here we found peace together."

Widowed shortly before the war, Mrs. Wermuth spent nine years traveling about the country with her daughter, Talia, who had become a professional dancer. They were tiring, anxious years.

Her son had won fame by killing more than 100 Japanese single-handed in patrol actions on Bataan before being taken prisoner.

"For more than 3½ years I worried every night that they would kill him in prison camp," she said.

"After the war she settled here with her daughter, who is married to a businessman in nearby Custer. Her son is now in the insurance business in Denver."

"To this day we have never talked about the war," she remarked. "Some day, mother, I'll tell you about it," he said, and some day, when he is ready, he will tell me. But it is over, and now he doesn't want even to hear about it."

"So far he hasn't even looked at the scrapbook I collected about his heroism, but some time he will. I also still have the gavel used in the House of Representatives to declare war on Italy and Germany. It was given to me by Rep. Sam Rayburn of Texas. He said the gavel used to declare war on Japan had been stolen."

The shelves of her four-room cabin are crowded with souvenirs of her travels. The shelf above the fireplace holds the bronzed first baby shoes of her two children—and the skull of a gorilla, given to her in Seattle.

Mrs. Wermuth now is a familiar figure in the Black Hills, and held in high affection for her acts of kindness. Even the crustiest old prospector waves as she wheels by on a trout fishing trip.

"No, I don't miss the city social life I used to know," she said. "Here they have something much better than society—a neighbor-

THE DOCTOR SAYS

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.

It used to be quite common to call almost every skin rash in a small child by the name of eczema. Probably this name should be reserved, however, for those skin rashes which are the result of contact with some irritating substance.

Most skin specialists prefer to call it dermatitis venenata. This is a kind of allergy because some people are not sensitive to the same substances which will cause eczema in others. Also it should be said that dermatitis venenata is not confined to children.

The skin in eczema (as defined in this manner) is likely to look at first merely like a simple reddening or irritation. If the irritation is severe, however, blisters and even small pus pockets can form.

If the irritation continues, or unless self medication is applied to the skin, the simple redness gives place to a more chronic condition. Eczema shows up on those parts of the body which have come in contact with the irritating substance. For this reason the hands,

Portland Plant Not Marijuana

PORTLAND (AP)—The Federal Narcotics Bureau at Seattle has confirmed what Earl E. Bray knew all the time—he wasn't growing marijuana in the backyard of his home.

The plant was Jerusalem artichoke. That's what Bray told police it was when they rooted out the nine-foot plant after a neighbor who worked at the police station—and had seen pictures of growing marijuana—became suspicious.

First tests indicated the plant was marijuana. But samples sent to the Narcotics Bureau in Seattle confirmed Bray's identification.

Dental School Permit Issued

PORTLAND (AP)—A building permit for the proposed \$1,874,128 University of Oregon Dental School was issued at City Hall here Tuesday.

The nine-story building will be located on the University of Oregon Medical School campus on Marquam Hill.

QUICKIES



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have taken over the offices of Boyd S. Sprague, 1435 East Main Street.

Dr. James H. Noel is now taking appointments for dental work.

Dr. Paul M. Noel will limit his practice to denture construction and will take appointments on or about September 15th.

Dr. Donald P. Noel now is serving with the U.S. Air Force.

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