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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

With all this furor going around about McCarthy and whether or not he should be slapped on the wrist or not we are reminded of a suggestion which we made some time ago.

A national week in which to clear up all these petty little differences among the population.

Under this system during the week, which we might refer to as "Shut up or shoot up week" or some such title, you could go calling on your enemies and take along your 12 gauge single barreled walking stick.

Action, not talk, would be the order of the day. The talkers could stay behind locked doors for a week. Which would make for a nice quiet world for a little while. And, with luck, we could probably nail a few of 'em.

But I suppose we'll never get around to it. International wars are so much more popular than mere national squabbles. And since the exercise of common sense seems to have gone out with the buggy whip and the bustle we can forget everything but betting on the winner in the argument.

It makes for good business for the lawyers anyway.

should also be able to see a few more snow geese than we have up to the present. The big white fellers have not been noticed in any great numbers to date.

I suppose this is the only place where you will hear normal people grousing about the sunny weather and loudly proclaiming their disappointment at not getting any "decent" weather over the weekend.

When science finally gets everything perfected and we can at last control the weather I suppose there will be another item added to the duck hunter's list of supplies. The Jim Dandy All-Purpose, Self-Compensating, Aluminum Faced Mid-Range Duck Weather Producer.

With this handy little gadget (no larger than a box of shells, please) the hunter can set his weather to fit the birds that are in. High winds and dust for geese, a fine drizzle of rain and a cold breeze for ducks, etc.

I can just picture it now, sneaking up on a band of geese, setting the dial for a thirty mile wind from the south-east, and then getting yourself set in the blind upwind from the birds and waiting for the adjustment on and concealing the machine in a clump of stules up the marsh while you find a convenient hidey hole at the edge of a little pond.

Until then I guess we'll just sit at home and wait for some decent duck weather to blow in over a weekend.

HAL BOYLE

SPA, Belgium — When you return in peacetime to a place you knew 10 years before in war, there is often a big emotional letdown.

The small landmarks you thought you'd never forget can no longer be found. The landscape looks different. The people seem different, too. They often do not want to be reminded of the past, and you have an uneasy feeling of being lost in time. You are a stranger to the quiet present, a phantom echo from a noisy previous period better forgotten.

But it wasn't that way at all coming back for a luncheon at the Hotel Du Portugal here, which 10 years ago was home to some 40 or 50 war correspondents of the American 1st Army.

Mrs. Maria Thonart, widowed owner of the hotel and her son, Robert, gave me a warm welcome. So did Alice, the chambermaid, whose boast for 25 years has been she never lost a shirt.

"Things have improved and now the world has come again to us," said Mrs. Thonart. "Life has resumed. We are normal again."

greatest campaigns of the winter were fought out in "Chambre Six" or at least begun there — campaigns Adolph Hitler never even heard of.

Mrs. Thonart, recalling the varied history of "Chambre Six" then invited me to go up to the second floor for a look at it.

I opened the door, and a silence loud with the echoes of a vanished time flooded over me. The red decor of the room had been retained, but a bathroom had been added, cutting the chamber almost in half. There was no Nazi flag on the wall, although I looked — half expecting it would be there.

When I came back down the stairs, Mrs. Thonart looked up with a gentle smile, and said: "Chambre Six — is different?"

"Yes, it is different."

She mentioned some of the personalities at our press center, including Marlene Dietrich and Ernest Hemingway. Of the dead we did not speak aloud, nor had we need to. . . but suddenly, caught by her own memories, Mrs. Thonart began to weep.

When it was time to go, she poured us an aperitif, and said "They were the best days of a bad time." Robert, said something else that added a welcome footnote to the wartime history of "Chambre Six" and the responsibility shown by footloose gentlemen of the press.

"The correspondents were here for months," he said, "and during that stay only one man left without paying his bill."

QUICKIES By Ken Reynolds

PET SHOP

"On second thought - I think we'll look in the Herald & News Want Ads for a pet!"

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo

THE PRICE OF PRECIOUS METAL SEEMS TO FLUCTUATE, DEPENDING ON WHETHER THE DENTIST IS PUTTING IN—

OR TAKING OUT—

DO I GET A REBATE ON THE GOLD FILLING YOU TOOK OUT? PURE GOLD, Y'KNOW—

THAT LITTLE INSIGNIFICANT SCRAP OF ALLOY? HARDLY WORTH TALKING ABOUT—

NOT FOR A GOLD INLAY! PURE GOLD'S NOT CHEAP, Y'KNOW—

B-BUT DOCTOR—ISN'T STEEP FOR A FILLING P—

THANKS AND I'LL BE UP ON THE LATER TO GET A READER'S FULLING—

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ALONG NATURE'S TRAIL by KEN McLEOD

Yesterday I presented some of the thoughts expressed on Farmer-Sportsmen relations by Nash Buckingham, Vice President of the Outdoor Writers Association who halls from Memphis, Tennessee. Nash Buckingham has been one of the most ardent fighters for the preservation of waterfowl in the area along the Mississippi River and his sharp pen has not exactly endeared him with either certain groups of so-called sportsmen or with a number of leaders in the field of wildlife management for Nash does not shrink from speaking straight out what he thinks about the conduct of individuals.

It's a typical Buckingham expression in speaking of the wildlife problem from the sportsman's angle to say "We've kept the problem strictly among our quarrelsome selves, conservationists and hunters. It has been a strictly, narrow-minded conversational hassel and typed of the breed. Conservation never has had the brains to peddle the problem's wares in the right market. That's all. They've been so busy arguing their own selfish objectives and claims that they've missed the Congressional boat all too many times."

My! But Nash is really going to call down the wrath of the Gods upon his head for treating a lot of inflated egos with such callousness!

Nash goes on to ask a question: "Has Conservation, so-called, or the state folks ever knocked on the P.O. Box of the Association doors, or the many and many 4-H outfits, or sought direct contacts to establish wildlife as a definite loanable, harvestable crop?"

"It sure hasn't."

"It's still standing there, with a chip on its shoulder, in between the Farmers and the Gun Goons, that's all."

"We charge a greens-fee of upkeep of public golf courses. We are trying to do the same for some state public shooting grounds, and, worthily, too. All right the answer is that when the farmers realize, or are made to realize, and the Government, too, that game can be made a paying, marketable, harvestable crop, with loans available and instructions from their states how to get into the business, you can put your birds back to the land than you can shake a stick at. In either direct market sales direct for food, or by fees to the farmer for coming on his land to hunt. And the next great step after that is to make "Posted Signs" really mean something, besides targets to be shot off in contempt. The least understood and the most misunderstood topic in wildlife matters today is — Game and its Legal Status."

"If it hadn't been for the Pittman Robertson Act, the chances are we wouldn't be shooting either waterfowl or upland game today. But, if under today's pressures it is expected that Pittman Robertson can repopulate the land with game birds, we are leaning on a weak straw. Let's say birds back that a given state's share of the PR funds, is \$250,000. Actually some states have never even been able to think well enough to get something to spend theirs on, and others have done a good job of it on the projects their commissions have devised. But what does the farmer get? Nothing, if anything. It's just a lot of biological and research jobs and salaries, and as to putting back game in the broadest sense possible, it just ain't. But it helps.

"What we need is some exploration and clean, clear thinking as to how to actually put it within the farmer's hands and means, or in the hands of honest-hard-working folk qualified to raise game commercially, to embark upon the magnificent adventure of re-populating the land with wildlife. Migratory and otherwise, our sole device right now is — 'How To Kill It.' Many reapers are called, but few keepers are chosen."

"The restoration of wildlife as a national, workable theme is simply not in the Congressional sights. It's just a dog-fight, a snarling mess, in the alley, between the exploiters of wildlife and us well-meaning, but near helpless conservationists. We think we are getting somewhere, but we ain't. We have a draw now and then and do a lot of self-backslapping and Hall-lujahs. Our state game regimes, some of them, do good jobs of it with what they've got to do on, which is darn little."

"To succeed in anything, you've got to make a business of it. Afield, Americans have made a business of law evasion, corrupt practices, sportingly, and that crack is supported by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover. Enforcement of Federal law in wildlife is a jest. The only way you'll even get more game birds back in America is to make a business of it, and it'll take Congress to do that. And if this be wildlife or sporting treason, make the most of it."

Sam Dawson

NEW YORK — Happy talk comes today from the centers of industry as well as from the nation's stock exchanges.

Factories and mills are getting more orders, turning out more goods, rehiring more workers. Stores are reporting better traffic and higher sales volume.

It's the usual fall pickup, but it makes for happier reading because a year ago the trend was the other way.

The rush of trading on the stock exchanges has been variously described as psychological reaction, reaction to the election results and as the belief that a new and soundly based peacetime prosperity is coming up.

The news today from the industrial centers, while just as cheerful, is more seasonal and moderate.

Steel output is now at the highest rate of the year, and no longer is depressingly lower than a year ago. The nation's mills expect to turn out 1,842,000 tons this week. A year ago the output was 2,091,000 tons.

Steelmen say their new wonders are coming from wide segments of industry, although their biggest pickup is, as expected, from the auto makers.

Factory job totals are rising, also mainly thanks to the auto industry and to the shops that turn out parts and supplies for the car makers.

The rush to turn out 1955 models is under way at most auto plants and production this month and next should be at a high rate. Some car makers are talking about record output and sales next year. If the public takes to the new models as the producers hope, the flow of dollars in the auto centers will cheer many a merchant.

Store sales are already making seasonal gains in many parts of the country. New York City department stores report sales running 8 per cent ahead of this time last year, and Los Angeles stores report sales 15 per cent higher than the previous week.

Merchants hope that this pre-holiday spurt foreshadows a big Christmas trade.

Rehiring of laid-off workers in many sections is giving trade its best boost. The Labor Department reports that factory employment, which usually drops between mid-September and mid-October, rose instead this time.

Vet's Mailbag

Three important cautions to veterans receiving checks for VA benefits are passed on by your Veterans Administration office.

1. If a veteran moves, he should promptly notify the VA Regional Office handling his records of his new address.

2. If a monthly check is lost or fails to arrive at its usual time, he should notify his VA office immediately.

3. If a veteran receiving disability compensation returns to the armed forces, he should notify his VA office promptly.

Further VA said, in writing to the VA office, a veteran should identify himself with his "C-number," which is the number assigned to him by VA in connection with his claim.

Under law, VA payment checks for benefits may not be forwarded by the post office to a new address. They must be returned to the U.S. Treasury/Disbursing Office.

If veterans want to avoid delay in getting checks after moving from one address to another, VA said, they should notify VA promptly.

And in the rare instance when a veteran receives a check for more or less than the amount he is entitled to, he should return the check at once for correction, instead of cashing it.

Remember, VA says, in writing to VA, always identify yourself, giving full name, C-number, or search jobs and salary, and as to putting back game in the broadest sense possible, it just ain't. But it helps.

Seven Hunters Fined In Court

ASTORIA — Seven hunters arrested in one party during the recent either-sex elk season in Clatsop County for hunting in the Astoria watershed area near Wickup reservoir, pleaded guilty to trespassing and each has been fined \$50 in municipal court.

The seven were part of a group of 18 arrested for violation of a city ordinance—violation of the state game laws. Eleven elk were killed by members of the group.

SUICIDE

BERLIN — A West Berlin radio station said Friday the number of suicides in East Germany reached a new high in October, quoting "government sources."

Radio Free Berlin said 522 East Germans committed suicide last month, an increase of 50 per cent over the monthly average.

Telling The Editor

SHORT CHECK

I wish to call to the attention of 4-H club families, leaders, Rotarians and others interested in the character development of our youth, the following:

Five sheep club members from four sheep clubs sold their fat lambs in a pen at the fall fair. All were elated to get a bid of 73 cents. (That is the bid they believed they had.)

Subsequent investigation leads me to believe they were correct. Please note, then, the excerpts from two letters from the 4-H office.

"September 17, 1954.

Dear 4-H Livestock Club Member: I am enclosing the check for your livestock sold at the 1954 Klamath Junior Livestock auction. Please cash as soon as possible. Sale price \$65.75 per cent deduction, 33 cents balance by check \$44.67."

"November 3, 1954.

Dear 4-H Club Member: I am enclosing a check in the amount of \$10 from the Junior Livestock show. This is an additional payment to you on your sale at the recent auction sale. This is an addition of 10 cents per pound."

As near as could be determined the sale price was 75 cents per pound.

Why, if, as near as could be determined the sale price was 75 cents, did the 4-H office accept or send less? And why did it take so much time and effort to get the amount apparently due all the time?

I made trips to the office, phoned and wrote and I know that some of the other families brought this to the attention of the 4-H office.

It seems the buyer paid only 65 cents. Again, why?

Perhaps there is a reasonable explanation for all this. If so I wish it would be made in a letter to this column so that all may understand.

The letters from which the foregoing excerpts were taken are in my possession and will be made available if necessary.

Bertha Enman
Rt. 1 Box 619.

Eds Note: Apparently there was some misunderstanding during the heat of the bidding, which has now been rectified.

Oregon Timber Sale Announced

PORTLAND — A multi-million dollar deal will see the big Edward Hines Lumber Co. take over the far-flung Oregon Lumber Co. by the end of the year.

The two firms announced the deal Thursday but did not disclose the price.

The Hines firm, which now has holdings on both sides of the Cascade Range in Oregon, will acquire a fir sawmill and a hardwood plant at Dee in Hood River County, a pine sawmill at Hines and a mill-work fabricating plant at Baker.

Mother Whips Son To Death

PHOENIX, Ariz. — A pregnant mother whipped her 3-year-old son to death with a leather belt after he refused to take his afternoon nap, the sheriff's office reported Friday.

Investigators found the body of blond Gregory Treguboff covered from head to foot with bruises when they answered a call at a neat, suburban home.

His mother, Marjorie Treguboff, 27, appeared to be in shock and was in bed. She was not questioned.

"My wife beat up the boy. I guess a little bit too hard. He seemed all right at first. Then all of a sudden he went into convulsions and died," the boy's father, Louis Treguboff, 33, told officers.

"She's been nervous all day," he added. "She's been nervous quite a bit lately."

Capt. D. L. McGovney of the sheriff's identification bureau said the boy's bruises were "the worst I've ever seen."

Treguboff said his wife could not remember just what happened. He told deputies that Mrs. Treguboff could remember that while she was annoyed with her son because of his refusal to stay in his crib Gregory was saying: "Mommy, I love you."

Wool Men Urge Change In Laws

ROSEBURG — Sheep disease control laws in Oregon may need complete rewriting, the Oregon Wool Growers Assn. was told Thursday at the start of the annual convention.

President John Withers of Paisley said present control laws have not been changed materially since 1907. He appointed a committee to study the matter.

The committee will get aid from M. E. Knirkbocker, head of the animal division of the State Board of Agriculture, who said special attention will be given to scrapie, a disease that attacks the nervous system.

Oregon already has had one outbreak of scrapie in Marion County, where six flocks are under quarantine.

The convention will continue through Saturday.

ARTHRITIS?

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