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Along NATURE'S TRAIL with Ken McLeod

At the national convention of the Isaac Walton League this year, Eugene Davidson, secretary and conservationist, spoke of our national farm problem. Davidson pointed out that man has always had an agricultural problem and we are still faced with the same thing that faced the Stone Age man, the problem has not changed much with time.

"True," said Davidson, "we have developed greatly in our technology and in our method of producing food and fiber. So much so that today we have another problem. Perhaps some 100 or 150 years ago, the people in some areas began to farm. They had some time to do something besides grub for food, and they began to produce other things.

"Nowadays we have a tremendous amount of time; there are great numbers of people and many hours in our day no longer devoted to the production of food. When we began to reach a peak in agricultural development we also began to have an increase in the number of people because there was more food and less starvation. Many of these people came to the new world — America — and the same sort of development took place in America only on a larger scale.

"When our government was formed and our way of life began to develop, we did not adhere to the old feudal system of land tenure that had been in existence in England and in Europe for so many years. We said let every man be a free man, own his own farm, make his own living, and not have to pay fealty and homage to some overlord.

"Our land was particularly adapted to that sort of thing. The areas were big. The fields could be large. Timber was plentiful. The water was clean. And so these great migrations of people who had come from Europe at one time or another, in one way or another, entered into the field of farming, and here in America, and particularly in the United States, the greatest technical developments took place. We changed the whole system of power on the farm. We don't plow our fields with a crooked stick like they do in some parts of the old world. We don't gather our wheat or our rice in our hands. We use the most modern machinery. We use plow and rake and tractor and cotton gin and mowing machine and reaper and combine and all the rest of the tools that go in for big production and big operations.

"One other thing about this farm problem or responsibility is that at no time and in no locality has the problem or responsibility been static. It changes constantly. We may have a surplus today in a certain commodity and in a few years a shortage. We may have a surplus in one locality and a shortage in another locality in the same commodity.

"Another thing that confronts all farm economists and persons who

TELLING THE EDITOR

OLD PICTURES
Please accept the following contribution for your column, "Letters to the Editor."
Having read with considerable interest the articles published in the Herald and News this past summer regarding the old Dolen barn recently dismantled in Keno, I should like to supplement the somewhat meager information and also to correct certain misinformation in those articles. This is not a difficult task, since my cousin, Mr. D. R. "Dan" Dolen, who as a boy of 15 took part in the barn raising, is still living and has a vivid memory of all the circumstances. As Mr. Dolen is now 81, the barn was constructed 66 years ago, or in 1889. The following is a summary of his account.

This barn was built by Newt Pratt, whose daughter lived in Keno for many years as the wife of Sam Padgett, early-day storekeeper. Mr. Pratt stocked quantities of hay in Keno to teamsters and stage drivers and needed a barn to store his supply. He bought the lot from Dan Dolen's father, St. Dolen. The barn was not, as has been suggested, moved from the Mees ranch or former Dolen ranch in Butte Valley, but was built originally at Keno. The timbers for it were hewn by a man named Harrington, half Indian and half white, from logs cut in the immediate vicinity of Keno. The lumber was brought to Keno, part of it from the Charlie Withrow mill, later the McCormick mill, a short distance below Keno on the Klamath River.

PREJUDICE
With Republicans critical of Democrats for their criticism of businessmen why don't both parties demonstrate their lack of prejudice on the subject by uniting behind Governor Harriman for President? Democrats would make clear their willingness to accept a millionaire businessman as Chief Executive and Republicans could prove that a successful businessman need not necessarily be a Republican.

John L. Kerbow

THE DOCTOR SAYS

By EDWIN F. JORDAN, M.D.
Two readers have recently written about dropsy. One, M. D., says that his aged mother is suffering from this from the knees down. The other, Mrs. S., is herself having a great deal of trouble of the same sort, apparently as the result of heart disease.

Another condition which may lead to dropsy is damage to the kidneys. If they fail to remove the fluid and other undesirable material from the blood, dropsy may result.

In fact, one of the most severe forms of dropsy is that which comes in chronic Bright's disease, or nephritis, which is inflammation of the kidneys.

Sometimes dropsy develops not in the legs only but elsewhere in the body, including the abdominal cavity or the lungs. Under such circumstances, if the fluid cannot be removed by direct action on the heart or the kidneys, it may be necessary to remove some of the excess fluid by inserting a needle and drawing off the fluid through a syringe.

This is a temporary measure but often relieves the situation enough so that the damaged heart or kidneys function better after it has been done.

The accumulation of undesired fluid in the body from these two principal causes, or from some of the less common ones, is a serious sign. Improvement often takes place.

However, the body is ordinarily so well run that minor difficulties with the heart or kidneys are taken care of and the appearance of dropsy should be considered as a sign of something seriously wrong.

NO WATERMELONS
LAMONT, Okla., (AP)—Lamont has decided not to hold its annual free watermelon feed this season for the first time in 30 years. No watermelons. The harvest is too late.

They'll Do It Every Time



HAL BOYLE

By ED CREEGH
For HAL BOYLE
WASHINGTON (AP)—Want to make a million dollars?
There's a new pocket-size book out which tells exactly how to do it. Sounds as if the formula might work, too, if any of us had the sense and stick-to-it-iveness to follow it. A little luck might help come, too.

Mavin Small is the author of this book, titled "How To Make More Money" (Pocket Books, 35 cents.) He made enough money himself out of such things as deodorants to retire at 45.

Basically, Small's formula is so simple that you wonder why he wrote a book about it. "Find out what a lot of people want and then give it to them" is about what it adds up to — which sounds pretty much like an old wheeze about building a better mousetrap.

But Small goes on to cite case histories — such as that of Leo Gerstenzang, who watched his wife bathe the baby, saw she was having trouble twisting cotton around the end of a toothpick, and invented Q-tips then and there.

(Small doesn't point it up, but there's another lesson here: Always let your wife bathe the baby. If Gerstenzang had said, "Here, darling, let me do that," the chances are dim he would have the high Dun & Bradstreet rating he enjoys today.)

"All right," you say, "but this fellow Gerstenzang must have had a knack for inventing things. Me, I'm not smart enough to put a box of paper matches under a wobbly table leg. Doesn't that bar me from the millionaire class?"

Not on your life. Capitalize on your own defect. Small tells the story of a young New York east sider who was so gawky he couldn't get out of the way of his own feet. But one day a brash young lady dragged him out on a dance floor and the next thing he knew he was dancing like Arthur Murray.

This is not too surprising, really, because the young man was Arthur Murray. He figured that, by golly, if he could learn to dance anybody could — if properly taught. And he became the man who did the teaching, at a highly satisfactory profit.

Well, now, says Small, there's an old Chinese saying to the effect of "Fu yu mu yu tu su," which he translates as "Papa's having and Mama's having is not the same as having it oneself." In other words: More power to Murray and Gerstenzang — but how do I get in on the act?

Small knew you were going to ask that, and he has an answer ready — Borrowed. He cheerfully acknowledges, from advertising to comic Alex Giborn, it's a little game called "brainstorming." You play it this way:

You look at any object — one of Murray's dance charts, for instance, or one of Gerstenzang's Q-tips. Then you ask yourself a whole series of questions about it: Is there a simpler way of doing or making this? Can it be adopted to other uses? Can it be made portable?

(Not all these questions will apply to every possible object. It's hard, for example, to imagine anything more portable than a Q-tip.)

Small provides you a whole series of such questions. He does some sample brainstorming for you. He gives you a word association scheme, an idea-stimulator check list. Plainly, if you brainstorm long enough and hard enough it's your own fault if you don't reach a point where you can paper the hall bedroom with \$100 bills.

So — brainstorm away, kids. Get your idea and do something about it. Never relax. Never admit the thought of failure.

And look — when your ship comes in, remember the fellow who told you about this book, will you? I'll be brainstorming myself, but just in case anything goes wrong I could use a couple of those \$100 notes.

U.S. Soldier Kills Koreans

SEOUL, (AP)—An unidentified U.S. soldier shot and killed two South Korean Marines Sunday in an argument over Korean girls, an Army source reported today.

Two other Korean Marines and a civilian were wounded.

The source said the U.S. soldier went to a tent in a battalion area of the ROK 1st Marine Division and asked if there were any girls in the tent.

The Koreans told him there were none, but he tried to enter the tent. An ROK Marine rushed at him and told him to go back to his own unit.

The Army source said the soldier walked off to meet another American soldier, apparently waiting for him.

Suddenly, he turned and fired with his carbine, killing two Marines.

ROK police reported the U.S. soldier had been walking with two Korean prostitutes.

Police said the girls disappeared and the soldiers may have suspected the Marines were hiding them.

A joint investigation is under way. Names were withheld.

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JAMES MARLOW

Associated Press News Analyst
WASHINGTON (AP)—The use of the Fifth Amendment to protect others raises a simple question of personal courage.

Does a man have the right — when asked by an authorized congressional committee about his past or present Communist affiliations, if any — to refuse to answer under the protection of the Fifth Amendment?

Yes, if he has reason to fear what he says might lead to jail for him later. No, if he has no reason to fear imprisonment himself and his only reason for not answering is to protect others from jail or embarrassment.

When a man invokes the Fifth Amendment for his own protection, it does not necessarily mean he is guilty of any crime. But it does raise a question about his innocence.

Under the Constitution's Fifth Amendment no one can be compelled to say anything which might somehow incriminate him. So, when he pleads the amendment before a congressional committee, he cannot be forced to answer.

If for any reason he did not wish to answer and simply said so — without invoking a constitutional protection — he could be cited for contempt of Congress and, if tried and convicted, be sent to jail.

But, since it is not a crime in this country to be a Communist, how can a man say anything which eventually might land him in jail? This is an example:

Under the Smith Act, passed in 1940, it is a crime to conspire to teach the forcible overthrow of the government. It doesn't make it a crime to be a Communist, but batches of top and second-string Communist leaders have been tried and convicted under the conspiracy charge. Others may be.

But isn't it a fact that nothing a man says in answer to a committee's questions — such as admitting membership in the Communist party — can ever be used against him later in a court trial? Yes.

While a man's exact words before a committee can never be quoted against him in a trial later, his words may give the government leads to other information on which he could be prosecuted.

It is for this reason that a man — asked if he is or was a Communist — can escape answering by ducking behind the Fifth Amendment. The protection of this amendment against self-incrimination extends only to questions asked of an individual about himself. A committee, established by all the people to protect all the people's interests, has a right to ask questions.

The real act of courage for a witness who wanted to protect others would be not to hide behind the amendment's protection for himself in refusing to answer, but instead to say he would answer no questions. Period.

If he did that he could be cited for contempt of Congress and probably jailed. In that way at least he would be willing to pay a price for what he considered courage. There is no danger behind the Fifth Amendment.

CONNIE DIANE
WHITEVILLE, N. C. (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Murray Santee have named their baby daughter, born in this season of hurricanes, Connie Diane Santee.

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