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Old Friends

By BILL JENKINS

Among the hundreds of Shriners who poured into Klamath Falls over the weekend for the Fall ceremonial was an old time Klamathite, R. D. "Hod" Eller.

Hod, a past potentate in Hilah Temple, was having a fine time in the old stamoping ground, seeing old friends, taking in a little hunting and in general getting around. He left here in 1942 for Spokane, where he stayed for 11 years and then moved back to Oregon and is now at Pendleton. He was in the insurance game here, is a past president of Rotary club and served for 12 years as secretary of that club, taking over under Cliff Dunn in 1930.

Hod, who hasn't changed much "at we could see, came down early for the dedication of the new Scottish Rite building here. Left today, as a matter of fact, after a week's stay.

Always good to see the old timers coming home.

If anyone is in the market for a pair of kittens he, or she, should contact Len Royce at 615 California. I get the word that they have a pair of black Persians, brother and sister, aged four months, and that they need a home for them.

Living out in the suburbs we are beyond the reach of city water and consequently run off our own association well. The darn thing went on the fritz here last Friday and left us without water for a short spell.

Just like pioneer days. Spent half the night down in the basement melting snow to make water for domestic use and found out that it takes about an acre of snow to melt down into a pint of water. Also found out that no matter how hot the fire, snow just takes its own time to melt.

Mentioned that fact to my dad the following morning and he knew all about it. Remembered back to his childhood days in Iowa when they, too, lived way out in the country and had to rely on the old hand pump. About every so often the pump would freeze up during a cold winter spell and the only way to get it working again was to thaw out enough snow to make boiling water to unfreeze the pump.

He said he could still remember standing over the stove feeding handfuls of snow into the dishpan trying to thaw the necessary ten gallons to thaw the pump.

Oh well, such is life in Suburbia.

We were glad to note that Dr. Jose Mariano Ponton's prediction of disastrous earthquake activity was supposed to be San Francisco off the map failed to materialize. We've always had a soft spot in our hearts for the city by the golden gate and would hate to see the place leveled by another disastrous earthquake.

Use Of Wood

By KEN MCLEOD

There is not much factual information available in regard to the world-wide utilization of timber, we have to rely on well "informed" guesses, for accurate reports are available from but one half of the wood producing regions of the world. In 1949 the world's total production of "roundwood" was estimated at 1,397 million cubic meters (a cubic meter equals 35.3 cubic feet). This volume of forest growth was estimated to weigh about one billion metric tons (2,204.6 pounds is our equivalent of a metric ton). The importance of forests in the economy of man's life can therefore be judged by the fact that more wood was used measured by weight than any other raw material with the exception of coal.

In spite of the fact that wood forms the second greatest amount of material by weight that is used by man it is to be noted that more than two-thirds of this output never reached a sawmill or pulp mill. About 37 per cent is estimated to have been burned as fuel, and some 12 per cent became lumber or pulp. Such uses as hewn wood for pit props, railroad ties, wood for distillation into alcohol, for the extraction of tanning agents, and for many other specialized uses.

Of the remaining 31 per cent of the 1949 cut, about three-fourths was converted by sawmills into lumber, veneer and plywood, destined to become everything from lettuce crates to the seamless sheaths of airplane wings. The rest was made into pulp for paper, paperboard, and synthetics.

A study of the methods of utilization of wood by various nations discloses a surprisingly diversity. In South America, Africa, Asia, parts of Europe and the USSR, the use of fuelwood bulks many times larger than construction and industrial timber — in North America the balance is tipped the other way.

Equally striking are the differences in the rates of consumption. Not only does the average North American use almost 20 times as much wood a year as, for instance, the Asian, but more than three-quarters of it comes to him processed by industry, whereas more than half the Asian's meager supply is burned as fuel.

Among individual countries the contrasts are even greater. The highest level of wood consumption per person in 1949 was to be found in Finland where the volume amounted to 6.94 cubic meters. This Finnish consumption compares strikingly with the 0.01 cubic meter available in Iran. The people of Finland used nearly 700 times more wood than the people in the Near East.

Sensitivity

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.

There is a pretty fair chance, I think, that the writer of today's first letter can be given some, or perhaps even complete relief from the unusual symptoms of which he complains.

Q — I am 15 years old and ever since I can remember I have broken out with white spots all over me whenever I go out in cold weather, or whenever I put my hands in cold water. Is this something that could be cured by diet? C. L.

A — This has all the earmarks of what is known as a physical allergy, in this instance, excessive sensitivity to cold. It should not be difficult to confirm this guess by suitable tests. Some good results have been reported by gradually increasing the tolerance to cold substances or cold weather, though to do this may take time. Probably this would not be cured by diet.

Q — Could you give me some information on sarcoidosis? N.B.S.

A — This is a general name which is used for several diseases all of which, however, are characterized by nodules or tumors either in the skin or elsewhere in the body. Some of them are considered to be tubercular in origin but they are not cancerous. Treatment is likely to be a bit difficult and varies depending on the kind of sarcoid and the location, number and size of the growths.

Q — Is it true that wearing nylon clothing causes some people to get electric shocks more easily? I have a lot of this trouble whenever I touch the sink, refrigerator, telephone, etc. Mrs. H.B.

A — The little electric shocks which people get in cold weather is the result of building up in the body of what is known as static electricity. Walking across a carpet or rug in cold weather increases the likelihood of such shocks. It seems to be more common in some people than others and it is believed that clothing, nylon perhaps included, does play a part. This is annoying but not a dangerous thing.

Q — When in the house, my husband is not comfortable unless we maintain a temperature of at least 80 degrees. Aside from the fact that this probably produces more colds, would it have much effect on the health of our three small children who are ages 3, 20 months and 3 months, respectively? Mrs. G.J.

A — This certainly seems like a rather high home temperature, though I should not want to say definitely that it would harm the health of your children. I should think it possible that your husband could gradually get used to somewhat lower temperatures and that this would be better in the long run for all concerned.

Q — Is there any cause, besides allergy, for chronic eruptions of the skin of the face in teenagers? E.B.

A — The most common cause for such eruptions is acne which probably has little or no relationship to allergy. The treatment of acne requires expert advice both for local applications and for diet. Because of the sometimes profound effect on the personality of the teenager it should not be allowed to continue without such treatment.

Lazy Man's Xmas

By FRANK TRIPP

The merry party is on; to make another Merry Christmas. The carnival seems to start earlier each year, with more and more emphasis on outdoor last year — and too little thought about making it a Holy Christmas.

Once we get Thanksgiving behind us first, but now Halloween is over before pumpkins in store windows.

To many, the merriest part of Christmas is the fun of shopping, wrapping and hiding those big surprises for family and friends.

To others that is the nightmare. It all yet, you'll notice that the crabs who push-push the husbands are the most upset if they're overlooked.

I should know, for I guess I'm one of them. This is admission that it's because I'm too lazy to shop, too otherwise absorbed to study the wants and needs of people to be remembered.

So, the easier way becomes a habit, in a sense a bad habit; for it doesn't seem to bring the joy that comes to those who gather presents and pass them around.

The easier way, of course, is to give 'em the money and let them buy what they want. They seem to like it but to give it is something like pay day.

One gets the feeling that all are hoping and wondering, "How much this year?" the check goes in their jeans, after lavish and heart-warming appreciation. Then it's all over for the lazy giver.

While the happy family about him spends the whole day fondling, admiring, trying on, praising, thanking over and over again for the backload of presents — that the check would buy many times over.

As they leave, tagged out and stuffed full, they poke their heads through the door and call back, "It has been another wonderful day — and, Dad, I'll make good use of that welcome check. Merry Christmas, good-bye all!"

Dad has the notion that, if they're smart, they'll use it to pay the bills that will pour in post Christmas.

He refuses to his importance, thinks that maybe he did have a part in Christmas, and kids him: "I staged the big show after all!"

Mother just grunts, Oh, yeah!

You never stirred off your fanny." This is not the lament of a lost soul, for there comes with this apathy a wholesome appreciation of Christmas. It gives time to ponder what Christmas really is. It banishes comparison of friends' affections, measured by the size of gifts.

Best of all, it puts the importance of having been remembered first and foremost. To one not lost in the carnival of Christmas, a card, a letter, the smallest token expresses the true spirit of Christmas — remembrance.

What a pity that people worry themselves sick, go into debt and spoil Christmas, when they know that they need not give more and bigger every year — to keep a friend.

Nothing is more hateful than the sly, shooing question, "What did he give you last year?" As if the size of a gift is a barometer of friendship.

To neglect remembering a friend because the gift must be trivial, to apologize for a simple gift, to ignore the "man who has everything," because one can't buy him a spare villa, is mocking Christmas.

The gift that I remember above all came as a Christmas when my parents could afford to buy me nothing.

My mother took her cherished hand-painted tambourine from the parlor wall and gave it to me to play with. I've lived through many lavish Christmases, yet that one stands out above them all.

Even a child can sense love when expressed by the most humble gift.

If not with affection, why give?

House Permit

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP)—Just wanting to build a house of your own design sounds simple enough. You might not think it could get you tangled up with the Constitution's 14th amendment and the Supreme Court.

But it happened to a builder in Fox Point Village, a Milwaukee, Wis., suburb. The village building board refused him a permit for the kind of house he wanted to build. The board acted under authority of a local ordinance which said that whenever it thought the design of a proposed house might pull down the value of other homes in the area, the board could withhold a permit.

The builder appealed to the Wisconsin Supreme Court which upheld the ordinance and the right of the Fox Point Village board to do as it did. Then he appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court. He lost out there, too.

The high court refused to review the action of the Wisconsin Supreme Court. This meant the village's ruling stood. It is a ruling which has caused the National Assn. of Homebuilders considerable concern.

"This is an extremely serious case," a spokesman for the association said. "This case of what is called a wide open test of what zoning officials prefer in the appearance of a house."

Other cases like this one may eventually be brought before the U. S. Supreme Court again and some day, if this happens, the court may give a written opinion on the subject. It didn't do so in this case.

There have been other cases where courts have upheld ordinances which blocked the erection of a new building if it was considered a danger to public health, safety, morals or the general welfare.

But the Fox Point builder said something new had been added in that village's ordinance, not judgment of a building board based on safety or general welfare, but on aesthetics — the architectural design of a house.

He said this violated his rights under the 14th amendment which says no one can be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law.

He argued the Fox Point ordinance had the effect of limiting the use of his property "in order to maintain or increase the value of other property."

But the Fox Point Village lawyers suggested there was another way of looking at this. They said the ordinance was intended to protect the property of a lot of people; that these people had the right to protect themselves through the ordinance against the intrusion of a house whose design they thought would decrease the value of their own homes.

By the same token, the lawyers argued, if this particular outlier had wanted to put up a house which the board approved, its value would be protected by the same ordinance.

In short: they argued the ordinance was for the "general welfare."

Safe Driving Day

By BRUCE BLOSSAT

It would be wonderful if every day were a safe-driving day for American motorists. But it isn't. So for the second straight year President Eisenhower has set aside a single Safe Driving Day in the hope the careful habits it promotes will spread like a contagion.

The goal last year was to get through the day without a single fatality in traffic. It wasn't realized. There were 51 deaths, only a moderate drop from the 60 recorded on the same date in 1953. This year the President's Committee for Traffic Safety is putting stress on driving rules.

The motorist is advised first to check his car to see if it fits

to use. Brakes, tires, windshield wipers, lights, steering mechanism all should be checked. The driver who takes their condition for granted may be sealing his death warrant.

Once he's behind the wheel and rolling, the driver should conscientiously obey all traffic regulations and give the other fellow a sportsmanlike break.

Particularly, he is cautioned to stay within prescribed traffic lanes to avoid passing on hills or curves or in any other circumstances where there isn't enough room. He should keep ample stopping space between his car and the one ahead, and be very watchful at all intersections.

These admonitions simply highlight some of the worst trouble spots the motorist encounters. They are up to the driver to avoid. Any one sitting behind the wheel of a car must maintain continuous, unflinching alertness to the driving situation he finds himself in. He must observe the condition of his car, of the road, the weather, the traffic flowing about him. All of these he must adjust to, according to the rules, according to common sense, and according to the code of conduct that dictates consideration for the other fellow.

Second, he must so manage his other living habits that they do not compromise his driving performance. Thus, he should not drink if he intends to drive. And he should start out early enough so he can reach his destination without speeding or getting reckless.

If the driver can remember to govern himself and his car properly on Safe Driving Day, let's hope that's a big start toward doing the same on the other 364.

Vets Mail Bag

Veterans Administration has listed some reminders for the two-thirds-of-a-million veterans now in training under the Korean GI Bill that will aid them get paid allowances.

First, VA urged veteran-trainees to make sure they fill out the "Certification of Training" form their school will give them at the end of each month of training. The completed form must be returned to the school which, in turn, will send it to VA, each month.

The law requires that this monthly form be in VA's hands before the agency may mail a veteran his GI allowance check.

VA's second reminder is for veteran-trainees eligible for higher GI allowance rates because they have dependents. These veterans should submit evidence of dependency as soon as possible, VA said.

The veteran who wishes to claim an increased allowance because of his wife should send VA a certified copy of the public or church record of his marriage, along with a VA form called "Declaration of Marital Status." Other records will be needed if the veteran, or his wife, have been married before.

To claim the higher rate because of a minor child, the veteran-trainee should submit to VA a certified copy of the public record of birth, or a certified copy of the record of baptism.

Korean GI veteran-trainees also should notify VA immediately if:

1. They change their address.
2. They plan to change their training program.
3. They quit or drop out of training.

4. Their dependency status is changed, through divorce, birth of a child, or death of a dependent.

In notifying VA, veterans should be sure to give their claim number and full name and address. Question of the week:

Q I am in school under the Korean GI Bill. My three-year starting cut-off date has passed. Would I still be allowed to change my course? I never changed courses before.

A You will be allowed to change your course after the starting deadline only if (1) you have not been making satisfactory progress in your present course through no fault of your own or (2) the new course will be a normal progression from your present course.

Strange But True

Klamath Falls, Ore. (To the Editor) — The true magazine runs a page "Strange But True" Klamath Falls has one for the book.

Three men killed by gun shot in this city, verdict Not Guilty.

One unfortunate character writes a bad check he gets 20 years in the pen. Lets hear from others on this feat.

Mrs. Louise Allen
Mills Addition

Overconfidence

By DICK HUBBELL

It takes about three weeks of winter weather before drivers become overconfident and start having accidents, many police officers say.

They base this contention on the fact that during the first few days of snow, drivers are careful and don't have accidents. But, then, they start thinking that "they can handle the snow" and start having trouble.

The fact that S-D Day (Safe Driving Day) next Thursday comes at about this stage of the winter driving game should not be overlooked by Klamath Basin motorists. This is the day that we — each and every one of us — are asked to drive carefully and prove that accidents can be cut down.

It should serve as a special reminder that overconfidence can put us into the ditch, unless we eliminate that overconfident feeling from our driving habits.

Don't be overconfident — don't be a statistic.

Ike Hears Arguments Over Closing Coastal Streams To Commercial Fishing

BEND (AP) — Conflicting views on a proposed initiative petition which would close Oregon coastal streams to commercial salmon and steelhead fishing were aired Friday at the opening session of the Isaac Walton League convention here.

Rollin E. Bowles, Portland attorney and legal adviser to the league, opposed the measure. Charles V. Stanton, editor of the Roseburg News Review, defended it.

Bowles said "you can't manage a fluctuating resource by fixed legislation and I don't think this bill will do the job." He added that the spawning areas could support only so many fish and that it would be "utter folly to allow

these spawning beds to become glutted with salmon and steelhead."

Stanton, who was unable to attend, presented his view in a paper which said: "Coast streams, proposed to be closed provide only 2 1/2 per cent of the total commercial fishery yielding less than 10 per cent of all salmon and steelhead. Thus it is evident that a great deal of fuss is being made by the commercial fishery about a very small amount of its production. But we find that production to be exceedingly valuable in many other respects, yet steadily declining in volume and seriously in danger of extreme depletion."

Stanton also criticized the State Fish Commission for what he said was failure to stock adequately the Umpqua River.

Others taking part in the panel discussion were: Sam Hutchinson, assistant regional director of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Dr. John Rayner, chief of the fisheries division of the State Game Commission; Fred Cleaver, assistant director of the State Fish Commission; Harold Hadley of Albany, president of the Save Oregon's Salmon, Inc., sponsor of the initiative petition; and Bob Urban, Corvallis, secretary of SOS.

Conservation awards were presented to: Herbert Lundy, associate editor of the Oregonian; Prof. R. E. Dimick, founder of the Oregon State College department of fish and game; L. C. Binford, Portland businessman; and Robert W. Sawyer of Bend, former publisher of the Bend Bulletin.

Broken Tow Line Repaired

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP) — A second tow line was secured to the crippled Greek freighter Makedonia in the Gulf of Alaska late Friday and the task of towing the vessel to Vancouver was resumed by the diesel tug Sudbury.

The freighter, 1,800 miles from Vancouver, was cast adrift in heavy seas early Friday after her anchor chain, shackled to the tug's tow line, parted in a 70-mile-an-hour gale.

The tug radioed she had finally secured another line to the ship and was now making good headway. Her position was 430 miles south of Kodiak, Alaska.

Island Tug and Barge Co. Ltd., owners of the Sudbury, said there was no report of damage to the freighter from wallowing in the heavy seas.

The disabled freighter was first taken in tow two weeks ago, after drifting for several days when her tall shaft broke in heavy seas on the Great Circle route.

The Makedonia, with 46 men aboard, was en route to Vancouver from Japan.

Dr. Gould In Lakeview

LAKEVIEW — Dr. Rodney G. Gould, formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church in Corvallis, has been assigned as an interim pastor at the First Baptist Church of Lakeview.

Before coming to Oregon, Dr. Gould served the Calvary Baptist Church of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for 10 years and he has served on Baptist mission boards. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago and the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago.

Dr. and Mrs. Gould have three children, Rodney, a student at Eastern Baptist Seminary, Portland; David, who is in the Air Force at Marietta, Georgia; and Marilyn, a sophomore at Whitworth College, Spokane.

Wood To Head Castle Grange

DUNSMUIR — Robert Wood of Castle Grange, No. 435, for the coming year. He and his corps of officers were installed at a recent meeting.

These officers include: Felix Gamez, overseer; Pearl Freeman, lecturer; Jim McClure, steward; Shiloh Hill, assistant steward; Ora Wilde, chaplain; Alice Martin, treasurer; Margaret Wood, secretary; Ken Wilder, gatekeeper; Dorothy Hill, Ceres; Maria Gomez, Pomona; Gladys Wilm, Flora; Marie Mahon, lady assistant steward and Pearl Massey, executive committee.

V. O. Ralston of Yreka was installing past master assisted by Ilyone Radtke, Doris Morgan, Ora McClure and Vesta Basham.

Gifts Go On Block In Church Bazaar

HAZARD, Ky. (AP) — Gifts from Mamie Eisenhower, Vice President Nixon and various movie and television personalities will be auctioned here Friday.

The gifts were sent at the request of a committee for the St. Mark's Episcopal Church Christmas bazaar.

Some of the stars sending gifts included Jack Webb, Ralita Edwards, Perry Como, Dinah Shore, Walt Disney, Jack Benny, Ida Lupino, Gene Raymond, Katherine Cornell and Louella Parsons.

Wealthy Man Said Missing

LONG BEACH (UP) — A Long Beach man who was to have completed a business transaction for 2 1/2 million dollars in San Francisco Oct. 21 was reported missing by police here today.

Lucian G. Shoemaker, 67, planned to sell his sheep ranch in Australia, his nephew, Eugene E. Peterson, told police. Peterson said minerals were found recently on ranch property.

Shoemaker flew from Long Beach to Denver to visit a sister, Mrs. Marjorie Barth, and then flew to San Francisco Oct. 20. Peterson said he received a postal card from Shoemaker Oct. 24 saying he thought the deal was completed and he would be back in Long Beach soon. That was the last heard from him.

Shoemaker has lived in Long Beach 25 years, Peterson said, and formerly lived in Australia. He was described as being five feet, seven inches tall, weighs 150 pounds and has grey-brown hair and green eyes.

Housework Takes Alimony Roll

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Policeman Marvin Bullis has agreed to pay off some temporary alimony in housework instead of money.

Bullis, of San Mateo, is being sued for divorce on general grounds of cruelty.

Mrs. Wilma Bullis, in applying for temporary alimony before the case is heard, said she needed \$60 monthly for a housekeeper. Although she has continued to work, she said she is not in good health and a doctor has ordered her not to do the housework.

Bullis offered to clean the house, up, do the washing and ironing on weekends and the estranged wife agreed. Judge Edmund Scott entered the agreement as an order in the court records.

"It'll be strictly routine," Bullis said.

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FPC Plans For Pipeline Into Pacific Northwest

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Power Commission (FPC) has completed authorization for over a half billion dollars worth of pipeline facilities that will bring the first natural gas to the Pacific Northwest and greatly increase supplies in California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

The commission's action, announced Friday, had these two main features:

1. It authorized Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corp. to import 303 million cubic feet of natural gas a day from fields in the Peace River area of Canada. Pacific received authority to build 955 miles of pipeline costing \$23,549,456 to transport the gas into Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

2. It authorized El Paso Natural Gas Co. to build new pipeline costing \$194,274,000 to bring additional gas to existing customers in the five other states. This authorization includes plans for El Paso to exchange quantities of gas with Pacific.

In the case of Pacific, the company estimates the project approved Friday will bring the total cost of its Northwest pipeline operation to 246 million dollars. The FPC last year gave Pacific approval to build a pipeline to the Northwest from the San Juan Basin fields of New Mexico and Colorado.

The Canadian gas, to be bought from Westcoast Transmission Co. Ltd., will supplement Pacific's San Juan supplies and will give the firm a total daily capacity of

678,562,000 million cubic feet. Westcoast is building a 152 million dollar system to deliver the gas at a point near Sumas, Wash.



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