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Utah Bound

By BILL JENKINS

First night out on this here now safari was spent at the pleasant little town of Elko, Nevada. Contrary to our usual practice and in the firm belief that we'd have no trouble, we just drove blithely in, only to find that reservations were scarce than hen's teeth. Finally, after some very useful help from one motel operator, we were comfortably put up at another unit a little farther down the street.

Elko, as you probably know, is the very heart of the Bing Crosby country. Everywhere you turn you see pictures of the famous crooner, and talk of his holdings, his hospitality and his visits is heard on every side. The town, which is typical of most Nevada towns that lie on the desert reaches, has broad streets cut by indeterminate wandering little alleys and sidewalks, few trees but a general air of scrubbed and almost painful neatness. In all probability this is the result of wind rather than any community elbow grease.

Quite a little development is going on in one of the hilltop residential developments, a new Catholic church done in the modern decor. Six out of ten homes are constructed of brick. Downtown appliance stores, furniture shops, office supply outlets and saddle makers jostle elbow to elbow to casinos, bars and motels.

To the casual tourist, it seems that in Elko everyone you see is trying to look like either a ranch owner, a professional gambler or a movie star. The dress is casual to the point of absurdity. This year the dude fashion seems to be to wear the pants tucked inside the boots, not outside. I also seem to notice a trend away from the flat-heeled or so-called walking boot of cowboy footwear and a return to the high spike heel.

Lots of big deer noticed on car racks and hanging out the back end of pickups. It looks like Nevada has had a good season. Missed the duck hunters, though. There just doesn't seem to be any duck or goose hunting in this country.

Up the next morning and into the Ranchina where over coffee we ran into a fellow by the name of Jack Nelson who owns and operates through the agency of his sons the Nelson Meat Company of San Jose, California. Jack, who was leaving that night to fly to San Jose to observe his 30th wedding anniversary, tells me he used to be a cat-in-the-hat in the Klamath Falls area.

That was back in the mid '30s as I recall it. He also did some buying in the Alturas region, but the winters got to be too much for him.

Out of Elko after a leisurely breakfast, where we drove out across the desert toward Wells. This is pretty high desert country where occasionally you run into little arms of cedar and juniper stretching down off the hills. In one such place near an almost impossible rock out, a large herd of deer, including one set of horns, ran across the highway in front of us and scrambled up the practically perpendicular walls only to pause and peer down at us from their safe aerie.

Few quail in this country, although there are miles and miles of dry land grain fields stretching away on both sides. The country is beginning to look more like eastern Oregon and less like Mexico.

From Wells to Wendover, practically on the Utah border, is a trip where you do nothing but lie across the desert. Bonneville, of course, is nothing but a flat, white stinking reach of country to be gotten over as quickly as possible.

We did so, and due to the expert guiding of Phil and Louise Brogan found a bypass around Salt Lake City that took us through the copper mining and smelting area, through the center of two coal mines, a steel mill and dropped us into Salt Lake City on State Street, the longest street in the world, I believe, down at about 21st or something like that.

I hadn't been in Salt Lake City since before the war, and the growth is phenomenal. The place spreads out all over the country and reaches out well beyond Provo.

Confusion

By FLOYD WYNNE

Confusion exists at the corner of Oregon Avenue and Upham.

Several weeks ago the city council took under advisement a request that some sort of an island be constructed at the corner to provide safety for pedestrians as well as to simplify the traffic pattern.

After consultation with the State Highway Department, their engineers agreed to look over the intersection and make a recommendation. Their recommendation was that an island be constructed that would split the Oregon Avenue traffic at that point.

It was agreed that both the city and the state would split the cost and that the state would build it. The information that the island was being considered and that it was approved for construction was made public, and yet no protests appeared.

However, shortly after actual construction of the island began earlier this week, the protests began to roll in. In the first place, a stop sign was placed where traf-

fic wishing to move up Upham would have to come to a complete stop.

Requests were received that the stop sign be removed. This was arranged for.

However, this apparently did not meet the protests because Friday morning Mayor Lawrence Slater received a petition signed by some 202 persons residing in the area to be affected, asking that the project be abandoned.

In accordance with the petition, Mayor Slater in consultation with F. B. Crandall, traffic engineer for the State Highway Department, ordered the project abandoned, and what has been built will be torn out.

However, I don't think the problem such as there appears to be at this corner. Traffic destined for Upham Street has to run a hazard in coming across Oregon Avenue.

I agree with the protesters that the island as it was to be built did not solve the problem. It would merely have created additional traffic hazards. This particular spot with the sharp incline creates plenty of hazards in ice and snow weather.

However, I don't think the project should be abandoned completely. I do think that a careful study of the corner will give engineers the right design idea. The island should be mainly for the protection of traffic leaving and entering Upham Street into Oregon Avenue.

A smaller island just past the Upham Street entrance that would give downhill bound traffic protection until they reached the three way corner would help some. The other side of the island should permit passage of traffic coming off Oregon Avenue, or going from Upham onto Oregon Avenue.

The tragedy of the situation is that now the island idea at this point will probably be completely abandoned because certainly none of the council wish to tackle the problem again in view of the heavy protests. By the same token, the State Highway Department will not be interested again in tackling the problem.

Let's hold up the project until it can be reappraised and some of the quirks taken out of it . . . let's not abandon it.

Senate Dissenters

By CONGRESSIONAL QUARTERLY

WASHINGTON — Two very different Democrats — Sens. Harry Flood Byrd of Virginia and Wayne Morse of Oregon — established themselves as the Senate's leading dissenters in 1957.

Byrd and Morse took the minority viewpoint on just about one-third of the roll calls where bipartisan majorities agreed, according to Congressional Quarterly's annual analysis of bipartisan support.

The analysis was based on 69 Senate and 41 House roll calls on which a majority of voting Democrats and Republicans took the same position.

Byrd backed bipartisan majorities 33 per cent of the time; Morse, 32 per cent. Leading dissenters among the Republicans — 26 per cent of the time — were Sens. William E. Jenner (Ind.) and John J. Williams (Del.).

Fifty-three per cent of the 1957 roll calls were bipartisan votes, the CQ analysis showed. Bipartisanship was up slightly from 1956, when 50 per cent of the roll calls produced party agreements, but was well below the 1955 level of 65 per cent agreement.

Sen. Richard Neuberger (Dem.) voted with bipartisan majorities 83 per cent of the time and against them 17 per cent of the time.

The average Republican Senator backed bipartisan stands more frequently than did the average Democrat. The typical GOP Senator's bipartisan support and opposition scores were 75 and 11 per cent; the typical Democratic Senator's 70 and 15 per cent. Absences accounted for the remaining votes.

Similarly in the House, bipartisanship was stronger among Republicans than among Democrats. The average GOP Representative voted with the bipartisan stand 71 per cent of the time, and against it

16 per cent of the time. The typical Democratic Representative supported the bipartisan majority on 69 per cent of the roll calls and opposed it on 19 per cent.

Rep. Al Ullman (Dem.) voted with bipartisan majorities 93 per cent of the time and against them seven per cent of the time.

Bipartisanship showed strongly on some of the session's most important votes. The Mideast Doctrine, the International Atomic Energy Agency treaty, the civil rights bill and the bill to protect FBI files all had the backing of majorities of both parties.

In regional terms, the most consistent backers of bipartisan stands were eastern Republicans and western Democrats. Those who most frequently opposed the bipartisan position were midwestern Republicans and southern Democrats.

Sens. Thomas H. Kuchel (R Cal.) and Carl Hayden (D Ariz.) led all Senators in support of bipartisan positions, with scores of 97 and 96 per cent respectively.

In the House, eight Republicans and two Democrats tied for the lead with 95 per cent support scores. They were Reps. James C. Auerhinchloss (R N.J.), John F. Baldwin Jr. (R Cal.), Charles A. Boyle (Ill.), James P. S. Devereux (R Md.), William S. Hill (R Colo.), Hal Holmes (R Wash.), Thomas J. Lane (D Mass.), William L. Springer (R Ill.), Thor C. Tollefson (R Wash.) and James E. Van Zandt (R Pa.).

Leading dissenters in the House were two Midwest Republicans, Reps. H. R. Gross (R Iowa) and August E. J. Johansen (R Mich.), both with 54 per cent opposition scores, and three southern Democrats with 49 per cent opposition scores, Reps. Thomas G. Abernethy (D Miss.), John J. Flynt Jr. (D Ga.) and William M. Tucker (D Va.).

Mail Bag

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK — Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

That Queen Elizabeth II may be boss in Buckingham Palace, but when she goes fishing she takes her guidance from her husband, as do most wives . . . It was Prince Philip who converted her from trout to salmon fishing, now a favorite hobby with both.

That women buy one of every three beers sold at the Yankee Stadium.

That it was hopeful Charles Lamb who said, "Not in a million years in life exceed in interest a knock at the door."

That you can't pull hair out by the roots . . . the tiny white bulb at the bottom of a length of hair, commonly thought to be the root, is no more than the base of the strand . . . and the root keeps right on growing.

That Russia's speedy Sputnik circles the earth nearly 450 times as quickly as the natural moon.

That the latest joke in East Europe concerns a Moscow factory worker who was sentenced to 10 years for shouting "Khrushchev is a drunken idiot" . . . "You must serve three years for offending the first secretary," the judge told the prisoner sternly, "and seven years for betraying a state secret."

That handleader Sammy Kaye offers this argument for bachelorhood: "Why should man give a girl half his food just for cooking the other half?"

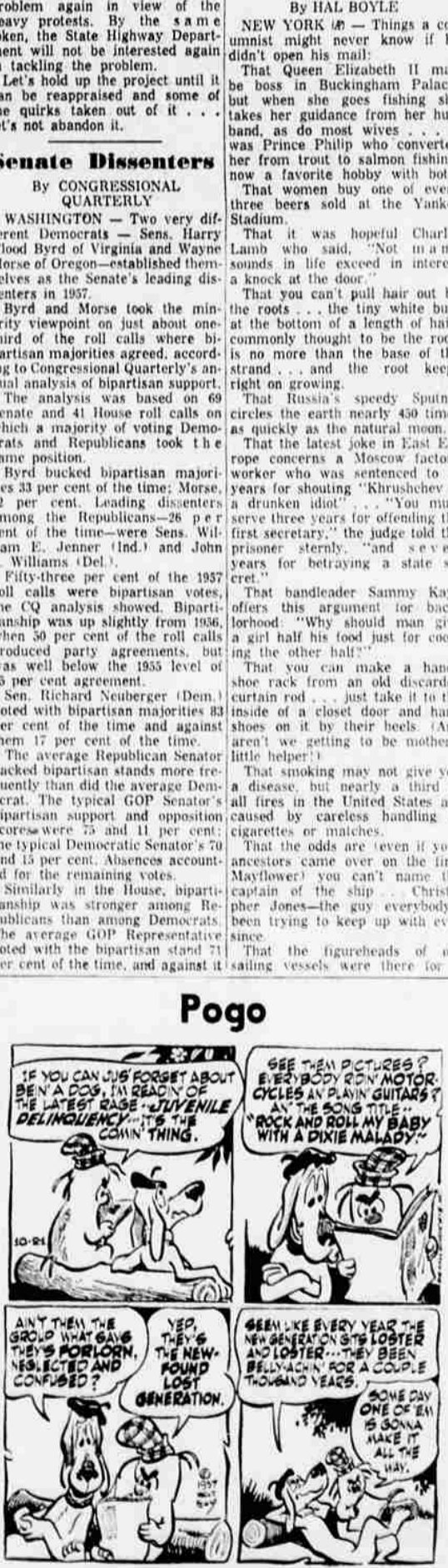
That you can make a handy shoe rack from an old discarded curtain rod . . . just take it to the inside of a closet door and hang shoes on it by their heels. (And aren't we getting to be mother's little helper?)

That smoking may not give you a disease, but nearly a third of all fires in the United States are caused by careless handling of cigarettes or matches.

That the odds are seven if your ancestors came over on the first Mayflower) you can't name the captain of the ship . . . Christopher Jones—the guy everybody's been trying to keep up with ever since.

That the figureheads of old sailing vessels were there for a

Pogo



practical reason . . . to scare away sea serpents.

That no one yet has improved on ex-Mayor Jimmy Walker's definition of a reformer: "A guy who rides through a sewer in a glass-bottom boat."

That except for Death Valley, Calif., the only area in the United States below sea level is New Orleans.

That molasses, which in the old days was used chiefly as a bread-spread, is now a source of glycerin, acetone, acetic acid, ether and carbon dioxide.

That a kangaroo's hop averages only 5 to 10 feet when he's merely out for a stroll . . . but he bounds along in 15-to-20-foot leaps when something is chasing him.

That in Colonial America (mid-18th century), a population of three million consumed 12 million gallons of rum a year. (They had rugged people as well as rugged winters in those days.)

That it was Christopher Morley who asserted, "If you have to keep reminding yourself of a thing, perhaps it isn't so."

Food Report

By GAY PAULEY

United Press Women's Editor

NEW YORK (UP) — Woman's insatiable curiosity leads her to read the recipes on food packages. But it doesn't always lead her into trying them.

Matter of fact, it sometimes just sets her for nagging the food industry.

One of the more persistent complaints is against the manufacturer's estimate of the number of servings in the package, compared with a family's consumption.

"Dr. Birdseye, bless him, he must have had a bird's appetite," said one woman. She was one of 318 housewives involved in a recipe study, results of which were released recently, and was referring to the man who pioneered the frozen foods industry. His name still is the label on products from one major packager.

Said another cook, whose husband is a truck dispatcher: "My fellow, when he passes his plate and I tell him there is no more, he says, 'What are we operating, a tea room or something?'"

The New York industrial design firm of Nesbitt Associates did the study to determine how cooking instructions on packages rate with the housewife. It talked with women, 21 to 55 years of age, in three suburban New York areas. One third of the women not only did all their housework but also held either full or part-time jobs.

Saul Nesbitt, director of the firm, said because many housewives distrust manufacturers' count on servings, they just buy double (and I doubt if the manufacturers complain about this).

But the women generally like the idea of recipes on packages. Most of them read them—only 46 of the 318 said they rarely noticed the cooking tips.

"Reading macaroni packages is the only way I've learned how to make lasagna and chicken tetrazzini," said one.

One third of the women said they save the recipes for their own cooking notebooks. Sixty-nine didn't trust the manufacturers' test kitchens—they use their own ideas.

Some 50 per cent complained they wished the recipes appeared in larger or at least more legible print.

Chillest reaction concerned frozen food packaging. More than half the women said the amount of water suggested was not sufficient.

"I burn more frozen vegetables than anything else," said three score of the 318.

They also protested to the way the recipes were carried on frozen packages. "The recipes are mutilated and impossible to read by the time you've taken off the outer wrapper," said one woman.

Quotes

By UNITED PRESS

LONDON — The Sunday Observer, describing the Maryland-North Carolina football game attended by Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip: "The players were padded and armored like stag-beetles. They worked up and down the field, tunneling through the uproar of music and shouting, jerking from one scrumgame to another, obeying some intricate and secret pattern of play."

WASHINGTON — Dr. J. E. Smith, acting director of the Civil Aeronautics Administration's medical division, in charging that present physical examinations for airline pilots are inadequate: "Present CAA physicals don't do the job and we believe the Civil Aeronautics Board must change its regulations to require stricter examinations, particularly for all pilots over 40."

LITTLE ROCK — Clarence A. Laws, official of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in denying that the NAACP pays nine Negro students to attend Central High School: "It is the expressed belief of many that if those who persist in making false and inflammatory statements would refrain from doing so, normal peace and tranquility would soon return to Little Rock."



Food Contest Winners Told

MERRILL — Released by Mrs. Lillian Geaney, chairman of the Potato Foods Contest of the annual Klamath Basin Potato Festival were the names of the following first place winners.

Adult division, Chicken-potato salad, Mrs. Walter Croft, Henley; Lorraine potatoes, Mrs. Philip Blohm, Malin; potato bread, Mrs. Philip Blohm, Malin; dinner rolls, Mrs. Philip Blohm, Malin; fancy sweetbreads, Mrs. Philip Blohm, Malin; chocolate cake, Mrs. Glen Funderberger, Klamath Falls.

Junior division, 18 years or under, Chocolate cake, Danny Croft, Henley; cake doughnuts, Virginia Parker, Merrill; coffee cake, Diane West, Merrill; dinner rolls, Diane West, Merrill; potato beef scallup, Sara West, Merrill; potato soup, Breda O'Keefe, Merrill.

In the no class division, awards were presented to Mrs. Robert Petrik for potato candy and Carol Parnel for her potato-nut cookies.

Judge for the potato food contest was Mrs. Lillian Hoffman.

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LONDON (UP)—A delegation of officials from the Soviet tourist agency Intourist were on their way to the United States today to attend the 12th General Assembly of the International Union of Official Tourist Bodies. Moscow Radio reported. The broadcast said the delegation is headed by V. M. Ankudinov, chairman of the Intourist Board.

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