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## Robber's Roost

By BILL JENKINS

Along with hundreds of thousands of other youngsters I cut my childhood cowboy teeth on Zane Grey but this was the first time I'd ever been down into his most famous country, the Robber's Roost area of Utah.

All came about when a Moab businessman by the name of Fred Frazier generously donated his time and his plane to fly me, along with Phil and Louise Brogan of Bend, over that fabulous country.

It is all the books have cracked it up to be if you like your country wild, spectacular and rugged. There are canyons down in that wind-carved country that while men have never seen yet. And I doubt if any other color of man has either. Great soaring cliffs that loom in red majesty over tiny valleys, each valley seemingly running into another and yet another until they have created a maze that appears to be hopeless. Flying over them in a modern plane is easy enough but the mere thought of traveling them on foot is beyond the imagination.

It can be done, however. Fred told us that he had spent a lot of time back in that wild country prospecting. Sometimes he and his horses would have to head a dozen canyons to get a mere mile or two as the crow flies. And most of the time the horses were clinging to precarious 18-inch-wide trails worn into the stone where a slip would mean a tumble of a thousand feet or more.

Not far from the Robber's Roost area is the Arches National Monument where you see the wind carvings in the red stone, the graceful natural arches, the balancing rock, the parades of the pink elephants and all the other sights that have made the area famous as a color camera rendezvous. This area can be reached by good road and is well worth the trip.

As you fly over the area you can see uranium mines on all sides, the tailings dribbling down the steep hillsides, the entrances gaping like empty eyes at you as you wing past. Just south of Moab, in the Big Indian district, are the famous mines of Ute (Charles Steen), Homestead and others. This is also the site of the only open pit uranium mine in the area, Continental's Rattlesnake mine, located in the foothills on the old R ranch.

Roads honeycomb the area in all directions but travel was limited at the time we were there due to so many washouts. This country is just isn't built to cope with rain. When it comes the roads go. You may not believe it but just the other side of Moab at the site of an oil well boring (they also have a plentitude of oil in that country, some of it being drilled for on high mesas) a road washed out, the workmen stuck a truck trying to go across, made a final try on horseback and stuck the horse. The poor animal was out by the time we got there but we saw it in a field and if mud was any indication that old pony had really been stuck alright.

This is also a great place for old auto bodies. People hereabouts use them to plug breaks in their roads and dikes. One rancher has a whole line of them hung on a cable and stretched across a wash on his place in an attempt to stem the rushing waters when they come, but the last time it didn't work and his whole shooting match, house and all, washed out.

When you drive out across a desert road you may drive over a dozen old bodies, only the top showing above the red dust, or perhaps a stove-in door leaning on a crazy angle away from the side of the road. The highways, however, are in excellent shape and work is being done to make them even better.

Roads, incidentally, tend toward the Hollywood look in this country. We drove in to the current test boring at Oremum in an ancient pickup with Nate Knight, a mining engineer, as pilot and found the coal winding through tiny canyons that barely allowed passage of the truck. Dwarf cactuses lurked beside the road, water seeps ran across the road, cutting channels in the earth and the stark rims, cold looking even in the bright sunlight, seemed to loom almost overhead. Location stakes are so frequent in this country you wonder where they find wood for fence posts. Everything slaked solid from Green River on the south.

The drill rig, which backed up against a 500 foot face of perfectly sheer rock, was like any other you see anywhere. While we were there the hole, just under five inches in diameter, was down 400 feet and still looking for the shierump formation where lies the ore in this region. These test holes are bored to block out the field of ore before any extensive mining is undertaken. Most of the ore hereabouts seems to lie at about 700 feet.

Sorry we couldn't stick around and see them strike it rich, but time was pressing and the road home had to be taken.

he would quickly worry himself to a skeleton. At this point, of course, his friends would start exclaiming solicitously, "gee, pal, you don't look good—you took off too many chins."

The fat man has been the target of medical concern since Hippocrates, the father of medicine, observed 400 years before Christ: "Fat men are more likely to die suddenly than the slender."

But throughout all history the fat man also has been the butt of slanderous attacks that are based, not so much on concern for his welfare, as upon envy of his well-being.

It is true that Shakespeare did point out some of the virtues of the portly when he quoted Julius Caesar as saying, "let me have men about me that are fat, sleek-headed men, and such as sleep o' nights."

But Shakespeare dealt from the bottom of the deck, too.

He had Hamlet say, "oh, that this too solid flesh would melt, thaw and resolve itself into a dew!" And in "Love's Labor Lost," he wrote:

"Fat paunches have lean pates, and dainty bits  
Make rich the ribs, but bankrupt quite the wits."  
Here are a few other famous and unfair attacks on the fat man:

"The fatter the sow, the more she desires the mire."  
John Bunyan,  
"A fat man has a thin soul."  
Welsh proverb.  
"Nobody loves a fat man."  
American proverb.  
"A fat man is no good in war; he can neither fight nor run away."

Another American proverb. Has the fat man no answer to the barrage of insults he meets except a cheerful smile? Yes, happily, he has literary friends.

Washington Irving, who threw a wide shadow himself, pointed out that the fat man is of an essentially peaceful nature.

"Who ever hears," he asked, "of fat men heading a riot, or herding together in turbulent mobs?"

The tolerance of the fat man is proverbial. He makes his philosophy from Ecclesiastes: "A man hath no better thing under the sun than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry."

The fat man can console himself also with the fact that, unlike skinny man, he is no hypocrite. As Bernard Shaw pointed out, "there is no love sincerer than the love of food."

Heaven itself is held out as a hope to the fat. In 1609 William Lithgow wrote:

"He that eateth well drinketh well, he that drinketh well sleepeth well, and he that sleepeth well goeth straight through Purgatory to Paradise."

And where does that leave for skinny people to go? There is an old Italian proverb that aptly describes the fate of dieters who make a religion out of counting their calories. This is it:

"Who fasts but does no other good saves his bread but goes to Hell."

Please pass the potatoes.

admiration . . . you couldn't tell it from her face. The royal smile became broader and more spontaneous. The royal hand began to wave more frequently and more vigorously. After all, her British subjects may cherish and respect her as an institution, but just don't comment out loud that the institution has a trim figure and a shapely pair of pins.

Just how does Her Majesty look close up? She has lovely skin without a line or a wrinkle. Her features are not classically beautiful — you can see by her pictures — but when she smiles she is a very pretty girl by any standard. She looks best . . . as almost any woman does . . . when she's decked out in formal gown . . . jewelry and turs. But even in a sweater and skirt — with her new svelte dieted figure — she'd turn heads in a supermarket.

A lot of yawning and foot-brushing was seen amongst the ranks of dog-tired reporters and security guards who tagged along after the royal couple for 10 days. But only once did a minute display of exhaustion break through the superhuman stamina that characterized the royal couple during their tour. For a few brief minutes. While Philip was speaking, Miss Patey reports — Elizabeth leaned back against the wall — her face the picture of fatigue. Then the tired back straightened, the drooping shoulders lifted and she became a queen again. This was on her first day in America.

The royal couple generally avoids any attempt at personal communication when in public. You almost never see them whispering or sharing a private joke. One notable exception was when Paul Wooten of the New Orleans Times Picayune at the Washington press reception for Elizabeth — said Philip has captured the most desirable prize in the world. A reporter standing nearby saw Philip turn to his wife, nudge her and whisper what looked like "That's you." Elizabeth turned and flashed him a smile.

At the end of Elizabeth's stay in Washington it was clear that she and President Eisenhower had become great friends. At one reception the wife of Senator Copehart of Indiana told the Queen she'd never be able to keep up the pace of the royal tour "when you have grandchildren like I have." "That" — replied Elizabeth with a broad smile — "is exactly what Mr. Eisenhower expects telling me."

increase by "one iota" his concern for the country's security. Apparently he now feels it necessary to explain why he feels this way, in the light of evidence that his confidence is not too generally shared.

Eisenhower may be able through his speeches to take off some of the heat. The armed forces may do the same thing by some impressive demonstrations in the missile field. But the fact remains that—even if U.S. officials didn't regard this country as being in a race—the Russians were the first to launch an artificial moon. And the question naturally arises: What else may they be first in?

So Congress will investigate. At what else it can do is not clear at this point. Vote more money for missile development; order a shakedown of the country's military-scientific setup? That's a pretty good bet—if the administration doesn't do it first.

Pressure to consolidate missile research comes from a variety of sources. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, for instance, has assailed what it calls "wasteful rivalry" among the armed services "for domination of our missile program." And Sen. Mansfield (D-Mont.), who does not line up with the chamber every day, calls for one centralized research agency to "do away with the overlapping, the duplication, the inefficiency and the waste" in the missile field.

Sputnik's effect on Congress will be far-ranging. It will influence foreign affairs and defense strategy discussion. It already is being cited alternately as evidence that (1) more money should be spent on development of weapons and less on foreign aid, and (2) more money should be spent on foreign aid to counteract the effect of Sputnik.

## Special Session

By JAMES D. OLSON

The first special session of the Oregon Legislature since 1935 will be convened at 10 a.m. Monday, October 28, under a call by Governor Robert D. Holmes.

The session will be the most unique in Oregon history for its main purpose is to reduce income taxes. Generally, a legislative session brings about increased taxes but such is not the case in the coming special session.

The most important issue in this special session will be the extent of the income tax reductions, while the next issue is how long will the legislators be in session.

After receiving a report from the State Tax Commission that there would be an approximate surplus in the general fund of \$69 million by June 30, 1958, Gov. Holmes proposed that \$6 million a year be added to the basic school support fund.

The Republicans in the legislature want a larger portion of the estimated surplus devoted to the income tax reduction and have proposed that approximately \$30 million of the surplus be allocated to this end. The Republicans also favor the addition to the basic school fund, with the provisions that the added funds be used to reduce local school taxes. They also favor a measure to repeal the state property tax and oppose consideration of an legislation not directly tied into the tax subject.

Democratic Senator Monroe Sweetland of Milwaukie has proposed that \$10 to \$20 million of the surplus be used in establishing veterans loans to be administered by the State Department of Veterans Affairs. Rep. Clarence Barton, chairman of the House Taxation Committee, which must originate all taxation measures, feels that \$10 million should be devoted to income tax reduction.

Length of the special session will depend on how long it will take for the legislators with divergent views on the amount of tax reduction to agree on a program.

With the Senate divided equally, 15 Democrats and 15 Republicans, there is certain to be a spirited fight in the upper chamber on this issue.

Some legislators want to introduce legislation not related to taxes and the Oregon Farm Federation will make an effort to get remedial legislation to avoid double taxation in some of the rural school districts.

Members of the Legislature in both parties do not wish to prolong the special session, but nevertheless, most observers feel it will be about 30 days before the gavel falls on sine die adjournment.

## "Sputnik Session"

By ED CREGGH

Associated Press News Analyst WASHINGTON (AP) — The next session of Congress may well become known as the "Sputnik session."

Lawmakers have been traveling far and wide during Congress' off-season. The word is seeping back that they find the Soviet satellite a prime topic of public concern, right behind such local and more immediately pressing problems as jobs and prices.

This naturally will encourage the Democrats—not that they need much encouragement—to hitchhike on the satellite, so to speak, as an issue to raise against the Eisenhower administration.

They can count on some help from Republicans. Only yesterday Sen. Bridges (R-NH) hit into the President's foreign economic adviser, Clarence Randall, for calling Sputnik "a silly bauble."

Bridges said the Randall comment was "grossly misleading and irresponsible." The New Hampshire senator is one of the legislators who wants a Senate investigation of the country's satellite and missile program.

President Eisenhower himself has indicated concern over public reaction to Sputnik. He plans a series of speeches—rather urgent in tone, it appears—to reassure the American people about their country's scientific and military progress among other things.

The President has said that while Sputnik shows the Russians have a mighty rocket it doesn't

## They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo  
QUAGMIRE IS THE EGGHEAD WHO GIVES YOUR KIDS AND MINE THOSE APTITUDE TESTS...  
HOWEVER, WHEN IT COMES TO KNOWING WHAT HE SHOULD DO HIMSELF, QUAGMIRE IS NOT SO SURE...



## Weather Table

By UNITED PRESS

Temperatures and rainfall for 24 hours ending at 4:30 a.m.

	High	Low	Rain
Albuquerque	53	38	
Atlanta	76	62	.51
Bakersfield	76	52	
Boise	58	45	.11
Boston	76	58	T.
Brownsville	83	60	
Chicago	58	44	1.02
Denver	60	3	
Detroit	60	46	1.85
Fairbanks	82	56	
Fresno	71	52	
Helena	27	19	.08
Kansas City	65	48	.22
Los Angeles	74	59	
Miami	83	72	
Minneapolis	52	38	T.
New Orleans	80	61	.07
New York	67	63	T.
Oakland	60	58	.48
Oklahoma City	65	47	
Phoenix	76	52	
Pittsburgh	63	—	
Red Bluff	60	54	.47
Salt Lake City	66	45	.03
San Diego	72	55	
San Francisco	62	61	.60
Seattle	45	49	.22
Stockton	61	57	.14
Thermal	80	59	
Tucson	75	45	
Washington	74	62	T.
Yuma	—	—	

## Pilot Killed In Jet Crash

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—A Navy jet crashed and burned just short of a runway at Miramar Naval Air Station late yesterday, killing its pilot and catapulting one of its 20mm. cannons into a car on U.S. 395.

The Navy identified the pilot as Lt. (j.g.) Wallace S. Nelowett, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin J. Nelowett, Norristown, Pa. He also leaves a widow.

The cannon flew 50 feet up an embankment and hit a car driven by Dr. Carl Eckart of La Jolla, Calif. Dr. Eckart was not hurt.

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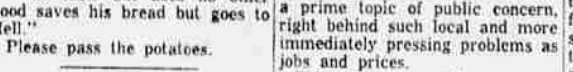
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