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## Bird Nest

By **BILL JENKINS**  
Hardly a day goes by during the proper season that one doesn't read in the paper about some bird building a nest in a peculiar place. Peculiar to the human mind, that is. Obviously the places are all right with the birds.

Anyway, I have now got such a story to report myself. A pair of swallows (Hirundo erythrogastrus, or common barn swallow) have chosen the joists in the carport for a home. More particularly, they have chosen the hairy end of a car brush that I had thrust under these joists last winter as their home.

The nest is full of young ones. The adults spend most of their time feeding these or sitting on the telephone wire outside the house keeping an eye on me.

Apparently they have little fear of man and his irksome doings for the nest is only half an inch above the top of the truck when I drive it into the carport. Yet if they do it flutters around for a while and then come back to roost.

Joists, beams and rafters can be amusing things. I've collected about in my basement the other day I started wondering about some of the junk that I have stuck up in the rafters there and came across my last year's deer hunting hat.

Being a cautious soul and wishing to go along with the safety boys I went out last year and purchased a bright yellow cloth hat. Since I wasn't shot I must assume that either the hat was a success or the other hunters were poor shots.

At any rate it saw me through several unsuccessful and very wet hunts. Every time I went out it either poured rain or the wet snow came down in blankets.

I guess that hat wasn't scattered. I put it on the other day when I lifted it from its dusty perch and found it to be at least two sizes smaller than it was when I bought it.

At least I think the hat shrunk. I don't think my head swelled to that much because my other hat, a very Western looking Stetson I bought on sale once, seems to fit just like it always did. Which, of course, is not, but at least it stays on and keeps the water off the back of my neck.

and becoming very pliable and nice. If anyone knows how to hook it up again will they please contact me soon?  
I'm running out of neatfoot and excuses at the same time.

## Jobs

By **HAL BOYLE**  
NEW YORK (AP) — Things a columnist might never know if he didn't read his mail:  
That in 28 per cent of the nation's estimated 39 million married couples both husband and wife have jobs outside the home. The tired business woman may soon outnumber the tired business man.

That this is the century of the common dog as well as the common man. America's pooch population has leaped 44 per cent in the last decade.

That U.S. insect pests nullify the labor of at least one million workers a year.

That a survey showed 15 million American women are now overweight. (The rest just think they are.)

That Dr. Carlton Fredericks, the nutritionist, says licorice is an excellent natural substitute for tranquilizer pills.

That a new fad has cropped up in the college set—eating lighted cigarettes. Well, anyway they're cheaper than goldfish.

That, according to the Fishermen's Magazine, a fish has such a poorly developed nervous system it feels developed pain when hooked.

That some 40 million American women today are said to make all or part of their clothing. If this is so, where are they hiding?

That the Mammie Eisenhower, a good head of corn, now prefers a fashion-playing version of the same called hoivina.

That an elephant is heavier when traveling by air if a hen is perched on its back, but the average man would rather have a hen on his back.

That literature motorists read about 100,000 lines of verse in the United States during the holiday season. That popular item, the book, is...

That the average man's heart beats 72 times a minute. The average man's brain has 100 billion cells.

That it was Ralph Waldo Emerson who said, "This time, the all things, is a very good one. If we don't know how to do it, we're in trouble."

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the country. But the American Collectors Assn. finds the delinquent, its particular problem, hard to collect from.

The Federal Reserve Board's largest figures show that at the start of June total installment credit was just under \$3 billion dollars, down 600 million dollars from the end of January.

But other consumer goods had risen in May by \$3 million dollars to \$1.8 billion dollars to top year ago figures by \$5 million dollars. Repair and modernization loans and personal loans also rose.

The Chicago bank thinks installment credit sure to continue to grow.

A Standard Financial Corp. survey of 12,640 customers of 127 department stores throughout the country points up the selectivity of consumers during the recession.

It reports that in the last 18 months revolving credit sales of soft goods in these stores exceeded the corresponding month of the previous year.

The average maturity of installment credit for soft goods is seven months, while the average maturity on auto debt is around 31 months.

Merchants and customers answering the survey stressed this time difference in their credit programs under current conditions.

"Consumers can see 7 months ahead; they can't see 31 months ahead," the report concludes. "So they hold back on the long term obligations."

Only in the case of electric appliances did any of the 127 stores report any easing of credit terms.

The aim in that case was traced to efforts of factories to reduce heavy inventories.

In addition to an increase in the buying of soft goods on time, sales finance companies report an increase in installment sales of boats, house trailers, swimming pools, travel tickets and college tuition payments.

The marked increase in personal savings since a few months back doesn't dismay the finance companies. They hold that the consumer credit business is based on consumer time payments and reserves. The growing reservoir of consumer savings is regarded as assurance of an upsurge of credit sales when the recession is reversed.

By **JAMES WELSH**  
WASHINGTON (AP) — One of our troubles is that we can't see the future. Premier Khrushchev's head, he promises a friendly hand, one minute, a hot line next. But we don't know what to do up his sleeve.

A great many Americans have tried to analyze the meaning of the recent de-escalation of Soviet tactics. But the writer hasn't seen or heard of the explanation yet that makes sense.

It's possible the Soviet's sudden retreat is to tempt mounting from nice to nasty to nice—are the product of simple bumbling and stumbling in foreign policy circles of interling Communist party confusions hidden from sight.

It's also possible the Soviets don't care much what they do or say from month to month so long as they keep a couple of balls in the air, make propaganda, keep stalling on disarmament and finding ways to prevent surprise attacks.

What Khrushchev has in mind for 3, or 5, or 10 years from now for the United States is something we can only guess at. And in this contest guessing carries a chilly feeling.

For, through all the shifting gears of the Kremlin one gruesome thought persists: Is Khrushchev stalling until he feels strong enough to wipe us out with a surprise attack? That's possible too.

It's almost certain neither side is going to talk seriously about disarmament, and for various reasons. One is enough: so long as both are heavily armed each has a measure of safety from attack by the other.

But how much safety from surprise attack each has is something only the top men on both sides know. It would seem to behoove this country to keep its defenses A-1 for years to come.

An individual in this country who tried to make perfect sense out of all the Soviet twists, following them down the dark alleys of the mind, could wind up in a loony bin. An example is given near the end of this story.

This year, after spending months building up propaganda for a summit meeting, or appearing to do so, Khrushchev all but knocked the idea of a summit conference out the window.

The same with the Geneva talks, where American and Communist scientists are now discussing ways to prevent cheating if there is agreement against further nuclear testing. At the last minute the Soviets seemed to be scuttling the meeting. Then they sent their scientists to Geneva.

And Khrushchev this past week after practically torpedoing a summit conference, proposed to President Eisenhower technical talks on how to prevent surprise attacks. He failed to acknowledge that Eisenhower himself had proposed this last January.

Khrushchev knows what this country wants to prevent surprise attack: a good inspection system. But yesterday Pravda, right on the heels of Khrushchev's proposal, made a joke of any inspection system.

The Communist party newspaper suggested American inspection teams, in flying over the Soviet Union, might gather intelligence information for an American surprise attack.

If there's to be no inspection system, what's the solution? Just trust, Pravda said. That's some answer. Since there's no trust at all, both sides will remain heavily armed and capable of attack.

Which brings up a question: Why do Khrushchev mention it at all? Maybe just to keep talking.

**Quizzes**  
By United Press International  
WASHINGTON — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, on his Paris talks with French Premier Charles de Gaulle:

"I left with the impression that Premier de Gaulle is a man of wisdom and power and will do much for the problems that beset France so that France may play its rightful role in the world."

WASHINGTON — Boston industrialist Bernard Goldfine, on returning to Washington to undergo further questioning by congressional influence investigators:

"It's nice for me to be back in Washington where the weather is warm. I hope the climate cools off by Tuesday, however."

MOSCOW — Russia in a note to United Nations Secretary Dag Hammarskjold protesting demonstrations against its U.N. headquarters in New York last month:

"Future repetitions of hostile demonstrations against the Soviet representation and the absence of normal conditions for its work might lead to a situation whereby the Soviet Union would be deprived of taking part in the work of the U.N."

## They'll Do It Every Time



## 36 US Citizens Still Held By Cuban Rebels But Hopes Held For Speedy Release

GUANTANAMO, Cuba (AP) — Fidel Castro's rebels still held 36 U.S. citizens and one Canadian today. Hope continued that the release would be speeded up.

There were strong indications, however, that the rebels were in no hurry because the presence of the Americans in the rebel camps has brought a halt to air attacks by the forces of President Fulgencio Batista.

Four American civilians and one Canadian were brought by U.S. Navy helicopter to the Guantanamo naval base yesterday. The rebels freed four Americans and three Americans Saturday night.

One of those released yesterday, John N. Schissler, Montgomery, Ala., said arrangements are being made to send trucks into the jungled mountains for the 30 U.S. sailors and Marines kidnapped from near the Navy base.

Park Wollam, U.S. consul in Santiago, continued his negotiations with rebel leader Raul Castro, Fidel's brother, who directed the kidnappings.

"Castro told us... there still were many more things to be discussed before all the captives could go," Schissler reported.

The motive for the kidnappings reportedly was to pressure the United States not to supply Batista's forces with fuel or ammunition. Schissler expressed belief that Wollam has convinced Raul Castro the United States is not aiding the government forces trying to put down the rebellion.

But Raul was quoted as saying, "The Cuban army won't drop any bombs while the Americans are here. They are very good 50mm. antiaircraft protection."

All five men released yesterday were employees of the American-owned Mos Bay Mining Co., which is preparing to develop nickel and cobalt deposits in northeast Cuba. The men were Schissler; Prof. E. P. Pfeiffer, head of the mining engineering

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McCONNELLSBURG, Pa. — Maurice E. Sherman, in announcing he had filed protests with the governors of Georgia and Tennessee against the arrest of his family during a recent trip south: "They'll think William Tecumseh Sherman has come back to life before we're through."

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## BUS TRAGEDY

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