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## Ski Bowl

By BILL JENKINS  
Dropped down to Mt. Shasta last weekend for the press party marking the imminent opening of the Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl.

Quite an operation. The people down thataway have really got something to work with. While there was a remarkable dearth of snow for our visit, an intimate little party of about 400 newspaper, radio and television (ugh!) people, you got an excellent idea of the scope of the planned project. The ski tow winds its way up to the ten thousand foot level from the lodge at Panther Meadows. The view is spectacular and the skiing should be all that could be desired.

I cannot speak with authority on that subject since I have always classed skiers along with mountain climbers and motorcycle riders. Another of the many athletic skills that are beyond me.

There was a lot of ski people present at the party, however, all dolled up in the pretty clothes that go with the sport and all of them eager to answer our questions.

There was also an amazing turnout of chamber of commerce people and local men and women who were there solely to see to it that the guests were well taken care of and that no question was left unanswered, no request ignored.

It was a swell party.

I think that the bowl is a growing idea and that the good which will accrue to the area is beyond estimate. After all, the people who get there to ski are going to get a good look at the country. And industrialists are great skiers. Who knows? Perhaps the industrial growth may parallel the recreational growth.

Plus the fact that the Mount Shasta area in general is a natural for winter sports. They have snow in plenty, beautiful surroundings and the necessary transportation facilities, highways and railroads. Now all that is needed is adequate housing facilities and things are going to hum.

That is my prediction.

Skiing, no matter what you think of it or how expert you may or may not be, is one of the faster growing sports. And one of the prettiest from a nifty standpoint. The people who ski are addicted to fancy clothes and make a pretty showing. They are also, I say with envy, mostly of the lean and muscular type. Like most of us dream about but never achieve.

And today there is a greater market for recreation than for anything else. If you can set up the kind of facility that will appeal to the recreation-minded you have it made.

I think the Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl has it made.  
We'll wait and see.

## Ballot Measures

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Measure No. 5 on the ballot Tuesday, November 4, deals with financing urban redevelopment projects.

Intent of the proposal is to provide that any increase in valuation of an area being redeveloped shall be used, by way of taxation, to meet debt service on the bonds issued to finance the renewal or redevelopment project.

In effect, the measure would permit municipalities or counties to take the increased taxes resulting from such improvements to help finance the improvements.

This measure is not self-enacting. It will have to have legislative action to implement it.

The measure could conceivably be used as a tool to permit areas with substantial sections to redevelop them, and let the improved areas finance part of the improvement.

Opponents of the measure point out that high value properties would still finance the larger portion of the tax load, and there is no assurance that taxes will increase from the area being developed.

Measure No. 6 is designed to modify the maximum limitation on county bonded indebtedness.

At present, the constitution provides that no county shall have outstanding debts in excess of \$5,000, except that additional debt may be created to suppress insurrection or to repel invasion, or to build or maintain roads within the county. All bonds issued for road purposes, however, are subject to prior approval of a majority of those voting on the question, and shall never in the aggregate exceed six per cent of assessed valuation.

This new measure would amend this section to permit counties to have debt in excess of \$5,000 to carry out purposes authorized by law, providing such bonded indebtedness did not exceed limits imposed by the Legislature.

This proposition removes the constitution restriction on the county, and gives the Legislature authority to control purposes and limits of county debt.

Those in favor of the measure point out that at present all counties must make all capital investments out of their regular budgets. Counties with small budgets are seriously hampered by the present law.

Opponents point out that two per cent of true cash value is higher than the six per cent of assessed value and it would make the bonding limit too high. They also say the amendment is unnecessary because counties already have provisions in the constitution whereby they may obtain funds over and above their budgets.

The end result of passage of the measure would make it easier for counties to finance such projects as sewers, new courthouses, bridges, parks, etc.

Measure No. 7 is apparently a clarification measure that would accomplish several things. First, it would permit a county to have more than one grand jury. Under the present law there may be only one grand jury sitting. This often creates delay when a grand jury becomes involved in a lengthy investigation.

It merely clarifies procedure and enables the calling of a second grand jury if found necessary. The second thing it will accomplish will be speeding up of court procedure.

Under terms of the measure a person accused of a crime or a misdemeanor would be permitted to waive indictment to speed up trial and sentence, and a person could officially be charged with a crime on information filed by the district attorney.

Discussion of these measures is not designed to influence your voting, but rather to clarify the issue in question so that you can understand the measure better, and thus cast a more informed ballot.

## Opportunity

By FLORENCE JENKINS

Last year, more than two million boys and girls in more than 8,500 communities across the land collected more than one million dollars for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

Each year for the past eight years, an ever-increasing number of children and young people have shared their Halloween by "Trick or Treating for UNICEF." Dozens of Klamath Falls youngsters participated last year and turned in approximately \$250 from this area.

The coins dropped into the UNICEF bags extended by hooded ghosts and goblins on Halloween mean the possibility of healthier and happier lives for some of the world's 800 million sick and hungry children.

There is no over all chairman in Klamath Falls this year, according to Chuck Johnson, chairman of the Klamath Falls Chapter, Oregon United Nations Association. Several groups of young people are undertaking a Halloween "trick or treat" collection for UNICEF however and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will be glad to provide supplies to volunteers.

It is an opportunity to share with those less fortunate than ourselves and more volunteers are needed this year.

Supplies and additional information are available by calling Mrs. Johnson at TUxedo 4-8779.

## Lament

DUCKHUNTER'S MOTHER GOOSE

By Nelson Reed

To Tule to Tule  
To shoot a fat duck,  
Home again, home again,  
All out of luck.

To Tule to Tule  
To shoot a fat goose,  
Home again, home again,  
What was the use?

Mary, Mary quite contrary,

Where has your husband gone?  
A duck to shoot, the poor galoot.  
He left at crack of dawn.

Mary, Mary, quite contrary,  
What will he bring back?  
A cold in the head, two feet like lead,  
But not a single quack.

When I was hunting at Tule Lake,  
I met a man who took the cake,  
He shot an automatic gun  
And emptied it at every one,  
Goose or duck, no matter how high,  
He'd raise it up and let her fly,  
But the only thing that he hit all day,  
Was the end of his nose when it got in the way.

High diddle diddle,  
Out in the middle,  
The ice all melted at noon,  
With mud that's smelly  
Clear up to your belly,  
You'll not get home very soon.

Hickory, dickory dock,  
The game warden gave me a shock,  
I only killed one  
But it was a swan,  
Just five hundred bucks at a dock.

There was a man in our town,  
And he told wondrous lies,  
About the ducks and geese he shot,  
He knocked them from the skies,  
But once when I went out with him,  
The only thing he killed,  
Was half a gallon of red eye  
And most of that he spilled.

Rub a dub dub,  
Three men in a tub  
Tried to cross over a creek  
The wind upset 'em  
The ice water wet 'em  
Tomorrow they'll all be sick.

Little blue boy come blow your squawk,  
The mallards are flying flock on flock,  
Hiss at a hen and squawk at a drake,  
But be darn sure you make no mistake,  
For if you shoot with that squawk in your mouth,  
Your teeth and the ducks will both go south.

Mr. Reed's cogency as a sportsman is well known locally and he has never missed the opportunity to express his opinion in regard to sportsman conduct, especially when pretension emphasizes his cleverness as in the case of the story he is so fond of telling about the three legged bird which just lays his listeners in stitches.

I realize that it is presumptuous on my part as an ignorant bird watcher to rise and offer a protest to the profound expression of opinion expounded by the expert wildlife sportsman Reed, nevertheless, when this fustian chooses to throw his ignorant mud into my face, insult my intelligence as well as the intelligence of many of your readers, I must dissent. Without a doubt, Mr. Reed thought his column was brilliant but I think it was stupid.

On the other hand, his philosophy is most interesting, the duck hunters would be in paradise if we follow his advice, which consists of getting rid of the Fish and Wildlife Service, shooting all bird watchers and Izaak Walton League members and putting all of the

wetlands in the Klamath Basin into agricultural production. Then they could shoot, and shoot, and shoot to their hearts content — what a dreamer!

Ken McLeod  
Bird Watcher

## Black Widows

From The Bend Bulletin

In recent weeks, The Bulletin has been visited by several "Black Widow" delegations.

Mostly, they have been youngsters, with their specimens carefully sealed in jars. One "Black Widow" was left overnight. Next morning, The Bulletin had hundreds of specimens — tiny insects crawling over a web the mother had woven. All eventually found their way to the city dump, still captive in the jar.

The number of these poisonous "widows" around the area this season indicates a population "explosion."

A total of 21 different species of these spiders has been listed. They frequent every continent. In the Americas, there are three known species, and they range from Patagonia north into southern Canada. In this country, the best-known species is Latrodectus mactans. It is the shiny black female of this species that carries the scarlet "hourglass" on its underside.

The male is a tiny insect, and its lot in life is rather sad. After making certain the species will be perpetuated, the voracious female eats the male. Hence the name "Black Widow."

These spiders definitely are poisonous. Fact is, their venom is more potent than that of a rattler. But only tiny doses are injected into victims. An antitoxin for the venom was developed as early as 1942.

Despite the prevalence of "Black Widows" and the potency of their venom, the fear people hold for them is hardly justified. When one of these "hourglass" spiders is disturbed, it does not attack. It retreats and hides. Fact is, it takes a great deal of irritation to force a "Black Widow" to bite.

But, of course, they should not be tolerated around dwellings. In Bend, one man has taken steps to use an insecticide, following discovery of a "Widow" in his house.

The population explosion of the Widows in central Oregon and other parts of the northwest this season is probably due to the mild winter of 1957-58.

Temperature is a factor that governs the range of these spiders such as grasshoppers, beetles and June bugs. A severe winter, with deep frost would virtually eliminate "Widows" from the plateau country.

## Dirtiest Man

By HAL R. COOPER

LONDON (AP) — It is entirely possible that Alf Riggs is the dirtiest man in London.

Alf, an amiable fellow of 47, peddles coal in hundredweight sacks for home heating. The price per sack is 10 shillings—\$1.40.

A hundredweight, through some quirk rooted in British tradition, is not 100 pounds but 112 pounds. Selling coal in 112-pound batches may sound peculiar to Americans, but it is a logical way of doing things in Britain. For one thing, few British houses have basements. Most of the coal is burned slowly in open grates, and a hundredweight lasts quite a while.

"Some of the places my customers keep coal you wouldn't believe," Alf says. "They keep it in dog kennels, chicken coops, garages, outdoor metal bins, or even just piled on the ground in the open."

"Fact is, I have a few people who keep their coal in the bathtub so they won't have to go outside for it when the weather is bad. Actually, this makes it impossible for them to have a bath for months on end. I wouldn't be surprised if some of them are almost as dirty as I am."

All peddles his coal in a truck which will hold up to 70 hundredweight sacks. His working costume consists of a pair of old shoes, heavy pants, a shirt, vest, cap, blue bandanna tucked around his neck, and a large leather pad over his right shoulder.

All was asked whether he considers himself dirtier than his only conceivable rival — a chimney sweep.

"Chimney sweeps!" roared Alf. "Why, chimney sweeps aren't even in it with me. You take soot, it's a soft kind of dirt like, but this bleeding coal dust is a hard dirt. It sticks in my scalp and under my fingernails, and around my eyes, and in the wrinkles on my face."

"Why, some nights it takes me and the old woman and our old iron washtub a good hour to get me fit for a trip to the pub for a pint of wallop."

## They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

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## Police Book New York Lad On Charge Of Killing Dad

NEW YORK (AP) -- Richard Hicks Jr., 18, has admitted shooting his father to death and dumping the body—in a trunk—into the Hudson River, police say.

Hicks was seized Monday, four days after the trunk bearing his father's body was fished from the river.

The Negro youth, a college freshman, was booked on a homicide charge.

Young Hicks hid out in subways, parked cars and parks after disappearing Oct. 23. When arrested in a Bronx park, he had only a dime and carried a loaded automatic.

He was quoted as saying arguments with his father over his education led to the shooting.

The father, a ship's radio officer, was shot once in the head as he lay sleeping in his Harlem home.

Leslie Couillard, 17, a white friend of young Hicks, told police he helped buy the trunk and stuff the body into it. Couillard was held in \$50,000 bail as a material witness.

Hicks was seen shoving the trunk into the river. It was quickly retrieved.

Police said young Hicks told them that when he bought the trunk, the salesman assured him in a macabre jest: "Listen, you can put your mother-in-law in it. It's big enough."

SHE SUED  
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actor Charles Chaplin Jr. is suing to divorce actress Susan Magness, his bride of less than three months. He is 33, she is 22.

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