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Howl

By BILL JENKINS
I have a couple of dogs who are addicted to howling back at the mill whistles.
This is probably an ecological manifestation of bewilderment, a mental clash of the wolf pack versus the plastic coated security of modern day life.
It is also one of the reasons I am known and referred to in the neighborhood as Sweet Old Bill, which is usually abbreviated to just the first letters.
These bursts of howling—at 7 a.m., again at 7:30 a.m. and at 4:30 in the afternoon—are not exactly a chorus of the wild, but they (the howls) come as close to it as the dogs can manage. After all, they haven't had much experience at this sort of thing.
The closest the old dog has ever come to being cast in the role of the ravening wolf was several years ago when he used to go over and bark at Frank McCornack's chickens.
The young dog has never had any experience with the wilds at all unless you can consider the back yard as a virgin wilderness. But they like to howl.
The old dog, a Boxer *stret* with the Boxer body and a Great Dane head, has a proper muzzle for this sort of thing. He sticks his long nose up in the air, makes an "O" of his mouth and gets off with a pretty fair imitation of the call of the wild.
The younger dog, an 18-month-old Saint Bernard, tries to imitate him but has his difficulties. In the first place he has enormous jaws and when he gets his nose pointed up he looks like nothing so much as a toothless old man trying to gum a bunch of grapes.
His howling is further complicated by the fact that his voice is changing. He starts out with a falsetto, chokes up and goes into low gear for a minute and ends up on a sort of quavery and unsure note somewhere around high C.
Both dogs have only two sites for howling. One of these is the gate to the dog run. Planted at the corner of this gate is a Virginia creeper which hangs down into the run to a certain extent. This further fouls up any howling on the part of the youngster because as soon as he sticks his nose up in the air it is buried in leaves. This serves to shut off his air supply and cut down on the volume.
The other spot is at the top of the run behind the house. Here they can sit and stare out over the lake at the offending mills. On this site the older dog does his best howling. He gets off some pretty good efforts. But again the youngster has trouble. He starts out fine, but as soon as he gets all tilted up and in good howling position the blue jays fly over and perch in the surrounding pines to watch the show. This soon diverts the youngster and he gets so interested in watching the birds that he forgets to howl.
When he is brought back to a realization of his duties he tries to catch up and finds himself hopelessly snarled up. This usually results in his stalking off to a far corner, digging a hole and lying down in it.
This practice has resulted in our backyard resembling a sort of miniature grand canyon.
Anyway, if you are ever out that way at the stated times and hear this mournful chorus don't be dismayed.
Both dogs are denied membership in a wolf pack because neither one can afford a black leather jacket.

Battle of Sexes

By FLORENCE JENKINS
A statistician of the safety department of the Oregon State Motor Association took his courage in hand and came out with a flat statement that women are safer drivers than men.
He dug up the last studies made on licensed drivers by sex which were made in 1952. Apparently the only other one extant was compiled in 1940 which would be of little value today.
Six years ago, the studies show that approximately 30 per cent of the licensed drivers in Oregon are women. Since there are about 800,000 licensed drivers in Oregon, this would mean that approximately 240,000 are women and 560,000 are men drivers.
In 1957, the statistician continues, a total of 109,193 drivers were involved in traffic accidents in this state. Of this total, 84,836 were men and 24,357 were women.
Applying the percentage figures already arrived at, it would work out that about 15 per cent of the men drivers were involved in accidents while only nine per cent of the women drivers were so involved.

Of course, figures can be made to prove anything. A great many persons, both men and women, who are involved in traffic accidents in Oregon each year are from out of the state and it would take many man hours of research to find out just how many.
Another possible fallacy might lie in the fact that total number of accidents were counted and no record was kept of repeaters. Of course, there again it might be argued that there are as many women who are accident-prone as there are men.
The one thing that is sure, however, is the fact that more than 100,000 traffic accidents in one year is a lot too many.

City of Bridges

By NELSON REED
Had a dream the other night after reading the San Francisco newspapers. Dreamed I was down in the City of Bridges, Golden Gate, Bay and Harry. Thought I was sitting on my favorite bench in Union Square listening to a couple of ancient discuss the physical assets of the current crop of movie cuties. Am always amazed by the evils that age won't cure.
I asked the pigeons what they thought about Berlin and the late election. "We should worry," they cooed, "we get all the woo and peanuts we want."
Makes a man wonder.
The main pigeon roost is the "due to Dewey and Manila Bay" on top of it is a lightly clad dame armed with a wreath in one hand and a spear in the other. Represented foreign policy in Dewey's day. Either you behaved and got the wreath or you didn't and got the pitchfork.
At least the old girl had one foot on the ground.
Times have changed. Big sign across the street says 30 hours to Manila by air. People Dewey freed 60 some years ago are still costing us millions each year and hating us more all the time.
Maybe we should have a new statue on top of the pigeon roost. Stark naked old girl suspended in mid-air, scattering billions of peanuts to the world's pigeons with one hand while she cuts her own throat with the other.

Scouting Needs

Klamath Falls (To The Editor)
—In 1916, the Congress of the United States of America granted a charter to the Boy Scouts of America wherein they were admonished to furnish a program of character development, citizenship training and physical fitness to the boys of America.
The Modoc Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America was then given the responsibility of bringing Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Sea Scouting, Air Scouting and Exploring to all interested boys eight to 18 within its jurisdiction. This area includes all of Jefferson, Crook, Deschutes, Klamath and Lake counties in Oregon; Modoc County, and portions of Siskiyou and Lassen counties in California. The population of the area is near 100,000 people, with approximately 10,500 available boys for the scout program.
The net enrollment on the last day of 1957 will be close to 4,650 boys, which will represent 38 per cent of all boys. We must point out that during the year, with transfers, drop outs etc. that probably over 50 per cent of the youth received scout training.
In addition 1,192 volunteer leaders give of their time, energy and talents to make scouting happen in the lives of our boys. These people serve without pay and at \$2 per hour represent an investment of a half million dollars every year. This is free for the asking!

The actual cost during 1958 is budgeted for \$38,134 to administer the program through the services of four professional men, to maintain and operate the Scout Service Center and Boy Scout camp, supply materials for the operation of 133 scout units, keep records of the thousands of boys and adults, train and recruit the thousand leaders and maintain the high principles of scouting. This would make the cost to each man, woman and child less than 40 cents per year. Certainly a small amount to invest in the youth of our area, yet we fall short of raising this small amount each year.

The Klamath County United Fund for the sixth consecutive year has fallen short of the approved allocation to the Boy Scout Council. This then is certainly not a new thing, so now we are requested to curtail our operation in 1959. We have been economizing for a long period of time, but we will never deny scouting to any boy or group of boys. We have always been open to all boys and we shall remain open.

Last year our council was selected as one of the top 24 councils in all America on our ability to bring scouting to rural boys. During the past six years our enrollment has grown from 2,284 boys in 86 units to 4,650 boys in 133 units. In Klamath County alone we have increased our enrollment 82.5 per cent with the 8.4 per cent increase from our local United Fund. We must grow. We must offer scouting to all boys. Even now we are organizing scouting for service dependents at Kingsley housing, handicapped children to be sponsored by the DAV, a troop at the Moose Lodge, cubbing for Allamont School and many other places. We can't stop now!

It is fair to ask then how can this happen in face of an ever mounting cost of living with such a small amount of income. This has come about because the citizens of our area have given directly to the scout program above and beyond their normal gifts to the fund. Several years ago one very wonderful lady in our community paid off the indebtedness of the council in one large gift.

We have not lost faith in the United Fund, nor have we lost faith in the people of the Basin. We can still remember too well when in the early 30's the local council closed its doors and became a part of the Medford operation. Once every two weeks the scout executive journeyed over the Green Springs to administer the needs of our area. During this period the scout camp at Lake of the Woods became a part of the Medford council never to be returned. This we are certain will never be allowed to happen again. Our citizens are concerned for their youth and will come to the support of scouting when asked. This was evidenced in the recent Lions Club project of building the new Scout Service Center.

We feel that when the public is given the facts the needs will be answered. We pledge our continued support of the United Funds within our area, we will do everything possible to economize, but we will never deny scouting to any boy. Scouting has touched the lives of 28 million men in the past 50 years. They will never let it die. We will again ask them to support our sustaining membership program above and beyond their normal contribution to the United Fund.

Yes, we are in a poor financial position. We have a \$3,000 note due on December 27 at the First Federal Savings and Loan. We have used \$3,000 of our 1959 money during 1958. We are confident that the good citizens of the area are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to return the council to solvency not bankruptcy. Now is the time to meet the future with great plans, not small ideas. Your dollars are important in helping to train our kids.

James D. Harpole
Scout Executive
Approved by Executive Committee

Local Angle

Klamath Falls (To The Editor)
—A collection agency in the small town of Klamath Falls has higher rating than government entities, reader interest rating that is. The United States of America, State Tax Commission and Klamath County trail in reader interest rating in judgment of Herald and News reporter.

On December 12, the Herald and News published an item entitled "Agency Named In Circuit Suit." The United States of America, State Tax Commission and Klamath County who were also defendants in the same suit did not receive mention in the said article. The names of all defendants were actually listed before that of Carter's Collection Agency.

The item appearing on page 6A of said publication in part said "... has filed suit against ... Carter's Collection Agency ... seeking payment of a promissory note."

The full list of defendants in said suit included the good old USA, good old State Tax Commission, and Klamath County among others as defendants. Carter's actually appeared in the suit as the last name in a list of eight defendants.

I do not owe the plaintiff in the case one penny, or any other sum, and intend to default in the case provided the allegations therein are as alleged.

In line of duty, I have obtained a lien against certain real estate on which apparently the plaintiff had a prior lien and that the plaintiff was naming me and far more prominent entities as defendants merely to foreclose their liens which were recorded on the land after the lien of the plaintiff. This is a frequent occurrence in law.

I'd like to thank the Herald and News for the plug, it isn't often that an eighth named in a law suit shall be first in reader interest especially when such prominent entities were omitted from the news article in favor of my organization. That is giving the little guy a break.

M. A. Carter

Insecure World

Editor's Note: This is one of a series of guest editorials written by pastors of local churches which will be printed before Christmas.

By OTIS BELL

Pastor, First Christian Church
As we enter the Christmas season, uncounted millions of the world's people live in fear, trouble and want. Everywhere, men are crying out for peace in a world that seems to know no peace. Much of the world has little of justice and righteousness. Perhaps it was in a similarly insecure world that Isaiah cried, "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end ... upon his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from henceforth even for ever."

With the world sighing for justice and righteousness and peace, it is good for us to remember that the Prince of Peace of which Isaiah spoke. The "peace on earth, good will toward men" of which the angels sang can come only through the establishment of His way of life for all. The hope of the world for real brotherhood is wrapped up in the Babe of Bethlehem and His teachings that men must love God and their fellow men. We may seek for peace through conferences, councils and mighty defenses, but all these are but temporary stop-gaps. Real peace will come when men love each other as God has loved us all.

Love is the real message of Christmas. Love is what we are trying to express, sometimes so feebly, in the giving of gifts and the singing of Christmas songs. Love is what we must learn to put into action in our dealings with men and races of men and with the nations of the world. The love that Christmas expresses must be carried into every phase and act of life. Only when we learn that eternal truth will the world know that peace of which there shall be no end.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Federal Judge Takes Over As Testimony Conflicting

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — Conflicting testimony in the Dave Beck Sr. income tax evasion trial prompted Federal Judge George Boldt to take over interrogation of a witness Tuesday.
Witnesses told the court different versions about how certain records of the Western Conference of Teamsters disappeared while Beck was president of the Teamsters Union.
When Judge Boldt took over questioning of Robert Graham, secretary-treasurer of the Western Conference in 1954, Beck's defense attorney Charles Burdell protested but the judge replied crisply: "I have a purpose."
Graham, now a Teamsters organizer in California, testified he ordered the books, together with those of the Teamsters' Joint Council Building Assn., gathered up and stored away for an audit he and Frank Brewster, a Teamsters official, had been talking about.
The government contends the missing records may have included important data about Beck's financial dealings.
Graham's testimony differed from that earlier by Donald McDonald, a former bookkeeper. McDonald said Graham told him he wanted the books taken out of McDonald's office because the place was "cluttered up." The records were later placed behind locked doors in a basement room and he never saw or was able to locate them again, McDonald testified.
Tuesday Graham said he had instructed McDonald to gather up all the books in 1953. "I told him I wanted them for an audit," Graham said. He said he took them to a storeroom and did not see them again and ventured a guess they had been destroyed.
When Asst. U. S. Atty. Jack Obenour pressed Graham further, the witness said that he had also asked the janitor to clean up the storeroom. The janitor did so and took them away, presumably to a garbage can, Graham added.
At this point, Judge Boldt took over the questioning. He asked

Petrol Blast Damage Set

PASCO, Wash. (AP) — The cost of Pasco's waterfront gasoline barge blast was placed at about \$200,000 Wednesday.
Walter Pirtle, 29, Kennewick, crewman injured when the new 165-foot barge with 125,000 gallons of gasoline aboard blew up early Tuesday, was recovering from burns, shocks and fractures, doctors said. Hurling into the water, he swam ashore.
Investigators estimated these losses:
The barge Port of Longview No. 535, valued by the Inland Navigation Co., owners, at \$100,000, possibly a total loss. It lay in 25 feet of water in the Columbia.
Repairs to the 150-foot dock, in excess of \$50,000. Gasoline destroyed, \$50,000. Other damage, \$10,000.
The cause of the 12:45 a.m. blast was still sought. The barge had arrived from Portland on its maiden voyage Monday with a capacity load of 320,000 gallons of gas, of which about two-thirds had been unloaded. Firemen kept flames away from the adjacent 12-lank storage farm.

POPS CONCERT

MOUNT SHASTA—The 75-piece Mount Shasta High School Band with a 15-girl chorus group and a trumpet trio will give their annual Pops Concert Wednesday evening, December 17, in the high school auditorium. It will consist of popular tunes, spirituals and Christmas melodies. The chorus will sing five songs; the band will play five selections and the Tallented Trio, consisting of Jerry Melo, John Amy and Dave Perez will render seven selections. Among these will be the always popular selection "Sail Along Silvery Moon."
A 50 cent admission for adults, and 25 cents for students covers the charge.

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Women's Club Judges Contest

DUNSMUIR — Members of the Dunsmuir Women's Club will judge the non-commercial Christmas decorations on the evening of Tuesday, December 23, the Dunsmuir Chamber of Commerce has announced.
Cash prizes for home decorations have been donated by the California Oregon Power Company. A \$25 first prize, \$10 second prize and \$5 third prize will be awarded for the best windows, the best outside scenes, the best porches or entries and the best outdoor trees.
Entries will be judged on beauty, originality and skill, the chamber states. Those who are putting up special decorations are being asked to notify the Dunsmuir News office before Monday evening, December 22, so the judges can plan their itinerary.

GOLDEN APPLE

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Dinah Shore and Tony Curtis have received Golden Apple awards from the Hollywood Women's Press Club as the year's most co-operative actress and actor.

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