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## Hi Ho Pattycake

By BILL JENKINS

This time of year columnists in general are never without material. Not as long as the legislative side-show is going on in Salem.

The latest bill to come to our notice was introduced a day or two ago by Senator Jean Lewis and would prohibit roping of animals in rodeos.

The new West—all done up in lace panties and with the smell of sagebrush smothered under a massive dose of Chanel Number Five.

And just in time for the Centennial, too. Mustn't let all those people from the East come out here and see us hardy pioneers perpetrating such murderous acts as roping a calf.

The implications of the Lewis bill are far reaching indeed. Can't you just picture it now, a real modern rodeo, with the cowboys contesting with each other to see which one could drive a calf through a gate in the least time?

Without the use of ropes, of course.

And this event could be followed by all sorts of entertaining feats of skill. Hop Scotch, mumblety, drop the handkerchief, musical chairs. Oh, any number of rugged sports.

It would, if passed, also lead as surely as the trail to the grave to the end of all other rodeo events. And also to a bill outlawing the use of the rope in the ranching operations that are still so "backward" as to use them.

I can just about see the cowboy of tomorrow on the open range—there is still a little of it left—trying to run a calf into a chute located about a hundred miles from anywhere.

The day would come when a roping saddle would be a curiosity. A relic of the past. Little children would grow up thinking that the television cowboy with his seven-shooter and neatly pressed pants was a reality.

And the bronc stompers would have a holiday for a while. Until the legislative mill got around to grinding them, too, out of existence.

Sometimes I wonder what the West is coming to. Is Los Angeles after all, the answer?

If there are any mountain men left all I've got to say is "take me to your leader."

## Tax Program

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Did you ever see the cartoon of two ski tracks coming to a huge tree, and then separating, one track around one side of the tree, and one around the other, leaving you wondering?

That's about the way I feel about the tax program battle going on in Salem.

The tree is the financing of the state government. The two ski tracks are Governor Hatfield's program and the program being fashioned by Senator Pearson and the Legislature.

Both sides have abandoned former Governor Holmes' budgetary move of nothing for educational building, and have agreed on the necessity of finding about 15 million dollars to finance such a program.

Both also agree that additional revenues are going to be needed in 1961. Up to that point they agree. Then they hit the tree.

The Democratic-controlled Legislature has put itself on record as against any increase in taxes, and against approval of any new programs. Senator Pearson said today the session would end April 15 after approving a general fund budget of 290 million dollars plus another 15 million dollars for new institution and college buildings.

The stand, as such, is admirable and certainly in keeping with the people's desire for economy in government.

But, there is one jarring note in the program. Both Senator Pearson and Rep. Keith Skelton, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, agree that the 1961 Legislature will face a severe financing problem. Rep. Skelton said the 1961 Legislature might have to raise 75 to 100 million dollars in new revenues to support existing programs.

A 75 to 100 million dollar boost in the budget two years from now, not for new programs, but to support existing programs!

In other words, the Legislature is driving to hold down expenses this term, but freely admits there will be a whopping increase two years from now.

I must agree with Governor Hatfield's statement that this smells strangely of a move to force Oregon into a sales tax, not for new revenues, but to meet existing programs!

When faced with an increase of 75 to 100 millions with the pros-

pect of a tremendous rise in income taxes, the people, so their thinking apparently goes, will gladly accept the sales tax.

On the other hand, Governor Hatfield apparently believes in planning for the future now. He advocated a broadening of the income tax base and provision for capital gains in the tax structure. He also advocated a two cent tax on cigarettes.

This program would reduce the impact of an increased budget two years from now, and perhaps obviate the necessity for a sales tax.

I'm not necessarily opposed to a sales tax, providing it is used for corresponding offset to both property taxes and income taxes.

But, if the sales tax is just to be used to finance an expanded state government, and the income taxes and property taxes are to remain where they are with no decrease, then I'm on record as opposing any sales tax.

While it may seem like irrational thinking, and certainly will be drastically opposed by every state agency, I would like to see the Legislature make a straight across-the-board five per cent cut in the budgets of every state agency.

I'm absolutely convinced it can be done without hurting the amount or the type of services offered.

That would be a step in the right direction . . . toward more efficiency and more economy in state government.

It might result in those ski tracks coming back together on the other side of the tree, also.

## Name Wanted

By FLORENCE JENKINS

Anonymity can be endured no longer by the residents of a three-mile stretch of beautiful resort country on Upper Klamath Lake.

They want a name for their area so badly that they're willing to make up a pot and give a prize for the name accepted.

A meeting will be held of the Upper Klamath Lake Grange the evening of March 10 to consider all suggested names. Names can be turned in to Bud Miller at Howard R. Perrin's office (TUxedo 4-8497), Wayne Keifer, Eccles Motors (TUxedo 4-8124) or by writing Mickey Wampler, grange master, Harriman Route, Klamath Falls.

The grange has been formed and chartered, drawing its membership from nearly 70 families now living in that area, starting about 20 miles northwest of Klamath Falls.

The area to be named encompasses Rocky Point, Harriman's, Sportsman's Park, Frontier Guest Ranch, Tomahawk Ski Bowl, Odesa Summer Homes and a portion of Coon Point.

Work started on Tuesday to string telephone lines from Klamath Falls to the homes and businesses of Upper Klamath Lake. If the weather holds, that work will be completed quickly and a central dial office will provide an interchange of service.

California Oregon Power Company already had power lines and electric service into the area.

As Bud Miller says, the name has to have glamor. Also it must appeal to both the rugged outdoorsman who is attracted because of the activities available to sportsmen, and to his wife who probably has more regard for the cultural and community aspect of the district.

## Hunting Idea

By J. O. McKINNEY,  
Mount Shasta

A well known Northern California deer hunter, who studies cause and effect, believes that one

cause for deer hunting violations is to allow various seasons to be opened at different times throughout the state.

This, he states, allows hunters to whom the thrill of killing is the prime objective, to travel about and use a different name with each district to secure a hunting permit. This hunting license, he believes, should be thumb-printed just as is a driving permit.

With the possibility of being checked, no one would take the chance of duplicating hunting licenses under assumed names, as he states is being done today.

This sportsman, who fires off neither his gun nor his mouth without thinking through to the conclusions indicated, believes that one deer, either-sex, should be the seasonal bag limit for all.

This, he states, would eliminate the man who kills for the lust of killing, and make a pro rata of game all that one man should take.

He states further that some sensible plan should be adopted, and left alone. Trying to change laws with every passing whim is, he believes, detrimental to all hunters and all game.

## Teen-Age Survey

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)—I read with interest the recent article sent in by Judge Foster of Lakeview. I thought some of your readers may be interested in knowing that surveys were made of this problem 15 or 20 years ago. They also thought they were making progress toward correcting this situation 20 years ago. An article written by Roe Fulkerson in the Kiwanis Magazine, August, 1948 indicates that this problem has been with us for a long time.

It follows:

"Motor cars and juvenile delinquency are Siamese twins. The ownership of, and the desire for, motor driven vehicles are equal causes of waywardness. If a boy owns a car, it gives him an opportunity to get away from parental and school supervision. It gives him access to the remote juke joint where beer is sold to minors. The proportion of automobile accidents involving youngsters is too well known to need comment."

"On the other hand, envious of the luckier (?) boy who owns a car, the lad who does not own one is tempted to 'borrow' a car, or to hold up a gas station to obtain money to buy one. In the last decade, giant strides have been made all along the line to curb juvenile delinquency. In our schools we begin with making proper luncheons available, because a properly fed child is less likely to become delinquent. We have school bands and orchestras to take up some of that idle time in which the devil finds work for idle hands. We continue with interschool baseball games, basketball games and football games as an outlet for juvenile enthusiasm and energy. Our civic clubs have done noble work in establishing recreation centers, summer camps, supervised playgrounds, swimming pools and such."

"Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, 4-H Clubs and Future Farmers all do their share to solve the problems, yet there is still plenty of work to do."

"A recent two-year survey by Coromet produces some astonishing statistics. One child in 10 in America is underfed. One in 10 comes from a home split by death or divorce. During the year, a million children will be booked by the authorities as delinquents, truants or runaways. Another million don't hear properly; four million have eye defects, and only one in four has proper dental care."

"Finally, three million boys and girls are missing from the school room. Some are in the stores, some in factories and others are

standing in front of the pool rooms waiting for something to turn up.

"This hardly scratches the surface of the Coronet survey, but it is proof of the fact that although a concerted effort is being made to solve the problem, there still is plenty of work to be done to combat the two evil forces of idle hands and motor vehicles."

Another article written by the same editor in the same magazine dated January, 1937 may be of interest too:

"In the United States there goes up a long and sad lament over the failure to enforce our laws. The best law in the world is useless unless the law enforcement officer does his duty religiously. In a private enterprise, when we employ a man to do a certain job and he neglects it, we immediately discharge him. In law enforcement, we work on a distorted contrary principle.

"Let us suppose we violate some traffic ordinance. We at once use whatever political pull we have to have the charge removed from the books, or at worst try to have the charge nolle prossed. If we can, by political or other pull, induce an officer to neglect his duty and 'forget' the ticket, we reward him by voting again for him or his superior at the next election. In brief, we put a premium on his failure to do his duty.

"What we do about our small misdeeds which might be punished by a small fine, we do in a bigger way when called on for jury duty. We wriggle and squirm, we use our pull and our ingenuity to avoid that duty, and then we favor the officer who cooperates to the extent of letting us off, although in so doing he violates his oath of office."

Until the day comes when rigid enforcement of law by its officers brings reward in votes, we will not have law enforcement. Until the day comes when the better class of citizens encourage law enforcement officers instead of bringing pressure on them to relax their vigilance, we will have what we have today.

Encouragement of proper law enforcement and prompt service on juries are a part of the Kiwanis creed of a better and more serviceable citizenship. This is better taught by example than by precept.

J. V. LeClair

## TV Angina

LONDON (UPI)—A British doctor today advised television viewers to turn off the set if they suddenly feel a sharp pain around the heart while watching cowboys and Indians.

Dr. G. A. Rose said the pain would be "television angina," a coronary disease caused by watching exciting TV programs.

Writing in the British Medical Journal, Rose noted that angina is a familiar ailment marked by sharp pains in the region of the heart. Attacks are often triggered by emotional excitement or physical exercise.

Rose said he had discovered in his hospital clinic that cases of angina were on the increase, and that television was to blame.

"Those people who aspire to mental detachment, even at the height of the chase in a Western," he said, "may care to ponder that some hundreds of their fellows are at that very moment clutching their chests with one hand while feeling for the medicine with the other."

"It is the cowboys and their assailants who most often provoke this kind of suffering but each man to his taste. One old 8th Army man, for instance, finds that Field Marshal Montgomery's program gave him a pain in the chest; the neck in this case is spared."

## SHORT RIBS

By Frank O'Neal

United Press International

HOLLYWOOD — Comedian Bob Hope on reports he was told by doctors to take a year's vacation because of an eye blood clot.

"It would be impossible for me to take a year off. I'm just going to have to throttle down my cruising speed."

BOSTON — Adlai E. Stevenson reporting that the Russians should have no illusions about the unity of the American people on the Berlin question:

"When the President says we will not give in to force, he speaks for all of us."

NEW YORK — Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell claiming raising jobless benefits would do more to speed recovery than heavy federal spending.

"Government spending, applied in great doses to an unemployment problem, does not work."

## They'll Do It Every Time



## Over The Garden Gate

MT. LAKE GARDEN CLUB

"Conservation" was the topic for the afternoon program of the February garden club meeting held at the home of Mrs. Clifford Kelly. The program included water, trees, and birds. Mrs. Jay Fairclough, chairman of the club, assisted by Mrs. Warren Woodward and Mrs. Dick Henzel, were in charge of the bird program.

Many oddities of birds were brought out, one of nature's strongest mysteries being the enigma of bird minding. A bird, clutching an ant in its bill, contorts itself in ludicrous positions and strokes the insect against wing and tail feathers. The birds seem to experience a sort of trance-like ecstasy while doing so. So far it is not really known why birds act.

A wide variety of perching birds and a limited number of other birds indulge in anting at times. The robin, rose-breasted grosbeak, the blue jay, Baltimore Oriole, starlings, cardinals and some of the various species of parrots are among those observed anting.

Another strange oddity is the whippoorwill which seems to hibernate during the winter time. The talk on migration brought out that 17 snow geese, banded at Tule Lake, were captured by the Soviet Union of Russia. The pin tail duck flies from the North to the South Pole. The unwanted starling was reported increasing rapidly in this country. Of interest was the Lorikeet, small bird of the parrot family of Australia, would come out from the woods to feed on a mixture of honey and bran mixed with water by a bird enthusiast, which attracted many bird loving tourists.

Mrs. George Houck spoke on conservation as our natural heritage—soil, water, forests, minerals, petroleum, wild life, and even the wild flowers blooming in our hills and valleys are among our most valuable assets.

When all these are protected and provided for, our lives and those of our children are enriched. Resources must be protected against waste, in the following ways: Preventing forest fires; take only the fish and game needed; guard against waste of water, fuel in homes, and against wholesale destruction of native wild flowers and shrubs.

Many varieties of flora are becoming scarce due to clearing of land for industry, general construction work, agriculture and grazing. Fire is a great hazard to flowers and all forms of wild life. Many varieties of flowers were named that are protected by law.

Water, our most important natural resource, must be saved by keeping the watersheds protected against fires, improving logging operations, and over grazing. We must protect the forests, too, as forests also have high recreational value. They provide homes for wild life and places where man may temporarily escape from civilization for picnics and other recreation. Our demand for lumber, for fuel and many other timber uses are so great that man should be ever vigilant in protecting the forests.

Crystal Cheyne displayed a great number of cones of the conifer trees and deciduous trees, all labeled for identification. The club members took a keen interest in this display. Some of the varieties represented were Australian, ponderosa, mugho, sugar, Idaho, lodgepole, red bog, digger, Jeffries, pinon pine, bog banks, and the short leaf, all of the pine families. Incense cedar, Arizona, cypress, white spruce, black spruce, swamp spruce, Douglas fir, western hemlock, acorns of oak, alder cones, and many other varieties were shown.

Mrs. Dick Henzel, chairman of the club, opened the meeting by reading the poem, "The Weaver."

The Amazon River system is the world's largest. It drains an area equal to about five-sixths the size of the United States.

## California Weather

United Press International

San Francisco Bay Area: Fair through Saturday except overcast tonight and early Saturday; high today 63-70; low tonight 45-52; westerly winds 8-15 m.p.h. afternoons and evenings; probably fair Sunday.

Northern California: Mostly fair through Saturday except fog and low clouds on coast night and morning; slightly cooler near coast today and inland Saturday; coastal winds northwesterly 12-22 m.p.h.; probably fair Sunday.

Mt. Shasta-Siskiyou area: Mostly fair through Saturday and probably Sunday with some high cloudiness; slightly cooler.

Northwestern California: Mostly fair through Saturday except fog and low overcast near coast night and morning; high today and low tonight Napa 70-80, Ukiah 72-80, Santa Rosa 68-80; coastal winds northwesterly 12-22 m.p.h.

## Over The Garden Gate

Another poem, "My First Garden" was read by Mrs. Robert Bryson. Roadsides spraying was discussed during the business meeting.

House plants were brought as gifts for the women living in the Klamath Nursing Home. A plant sale was held to help finance the club activities. Many plants donated by Mrs. James Keiser, of Homedale Road, were greatly appreciated by the club members.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Clifford Kelly, assisted by Helen Held and Alice.

The next regular meeting will be held on March 16, the meeting place to be announced later. The program will be "A Succession of Bloom in My Garden."

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