

Stuck In Toilet Seat Yarn Deemed Difficult To Verify

Editor's note: Remember the story about the baby sitter who was stuck for hours to a toilet seat? It brought chuckles everywhere. But a similar story, varying only in minor details, has been getting laughs for 25 years.

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP)—Everybody has to set the record straight once in a while. So here goes. A few weeks ago there was a funny story about a baby sitter who got stuck on the job—because her employers forgot to tell her they had just painted the toilet seat.

Fun is fun, but it turns out that his bit of imaginary humor apparently has had the greatest work-out in the history of indoor plumbing. It has been tossed around the world for years.

This week the insurance man responsible for the latest revival—and who claimed it actually happened—did a little record-straightening in the matter.

The St. Paul Dispatch, which published the original story after the insurance man vouched for its truth, conducted two subsequent investigations and came to the conclusion the tale was fiction. The paper printed a second story expressing skepticism.

The insurance man, however, still sticks to the story as firmly as the baby sitter reportedly did to the toilet seat, although he now attributes it to a friend who attributes it to another friend and so on.

Similar efforts at pursuit over the years also left everyone winded.

At any rate, while it was still going, the latest edition of the aging yarn stirred up a good many new chuckles across the country.

The Dispatch's Jan. 23 story carried this headline: "Baby Sitter Unwillingly Stuck To Her Job." A note proclaimed the account to be true but with names omitted "to protect the injured."

The Associated Press checked the insurance man who had related it to the newspaper. He stoutly vouched for its accuracy. The AP distributed the story on its nationwide wires.

Palmer Hoyt, editor and publisher of the Denver Post, remembered that one of his reporters tried to pin down a similar story about 25 years ago while he was managing editor of the Portland Oregonian.

The reporter was Edward Miller, now assistant managing editor of the Oregonian. Miller said he recalled the incident very well.

He said the story was told him by a physician on a streetcar about 1935, but the doctor said he got the account from someone else, then the someone else said another fellow told him, and so on.

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THE "CHOIR OF THE WEST," of Pacific Lutheran College, Tacoma, including 60 fine voices of young men and women, will be heard in Klamath Falls Saturday, March 7, under sponsorship of the Klamath Lutheran Church. The concert is scheduled for 8 p.m. in Mills School. The public is invited. The versatile repertoire will be presented under the direction of Prof. Gunnar J. Malmin, member of the college music department for 22 years. The college is credited with one of the finest music departments in the Pacific Northwest.

4-H NEWS Bare Bosom Battle Raging

CHILD CARE
The 4-H project in child care is for all boys and girls 12 years of age or older who are eager for new and interesting experiences in working with and understanding children. This is an ideal project for those who have younger brothers or sisters or who do "baby sitting."

The requirements for this project are: taking care of a child 1 to 6 years old for at least 25 waking hours and assisting in bathing, dressing, feeding, and getting the child ready for bed. Take part in a group activity for children such as a story hour, party, or several children playing together. Make one or more simple toys, arrange a play corner, or make a scrapbook or a garment for a child.

As in all 4-H projects, members will keep a record of their work to learn the value of making things themselves. Good records help the club members learn the value of what they are doing and in expressing what they have learned in project work and personality development through 4-H.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—Police Chief Carl Heustis agrees with his New York City colleagues that busoms are meant to be covered in public—even in the matter of the ballet.

The question of bare bosoms arose when Les Ballets Africains asked Mayor Bruce Hoblitzel if the lady members of the troupe could dance uncovered from the waist up.

Heustis said department police required the African dancers to cover up.

They performed bare chested in Philadelphia and Boston but New York City authorities demanded concealment.

DETROIT (AP)—Producer Lillian Vichey of Les Ballets Africains has asked Mayor Louis Miriani if his dancers would have to wear brassieres in Detroit. Inspector Melville Bullach, the police censor, said he would have to see a performance before deciding.

Brunswick stew originated in Brunswick County, Virginia.

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Children Used To Tote Dope

NEW YORK (AP)—Five men have been arrested and accused of using children to deliver dope for a narcotics ring.

Federal agents, after a six-month investigation, seized the men Thursday in East Harlem. Arraigned before U.S. Commissioner Earle N. Bishop, they were held in total bail of \$110,000 for a hearing March 19.

The children involved, said Asst. U.S. Atty. William M. Tenny are two girls aged 16 and 11, and a 10-year-old boy. He said they knew what they were handling.

He said the youngsters, who received only pennies as pay, made pocket-size deliveries traveling by bus or subway to all parts of the city.

In the apartment of one ring member, Tenny said, were 13 ounces of pure heroin worth \$300,000 on the illicit drug market.

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- KLAMATH COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
- Robert George Rogers, no wheel driver, \$7.50.
- Dale Ivan Walker, tandem axle overload, \$65.
- Timothy Dewayne Green, no stop sign, \$7.50.
- Lynn Edward Shaffer, one headlight, \$7.50.
- Ray M. Grams, passing insufficient clearance, \$7.50.
- Edward James Stafford, fail stop at stop sign, \$5.
- Gordon Wayne David, violation basic rule, \$7.50.
- John Luther Dunn, driving suspended period, 90 days county jail, \$200 or 147 1/2 days in lieu of fine, committed.
- Heien Vandyke Moore, fail display license, dismissed.
- Richard Wayne Hawkins, burglary in a dwelling, request time commit an attorney, set March 9; bond set \$2,500; remanded to sheriff.
- Cecil Perse Spencer, violation basic rule, \$10.
- Oscar Newton Baker, fail stop at stop sign, \$7.50.
- Charles Woodrill Mapes Jr., violation basic rule, \$7.50.
- William Kenneth Gidowski, violation basic rule, \$10.
- Ranson Cowen, vagrancy, 30 days county jail, committed.
- Dwight Lee Henry, petit larceny, four months county jail, remanded to sheriff.
- Raymond Matthew Jackson, no operator's license, \$10 or 2 1/2 days in lieu of fine, committed.
- Gordon James Rauson, passing credit of a hill, dismissed motion district attorney.
- Johnny Lee Devine, violation basic rule, \$10.
- Ronald Lewis Badger, improper motor, \$7.50.
- Lawrence Richard Swain, fail display license, dismissed motion district attorney.
- David William Myers, violation basic rule, \$10.
- Howard Leslie Alcorn, driving while intoxicated, \$7.50.
- Orville Dean Dixon, improper clearance lamps, \$7.50.
- Jimmy Ralph Floyd, pass insufficient clearance, \$7.50.
- Gaylon Earl Fish, violation basic rule, \$7.50.
- Carmon Earl Henry Jr., combination overload, \$20.
- Earle Hazlewood Magee, combination overload, \$15.
- Renold O. Sutz, combination overload, \$41.
- Howard Shivan, violation basic rule, \$12.50.
- Haverly Jane Hensel, fail display license, \$5.
- Albert Clifton Barrett, violation basic rule, \$7.50.
- Thomas Frank Smith, engage speed race on highway, \$25 or 10 days in lieu of fine, committed.
- Ralph Waldo Stearns Jr., fail display license, \$7.50.
- James Noel Norland, fail drive on right side of highway, dismissed.
- Bruce Wayne Quinn, no hand brake, \$5.
- William Wesley Ridgley, no hand brake, \$7.50.
- Inez Robinson Delamater, fail signal right turn, \$5.
- Harry L. Martin, fail stop for school bus, \$15.

California Pilot Lands In Italy

ROME (AP)—U.S. Ferry pilot Max Conrad landed today at Ciampino Airport, completing a 4,006-mile nonstop flight from Chicago. It was his 50th transatlantic crossing in a small plane.

Conrad made the flight in 34 hours and 3 minutes.

The flight in a single-engine Piper Comanche did not set a record. The nonstop distance mark for small planes is held by M. L. Boling, who flew 6,856 miles in a Beechcraft Bonanza last year.

Sledge-dog teams, oldest form of polar travel, still are useful in frozen wastes of the far north and the far south.

PAIR SEPARATES

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Actress Linda Cristal and oil executive Robert Champion have separated after 11 months.

The Argentine-born actress, 25, and Champion, 35, of Venezuela were married April 24, 1958. She blamed the breakup on her career and his job in Venezuela which kept them apart.

Singer's Hubby Booked By Police

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Police booked singer Helen O'Connell's 225-pound husband on two battery charges when she said he beat her and pulled her hair.

A policeman said novelist Thomas Chamales took a swing at him. Miss O'Connell, 37, who once sang with the late Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra, said Chamales held her captive in a bedroom 12 hours.

Chamales, 45, author of "Never So Few" and "No Rent In My Hand," married the singer two years ago.

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