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Handicaps

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
Does your car drive from the back seat?
If you're blessed with a wife or a mother-in-law who assists you by carefully pointing out that "that was a stop sign back there" — "that was a red light — no it was yellow" — "better slow down for a curve" — and on and on, don't think you've got it so tough.
They've just added a new wrinkle in the grueling economy run that is an annual affair put on by Mobilgas. The run goes from Los Angeles to Kansas City and will be driven April 5-9.
Somewhere, somebody got to the directors of the U.S. Auto Club and convinced them they should give the back seat drivers a chance to exercise their skill.
At any rate, they have authorized wives to guide their husbands' highway conduct as their co-drivers.
As it stands now, 14 women will drive and 16 will be co-drivers (a nice term for back seat drivers).

The women range from 17-year-old Judy Allred of Visalia, California, first teen-age driver in the run's 23-year history to "Grandmother" Millie Alsbury of Hollywood.
It's really "back seat" driving, too, because the co-driver sits in the back seat, directly behind the driver, and actually tells him how to drive; how fast to go, when to stop, and what road conditions are coming up according to the course map.

Thus what has been an economy test now becomes in addition an endurance run.
A better idea would be to put two women in the same car, one driving and one back seat driving. That would be a real test of endurance.
"Dear, the sign said 25 miles per hour."
As I said, I wonder what kind of driving we'd have if two women were put in the same car under these long-distance conditions. I'll bet . . .
"Dear, you're doing more than 25!" . . .
I imagine the ladies will love to have the opportunity to tell their husbands how to drive, but if they'd just . . .
"Well, officer, I was only doing about 25, wasn't I dear?"

Healthy
By FLORENCE JENKINS
No influenza epidemic exists in Klamath County.

Authority for that statement is Dr. S. M. Kerron, Klamath County Public Health official who states that the number of cases of ordinary influenza is not above normal in this area at this time.
Reports of excessive school absenteeism on account of illness in other areas have resulted in inquiries here.
Klamath County youngsters and adults appear to be normally healthy.
Dr. Kerron suggested, however, that persons who have had tuberculosis should have mixed influenza vaccine shots at this time.
The Klamath County Public Health Department received a very high compliment from a field worker in the epidemiology department of the State Board of Health at Portland the other day.
"I have had the opportunity of seeing almost the entire state of Oregon with few exceptions and have been reviewing records of the state office, giving me a fairly good view of each county situation," the letter read. "One very basic conclusion I have reached is that you folks in Klamath County have by far the best relationship with private physicians of any local health department in the state."
This is not only a very fine tribute to Dr. Kerron and Hilda Boyle, the public health nurse, and the rest of the staff at the public health office here, but also to Klamath Falls' physicians and surgeons.
A doctor in California told us that "if you have to get sick, Klamath Falls is a good place to do it."

Jewelry
Sacramento (To the Editor)—A group of Eastern conservationists was entertained some years ago by California nature lovers. Opposite the writer at dinner was a Boston woman. She wore a rope of lovely turquoise, also an expression of annoyance. "Hope you're not thinking I'm staring at you," "I certainly do," "Sorry. It does seem ugly. I was, however, fascinated by your jewels. Of course, they must be from Navajo Land. Were they, however, Calcutta, Cairo, Constantinople, even Christiania or Canterbury, I would say they were from Tibet."

Her frown changed to a smile. She said they were a gift from her aviator son. She told of his "flying the hump," of a forced landing nine sleeps away from the nearest succor, of, finally, cooling his plane's radiator into two packs for convenience.
Navajos work fascinating American motifs into their combinations of turquoise and studded silver. California gardens soon also will hold Beau Brummels bedecked in turquoise. They are attractively arrayed in plates of turquoise contrasted with alternate ones of caligorn-colored brown. These dandies are dragonflies. Their old folknames are "Needle" and "Sew-Up-Your-Ears."

One entomologist claims the dragonfly is the swiftest of winged creatures. Its great, compound, many-faceted eyes also are attractively colored. The dragonfly can boast of ancient lineage. Its forbears flew over France 100 million years ago. One paleontologist there describes a fossil dragonfly with a two-foot wing spread. If it really was a "Sew-Up-Your-Ears," it must have operated on the dinosaurs. Perhaps, like these ancient reptiles, evolution toward gigantism brought extinction. In place of 40-ton bronosaurs we have fence lizards. Our Odonata, also new include tiny Damselflies.

C. M. Goethe
Tired Lines
By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP) — Remarks single girls get tired of hearing — or overhearing:
"How come a pretty girl like you never got married?"
"Seriously, dear, don't you think you're being too choosy?"
"Now, Harry, you can't tell that joke. Remember, not all of us here are married."
"Sorry, miss, we don't serve unescorted ladies at the bar."
"If that loud-mouthed sister of hers could land a man, I don't see why."
"He's a little older than you, but . . ."
"He's a little younger than you, but . . ."
"I just love your premature gray hair. It is premature, isn't it?"
"Stop grumbling, Harry, and pick up her check."
"Cheer up, honey, he's not the only pebble on the beach."
"Why do you waste your time on him? Can't you see he's not the marrying kind?"
"Why don't you try the Virgin Islands this year, Cecily? You've been everywhere else."
"I'd like to give you a raise, Cecily, but I've got to take care of the married men first."
"Isn't it ironic? In high school we all thought she'd be the first to get married."
"She's such a comfort to her mother."
"I envy you unmarried women. Your apartments are always so neat and clean."
"It's this way, Cecily. My wife just doesn't understand me. Have another martini."
"If you just had a husband, Cecily, you wouldn't be so nervous."
"Oh, it's no trouble, Miss Jones. I'll be glad to see you home. You do — uh, uh — live alone, don't you?"
"She's at the awkward age — too young for old men, too old for young men."
"It says here in the paper there are 1,364,328 more women than men in America. Isn't that funny?"

White House Notes
By MERRIMAN SMITH
UPI White House Reporter
WASHINGTON (UPI) — Backstairs at the White House: Visitors to President Eisenhower's office last Monday night when

he delivered his radio-TV report in Berlin noticed a profusion of holes in the floor.

The holes are most noticeable in the cork flooring inside the double glass doors opening from the office onto the porch overlooking the rose garden.
Most of the office floor is covered by a heavy green rug, but the basic cork flooring can be seen around the edges.
At least some of the visitors came to one conclusion: The countless small holes in the cork must have been made by someone wearing spiked shoes. Like spiked golf shoes.

Isaac Avery, a tall, affable artist with a hammer and saw, is about to complete 30 years at the White House carpenter and cabinet maker.
Although the notable anniversary is some months away, Avery has received colorful recognition of his long service.
Earl Chesney, one of the President's chief congressional liaisons, also is quite an artist. He prepared a color sketch of Avery juggling the tools of his trade and both the President and Mrs. Eisenhower inscribed it to the other like of the White House.

Secretary of Interior Fred Seaton either needs the exercise or is saving the government's gasoline. On clear days, he has been walking from the White House back to the Interior Department after cabinet meetings.
This sort of thing can be quite unsettling to some of the civil servants who measure a man's standing in the federal community by the kind of government car assigned to him. Only cabinet members have the rock-solid security which affords them the luxury of being seen walking down the street.
The sole picture of the table behind the President's desk these days is a gold-framed color photograph of Mrs. Eisenhower in her 1953 inaugural gown.

When the President goes on television from his office, Robert Montgomery sees to it that a large piece of maroon felt is taped solidly to the desk top so the TV floodlights don't bounce harshly back into the President's eyes.
The surface of his desk is highly polished and the seven spot and floodlights used on an office telecast would turn the desk top into a dazzling reflector without the felt covering.

Spy Heaven
By PHIL NEWSOM
FRANKFURT, Germany (UPI) — The writer of spy thrillers could have a field day here.
Coded names, telephone calls from untraceable public booths, forged documents — they're almost a part of daily life here on the fringe of the Iron Curtain where the Communists pay for information about Western defenses.
Some of these cases, when the spies are caught, find their way on to court records.
Ed Beller is the United Press International editor in Frankfurt. As with any newsmen here, part of his job is to run these stories down and to report them when they can be told without involving Western security.
He was remembering a few the other night.
Since last October, German counter-intelligence has arrested dozens of persons on charges of "treasonable ties to a foreign power."

Most of them involve northern defenses along the strategic Baltic Sea, where Russian submarines abound and in an area especially sensitive to the Russians.

SHORT RIBS
By Frank O'Neal
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They'll Do It Every Time
By Jimmy Hatlo
HEY!! HERE'S HALF A PIERCE— MAYBE I CAN FIND THE OTHER HALF!
THIS IS A GREAT PLACE TO PUT ON THE DOO—THE CHEDDARS PRACTICALLY FURNISHED THEIR HOUSE WITH EARLY DUNCAN DUMP FURNITURE...
PSST! DON'T YOU DARE PICK UP ANYTHING—HERE'S THAT STUCK-UP MRS. CUFFLE—YEAH, CHEDDAR, DEAR—THROW OUT THE REST OF THE GARBAGE—WE MUST HURRY TO GET READY FOR THE GOVERNOR'S BALL...
YEAH—THEY LIKE TO ROOT AROUND LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE—SOME OF THE STUFF THEY THROW AWAY HAS BEEN HERE LOTS OF TIMES BEFORE!
TOWN DUMP
THANKS AND A HAT TIP TO "TAN" BROCKTON, MASS.

STEAL BARN DOORS
SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (UPI)—Mrs. Inez Hoagland reported to the sheriff Tuesday that thieves stole the two doors off her barn. No horses were missing.

TRIGVIE VIK, right, Eugene contractor, who started work on Monday morning on the 93-unit, half million dollar Rickfalls Apartments, 2660 Shasta Way, is shown discussing the Klamath County United Fund program with Rex Dye, executive secretary of the county UF. Vik is affording an opportunity to all of his employees on this construction job to contribute to the Klamath County United Fund through payroll deductions. Dye expressed the appreciation of the UF organization for this unusual cooperation.

Fair Chiefs Firing Muddled
PORTLAND (AP)—A personnel study committee of the Oregon Centennial Commission Tuesday recommended that three top executives be fired.
Anthony Brandenthaler, chairman of the commission, named them as Mel Melvyn, in charge of space sales and production; Ray Smith, in charge of tickets; and Mrs. Marge Alexander, coordinator of the International Trade Fair.
The commission referred the committee report to H. Quenton Cox, managing director of the centennial. He is expected to have his recommendation ready for next Tuesday's commission meeting.
Brandenthaler opposed this action. He said it amounted to discharging the three.
Details of the report were not disclosed. But it was believed that it called for some cuts in salaries now being paid to executives of the centennial.
Earlier in the day, Mrs. Alexander said she had submitted her resignation from the \$810-per-month job for "personal reasons." She said there was a "lack of unity among Oregonians in supporting the Centennial."

LADS DROWN
EAST NORWICH, N.Y. (AP)—Two 3-year-old boys, Thomas Walsh and Garry Warren, drowned Tuesday after they went out on the ice covering a Long Island pond and it gave way.

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because of their work on rocketry.
Last October, intelligence picked up a pilot in the German naval air force. He had been leader of a squadron of what is reported to be NATO's most versatile anti-sub defenses — the turbo-prop "Gannet" planes packed with secret electronic equipment.
In December, intelligence picked up the editor of an information service. He supplied a popular service on Communist-bloc navies, but the intelligence service said that was only a front for espionage against the West.
In January, they picked up a private pilot, his wife and a photographer. They had been using a surplus British World War II airplane to take pictures of ships, ports and bridges. The going price was said to be \$125 a picture.
The battle being waged by West German counter-intelligence is mostly a silent one.
The news of these arrests, if it comes out at all, comes slowly and is confirmed only after inquiry.
Last month, 60-year-old Carl Helfmann was sentenced to 4½ years in prison by the federal court at Karlsruhe.
He confessed he had worked for the Communist East Germans for five years. He also claimed he had worked for the Americans part of that time as a double agent. The Karlsruhe court did not press the latter point.
The prosecution asked for a comparatively light sentence in his case because they said his quick confession enabled them to arrest many Communist agents. But neither names nor numbers have been revealed.

QUOTES
United Press International
DURANGO, Mexico—Rita Hayworth responding to the Harvard Lampoon's designation of her as the worst actress of the year:
"I will treasure the distinction always. I hope all of you pass your examinations."
WASHINGTON — The Defense Department in explaining the value of three atomic explosions in space:
"Explorer IV collected data from these South Atlantic shots and this data will be released through normal scientific channels after it has been properly reduced and studied."

JERSEY CITY — Deputy Mayor T. James Tumulty in setting up a parade for a St. Patrick's Day, high school band which was left out of New York's St. Patrick's Day march:
"We celebrate St. Patrick's Day around here for nine days."

UNITED NATIONS — Israeli Ambassador Abba S. Eban reopening his complaint against a United Arab Republic blockade of Israeli ships from the Suez Canal:
"We are going to persist until redress is achieved."

XENIA, Ohio — The Rev. Alvin Kietz whose car was following a station wagon hit by a train killing two women and eight Girl Scouts:
"The car was split open like a tin can. People were strewn all over the field."

HOLLYWOOD — Eddie Fisher on the closing of his TV show after six years and 484 shows:
"It is the end of something. I'm a little bit sad and a little bit relieved."

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Something Fishy: Man Would Like To Change Name
CHESHIRE, Conn. (AP)—Roger Enidras wants to change his name again.
Enidras, a chef at a prep school here, was born Roger Sardine in Durtie, France. He became a U.S. citizen in 1938. Since sardine is a word often taken lightly here, Roger turned it around and named himself Enidras.
Now he's planning a trip back to France. He asked a judge to allow him to reverse his name to Sardine, so the home folks will remember him.
Most folks here call him Roger Sardine anyway.

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