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Dog's Life

By BILL JENKINS

A dog comfort station built in New York City last year is being torn down.

The reason? The dogs didn't like it.

All of which is just another example of man's inability to understand how anything, dogs included, could fail to appreciate what is done for them.

This structure was a concrete affair and was filled with sand. Not at all like a real live tree or a red fire hydrant.

Good for the dogs, I'm glad to see that they turned up their noses at the contraption. About time someone was putting the big city boys in their place.

When Gotham first came forward with the idea it was explained to the taxpayers that the station would solve the "sidewalk nuisance problem."

If they are going to solve any sidewalk nuisance problems why did they have to start on the dogs first? Why not solve a few problems of sidewalk caliber like the wandering drunks, the pickpockets, the beggars, the pamphlet-passers - outers, the arm-in-arm trios, the umbrella wielders, the hawkers, the cigarette flippers, the purse droppers, the jostlers, the pitchmen, the good-causers and the rest of 'em?

Of course the reason is obvious. The dogs don't have the vote.

It is interesting, and sometimes frightening, to conjecture on just how long it is going to take good old Uncle Sam and the taxpaying members of his family to realize that you can't buy peace, happiness, security and friends on the open market.

No matter how much money you have.

Any more than you can expect dogs to abandon their centuries old practice of leaving calling cards on lamp posts and fire hydrants.

But I suppose we will go ahead trying.

Coming to work the other morning we found the Fremont Bridge choked with a band of sheep and being in somewhat of a hurry, turned around and took the detour over the top of the Moore Park hill.

I had almost forgotten what a nice view you get from the hill up there.

It happened to be a nice morning, the sky was clear except for a shroud of cloud around Mt. Shasta to the south and the Upper Lake from that viewpoint was clear, blue and sparkling.

Really quite impressive. My thanks to the shepherds who gave me the opportunity to enjoy the sight again.

We have been watching the progress of the bridge over Nevada Street with a good deal of interest. To our layman's eyes it is approximately finished, but the task of tearing down all the woodwork that went into the making is about as big as the original chore.

Which is quite a sentence and doesn't seem to make much sense, but nothing else does either.

Not today.

Interest On Taxes

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Governor Hatfield's recent signing of the law which permits the state to collect interest on taxes paid quarterly brought up the important question of when does it begin.

If it went into effect immediately, it would pose a question as to whether it was retro-active or what.

The quickest way to find out the answer to these things is to contact Paul W. Harvey, the man who probably knows as much or more about the Legislature than do the legislators.

Harvey reports that the bill will become effective August 15, but actually will not become operative until July of 1960.

The bill will affect income earned in 1959. Those persons who now pay all the balance of their state income tax when it is due on April 15, would have little to worry about the interest.

However, persons who find their state taxes a little too big to handle in one chunk and who choose to pay it in four quarterly installments will find that they must pay the interest.

At first, the Senate wanted to charge only one-half of one per cent interest per month when the tax was paid in quarterly amounts.

Then, later, when the House bumped the interest rate to one

per cent, the Senate went along, and that's the way it went to the governor.

So, now, the state actually collects 12 per cent annually on your income.

It used to be that they were very glad to get the income tax when it was paid.

Then, in 1946, Oregon became the first state in the Union to adopt the withholding for state income taxes. They simply wanted to get their hands on the money earlier.

Now, if you don't pay your income tax completely in full on April 15, you must pay the state one per cent per month for the right to carry it through the year.

I guess it's all right, but it represents just how hard government is beginning to gouge the taxpayers. I haven't checked with the bank, but odds are you can probably borrow the money April 15, pay the state and pay less interest on it at the bank than you would to the state.

I say guess so, because I haven't had occasion to borrow any money recently.

The next step is for the government to make you file an estimate on what you think you'll make two years from now, and then start paying it now. In the event you overpay, they'll refund your money . . . but without interest.

At least that looks like the next step.

When it happens, count me out, I'll join Yankus in Australia.

Money Drives

By FLORENCE JENKINS

September 15 has been set as the official kick-off day for the next United Fund campaign in Klamath County.

The United Fund budget committee will start its perusal of the budgets of its affiliated agencies on Monday afternoon. Meetings will be held each afternoon through Thursday.

At the present time, there are 27 agencies affiliated with the United Fund.

Whether or not you "believe in" the United Fund is beside the point we wish to make. If, on a countywide basis, deserving agencies can be provided for financially through one single campaign, it certainly saves the expense of running competing drives for funds. In addition, it saves the wear and tear of listening to a multitude of solicitations and making innumerable small hand-outs on the part of most of us as individuals.

Springtime seems to make new drives spring up.

Last week's effort to conduct a door-to-door campaign for the Mental Health Association of Oregon failed to get approval of the city council. Permission to hold a Friday night drive was requested by a wire received at the city hall on Friday morning. A telephone poll of council members resulted in a negative vote.

There are at least two other drives in the making at the present time.

Americans are particularly vulnerable to appeals for assistance. It is tradition in the West to maintain an open door and a generous pocketbook. And that's a very good, indeed. It undoubtedly is more blessed to give than to receive.

But, when it comes to giving, there's another old saying that is pretty apropos and that is: charity begins at home.

There are a lot of things we need in Klamath County. By the time we dig down and pungle up cash for a new juvenile home, a new site for OIT and possibly a new hospital, we're going to be kept pretty busy digging.

Let's take care of our own affairs first.

Off-Beat Notes

By TOM STIMMEL

Mitch Jurasevich, operator of the Niles Hotel in Alturas, attended a concert of the joint Alturas-Cedarville high schools band a week ago little suspecting he would be a center of attraction.

But the program was interrupted while Mitch was called to the stage and presented with an honorary band pin.

The thanks was well earned. For the past three years Mitch has financed band trips to San Francisco.

The weather's fine at this writing, but one never knows.

The other day, in the midst of our latest snow and sleet barrage, somebody called our switchboard to inquire:

"Lady, is it going to storm?"

The season is coming, presumably, when those with the energy will be climbing Mt. Shasta.

It was in September 1862 that the first scientific expedition scaled our inspiring peak. But that California State Geological Society Party was not the first to reach the top, even in that early year. Among the society's official observations was this:

"(There) was a liberal distribution of 'California conglomerate,' a mixture of tin cans and broken bottles, a newspaper, a Methodist hymn book, a pack of cards, an empty bottle and other evidences of a bygone civilization."

The first ascent actually was made by a Yreka adventurer in 1854.

Bright new Centennial decals that greet visitors to the courthouse were posted on front and back doors Friday afternoon by the county judge himself, Judge Bob Walker, with clean cloths and a pan of water, helped janitor Skinny Fenton do the job.

Mad Dog Morse

By NELSON REED

Once again our senior senator has demonstrated that he is unfit to represent us in Washington. Snapping and snarling, he has turned on his former friend Senator Neuberger and announced that he will do his best to destroy Neuberger politically.

Sen. Neuberger should rejoice at the good news. Mad dog Morse proved in our last election by his underhanded nasty story about Governor Hatfield that when he does his dirty worst to ruin you, your stock with the voters goes up.

The behavior of our monomaniacal senior senator is all of a pattern. He will do anything that he thinks will hurt President Eisenhower and that will get Morse headlines. Witness his remarks in the Claire Luce hearing, and his announcement of what he will do to prevent the appointment of Strauss.

He attacks Neuberger viciously because Neuberger had the temerity to differ with him and support the President on the foreign aid bill. In addition to being willing to go to any extent to cut the President's throat politically, he now hates Neuberger because our junior senator is getting more favorable publicity, and rightly he should. He has taken more interest in the welfare of the state of Oregon and done more for us in Washington than anybody we have had back there for some time.

Maybe the unions still think Senator Morse is the best senator they can get. He claims to be, on all occasions. We cannot believe that any senator who is as feared and as little respected in the Senate as Morse is can be of much value to anyone.

Taxes And Living

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — The big problem in America today is—how can the government live off everybody when everybody is trying to live off the government?

Practically every government—federal, state or local—is running short of money. They also seem to be running out of ideas for new taxes.

The city council here, for example, has just voted a five per cent tax on restaurant checks over a dollar. The tax was voted in an atmosphere of apology to "the little man," a tacit admission that only a cigar store Indian could find a decent meal here for less than a buck.

This subject attitude of polite concern over the plight of the taxpayer, however, isn't going to enable any government to live in the style to which it wants to become accustomed.

What governments need is the courage to reach firmly into new and unplumbed areas of the public purse and pluck boldly therefrom the money it wants.

Here are a few tentative suggestions:

Why not tax pedestrians? If drivers have to fork up money to get a license to use the city streets, why shouldn't pedestrians be made to pay for the privilege of wearing out the city sidewalks?

The issuance of \$10 annual pedestrian licenses would not only add millions of dollars in revenue to most big municipalities. It would enable them to weed out reckless walkers unable to pass periodic inspection tests.

Why not also sell baby buggy licenses? Why should an infant, at the very start of its existence, get the idea there are any free rides in life?

It might even be a good idea to put a \$15 tax—split equally between local, state and federal governments—on birth itself, payable at the hospital by the parents before they would be allowed to take their child home.

A few other ideas:

Taxes on girl watching. Taxes on park bench sitting. Philosophers such as Bernard Baruch might object to these, but those who use public services ought to pay at least part of the costs.

Taxes on umbrella carrying. The government might also consider compulsory liability insurance here for the victims of this vicious practice.

Taxes on the public wearing of Phi Beta Kappa keys and Rotary Club lapel buttons.

Taxes on flower pots. The only danger here is that city dwellers might choose to let their pots lie fallow, and insist on being cut in for benefits under the federal soil bank program.

Special tax stamps to be affixed to letters written to Congress complaining about taxes.

When you get right down to it, the field of taxation is practically limitless. Anyone who thinks he's seen the end of new taxes just doesn't know what lies ahead.

Such as maybe a burial tax stamp. If you tax a guy for the privilege of going underground, isn't that really an inducement to make him want to keep on living?

Goodbye, West

From the Reno Gazette

No longer are the wide open ranges a place of peaceful silence. Here's a saddle equipped with a tiny built-in transistor radio. This new radio saddle has been put on the market by one of the big mail order houses, which hopes that the cowboys will be unable to resist the walling of the latest crooners or the results of the fifth race at Hialeah.

Well, likely this had to come in this electronic age. And now it won't be long until a television receiver will be devised for the entertainment of the lonesome cowboy—and the torment of his patient horse.

Quotes

United Press International. HOLLYWOOD — Patricia Ann Carruthers, 30, a 37-22-35 former school teacher who became a burlesque stripper, in denying she wore dresses that were too tight or revealing in the classroom: "I've just got the kind of a figure that attracts attention, even if I wear a sack."

WASHINGTON — National Maritime Union President Joseph Curran criticizing labor reform legislation at a Congressional hearing:

"The Senate has drawn up a buckshot law designed to destroy unions, not to get the few corrupt individuals."

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Harlo



Limit On Banfield Freeway Imposed

SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Highway Commission decided Thursday to limit speed on the Banfield Freeway in Portland and the Salem Bypass on the Pacific Highway to 55 m.p.h.

The limit on the Banfield Freeway will apply west of 102nd Street. The limit on the Salem Bypass will apply until the two lanes are increased to four next fall. Then it will go up to 70 m.p.h.

The limit on the four-lane Salem-Albany Freeway was fixed at 70 m.p.h.

The commission also decided to place signs at points of entry saying that the designated speed limit in Oregon is 55 m.p.h. unless otherwise posted.

The commission acted after hearing the number of traffic deaths in Oregon this year is 20 per cent more than last year.

W. C. Williams, commission chief engineer, announced the Albany-Eugene Freeway would be open in the fall of 1960—a year earlier than had been expected. A request from the Eugene Chamber of Commerce asked that

warning signs be posted on the Albany-Harrisburg section of the Pacific Highway, where six persons have been killed in 10 days. Williams was told to investigate, although he pointed out that this section will be replaced by the new freeway.

The commission will leave Monday on a three-day trip to Klamath Falls, Lakeview and Adel, returning via Bend and the Santiam Highway to survey the Adel-Nevada state line section of the proposed Winnemucca-to-the-Sea Highway.

The commission next will meet July 23.

Hatfield Vetoes Five Bills; Raises Total To Seventeen

SALEM (AP)—Gov. Mark Hatfield Thursday vetoed five more bills, raising his total to 17. He had until 5 p.m. Friday to act on bills passed by the Legislature, and only 12 remain on his desk.

He vetoed House Bill 138 that would have permitted the state and its political subdivisions to bargain collectively with their employees. The governor said "collective bargaining cannot operate effectively in a government setting."

Hatfield said he vetoed House Bill 496, which would have permitted special automobile drivers' licenses for persons whose licenses have been suspended or revoked because of the increasing traffic death toll makes this a poor time to ease driver controls.

The governor vetoed House Bill 656, to create a workmen's compensation advisory council, because it "merely adds to the vast number of statutory boards." He said he would name a committee to achieve the proposed council's purpose of proposing new industrial accident legislation and advising the state Industrial Accident Commission.

Another vetoed bill is House Bill 47, which would have permitted medical records to be given to injured workmen or their attorneys in industrial accident cases. He said it would violate the confidential relationship between the doctor, claimant and the Industrial Accident Commission.

The governor also vetoed Senate Bill 526, which would have made departments pay the salaries of assistant attorneys general assigned to them.

Red Freedom Non-Existant

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Soviets are not going to worry about lacking freedom so long as their government keeps giving them more food, clothing, housing and medical care, a leading U.S. social worker said.

They don't miss free speech, a free press and other Western kinds of civil liberties because they never had them, said Dr. Charles I. Schottland, Dean of the School for Advanced Social Studies at Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass.

Dr. Schottland addressed the National Conference on Social Welfare of which he is the newly elected president.

Last August and September Dr. Schottland and five other U.S. social workers spent 30 days studying social security and welfare programs in the Soviet Union.

"It was our feeling," the dean said, "that talk about internal revolution is mere wishful thinking."

William Makepeace Thackeray, famed 19th Century English novelist of "Vanity Fair," also was a talented artist.

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Pilot Killed In Air Crash

MADRAS, Ore. (AP)—A light plane plunged to the ground and burned eight miles north of here Thursday afternoon.

The pilot, Keith Knowles, about 23, of Madras was killed outright. He was spraying fertilizer on a field.

Witnesses said the plane swept low across the field from the north and then plummeted to earth as the engine apparently failed. It exploded when it hit.



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