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## Down

By BILL JENKINS  
Having fallen prey to the local pip a couple of weeks ago I have spent a good deal of the intervening time at home cursing my luck and trying to figure out why all pills are made just a size larger than the human throat.  
That and reading the latest crop of paperback "historical" novels. I don't know which is the harder to gag down. But the odds are probably in favor of the books.  
This last crop is pretty discouraging. I hope that future generations won't actually judge us—if there are any future generations, that is—on the basis of the current crop of frontier epics.  
If one were to concoct a composite hero out of these swashbuckling novels he would come up with a tall, way haired bonehead with just barely brains enough to come in out of the wet. A man dogged with the most frightful luck imaginable, cursed with a total lack of rationality or common sense and in grave danger of being hounded to an early grave by the constant attention of beavies of beautiful and buxom women, most of whom are out to get his scalp one way or another.  
Indeed, the only thing that saves our penny horrible hero at all is a set of circumstances so fortuitous as to be almost miraculous. And unbelievable. That and the fact that equally improbable friends in high places seem to materialize out of the nowhere when trouble rears its ugly head too high.  
I suppose that there has to be some excuse for printing such hogwash. Maybe there are enough sick people who are unable to hold up the heavier volumes to keep the market going. But sometimes I am led to wonder.  
Only the fact that I can't stand who-dunits keeps me grimly at the task. That and the complete boredom that comes with doctor's orders to stay put or take the consequences. Since I am notorious for my inability to take the consequences I stay put. And read historical trash.  
At any rate it has some compensations. After a week's diet of *It* I went back and reread John Steinbeck's *Tortilla Flat* and found it positively fascinating.  
Just shows you what being sick can do to a man.  
At any rate, it is good to be back in the world of the living again. The dogs were getting tired of being told to shut up and I was growing an extra set of bones in my back.  
And of course I picked the last week of the duck season to fold up. A week during which everyone I have talked to since simply went out and murdered 'em.  
I'm pretty sure most of these fellows are lying to me, but then there might have been a grain or two of truth in one or two of the stories.  
I think from here on out I'll stay healthy.  
It's lots more fun.

**Police Protection**  
By FLOYD L. WYNNE  
Are the 15,000 to 20,000 residents of the suburban area to Klamath Falls getting proper police protection?  
I have heard a number of claims both pro and con.  
I have heard claims that at night the suburban area is practically without police protection.  
Feeling it was time to check the facts, I consulted with the two men most vitally concerned with such a problem, Sgt. Bruce Lattin of the State Police and Sheriff Murray Britton.  
**THE CITY POLICE** are not concerned, officially, with police protection or law enforcement in the suburban area. They have no authority outside the city limits except in "hot pursuit," namely, in the actual pursuit of a criminal.  
Primary responsibility for police protection lies with the State Police.  
Sergeant Lattin informed me that he has a full complement of 21 persons. This, however, includes game men, two men stationed in Lakeview and three men at Gilchrist. He actually has 14 men who participate in local patrolling.  
These 14 men, in turn, have to be divided into three shifts for patrol purposes.  
Lattin said that on most shifts, the patrols are sent north on U.S. 97, south on U.S. 97, also on Highways 66 and 39, and there is a vicinity patrol.  
Primary function of the vicinity patrol is the suburban area, although the other patrols can be called into the area within a relatively few minutes.  
The strength of the patrols vary depending upon the times and the days. After 2 a.m. the patrols are lightened since most of the area is

inactive. This is true except on weekends.  
**ADMITTEDLY**, patrolling the suburban area is a big job, and while 14 men would seem to be a small amount, considering that they must cover the giant share of the county, it is all the complement permitted by law.  
Sergeant Lattin pointed out that, in addition to the vicinity patrol and the other patrols that can be called in, patrols moving out travel through various areas of the suburban sections.  
Roadblocks can be set up in the area in just a few minutes, and other calls to residences can also be answered in just a few minutes.

**SHERIFF MURRAY BRITTON** reported that he and several of his deputies are on call 24 hours a day, and are available at a few moments' notice.  
While the sheriff's office in the courthouse closes at 5 each weekday and is closed Saturdays and Sundays, a joint phone always rings in the jail and is answered there after hours.  
He also reported that he and a deputy are always at the jail at lockup time which is 10 p.m.  
He arranges to have a deputy standing by over every weekend, and reports that he is almost always available any time over the weekend.  
An additional deputy sheriff for use in the suburban area would be desired, he pointed out, but admitted that the county budget board would probably not give him the additional help.

**SURVEYING** the picture, it would appear that at the present time the suburban area is getting adequate police protection.  
The area has relatively few taverns, no sidewalks and few congregating points which seem to be the scene of much of the city's disturbances.  
Residential complaints in the past have been handled quickly and efficiently by the State Police.  
The pattern of their patrols seems to be sufficient to provide the police needs of the area, even though the patrols are still responsible for highway traffic through-out the county.

**THE AREA IS GROWING** and while the present forces do a very adequate job of policing the area, if the present rate of growth continues and additional forces are not available, it may develop into a problem.  
But as of now, in my opinion, they do have adequate police protection.

**Services**  
By FLORENCE JENKINS  
Studies of "unmet needs" in Oregon continue to be made to the point that the term becomes distasteful.  
Last year we studied the needs of teen-agers for the committee which was to report on Klamath County to the governor. From the 36 reports, a composite was to be sent to the White House where a conference is held every 10 years on the subject.  
A Klamath County Juvenile Advisory Committee became official on January 1 which will work with County Juvenile Judge Charles H. Foster to study that field. Judge Foster has been commendably outspoken in expressing his opinion that any juvenile problems here are our own problems and should be settled at the local level.  
However, those who drafted the new juvenile code passed at the last session of the legislature made the terms sufficiently elastic to include numerous other services. One matter they talk about is marriage counseling. Circuit Judge Ralph Holman of Clackamas County has stated that counseling before marriage could well

lead to a drop in the state's divorce rate and he is probably right.  
At last week's meeting of the Klamath County Child Guidance Advisory Council, Dr. John Waterman, head of the mental health section, Oregon State Board of Health, reported that a statewide advisory committee is studying "unmet needs" in the mental health field. Marriage counseling is being studied by this group, also. He has asked the local advisory group to prepare a report of any plans for extension of the child guidance clinic's services.  
Much has been published in the national press on the success of marriage counseling. In many cities it is handled by the courts of domestic relations. Forward-thinking as Klamath Falls is, it would seem that two sets of marriage counselors in the community would be at least one too many.  
Federal funds seem to be available for extensions of services in some of these fields—at least in the mental health field. These funds must be matched locally, and the federal aid decreases over a period of time.  
The federal government has no money, of course. The federal aid funds come out of your pockets and ours. So long as we ask and expect more and more services at the state and federal level, there can be no hope of cutting governmental costs.

We have already the services of a full time psychiatric social worker in Klamath County to assist the paid staff of the County Health Department. In addition, Klamath County pays for part time services of a psychiatrist and a psychologist, also through the health department.  
Advisory boards here (so far, at least) aren't on the county or city payrolls. They are only advisory, but their failure to recommend extension of existing services may have some deterrent effect on increasing governmental costs at the local level.

**The Veep's Job**  
CORVALLIS GAZETTE-TIMES  
As we read the mouthings of various politicians, we gather the United States may have no vice president come next January. Now it strikes us that some folks are mighty particular 'bout how they make a living. What's wrong with being vice president?  
Look at the pay, for instance. Some people may turn up their nose at \$35,000 a year plus \$10,000 for "expenses," but actually, if you don't smoke too much and don't drink your own liquor, the take-home isn't bad. It can always be supplemented anyway—an energetic veep could get his biscuit-burner a job as secretary to the school board or something of the sort; the kids could get paper routes or do a little baby sitting.  
One should also think of the prestige the veeps have. They get to preside over the Senate and say who can talk out loud and who can't—and that is probably more than they can do at home. They get all the privileges of being a senator but don't have to make Senate speeches nor work on any committees. The veep gets to break all tie votes in the Senate. Of course this doesn't happen very often but when it does he has lots of friends until after he votes and still keeps half of them afterwards. Wonder how many friends these other politicians got!  
When the big boss is out of the country the vice president can walk into the president's office and peek at his desk and imagine himself sitting there with the flag on one side, all the pictures around the room, a fire burning in the fireplace and the TV cameras waiting. Of course the veep can't really do much when the boss is gone except preside over some meetings,

but you meet a lot of nice people that way and certainly learn a lot of wonderful secrets—and that's an opportunity that shouldn't be overlooked.  
Another point to consider is the free travel now connected with the job. This is a real cool deal. Sometimes the veep gets a few free eggs or ripe vegetables he can take home to the little woman as a memento of the trip. In some countries he gets to go down into the mines and answer questions about our glorious United States. Occasionally, if everything goes just right, he might get to debate some big foreign wheel. This brings lots of publicity and perhaps an extra dish of borscht.  
Here at home the veep gets to dedicate dams, open bridges, throw champagne at new ships (or do they restrict that to women), play golf without much publicity, go to football and baseball games, entertain foreign dignitaries and speak at all conventions which seem to have attractive menus or entertainment. Furthermore, and this may be the most important thing of all, people are supposed to stand when he enters the room. (Wonder who stands for these high-hat politicians?)  
One should surely consider the prospects for advancement. Personally, we would prefer the second spot to being top dog in this instance—a lot less work and worry—but there are ambitious men who always want to run things. We have had 33 different presidents (can't count Cleveland twice, buddy) and of that number ten were vice presidents first. That is almost one out of every three—a batting average no baseball player would ignore. And when you think that only 33 men have made the grade out of all the millions of Americans who have lived here since 1789 it makes the percentage look even the better.

**SHORT RIBS**  
By Frank O'Neal  
In 1733, James Oglethorpe and about 130 English colonists arrived at Charleston, South Carolina, with a charter to establish a settlement in what is now the state of Georgia.  
In 1834, Horatio Alger, author of "Rags-To-Riches" stories, was born.  
In 1864, song writer Stephen Foster died in a hospital in New York City. At his death hospital authorities said his worldly goods amounted to 25 cents and a slip of paper with "dear friends and gentle hearts" on it.  
In 1906, the first advertisement for a radio set appeared in the issue, *Scientific American*. The ad said the radio would work up to one mile.  
A thought for today: Stephen Foster wrote: "The day goes by like a shadow o'er the heart, with sorrow where all was delight."



## Seaman Held; Attempted To Kill Judge

NEW YORK (AP)—A 57-year-old seaman accused of trying to stab a federal judge in his chambers has been arrested by the FBI and held in \$100,000 bail.  
The stocky seaman, Cecil Rhodes Hall, was furious because he believed he was being short-changed in a damage suit. He lunged at Judge John M. Cashion and tried to stab him with a penknife Tuesday.  
Cashion was not injured. A bailiff, Peter Van Bell, was slashed on the hand as court aides hustled Hall out of the courthouse. Later, FBI agents arrested him at his rooming house where he was posing for photographers.  
"I just leaned over to get a knife to cut a hangnail," said Hall. "The knife was not open. There was a scuffle and I was put out."  
U. S. Commissioner Earle N. Bishop set Hall's bail at \$100,000 and set hearing for Jan. 16 on charges of assaulting, impeding and interfering with a federal judge in performances of his duties through use of a dangerous weapon.

Hall's damage suit resulted from an accident at sea Sept. 14, 1957, when an electric hammer broke and the seaman working aboard the American Chief of the United States Lines.  
Hall apparently expected \$40,000 in damage from the line, but Tuesday Cashion called Hall into his chamber and explained a \$16,000 settlement to him. The judge said he thought it was just.  
That's when the shouting, cursing outburst occurred.  
Hall could get up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted. He will be taken to Bellevue Hospital for a mental examination.  
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