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Wildfowler

By BILL JENKINS
It is seldom indeed that editorial writers or columnists come right out with an out-and-out plug for anyone. However, despite the threat of payola that hangs like a grim cloud over the news world today, I'm about to say nice things about a commercial product.

I should perhaps explain that I have not been asked to do this. I have been offered nothing and won't get anything for saying these words. I say them merely because in yesterday's mail I got a wish book (catalog if you prefer) of such fetching nature that I can't help saying something about it and the product.

Just the name of the place is intriguing: Wildfowler Decoys, Inc. And the address is of the stuff dreams are made of. They may be reached at their factory on Montauk Highway, Quogue, L.I., New York.

The name Wildfowler will be familiar to almost all shotgunners as the manufacturers of this country's finest solid and hollow wood duck and goose decoys. These decoys are real works of art and someday, when I'm old and rich, I'm going to own a set of them.

But their newest catalog (Gifts by Wildfowler) is a departure from the gunners' marshes and the windswept bays of the Eastern Shore. It deals with the decorative end of the business.

In its brief pages are noted such items as a hand carved woodcock made from mahogany with an ebony bill. This miniature bird is more than just a carving. It is art.

There are duck-decorated thermometers and barometers. Serving trays with duck and goose scenes.

But fairest of them all are the various hand carved and hand painted ducks for decorative uses. There are, for instance, hand carved replicas of blue winged teal in either hand-trubbed antique finish or in full colors. There are magnificent full-size ornamental mallards in full color. There are matchboxes of wood decorated with miniature carved ducks.

Goose and duck heads carved in full relief for wall decorations. Oversize duck heads cast in aluminum for paperweights. Lamps with linen shades and beautifully done blue or greenwinged teal mounted on the base.

There are bookends galore, bottle openers and painted china, all with duck and goose patterns. There are duck head gun racks where you can store your favorite scatterguns.

There are cast andirons in duck patterns, door stops and a multitude of other items.

They even have decorative miniature ducks mounted on driftwood for use in table arrangements.

As I say, I just couldn't sit here in the office, staring out at the weather, dreaming about another duck season without saying something about that catalog. (Wish book if you prefer.)

After all, ordering something from a place on Montauk Highway, Quogue, L.I., New York, is worth it just for the fun of writing the address.

Budget Notes (6)

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
NOW, let's take a look at the budget deliberations on mathematics and science at KUHS.

ORDINARY budgetary items for mathematics reflected little increase. The group approved instructional supplies for \$169, maintenance and replacement for \$15 and capital outlay for \$125.

However, a big item amounted to \$3,120. This item eventually found its way into the expenditures for instruction section.

The money is for a special mathematics project and is a 111 salary.

Last year, KUHS hired Howard Bailey to write a new course of instruction for mathematics 1 and 2 and paid out a similar sum.

This year, the \$3,120 was to go for the preparation of a working textbook for mathematics 3 and 4 and for revisions in mathematics 1 and 2.

The salaries included \$200 weekly for six weeks for Howard Bailey, \$150 a week for four weeks for Don Ross, \$150 weekly for two weeks for two other persons, \$60 weekly for eight weeks for a stenographer, and \$240 budgeted for two students for four weeks for stapling, filing and other tasks.

IT WAS the board's feeling that the money was well spent, and that the updated mathematics instruction that would result was of material benefit to the school.

In this we were all in complete agreement.

THE SCIENCE program (biol-

ogy, chemistry, physics, general science, etc.) was allocated \$1,383 for instructional materials, up from \$1,257 last year. Sixty five dollars was added for minor repairs on apparatus and equipment in science rooms, and \$2,854 was approved for capital outlay. This amount was necessary to provide proper equipment for new lab tables which were expected to arrive shortly.

However, we weren't through with the science figures, as we found out later when we came back, once again, to federal matching funds.

INSTRUCTIONAL supplies as such, not departmentalized, totaled \$4,932 with another \$1,285 allocated for instructional materials.

Industrial arts was another big budget field, and covered such high school activities as auto mechanics, machine shop, mechanical drawing, radio, retail selling, trades and industries and wood-working.

These courses are taught, primarily, for those students who might not desire or be able to proceed on to college and could graduate from high school with a practical trade.

All these courses are apparently eagerly sought, however, and report constantly expanding enrollment.

OF THESE classes, woodworking required the largest budget, including \$2,000 for instructional supplies. This money was to go for lumber, sandpaper, screws, hinges, glue, finish, nails, etc.

This department gets a tremendous boost from the Weyerhaeuser Company which furnishes them with mill ends free in large quantities every year.

Budget consideration was also given to replacement of woodworking tables, six of them for \$354. Also, a replacement program in the mechanical drawing department, which has been running several years for desks, switched to stools with the budgeting of \$240 for 30 metal 26-inch stools. Drawing sets for \$110 and drawing boards for another \$90 were among the items.

TOMORROW, let us take a look at the instructional budget as regards teachers, coaches, clerical service and others in KUHS.

Wildflowers

By FLORENCE JENKINS

Five thousand packets of wildflowers of the west are being given away to customers by operators of the 15 Richfield Oil Corporation stations in the Klamath area.

Richfield is doing its part again this year to keep Oregon blooming and beautiful.

Each packet contains a beautiful and interesting collection of the flora indigenous to the Pacific slope and adjacent states of Western America.

Instructions for planting the seeds are included. A great many of the plants will reseed in your garden and multiply over the years—especially the California poppies.

They can be planted out of doors as soon as the ground can be worked.

This spring is anticipated as one of the best yet for flamboyant flower shows put on by nature. Southern Arizona's great plant-filled desert promises the most colorful display in more than a decade.

Desert wildflowers of Arizona include poppies, lupines, brittlebush and many others. In their period of intensive bloom in March and April they tint the land with their golden, blue, yellow, red and orange hues.

Indications are that both the

Arizona wildflowers and cactuses will bloom together this year—a rare occurrence. Choicest month for cactus in bloom is April when the yucca, hedgehog, barrel, prickly pear and cholla cactus all burst into blossom. The giant saguaro blossoms in May and various other barrel cactus continue blooming into the summer months.

Visitors to Phoenix, in the Valley of the Sun, this year are well repaid for time spent driving from Phoenix to Tucson. The best sights there, as elsewhere, are reserved for those who leave the freeways and explore the little side roads and desert byways.

However, if you can't go to Arizona this spring, you can plant your own wildflower garden—courtesy of Richfield Oil Corporation—here at home.

Off Beat Notes

By TOM STIMMEL

An unidentified political aspirant asked the county clerk's office to ask, "What are the qualifications for county court?"

The answer was brief and effective: "\$20," the girl said.

Young "Bink" Killmeyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Killmeyer, 1822 Earle Street, rushed home from school with great news. His first grade class was instructed to tell tall tales, his was the very best. "Guess what, Mom," the lad burst out. "I'm the best liar in the whole class."

It finally happened, or so we're told. An officer left a car at the Kingsley Field motor pool with the notation, "Engine missing."

A mechanic inspected the vehicle and left another note: "Found engine. Time: 1 hour."

Klamath Falls and the Klamath Basin are the subjects of an article in the current issue of Great Resources, a promotion publication of Great Northern Railway. The two-page spread with photographs and a map emphasizes industrial promise here.

Dangerous Man

By PHIL NEWSOM

The man-of-the-week: Foreign Minister Raul Roa of Cuba.

The place: Havana.

The quote: "The revolutionary government of Cuba rejects, because they are insulting, the statements made by the North American secretary of state, Mr. Christian Herter..."

Cuba thus rejected United States criticism of Premier Fidel Castro's charges that the U.S. was implicated in the explosion of a French munitions ship in Havana Harbor last Friday.

It gave an ironic twist to the steadily deteriorating relations between the United States and Castro's Cuba, coming as it did from a government which for months has conducted a vicious anti-U.S. campaign which the U.S. usually has chosen to ignore or turn away with soft words.

Just how had Herter insulted Cuba?

He had summoned Cuban Charge D'Affaires Dr. Enrique Patterson and informed him that the Castro charges were "baseless, erroneous and misleading."

There was speculation that some of the violence of the Cuban reaction was a cover-up for the fact that no evidence had been uncovered to support Castro's claim that the munitions ship was "sabotaged," much less that the United States had anything to do with it.

Raul Roa, the man who rejected the U.S. criticism, is a slightly built man in his early fifties. He wears glasses and has wispy gray hair.

Before he became foreign minister he was a Havana Univer-

sity professor. And before that he was a Communist.

His full name is Raul Roa Garcia, although the "Garcia" seldom is used. When the Communist Party came to Cuba nearly 30 years ago he was one of its founders.

Today, he is reported to be part of a Communist international triumvirate assigned to run Cuba. The other members are listed as Castro's brother, Raul, and the Argentine, Che Guevara, who now heads up Cuba's National Bank while Raul heads the army.

Those who know Roa well describe him as a brilliant intellectual, a quiet, outwardly unassuming man who wields a whiplash tongue.

He fitted in and out of Cuba during the regime of former President Fulgencio Batista and is well known in Mexico where he served as an exchange professor.

He formerly was a frequent contributor to newspapers and has attended Inter-American Press Association meetings as a delegate from Mexican letting publications. He has represented Castro at meetings of the Organization of American States.

Roa assumed office after Castro's television firing of revolutionary President Manuel Urrutia, and since has just about cleaned out the Foreign Ministry's career workers. In their places have come known Reds or Red sympathizers, all of them capable.

A foreign diplomat's characterization of Roa:

"A very dangerous man."

Home Danger

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

The average home is almost as dangerous as the average highway. Home accidents are responsible for a death every 19 minutes, a nonfatal injury every 8 seconds.

Probably never again will we elect as president a man born in a log cabin. As recently as 1935 two out of three births took place in homes. Now 95 out of 100 babies are born in hospitals.

The bald eagle has a number of bad traits—for one thing, it's a robber—but it is a very loyal parent. Even if the tree in which it is nesting is set on fire, it will not desert its young.

Virginia has three rivers named Cowpasture, Bullpasture and Calfpasture.

Signs of the times: one is in a store here: "Old furniture we buy. Antiques we sell."

A British government survey found that two-thirds of all divorces occurred among couples that had one child or none. Divorces were twice as high among couples who married before the age of 20, and divorces were least among those who married at 24 and had at least two children.

Government officials estimate that by 1970 nearly half of all women aged 35 to 64 will be in the labor force, and 12.2 per cent 65 and over will be holding down jobs.

The world's largest tombstone and one of history's greatest government boondoggle projects is the 5,000-year-old Great Pyramid of Cheops near Cairo. It required the muscle of 100,000 men working three months a year for 30 years.

Our quotable notables: Mark Twain, an astute observer of the political scene, once commented: "Fleas can be taught anything that a congressman can."

Men like to joke about women's hats, but here's what it takes to make a man's hat: 6 rabbit pelts, the labor of some 90 people, 120 different processes, and 84 gallons of water!

One thing the Russians did invent is bridge. This card game, first mentioned in 1886, was then known as Russian whist.

It was H. L. Mencken who observed, "Love is like war—easy to begin but very hard to stop."

Quotes

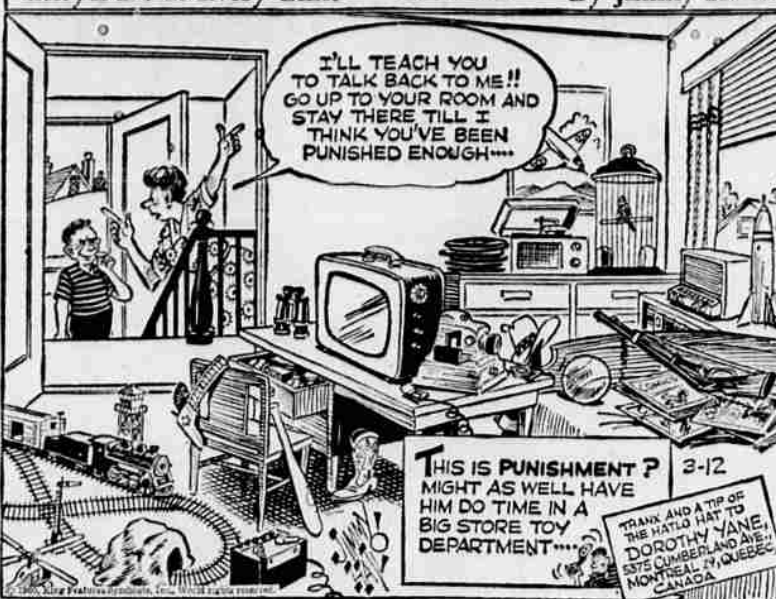
United Press International
CAIRO — Evangelist Bill Graham during services in the open desert near the pyramids of Giza:

"Christ preached in the desert. We pray in the open desert tonight like disciples of Christ."

PEARL HARBOR — Navy cook Lozia C. Rayford who volunteered to make bortsch and beef stroganoff for four Russians rescued from mid-Pacific where they were adrift in a boat for 49 days: "I want them to feel welcome and I like to cook different dishes."

HOLLYWOOD — Producer actor Alan Ladd commenting on the trouble the actors' strike has caused his million-dollar movie: "It is quite possible. 'One Foot In Hell' may never be finished."

They'll Do It Every Time



Association Will Offer Bonus Show

So successful was this year's Community Concert Association drive for membership it will offer a bonus concert next season.

It will be performed during April, 1961, by "Archer and Gile," a pair of folk singers who offer ballads of 14 nations sung in native tongues.

The regular four concerts already have been arranged. The first features Parsons and Poole, duo-pianists, in October. "The 20 magical fingers of Margaret Parsons and Clifford Poole," says an advance, "have won the acclaim of audiences throughout the nation and Canada." They have recited with various orchestras and make regular appearances on CBS television.

The following month will bring Theodore Uppman, opera singer. He is endowed with a warm personality, a handsome stage presence and a vital artist, say his agents. He will soon appear with the Metropolitan Opera Company

in "Pelleas et Melisande." He did well last year in "Don Giovanni" and "Die Fledermaus." Uppman appeared in Klamath Falls several seasons ago with the Paganini Quartet.

The Little Gaelic Singers are scheduled to perform in February. "These are 25 delightful youngsters in a program of spirited songs and dances of Ireland," reports say. They are directed by James McCafferty and will be on their fourth American tour. They have appeared on the Ed Sullivan TV show.

For March the association has contracted Myra Kinch and Company, a dancing quartet doing a revue called "The Light Fantastic." They feature brilliant dances and stunning costumes with com-

edy, their billing indicates. A few memberships still are available for new residents, says Ross Ragland, association president.

TO PROBE AIR CRASH

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) will open a public hearing March 22 in Wilmington, N. C., on the crash of an airliner which investigators have determined was wrecked in the air by an explosion.

The New York to Miami National Airlines DC-6B crashed near Bolivia, N. C., Jan. 6 killing all 34 persons aboard. One of the victims was Julian A. Frank, a heavily insured New York attorney.

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Thirteen tables were at play in the monthly master point tournament held Thursday evening in the city library by the Lakeshore Duplicate Bridge Club.

Mrs. L. C. Offield and Mrs. Lena Richardson were first place winners in north-south position. They were followed by Frank Riekey and Mrs. E. C. Lemler, second; Mrs. Lena Smith and Mrs. William Grove, third; David Richardson and Howard Johnrow, fourth.

East-west position winners were Mrs. G. H. Hancock and Mrs. A. J. Honzel, first; Mrs. Bertha Hultman and Mrs. Bob Sprout, second; Mrs. C. E. Sharp and George McClary, third; Mrs. Bob Cheyne and Mrs. George Dugan, fourth.

The Tuesday club will meet at 10:15 a.m. in the city library on March 15.

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SHORT RIBS By Frank O'Neal

