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Early Chorus

By BILL JENKINS
This time of year is supposed to be spring. It says so right in the books. And around spring we are all supposed to be filled with the joy of living and supported largely by the wonders of nature as she reveals her mysteries to us on every side.

Well, if that's the popular theory I'll go along. These last few mornings I have enjoyed more spring than a lot of people because I have been unable to sleep late. Insomnia or something. This has given me a splendid chance to listen to the spring chorus in all its morning glory. Indeed, I can't hardly avoid it.

It works, around our place at least, about like this: All night long we are soothed by the sounds of the several varieties of owl that inhabit the dark pines around the place. Their carefully spaced hoots have a ringing, melodious quality that is almost equal to a dripping faucet when it comes to keeping you awake.

With the first faint rays of light in the morning—and those rays have been pretty well watered down lately—the robins start their morning chatter. It is always a robin first. Never any of the other birds. They sort of chirp.

The owls answer mournfully. Then a pheasant who lives up in the hill pipes up. He hoots twice and then goes back to bed, I guess, because we don't hear him any more. The owls answer mournfully. Then a daring jay will cut loose with a raucous blast at the world in general. The owls talk this over in mournful tones.

Then pretty soon there will be the cheerful call of a quail on the hill. Answers come from all sides. The owls give up and go away to wherever it is that owls go in the early morning. Maybe they don't go anywhere. Maybe they just sit and brood. Anyway we don't hear them any more until dark. After the quail start sounding off the whole chorus comes to life. We hear all the little birds. A flicker comes down to hammer on the power pole. The geese down in the field at the edge of the lake start a horrid squabble among themselves that ends when they take off across the water still hurling off-key gibes at each other. If you listen carefully here you can hear the skitter of a pair of grebes as they churn across the surface of the lake in their spring courting.

This, of course, is enough to rouse the dogs who start a keening wail in the run that goes to the effect that they are now ready for their morning romp and where is that no good master (?) who is supposed to be there all lippy-toed and hursing with eagerness to take them for a ride?

The next sound is a low rumble that has been compared by many with the sullen growl of thunder. It isn't though, it's just me getting out of the sack and attempting to determine which direction is up at this unearthly hour of the morning.

And there you have it.

I can pinpoint all the sounds except one. A series of short, sharp bangs that always follow the dogs opening up.

I'm not sure of this one but I have a suspicion.

It may be the neighbors slamming their windows shut.

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you in short order. The old pictures are in no way injured by the process. We are merely making copies of them and filing them away for use during the Centennial year.

IT IS IMPORTANT that these pictures be accumulated. Already we have heard of a number of instances where collections of pictures were handed down to relatives in other areas on the death of a pioneer in this area. The pictures, in most cases, thus are completely lost for future generations.

Obtaining the pictures over the next seven years will be a big project, and tabulating them and getting the stories behind them will be an even bigger job, but properly done, it should enable us to properly boast a centennial celebration seven years hence.

YOU CAN HELP by checking your attics, trunks and old albums now. Any pictures of the area should be brought to the Herald and News. Again, I repeat, that we will take excellent care of them, make a copy for our files from them, and return them to you as quickly as possible.

Only by your help can this project be successful.

Food And Emotions

By FLORENCE JENKINS
It is very pleasant to find someone who agrees in print with convictions one has held in a more or less nebulous form.

Dr. William Kaufman, a physician of Bridgeport, Connecticut, has reported on a study made on the records of more than 1,200 patients. It shows that eating behavior is conditioned by the emotional ties of cultural environment, religious training, parents, relatives, friends and by life's experiences and emotional reactions in general.

"An individual's changing food preferences or dislikes reflect his continuous adjustment to past and present experiences and, in some instances, to future expectancies," the article says.

Dr. Kaufman says that merely furnishing meals containing the essential nutrients is not enough to insure emotional stability. Also, persons sometimes reject certain foods on emotional grounds.

In general, he says, the amount of food an individual eats daily depends on habit patterns and the emotional and physical health of the individual. In times of emotional stress, for example, he meets the situation by overeating or undereating or he may increase the intake of such "security" foods as milk products—identified with the security of childhood and home.

Or, he may have a special need to recapture symbolically some treasured moment of the past by eating foods associated with some persons especially cherished during childhood.

Similarly, Dr. Kaufman says, those who feel frustrated or have failed to gain approval, or who feel sorry for themselves, unconsciously seek gratification by eating more of the "reward" foods—such as chocolate, hot dogs, candy or nuts.

Some persons reject food in a subconscious effort to punish some other person for their own feelings of frustration or inadequacy.

So, it probably is no accident that the child who has been lost from home is shown in newspaper photographs sitting on the police sergeant's desk, eating a big ice cream cone. Some types of fear are great appetite-stimulators.

And, of course, there are some people, like Inky, the office cat, who will eat any time food is available.

into the Congress that would give free limited medical and hospital service for our senior citizens on Social Security. Unfortunately, this bill has been tied up in the House Conference Room. The House members are trying to get the bill out on the floor in order to bring it to a vote. It requires 219 signatures to do this. If passed, this bill would give immediate medical relief to some 15,000,000 social security recipients.

The administration was to present a bill of its own to the Congress, but after a conference of big insurance companies, the doctors in the N.A.M. and others, they decided against any bill at this time. After four years they wish to postpone any action at this time, as the bill presumably needs further investigation. This, of course, is an alibi to kill the entire proposal.

In view of the fact most groups in our country get some kind of medical aid such as the veterans, the welfare group, all members of Congress, yes, even the President himself, they still wish to deny to this group of old folks the most important service.

All of you old folks of the Golden Age Group should watch this bill closely. Write your congressman that you desire something done at this session of Congress.

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Refreshing Film

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)—One has to wonder what psychology pertains in the case of those who delight in motion pictures which dare you to "see beautiful women tortured by monsters," or those which warn you not to attend unescorted.

Is there such a sadistic hunger in our community that one of its movie theaters needs to supply this type of picture every other week?

It is truly refreshing and indeed encouraging to have a film of such magnitude as "On the Beach" play in our theaters. The attendance at this showing has indicated that not all of us feel we need to take a night out to see a less than animal-like presentation on a rather tarnished silver screen.

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Sporting Convention

By LYLE C. WILSON
WASHINGTON (UPI)—There comes a time each year when the sports editor is known around the office as "that lucky bum."

The time is in early February of any dismal winter.

This reflects no personal disapproval of the sports editor nor any meaningful suggestion that chance has favored him above others. This merely is an acknowledgment that the sports editor's calling enables him to fly southward at the onset of the awful, awkward age of any year.

The sports editor flies to Florida or Arizona or wherever. There, with all bills paid, including bar checks if they are not too large, the sports editor observes and comments on the spring training of the athletes of major league baseball. This annual chore is regarded as a light touch by other reporters, including political writers, most of whom began in the sports department somewhere and most of whom wish each February that they had stayed in the racket.

All things come, the saying goes, to he who waits. And this is the year when sports writers, if they are any good at all, will wish that they were political writers. Instead, no mere matter of weather and sunshine will be involved in this. On the contrary, this is the year when the political writers will brave the awful smog and worse traffic of

Medical Bill

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The Almanac

By United Press International
Today is Sunday, April 3rd, the 94th day of the year, with 272 more to follow in 1960.

The moon is approaching its first quarter.

The morning stars are Mercury, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

On this day in history:

In 1776, Harvard College conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on General George Washington.

In 1783, writer and diplomat Washington Irving was born.

In 1860, the first Pony Express started operating between Sacramento, Calif., and St. Joseph, Mo.

In 1882, a famous outlaw was shot and killed. His name was Jesse James.

In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was electrocuted for the kidnaping and murder of Charles Lindbergh's son.

A thought for today: Writer and diplomat Washington Irving said: "A sharp tongue is the only edge tool that grows keener with constant use."

Quotes

By United Press International
TOPEKA, Kan. — Former President Truman on Vice President Richard M. Nixon's prestige overseas:

"If he's got any prestige abroad, the country's in a hell of a fix."

GADSDEN, Ala. — Rabbi Saul Rubin addressing a meeting of Jews and Christians in a synagogue to condemn a fire bomb and rifle attack by a 16-year-old school boy on a synagogue here:

"We are seeing now in this country the story told in Nazi Germany."

BATON ROUGE, La. — Charles Anderson, student council vice president of all-Negro Southern University, making the announcement of a professor's death that brought an end to the rebellion of 3,000 students:

"J. W. Lee has just died as a result of this demonstration."

WASHINGTON — Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) attacking a move to hand congressmen's wives a choice government tract as a site for their clubhouse:

"A shakedown on the taxpayers. Children from this whole area have played in that park for years. Now they want to take it for the personal use of congressmen and their wives."

NEW YORK — Max Oboler, 37, who hung by his legs in an elevator shaft for two hours before police could cut through the elevator floor to free him, gasping in agony:

"Please raise the elevator, just a little bit."

SHORT RIBS



By Frank O'Neal



TAKING A LESSON from the lack of adequate preparation for the Oregon Centennial, I think we should begin making plans now for a tremendous Centennial celebration in 1967.

Here at the Herald and News we have been in the process over the past months of collecting and filing old pictures of people and places in Klamath Falls and vicinity.

We have only scratched the surface of the picture potential of the area.

However, at this point it requires your cooperation.

ANYONE WHO HAS old pictures of Klamath Falls, or of any structure of the city, or any individuals that have a historical significance, is asked to bring in these pictures to the Herald and News.

We will make a copy of them for our files and return the pictures to



Shots Made From Cancer Giving Aid To Some People

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—Vaccines made from their own cancers have helped and are helping a few cancer patients.

The vaccines tested in Dallas, Tex., and Buffalo, N.Y., mark one hopeful approach to a goal of making humans far more resistant to cancer.

Once in a rare while, people spontaneously recover from cancer. There are numerous other reasons to think the body has defense systems which could be strengthened, if scientists can learn how.

Several new steps toward boosting immunity were described to an American Cancer Society seminar for science writers.

The Dallas research brought some benefits to a few men given vaccines made from their own tumors. Most significantly, nine men treated showed an increase in antibodies, substances in the blood which can attack the cancer cells.

This work was reported by J. W. Finney, Russell H. Wilson, M. D. and Ph. D., and Ernest H. Byers, Ph. D., of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Dallas.

Their new findings support the results of Drs. John and Ruth Graham, husband and wife of Roswell Park Memorial Institute, Buffalo, N.Y., who for several years have used self-vaccines on at least 150 patients.

Some of the 150 patients have benefited, with a few living for three years beyond the time they might expectably have died, the Grahams reported.

"A main goal is: what can we do for patients," Dr. Wilson said, describing vaccine experiments on 15 men, all of whom since have died.

LOGS 30 MILLION MILES

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Federal Space Agency reports that the Pioneer V sun satellite has logged more than 30 million miles since its launching at Cape Canaveral, Fla., March 11. The 26-inch sphere is in an elliptical, 514.5-million-mile orbit around the sun between the earth and Venus.

Snake River Battle Set

WASHINGTON (AP)—A new round in the battle over public versus private development of the Snake River will open before the Federal Power Commission here July 18.

The commission set the date Thursday for the start of a hearing on competing applications to build dams on the stretch of the river which runs between Idaho and Oregon.

Witnesses were ordered to submit their direct testimony by June 16.

Pacific Northwest Power Co., a combination of several private utilities, proposes to build a dam at Mountain Sheep, a half-mile upstream from the mouth of the Salmon River.

The Washington Public Power Supply System, a combination of 13 Washington public utility districts, has applied to build a dam at the Nez Perce site, 2 1/2 miles below the mouth of the Salmon.

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Bar Patrons Save Children

NEW YORK (AP)—Five patrons and a bartender recruited from a nearby tavern and two policemen raced through dense smoke and rescued 21 small children from a blazing frame apartment house in Coney Island Thursday night.

Fifteen of the children—all of whom ranged in age from one month to six years—were dropped or handed out from windows to mothers and fathers braced and ready with their arms outstretched.

Some children were dropped from the top floor of the three-story building, and some from the second floor. But no one was reported injured.

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