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Barbecue

By BILL JENKINS

As soon as the sun comes out in the spring it seems to be an almost universal urge to get out in the open and burn a piece of meat.

That urge became overpowering around our place last Wednesday. So I hied me off to the butcher shop and instructed them to cut me a massive chunk of T-bone. They did. So massive I had trouble carrying it. A really enormous piece of meat.

Having taken care of this I rush home in the darkening afternoon to go through the regular ritual.

Find the charcoal. That is always the first chore. Then find enough starter to get it going in a hurry. Finally accomplished all this and got the stuff going nicely.

I haven't thought up the answer to that one yet, but I'm working on it.

Then into the house and trim the meat. A mouth-watering task. Out every few minutes to check on the fire. Toss a few potatoes in the oven to bake. Break out the garlic.

Finally the coals are just right. All grey and powdery with the red showing through here and there. And just at that high point the clouds really blacken up and the first few drops of rain patter down.

Here is a true dilemma.

Pulling on a pair of asbestos gauntlets I grab the fire box and struggle down the hill from the back yard, scorching my shirt in the process but saving the precious fire from the rain. The grill is perched atop an old stool in the carport and the cooking is ready to begin.

The steak is put on and soon the fragrant smoke is driving me and the dogs crazy. I suppose it might have occasioned a curious look or two from the passersby on the highway, too. The smoke was billowing out of the carport and must have looked very much like the house was on fire.

But no alarms were turned in. It just seems that when I barbecue meat I can't do it without a great deal of smoke. A sort of char cook proposition.

But when all was said and done it was a dandy. Red tasty. We ate and ate and ate.

And now I can at least say that I have had my first barbecue of the year.

Not only that but I brought some moisture to the country.

16 Years Longer

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

I HAVE JUST DISCOVERED news that may change my daily existence to a great degree.

That is, it will if I can manage to institute a new training procedure that I have in mind for my house.

I DISCOVERED that, according to statistics, and after all, this is an age of figures of one kind or another, my wife is expected to survive me by about 16 years.

Now, I suppose I knew something like that was the case all along.

After all, I knew that the women control something like 80 percent of the wealth of the nation, and if I had given it more than passing thought, I would have figured out just how they came to control all that wealth.

If things in other households are like mine, the insurance is all on me. If the grim reaper's tickle whistles me away, my wife gets the money, but if the situation is reversed there is little money to be accumulated by me.

This, I think, coupled with the fact that women outlive their husbands by an average of 16 years, accounts for the one-way pipeline of the nation's wealth.

BUT MEN, there's no need to merely sit idly by and let this situation continue.

I'm going to battle, valiantly, to put a new training program into effect at my house.

My wife should learn to use the lawn mower, she should learn to build fences, do some amateur woodworking, regulate the furnace, prune the trees, know how to saw a board, how to drill a hole, sharpen the knives, and a thousand little other odd jobs that I've been tackling lately.

Any complaints can be met with the remark, "Well, you'll outlive me 16 years and you might just as well get used to doing these things for yourself."

HOWEVER, THIS ISN'T the only benefit that can come from such a training program.

When the weekends come around and you are faced with a grim choice of the lawn mower or your fishing pole, grab the fishing pole and fend off all complaints with the remark, "Well, you'll outlive me by 16 years, so I might as well make the most of mine. You

Weekends

By FLORENCE JENKINS

The 1960 calendar is loaded with three-day weekends.

We have just observed two of them in February, Lincoln's and Washington's birthday anniversaries, the former a Friday and the latter a Monday.

We have five more to look forward to.

Decoration Day, May 30, falls on a Monday as does the Fourth of July and, of course, Labor Day.

Christmas, 1960, will fall on Sunday and New Year's Day, January 1, 1961, will provide another three-day weekend.

The National Safety Council "views with alarm" this extra time for travel and urges all drivers to remember that there will be more cars on the road in 1960 than ever before.

All travel services are suggesting that weekend vacationers pick a "new" spot, not too far from home, reach it by one route and return by another.

Weekends will soon be ending with sore gardening muscles, mosquito bites and possible sunburn.

There will be the usual warnings about taking it easy when taking the sun and it is never too early to say it. Some resort hotels have a good idea. A notice is posted in each room, advising the guests to stay out of the sun from 11 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. during the hot months.

While counting up the long weekends in 1960, it is interesting to those whose weekly payday falls on Saturday that there are 53 Saturdays this year.

The Lighter Side

By DICK WEST

WASHINGTON (UPI) — It's a good thing that most employees of the U. S. Information Agency are peaceable men. I don't think we can afford many \$20,000 fist fights.

This is what it cost us taxpayers for one unidentified information specialist to take a swing at a colleague during a drinking bout at some unnamed foreign post.

Members of a House appropriations subcommittee ran across the incident while holding hearings on the new USA budget. They seemed to be a trifle dismayed by the expense of intramural fistfights.

According to USA Director George V. Allen, the agency spent more than \$4,000 training the tipsy brawler for an overseas assignment and more than \$6,000 getting him there. After the dust-up, it ordered him home again at a cost of almost \$9,000.

"Why did you not sober him up and tell him to apologize?" asked Rep. Robert L. F. Sikes (D-Fla.). "That is considerably cheaper."

Allen replied that the USA wanted to rehabilitate the employee if possible because he had

SHORT RIBS



Nation's Defender

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Navy apostle of the moving duck theory against the sitting duck would like to be this country's first line of defense. It may never be, but it's making progress.

Since World War II the sea-going arm of national defense has been overshadowed by the development of the fast, long-range bomber and the intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM).

Even the worth of the aircraft carriers, with their short-range planes, looked questionable.

Then the Navy began development of an atomic-powered submarine capable of firing the Polaris missile, with a nuclear warhead, 1,200 miles. In time it hopes to have 45 such subs. It is only two afloat now. None will be in operation till fall.

This week President Eisenhower approved stepping up the production rate. In three years the Navy may have 21 of these submarines which can stay out of sight of an enemy, slip close to a continent, and start firing.

Each Polaris sub can fire 16 missiles.

The Navy's big pitch for the Polaris-missile submarine can be summed up this:

An enemy would know the launching sites of this country's ICBMs and its shorter range missiles abroad because they'd be on fixed platforms, immovable. They'd then be sitting ducks for enemy missiles turned loose in a surprise attack.

But the Polaris submarines are like moving ducks whose locations would be unknown to an enemy and—in case an enemy began a missile attack on this country—could fire their own 1,200-mile range missiles against any enemy target.

And they'd be out of sight while they did it.

Adm. Arleigh Burke, chief of naval operations, has argued that if a nuclear war started—since all the destruction would be on land on both continents—the Navy, not a stationary target, would be the only defense line left.

But Burke doesn't sell the aircraft carrier short, either, and naturally, since he's an admiral. No matter what anyone else thinks of the future role of carriers, the Navy brass is high on them.

But there's a difference between the use of a carrier and the use of a Polaris submarine. The former would be at its best in a limited war, such as around Formosa. The Polaris-submarine missile would be mainly for all-out nuclear war.

Burke has spoken out a number of times on the two subjects:

"As long as you need manned aircraft for any type of warfare, you'll need carriers. And you'll need manned aircraft as long as you need search and attack missions where you've got to look for your target before you strike it."

He has described the use of the Polaris sub this way:

"It's good for only one thing—to destroy cities. It's the best city destroyer in the world. It will destroy any city you want — any place, any time. That's all it's good for, though."

"It's no good for destroying a village. It's a good weapon for mass destruction. Carriers on the other hand can do mass destruction if they want to, but that is not their primary job."

The Navy also puts up this argument: A Polaris sub costs about 100 million dollars. Forty-five of them would cost 4 1/2 billion dollars. But they would last for about 20 years.

The Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Friday, April 8, the ninety-ninth day of the year, with 267 more to follow in 1960.

The moon is approaching its full phase.

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

On this day in history:

In 1513, Spanish soldier and explorer Ponce de Leon landed near what is now St. Augustine, Fla., seeking the fountain of youth.

In 1935, Congress approved a five billion dollar appropriation under the Works Progress Administration (WPA).

In 1932, President Truman seized the steel industry to forestall a general strike.

By Frank O'Neal



They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

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Live People Act In Ad At Terminal

NEW YORK (UPI)—Grand Central Station, long a showplace for advertising signs that move, light up and bubble, has achieved the ultimate in animated signs — an ad featuring real live people.

Two young actresses and an actor are putting on a daily show on a 400 square foot stage for frazzled commuters rushing to or from work. And whatever the guy, the girl or the commuters do, the girl stolidly keeps on reading a popular woman's magazine (the Ladies' Home Journal), which is sponsoring the ad. A department store (Macy's) helps out with costumes.

Plumbing Is Keynote For Census

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Why is Uncle Sam so curious about the kind of plumbing used by his millions of wives and nephews? Many city dwellers who are being asked by census takers if they enjoy hot and cold running water, a private flush toilet and bathtub are probably wondering about that.

Census officials say the answer is simple. There is no better single yardstick for measuring the quality of a house than checking on its plumbing facilities, or lack of same.

Federal, state and local government, real estate men, and the construction industry all are waiting with keen interest for America's answers.

Many Lack Plumbing

The 10 questions concerning housing now being asked at every one of the nation's 60 million households include three dealing with hot and cold water, toilets and bathtubs or showers.

At every fourth home, additional details will be sought about TV and radio sets, clothes dryers, automobiles and other furnishings.

Even though the United States is a rich nation, Census Bureau experts anticipate a significant percentage of homes will report they lack indoor plumbing.

In the 1950 census, for example, nearly one out of every four dwelling units did not have a flush toilet. This was true of more than 14 million of the almost 42 million units counted at that time.

Electricity Commonplace

The same census showed more than 12 million households did not have either a bathtub or shower.

There is no question but that improvement in housing has been made since 1950, but the Census Bureau believes this is all the more reason for finding out exactly what the situation is now.

Perhaps by 1970, or 1980, officials said it won't be necessary to ask such questions any more.

This year, for instance, the government stopped asking whether each household had electricity, and a kitchen sink. It discovered in the 1950 census that nearly every home had these advantages.

Forget About Cleaning

The next day it was a house cleaning scene," she told United Press International. "The vacuum cleaner was going, but I was sitting in a rocking chair, reading and leaving the cleaning."

"A man told me, 'See, you never should have gotten married. This is where you end up.'"

The others in Grand Central (theater-in-the-round are actor Don Burns, originally of 882 Beach St., Manchester, N.H., and blonde actress Mary Lynn Mason, originally of White Bear Lake, a suburb of Minneapolis.

They take turns or team up putting on the day's show — without rehearsals — from 8 to 9:30 a.m., from noon to 2 p.m., and from 4:30 to 6 p.m. They have week-end off.

"Last Friday I was in a car parked by a no parking sign," Kelly said. "Saturday and Sunday I was replaced by a red-haired dummy."

Watch Breakfast Scene

Burns said one morning the commuters lined up 10 deep to get a look. (Mary Lynn was dressed in a negligee at a breakfast table scene.)

In a scene Thursday, Kelly and Mary Lynn, decked out in "huge" ski boots, black leotards and helmets, played first women on the moon. Faithfully, they kept reading their magazines.

A magazine official said the \$12,000 show might be the last "live" commercial in Grand Central, as well as the first.

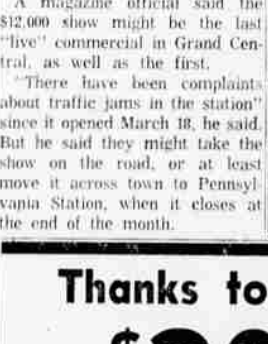
"There have been complaints about traffic jams in the station" since it opened March 18, he said. But he said they might take the show on the road, or at least move it across town to Pennsylvania Station, when it closes at the end of the month.

TO STUDY ATMOSPHERE

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States and Italy will cooperate in rocket studies of the upper atmosphere. The National Aeronautics & Space Administration said Monday it hoped the rockets could be launched next September from a site on the island of Sardinia.

Turkey has had sovereignty over the Dardanelles for about 500 years.

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Presley Dad To Marry

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI) — Vernon Presley, 44-year-old widowed father of singer Elvis Presley, announced Thursday he will marry Mrs. Davada Elliott, pretty blonde divorcee and mother of three.

Presley said Elvis will be best man at the wedding, which will

be "in the very near future." The 31-year-old Mrs. Elliott, knicknamed "Dee," met Presley in Germany in 1958. Mrs. Elliott was there with her ex-husband, an Army sergeant, and Presley moved to Germany when Elvis was stationed there by the Army.

Mrs. Elliott said her sons—Billy, 7, Richard, 6, and David, 4 — "are very happy having Elvis as a brother."

"They think he's wonderful," she said.

AUGUSTA FOR SCRAP

NEW YORK (UPI)—The heavy cruiser Augusta, on which President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill drew up the Atlantic Charter in 1941, arrived here Wednesday from the Philadelphia moth ball fleet to be torn up for scrap.

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