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Letter News

By BILL JENKINS

A letter last week from Bob Cooper up in Juneau, Alaska, with a clipping from the Fairbanks Daily News Miner telling of the retirement from the postal service there of Mrs. Imogene Ives.

Mrs. Ives took the post office in Fairbanks in 1959 after she left the Merrill office. Prior to that she was with the Merrill office.

She now resides with her husband at 234 Church Street in Fairbanks. But she plans to do considerable traveling in the near future to see her children and grandchildren around the country. That tour will probably include a visit to her son Carol Fox here in Klamath Falls.

Bob seems to be having a grand time in his job with the Forest Service up there. He sent along an Alaska calendar of events for 1960 which includes such things as the Spring Festival at Chugiak on May 27-30 and the Spring Music Festival in Sitka at a date to be set later in May. There is also the Beaver Roundup in Dillingham in May, the Midnight Sun Festival in Nome June 26-27 and the Baranof Island Arts and Crafts show also in June.

And don't think Alaska is all ice and snow. There is a Harvest Fair in August to be held at Skagway. September one will see the Matanuska Valley Fair at Palmer. And on New Year's Eve in Cordova they will celebrate the occasion with a masquerade ball. A gay time is promised for all.

Always keeping a keen ear to the wind in matters outdoor we were not surprised to receive a note from the National Campers and Hikers Association the other day urging everyone with a suitable plot of land to go into the camping business.

H. Ellsworth Nathan, national director, says that a boom is coming and now is the time to get in on the ground floor. All you need is a "level, well drained camp site, fireplace, table, running water and sanitary facilities. The latter need not be elaborate."

So it goes. It is also suggested that you will reap a larger harvest if your level, well drained site is situated on a lake or stream, has a view or is in the timber.

That the campers group is hep to the times and aims to keep up with modern progress is proved by another message from the release:

"Future plans should include electric outlets, flush toilets, inside showers with hot water. Improved facilities mean improved revenue. Coin washing machines and drivers soon pay for themselves."

Oh, I want to tell you it's a great thing, this getting back to nature, emulating the sturdy pioneers, living out under the stars and breathing in the wonderful smells of the wilderness. Mingle, that is, with the exhaust from the automatic washing machines and deers and the smog from the shower room.

We might add another improvement. As soon as you have accomplished all that the association says is helpful why not add even more to your program, and presumably income, by putting in modern cottages, a heated swimming pool, tennis courts, a banquet room, bus service to the nearby scenic spots, a merry-go-round, a shooting gallery, a trout casting pool, a dance pavilion, a cracker jack restaurant and several shops to sell "outdoor" clothing and gimcracks made of bark and bearing the label "Pocahontas Park For Fun And Comfort 1960."

Amazing how this outdoor urge hangs on isn't it?

Outboarding

By FLORENCE JENKINS

The Kiekhaefer Corporation, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, is offering a new fact-filled booklet covering all phases of outboard boating for beginners. It is available by writing the firm or at Mercury outboard dealers, without charge.

Traffic rules for outboarding are listed. The Rules of the Road include specific outlines of rights of way when the boat is leaving the dock and when meeting other craft. Signals are listed and identified. Signposts (buoys) are illustrated and explained.

Of considerable interest locally are the seven pointers on pulling water skiers:

1. Check your equipment for smooth, safe operation.
2. Know the skier's hand signals which indicate speeds or stops.
3. Have an observer with you in the boat (this rule is law in

some states).

4. Night skiing is dangerous and many states prohibit this practice.

5. When the skier is preparing for a takeoff, proceed very slowly, taking up the slack in the tow rope. When he calls "Hit it," accelerate, steadily but not too fast, until the skier is up and planing. From a dock start, begin accelerating when there is still 10 feet of slack in the tow rope.

6. When picking up a fallen skier, shut off motor. Unintentional gear engagement will set the propeller in motion, creating a hazard to the skier.

7. To put the tow rope back in the hands of a fallen skier, drive around him in a half circle.

Check the regulations of Oregon's new boating laws: get your state license, numbers for your boat and see that it is equipped with all Coast Guard-required equipment.

New Red Move

By ROBERT MURIEL

LONDON (UPI)—In claiming Mt. Everest for its very own, Red China appears to have entered a new phase of its crusade for Marxism-making a Communist out of the Abominable Snowman.

Of course, the legendary man-beast of the Himalayas—the Yeti, as natives know him—will have to be found before he can be converted. Capitalists have been searching in vain ever since his footprints first were sighted by Western eyes 72 years ago.

The Yeti may not have been Mao Tse-Tung's primary objective when he started the tiny kingdom of Nepal with his demands for Everest and other Himalayan areas. But he could have been one of the things on Peiping's mind.

For Chinese anthropologists, like some Western ones, believe that the Abominable Snowman may exist. And if he does, they think he probably crossed into the Himalayas from China.

Thereby hangs a fascinating scientific tale.

In 1929 Dr. G.H.R. Von Koenigswald of Holland was examining "dragon bones" said for medicinal purposes in a Chinese drug store in Hong Kong. He found among the fossils a huge tooth which must have come from an ape or man-ape of monstrous proportions.

He named the prehistoric possessor of the tooth "Gigantopithecus"—the giant ape—and other scientists estimated that when he stalked the earth about half a million years ago he must have been 12 feet tall.

Chinese anthropologists became intensely interested in Gigantopithecus and one of them, Dr. Pei Weng-Chung of the Chinese Academy of Sciences found more of his teeth—three times the size of human teeth—in Kwangsi Province.

After a study of all the evidence a French expert, Bernard Heuvelmans, offered the theory that the Yeti is a "shy survivor" of these giant primates.

Most people are inclined to regard the Snowman as a scientific fiction figure. But not the Communists. Russia has just secured the Pamir Mountains for months in an unsuccessful search—thus narrowing the bear's possible habitat to almost exactly the area claimed from Nepal by China.

And quite a few Westerners believe "there is something up there"—notably Everest climber Eric Shipton who photographed Yeti footprints and Sir John Hunt, who led the conquest of the world's highest mountain.

Sir Edmund Hillary, who actually climbed the 29,021 foot peak with the Sherpa, Tenzing Norgay, is forming an expedition designed to look for the Abominable

le Snowman in the Everest area in September.

If the Red Chinese don't expatriate him first.

Spending Notions

By SAM DAWSON

AP Business News Analyst
NEW YORK (AP)—Have money, will spend. That's been the consumer's slogan for so long that many businessmen take it for granted it will never change.

And if the money isn't at hand, they now and may later have been the slogan of many consumers at the urging of many industries.

But consumers do change their spending notions now and then. Sometimes the change is the idea of somebody else. Outside forces pour individual incomes, and hence in a measure lower their credit ratings.

Sometimes it's just a feeling that consumers get—a lack of confidence in the future that makes repaying old debts seem better than contracting new ones.

And that is why consumer spending is being watched so closely today. This is a period of leveling off in business. All hands are trying to decide if it's a breather before another rise, or the start of a slide from the peak.

The consumer has a leading role in the center of the stage.

Consumers are still spending as far as can be determined from latest statistics.

Retail trade has remained high—with any hesitancy in recent weeks explainable perhaps by bad weather and the lateness of Easter.

On-the-cuff financing has gone its traditional American way—higher. The total of consumer credit has climbed to record highs. The total of personal debt—installment, charge accounts, mortgages, and so on—has never been greater.

Those who wonder how high this could go for the general health of the economy are usually treated as spoil sports.

Consumers who buy on time argue with reason that otherwise they could enjoy fewer of the things that make American living standards the world's highest.

Those who finance installment buying and those who make the goods that are sold that way point out with reason that this method, in the process of raising living standards, has kept industry expanding and workers on the job.

Finance executives point out that consumers show little interest in the fact that it costs them more in the long run to acquire what they want by consumer loans with their interest charges. They accept the charges as part of the American way of life.

Political Guess
By JAMES MARLOW
Associated Press News Analyst
WASHINGTON (AP)—Find an inexpensive fortune-teller and you'll know as much as the politicians do now about the presidential race.

They're guessing, and they're all mixed up.

Right now the accent is on individuals—the personality and appeal of the would-be presidential candidates. On election day what probably will count most is the mood of the country. The politicians loudly mention that.

In mid-April the pros have no more idea who will get the Democratic nomination than they did in January. Now can they even be sure Vice President Richard M. Nixon will get the Republican nomination although he now has no open opposition.

The presidential primaries have not proved anything—even to the winning or losing candidates.

Sen. John F. Kennedy's win in Wisconsin last week won't count for much if he gets slaughtered May 10 in the West Virginia primary against Sen. Hubert Humphrey. It might be enough to

make Kennedy pick up his marbles.

Politicians seem to give the underdog Humphrey the least chance of getting the nomination at the Democratic convention. He lost to Kennedy in Wisconsin by more than 100,000 votes.

But it was like a shot of adrenaline. Humphrey immediately began rocketing around West Virginia in anticipation of May 10.

Nixon, unopposed so far for the Republican nomination, finished third behind Kennedy and Humphrey in Wisconsin in total votes. He has been slipping in the polls. He can't stand too much of that.

Maybe it's because he hasn't said much all year. In turn, maybe that's because he didn't think he had to, since he looked like a cinch for the nomination.

Nixon is like a man in a political corset, faced tight. For seven years he has been President Eisenhower's shadow, and so far as the public knows his yes-man. At least, they have had no public differences.

But, since there is only one Eisenhower, Nixon can't run on his record alone. Before the general can in 1962 he was a proven military leader, a popular hero, and a recognized apostle of good will.

His was a "papa-knows-best" vote, two times in a row. He not only gave the country two conservative administrations, he did more. By his "let-be-calm" attitude he gave the country a chance to catch its breath.

But Nixon, although he has the advantage of being Eisenhower's choice, is neither a popular hero nor a father image. He still has to convince people he should be trusted in the presidency.

This means that he must appeal not only to the conservative Republicans who are his main support, but also to Democrats and independents, without whose vote he can not win at all.

This is where the corset squeezes. He can not get as liberal as the Democrats. They have said that corner staked out. Besides, it would be too sudden a switch for him to be convincing.

The Almanac
By United Press International
Today is Monday, April 11, the 102nd day of the year, with 264 more in 1960.

The moon is full.

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

On this day in history:

In 1814, Napoleon decided to abdicate the French throne.

In 1862, Charles Evans Hughes, 11th chief justice of the U.S. and secretary of state for President Harding, was born.

In 1865, President Lincoln made his last public speech on his preliminary plans for reconstruction.

In 1947, for the first time in baseball history, a Negro played with a major league team. The player: Jackie Robinson; the team: The Brooklyn Dodgers.

In 1951, President Truman received Gen. Douglas MacArthur of his command in the Far East.

A thought for today: Napoleon Bonaparte said: "From the sublime to the ridiculous is but a step."

Quotes

By United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO — J. Miller Leavy, who prosecuted Caryl Chessman, denying charges by Chessman's lawyer that the convict — author was deliberately framed and that the state knows the identity of the real "red light bandit."

"He (Chessman's attorney, George T. Davis) is flying high and had better get down to solid ground before he finds himself hauled before the state bar on matter of ethics."

DEATH VALLEY, Calif. (UPI)—Amateur rockhound Paul Nett, of Long Beach, Calif., offering to prove his charge that a jet plane strated his station wagon while he and another man were prospecting.

"I'll take them (military authorities) out there — if they'll provide the metal detector — and dig out the fragments."

HOLLYWOOD — Mrs. Florence Andland, after her daughter Beverly Andland was placed in juvenile hall following the gunshot death of Beverly's 21-year-old admirer, actor William Shatner.

"I don't see why they would want to take my baby away from me. I've been a good mother all the time. I've kept a strict eye on Beverly."

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Zoo Superintendent Raymond Gray, reporting that he fed beer to a 35-pound bluehead catfish named "Rip" in hopes of making the catfish eat.

"Rip's eating now. Not as good as we'd want him to, but he's eating."

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



No Hair, Phone Nor Clothing; Now, No Wife

LOS ANGELES (AP)—What happens when a husband shaves his pretty wife's head, takes away most of her clothes, locks her in their apartment and shuts off the telephone?

She divorces him, that's what.

Doris Oliver, 25, did, anyway. The blonde model testified Friday in court that she was married to a man with no hair, no clothing and no telephone.

They were married in 1951 and separated after the shaving incident last August.



MERRILL SOPHOMORE Diane Walker is shown with her escort, Larry Chance, after she was crowned queen of the recent school carnival. Runnerup for queen was eighth grader Betty Chapman. LaRae Raines of Klamath Falls won the musical teddy bear given as a prize. Diane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker.

Mark Scores Morse Vote

PORTLAND (AP)—Republican Gov. Mark Hatfield of Oregon said on the televised New York forum taped two weeks ago and presented here Sunday the voting record of Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore) "has a tendency to reverse itself."

Hatfield said the Morse record tended to reverse "depending upon what issue is involved or at what point in his career you evaluate."

The governor denied he was part of a 1956 movement to replace Richard Nixon as the GOP vice-presidential candidate. He said he offered a plan in 1955 whereby Nixon would become "an ambassador at large" to build good will and Paul Hoffman would be Eisenhower's running mate.

Hatfield also said he wants to serve two terms as governor to carry through his program and he opposed recognition of Red China "as not feasible, not moral at this time."

Morse Backs Fill Program

UMATILLA, Ore. (AP)—Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore) told a Chamber of Commerce meeting here Sunday he is solidly behind the community's efforts to have a fill instead of a levee to protect it from floods.

"It will make a great deal of difference to this community," Morse said of the 82-acre fill community leaders propose. One or the other is necessary because the John Day Dam pool on the Columbia will back up in Umatilla.

The Army Engineers proposed the levee because it would cost only \$1,005,000 while the fill would cost \$2,553,000.

The local Chamber of Commerce contended the fill would more than pay for itself. It would provide a waterfront industrial site to attract industry to the area, they argued.

Morse said he had introduced the necessary legislation in Congress for the fill, but he said it was in the Armed Services Committee. He said the chances of getting it passed this session are slim.

Morse said Congress was left with a big backlog after the lengthy fight for a civil rights bill. He predicted only 20 per cent of pending legislation would be passed this session.

The Umatilla citizens also want the fill for industry because, they said, it will offset a drop of more than one million dollars in the assessed valuation of land in the county. This came when the federal government acquired land for McNary Dam, just upstream from here.

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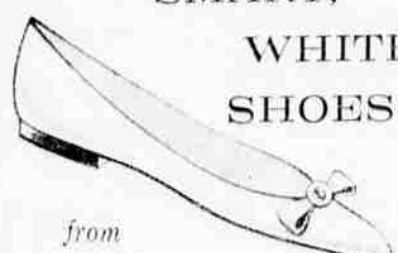
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Not In Distress

BONNEVILLE (AP)—A light flashed on a mountainside trail above Multnomah Falls near here. A boat crew spotted it, and alerted a mountain rescue. The light, feared a distress signal, turned out to be that of a group of campers out for a Saturday night under the stars. Nobody was in distress.

341 IS HIS NUMBER
BANGOR, Maine (AP)—There's something symbolic in the assignment of M.Sgt. Albert E. Martel to the 341st Air Refueling Squadron at Dow Air Force Base. As a radioman-gunner in World War II, he flew from England in a B-17 bomber that was number 341. It was hit by flak on a mission, but managed to land. The crew dug out the shell remnant and found it bore the number 341.

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