

**THE CACTUS FLAT CATAMOUNT**

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**GLORIOUS FOURTH TO BE CELEBRATED**

The committee on arrangements for the spectacular and pyrotechnical celebration to be held in Hog-Eye Haines' sylvan horse pasture on the Fourth of July has everything in readiness for that most gala of gala occasions. Constable Twist Newton will be marshal of the day and the fore part of the night, and Officer Twist and his posse of intrepid deputies will be on-hand to keep the crowd back from the race track and the lemonade barrel. The Cactus Flat Silver Cronet Band will dispense patriotic music that has survived the onslaughts of time and civilization. Professor Flyleaf Adkins will read the Declaration of Independence in a voice of sonorous power, while Miss Goldie Boone will sing "Hail to the Chief, the Gang's All Here," and will also be prepared to respond to an encore of applause from the enraptured patriots who will throng together in unison on that unimpeachable day.

The Catamount urges that every law-abiding citizen and resident of the Sagebrush Belt be on hand that day to help celebrate the glorious and hilarious Fourth. Lemonade will be dispensed free, cooled with ice. We should feel it our imperishable duty to fill the air with skyrocket and cannon balls and in other ways to render mute testimony to the brave boys of '76 who freed our fair land from the velp of the tyrant and the iron heel of the octopus. It was on this day that Patrick Henry stood on the banks of the Wabash and shouted: "A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!" It was on this day that the father of his country swam the Delaware and dispersed the rebel foe that hovered in his wake. It was on this day that John Hancock made a noble and stupendous effort to glom the front page with his gothic signature. It was on this day that Old Ironside steamed into

Mobile Bay and waited for the Robert E. Lee. It was on this day that high taxes became a national menace instead of a foreign curse. It was on this day that Kid Liberty dolled up in its swaddling clothes and stalked forth to break its lance on the brazen helmets of Restriction and Suppression. There will also be a baseball game between the Cactus Flat Invincibles and the Whiskey Slide Imperators. It was on this day that the American Eagle was born. Fried chicken will be served by the Methodist ladies near the eighteenth hole of the golf course. Two-bits per plate. It was on this day that the embattled farmers charged into cannon's mouth and dumped a whole shipload of tea into the briny ocean. Ice cream will be served at ten cents per dish in the pavilion. It was on this day that the Indian war whoop and the college yell became brothers. Dancing will be held in the evening under the auspices of Mescal Bill and his intrepid fiddle. It was on this day that E. Pluribus Unum emblazoned his name on the coin of a new nation. Bearcat Boone's black hoss will race Wampus Pete's sorrel filly for a purse of ten dollars and a plug of tobacco.

Let us all celebrate to the call to arms. Let us celebrate in unison admittum. Let us ring the welkin and sound the tocsin. Let us whoop'er up as she has never before been whooped. The Honorable Wadleigh Porter will also deliver a patriotic address to all those who care to listen.

**Shrubs For Sale**

I have lots of ornamental plants on my ranch for sale cheap. Greasewood plant, sagebrush plant, bear grass plant and jimson weed plant. Miss Lena Shanks, Florist and Shrubbiest. Also tatting done.

**Social News**

Alf Stude overestimated his capacity Saturday night and was taken home in a comatose condition.

Burglars entered the office of the Devil's Den Developer Saturday night and looted the safe of two aquinas and twenty cents, which is considered quite a big haul in newspaper circles.

**Local News**

Cliff Gilmore rose to great heights Friday morning when an oil stove exploded.

Jeff Jones, an aviator in the world war, was forced to land in a hayfield Tuesday, when he was thrown by a mule.

The first rodeo of the season was held Tuesday when the Hopkins boy was bucked off into a cactus patch by a yearling calf.

"Confronted by the Yellow Peril, the Red Menace, the Blue Farmer, the Green-Eyed Liquor Monster, the Brown Nicaraguan and the Drab Outlook, President Coolidge is contemplating a trip from the White House to the Black Hills for a much needed rest," said Old Quib Skills today.

The Honorable Roscoe Spilvens, who has served a term and a half as congressman, has resigned and will seek useful employment.

Tobe Elkins, who recently finished a four-year course in landscape gardening in an eastern college, has accepted a position to grub roots for Ebenezer Squiffs. A class in draw poker for the

elementary grades has been established in the Cactus Flat school.

Professor Windstorm Brown, who teaches in an eastern college and came to Cactus Flat to lecture on "The Future of America," had to cancel his engagement on account of a lack of attendance, as there was a man in town on the same night who could play a tune on a saw.

"President Coolidge is also advised that there is a town in California named Tranquillity, if he is still looking for a nice, quiet place to spend his vacation," said Old Quib Skills today.

**WHERE THE WEST BEGINS**

(By Wampus Pete, Silver Penned Poet of the Sierras)

Out where the farmer puts in a crop

For the jackrabbits brood and the old grass-hop;

Where the rains never start and the floods never stop—

That's where the west begins. Out where the farmer is the nation's goat,

Where his worldly rights are waived by note,

And the statesman plays for the farmer's vote—

That's where the west begins.

**New Summer Styles**

Mescal Bill, who puts in his time during the fall and winter trapping skunks on Roaring River, and who migrates to his summer shack in Cactus Flat when the fur begins to slip, has announced the summer styles for gentlemen. A shirt of doubtful color with amber streaks down the front, unbuttoned at the neck and with sleeves rolled up, will be worn by him augmented with the hat which he bought at the second hand store in the county seat a few years ago, and most any kind of pants he can get hold of, tucked into boots that reach halfway to the knee. The pants will be held daintily into place with a belt fashioned out of an old hame-strap. Socks will be worn on Sundays and to all dances. Next Winter will find radical changes in the matter of dress, says Mescal. Shirts will be buttoned tightly at the throat and a chic redbandana handkerchief will be tied in graceful folds about the neck.

**The Weed Nuisance**

The fair streets of Cactus Flat are again overrun by weeds, just as they were last summer and the summer before last and all the summers that have come and went since Heck was a pup. Is this nuisance to continue forever? Is this blot going to blight our fair young village until Gable sounds his horn? Is this shining spot in the glorious country conceived by Washington, preserved by Lincoln and pickled by Heinz going to remain an eyesore to tourist with pockets full of money who happen to get on the wrong road occasionally? Have we no civic pride? Have we no community spirit, no taste for art, no desire to make our beautiful city a city beautiful. Is it more honorable for our mayor to sit on a dry goods box and whittle on a pine stick than it is for him to take a hoe and whittle down a few onerous weeds that are forever flaunting their virtues in our faces? The time to act is upon us. It has been upon us for some weeks. Let us girt up our lions and saunter forth to battle. Yea, let us go forth and slay the armies of encroaching weeds even as Sandow slew the Phillistines.

Postno Bills, public weightmaster scaled the heights of ambition Tuesday.

**"Inside" Information**

A slight scorch may frequently be remedied if moistened and hung in the sun to bleach.

When pancakes stick to an aluminum griddle it may be because the recipe does not include enough fat. Add a little more and the trouble may be corrected.

Cranky prejudices about certain foods increase the burden of the mother who must plan the meals. Train the children to like and eat all good wholesome foods.

Any true mayonnaise, made with egg, oil, acid and seasonings will keep as long as a week in a refrigerator. It's a good idea to make up a sufficient quantity to last a week.

Learn how many servings can be expected from each kind of food you buy, and you will go a long way toward economical management of the food supply. Buy by weight or number when you can.

When steaming a pudding in a coffee can, the lid must be securely fastened on, but if a small hole is pierced in the top to let the steam escape there will be less need of tying the lids on and the pudding will not become too moist.

Oregon will have more fish and game this year than for years past.

**SKAGGS SAFEWAY STORES**

*Distribution Without Waste*

**Playtime is Here**



Vacation days are with us and one of the nicest ways to spend them is out on the long trail, touring from one section of the country to the other. With your car and a camp outfit you can go anywhere you please, stay as long as you like and come back when you get ready. You are under no limitations except those you choose to impose upon yourself. For such trips the Safeway Man is prepared to supply you with a suitable variety of wholesome foods at a comparatively small cost. He is trained in packing your purchases in the safest and most convenient manner and he is competent to advise with you in making your selections. The savings he offers will help a lot in paying the expenses of your trip.

**Opportunities to Economize**  
Friday, Saturday and Monday

**Tea**  
Skaggs Green (Japan) tea is a deliciously refreshing beverage at this season. Contains only the finest selected, uncolored leaf, packed under our own supervision. We vouch for the quality, if you don't like it bring it back. Note the saving prices.

1 lb. pkg.	57c
2 lb. pkg.	29c

**Sugar**  
The present market on sugar is very firm with a strong probability that it will go still higher. Wholesalers' price is \$6.65 per hundred pounds. We foresaw this rise and protected our customers by making a huge purchase while the price was low—just another illustration regularly performs Pure Cane granulated.

100 LB. SC.	\$6.39
10 LBS.	65c

**Carnation Mush**  
Wheat flakes. An ideal summer breakfast food. Large package  
Each . . . 27c

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We bake our own bread in a fine sanitary plant under the supervision of experts. Only the finest ingredients are used and there is no better loaf baked. Try it once and you will want it always. White or "Health" bread—full 24-oz. (1 1/2-lb.) loaf. No limit—buy all you want.

<b>Pineapple</b> Standard broken sliced, medium heavy syrup. 2 cans ..... 39c	<b>Flg Bars</b> Fresh stock. Very healthy food for the children. 2 lbs. .... 29c
<b>Cheese</b> Oregon full cream. Lb. . . 29c	<b>Tuna</b> White Star brand.—Light meat; excellent quality. 2 cans ..... 35c
<b>Paste</b> Spaghetti or Macaroni. Buy it in bulk. 2 lbs. .... 25c	<b>Sardines</b> 15 oz. oval cans. Guaranteed quality 3 cans ..... 29c
	<b>Mustard</b> Heinz Prepared. Large bottle 2 for ..... 25c
	<b>Catsup</b> Redwood brand.—Made from firm, ripe tomatoes. 14-oz. bottle. Each 16c

**Wonderful Savings At Our Market**

<b>Fancy Sirloln</b> and T-Bone Steaks, From Baby Beef. Delicious PER lb. .... 25c	<b>Bacon Squares</b> 1 lb. to 3 lb. Lean PER lb. .... 19c
<b>Bacon Backs</b> These are skinned and sugar cured; no waste. PER lb. .... 29c	<b>Pure Lard</b> At this very low price 8 lbs. .... \$1.25 2 lbs. .... 32c

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A BLOOD TONIC  
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