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KALLI-KOOLI'S WOOING

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

In his lodge sat Kalli-Kooli, Sat and smoked a Pittsburgh stogie Sat and smoked and heard in silence All the voices of the forest; Heard the sighing of the pine trees, Heard the chatter of the bluejays, Heard the Great Bear of the Mountains Whooping loudly, "Ride 'Em Cowboy!" By his side in stoic silence Sat the Ancient Arrow-Maker, Sat and listened to the murmurs Of the Five Winds of the Prairies, That blow tidings, sometimes pleasant, Sometimes filled with Wrath and Anger. Kalli-Kooli broke the silence: "Tell me, Patriarch of Phophets, Tell me Ancient Arrow-Maker, Of the dope the Five Winds whisper." Then the Ancient Arrow-Maker, Scarred and slashed with many battles, Rose and spoke in accents thusty: "On the East Wind I hear voices, Voices that betoke contentment With the many things that now are; And the North Wind and the South Wind Say that we are sitting pretty." Kalli-Kooli then retorted: "Can the chatter of the East Wind Likewise ditto with the North Wind; Rave not of the Solid South Wind; Tell me of the Middle West Wind; Break the news and break it gently. Tell me what the winds are fetching From the lands of the Dacotahs, From the prairies of Nebraska, And from all the Farming Region, Up to and including Kansas." "That," the Arrow-Maker answered Is an equine that I know not, And of quite another color. Though I hear discordant voices, Still I cannot say what's coming. Though the tribes in those rare places Have their faces striped with war paint, They have not yet voiced the war-whoop. Many arrows fill their quivers, Many bows are strung with venom. Wait until they see you coming, Till they get you in the open, Till your eyes the whites are showing."

ANOTHER LIE, NAILED

The Catamount has concluded an exhaustive investigation concerning that story about the man from Yuma for his overcoat. The lie was manufactured out of the whole cloth and has no foundation in fact. Besides which it is untrue and malitens our western heat in an unfair and unscrupulous manner. Yuma never had a case of that sort. The incident happened in Bakersfield, California, and was stolen

outright by the Yuma Chamber of Commerce for publicity purposes.

Bearcat Boone's pet rattlesnake has been operated upon for tonsillitis.

LOCAL NEWS

Centipede Clark's famous racing hound won the last lap in a bowl of milk today.

Scotty MacPherson suffered a slight stroke of paralysis Sunday when the collection-plate was passed.

Alf Stude took a renewed interest in life Tuesday when a rattlesnake struck at him.

Mrs. Bearcat Boone had the misfortune to break a valuable cement flower urn this week while backing her car out of the garage.

Wild Bill Mullens writes from Chicago that the story of a martyr to a recent political campaign in Chicago being riddled with bullets was grossly distorted, as the body was examined and only fourteen bullet holes were discovered.

By a superhuman effort on the part of the Los Angeles water company, the Owens River was prevented from flooding the valley this year.

Boyle Degg, who expects to go into the movies, had a preliminary tryout before the grand jury Tuesday.

Art Check, who was released from jail a few weeks ago to get married, has asked for a reprieve.

Rattlesnake Ike, who has been imprisoned twice for bootlegging, has come out flat-footed against a third term.

Stokes Cole was badly cut by a barbed wire fence Saturday night while making a hurried exit from a watermelon patch.

Nate Heath writes from Dayton that he was arrested Friday for chewing gum on the streets.

Ellis Poppin, who drew to a royal flush and missed, in the poker game last Saturday night, has offered his piano for sale.

Miss Goldie Boone won the blue ribbon in a bathing beauty contest and will use the material to make a new bathing suit.

The normal flow of Mud Creek was materially decreased Wednesday morning when Stone Bruce filled his radiator.

Harve Hepson, who went to Florida to get in on the ground floor of the boom, writes that he will return to Cactus Flat just as soon as he can save money enough to buy a ticket.

Quite a number of the residents of Cactus Flat and New York were scanning the heavens a few nights ago as the comet approached.

An Eastern scientist, who was in Cactus Flat recently looking for the missing link, got insulted when Alf Stude offered him a sausage.

Cube Root has gone in for art, with plumbing as a side line.

the others suffer loss in milk production.

This man, says Professor Brandt's reply, probably got serious contamination and infection into his herd through purchase of animals or carelessness of neighbors who permitted infected animals to get into contact with some members of the herd. Such carelessness is one of the biggest factors in spread of infectious abortion as it results in infected animals wandering along the highway or getting into a neighboring pasture. Such an occurrence will almost ruin the breeding program of any herd.

It is hoped that when further information is available plans now being worked out by the station will make it possible for the state livestock sanitary officials to improve control and prevent such violent outbreaks of the disease.

Soil scientists from nearly every European country and state in the Union visited the Oregon experi-

ment station and state college recently to inspect instructional methods and facilities for teaching soil lore and to take samples of soils from the station fields while examining state crops and methods of scientific farming. Some 200 were in the party and they expressed keen satisfaction w.a. conditions at the college and with the scientific handling of soils and methods of farming in the parts of the state through which they passed. They took liberal soil samples home with them where they will run them through various tests in the home laboratories and thereby learn much of Oregon conditions.

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

John D. Rockefeller celebrated a recent birthday by giving away another dime. Mescal Bill says John is getting so reckless with money that he can give away a dime without batting an eye.

Bearcat Boone says that if Henry Ford breaks into print again the Chicago Tribune will win that suit yet.

According to the papers Edna Wolf Hopper, the 63 year old flapper, has decided to give some of her ex-husbands another chance to make good and remarried one of them recently.

Cube Root says two hundred thousand dollars worth of wire and equipment have been placed in the Black Hills so that President Coolidge can keep his ear to the ground.

Rattlesnake Ike says that Al Smith, who takes his straight, has come out for light wines and beers.

QUIET WEDDING; ONLY TWO SHOTS FIRED

"I understand you had a quiet wedding up on Roaring River 'other day,'" said Bearcat Boone.

"Well," answered Mescal Bill, "bein' as a jilted lover of the bride got huffy and tuck a couple shots at the groom, an the groom's dad wiped up a good sized stretch of the mountain side with the consulute rival, I would say, off-hand that the wedding was an a, uh comparatively quiet affair."

STONE BRUCE HOUSE NEARS COMPLETION

The beautiful and pretentious two room-without-bath residence which Stone Bruce is building out of a lot of pine slabs that he bought from the saw mill on Roaring River at next to nothing and that on time is nearing completion and will be ready to occupy as soon as the walls are finished and the floor and roof laid and the windows and doors installed. Stone will occupy it with his growing family as soon as it becomes habitable and will rent his other house which is overrun by rats and stray dogs to the first taker.

The new house is modeled after the pioneer style of architecture except that two joints of stovepipe will penetrate the heavens instead of one. The site of the new home is on Jackrabbit Run, where that famous thoroughfare intersects Mussel Slough. The front porch, which is contemplated but not started, commands a wonderful view and the rising sun can be seen in all its golden beauty by anyone who cares to get up that early.

Water will be bucketed into the house from a pump in the back yard. The living room will be connected to the eating room by a door which opens both ways and will not be in danger of complete demolition when the noonday sun starts. Several flowering greewood shrubs will beautify the grounds until Stone gets time to grub them up.

Car Owners Warned Be On Guard for "Gyp" Concerns

Local car owners are strongly warned to be on their guard against fake solicitors of so-called "gyp" motoring organizations who

reap their biggest harvest of motorists' money during the touring season.

The warning was issued by Geo. O. Brandenburg, secretary of the Oregon State Motor association, on the basis of reports from the American Automobile association, with which the local club is affiliated, and which is broadcasting the information that the high pressure salesmen of "gyp" clubs are unusually active throughout the country at the present moment.

"This is the harvest time of the fake solicitor," declared Mr. Brandenburg. "As concrete proof of their seasonal activity, the A.A.A. and its affiliated clubs are receiving daily a heavy quota of letters from people who claim that they have paid our representatives sums varying from \$5.00 to \$32.50 and sometimes more for this, that, or the other service which they were promised, such as membership cards, emblems, maps, signs, tour books, and stating at the same time that the contract was never fulfilled.

"About all we can do in each case is to inform these people that they were apparently the victims of fakery and to call attention to the fact that neither the A.A.A. nor its member clubs collect money in advance for advertising or service services of a similar character."

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Just around the Corner EVEN big-city folks must have their "neighborhood stores"! Most of them would no more think of going down town to fight their way through the crowds in search of a roast for dinner than they would of walking to the factory to get a pair of shoes. City women know that their neighborhood stores can supply them just what they want — and that, in most cases, the service is more alert and friendly. The same thing is true of this "neighborhood". Our merchants—the men whose ads you read in this paper — are in position to furnish your home with the best and most popular brands of goods. Not only can they save you money, but they gladly relieve you of a lot of worry and loss of time. Read the Ads in this Paper and save yourself money by trading at home.

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By F. O. Alexander