

PIPEFULS
By JIM DAY

The public image of the famous Canadian mounted police constable, conditioned largely by Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy, may be modified to some fractional degree, perhaps, by a recent report from one of our "far flung" correspondents, F. M. "Brownie" Brown, who sojourns in the far north of Canada where the Canadian "Mounties" make with cars and planes and motorboats rather than with beautiful bay horses.

They also "make" with "hooch hounds," too, and I have written of this police procedure before. Our own sheriff's department here makes excellent use of police dogs in apprehending and holding various miscreants, a specialized and effective deployment of intelligent dogs.

Hooch Hounds

The Mounties have another specialized use for their own dogs and they are commonly called "hooch hounds."

Brownie has written to me of this before from Canada. In my time in Canada the mounties "mushed" dogs with their sleds for northern travel in the winter, a practice now largely given over to bush planes and their remarkable pilots.

"The 'hooch hound' is a dog trained to 'smell out' stills where illicit liquor is manufactured. This is 'no kidding' as they say. The dogs are actually so used and with their keen olfactory development lead the Canadian police to stills which are seized under the law.

Nimpo Colony

Brownie, who summers at a place called Nimpo, where he and other Bakersfield people have cabins on the beautiful lake there, says the Canadian police have been using their hooch hounds to scent out stills which provide illicit liquor for Indians and such liquor is forbidden to the Indian population. A big "stampede" has been held recently at Anahim and Indians from the surrounding country gathered there and along with them the "Mounties" and their hooch hounds.

Fishing from his own private dock at Nimpo Brownie recently caught a fat 20-inch rainbow trout which he photographed and sent the picture to his son Jerry here.

Sierra Fishing

Back packing a distance of 32 miles, a trio of Bakersfield fishermen, Lee and Harry Hackney and Eldon Fussell, went into the Edison Lake and Kaiser Pass country from Huntington Lake on a trip last week end. They encountered very cold weather, sleet and rain and the fishing was not particularly good though they did catch some nice high altitude trout. Their camp at more than 9,000 feet was cold.

Shafter Spectrum

Just finished going through the Spectrum, which is the first edition of a literary magazine published by students at the Shafter High School. Robert Maxwell is the advisor for the publication and he is to be commended along with his students for the initial production.

I note under the masthead the following editors of the publication: Marilyn Schellenberg, Dorothy Whisler, Audrey Evans, Edward Lopez, Phyllis Moore, Ralph Harvey, Martha Turner, Wayne Bennett, Roger Benischek. To them our congratulations.

Marilyn Schellenberg, in a foreword editorial writes:

"It is the deepest wish of the Spectrum staff, the teachers of this school, and those who have contributed to its contents, that this magazine will encourage others to take a deeper interest in producing better material in greater quantities. The experience of creative writing in almost all forms will be a definite aid to those planning to further their education. As no one, regardless of his future occupation, will be entirely exempt from writing, all can and do benefit from working together to provide higher literary articles for future issues."

Some of the work I liked especially was produced by Susan Ramos, John Hamman, Alan Poznoff, Linda Escalante, Ryan Jeffries, Rebecca Fast.

Here is a sample of facetious verses by Alan Poznoff:

The Corvette

Jack is nimble
And Jack is quick,
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6 Named to City's New Race Board

Three Remaining Appointments to Be Completed by Next Council Meeting

Appointments to the city's Inter-Group Relations Board will be completed at the next meeting of the City Council, July 29.

Mayor Gene Winer and the Council named six of the board's nine members last night. Winer will appoint one more member; Councilman Dick Mossman reported he

has not received confirmation of acceptance from his appointee, an attorney; and the new councilman from the Seventh Ward will name the other member.

Named to the committee are: Coleman Reynolds, by Councilwoman Kathryn Balfanz. Reynolds is with the finance department of an oil company.

Labor Leader

Edgar Watkins, by Councilman Don Doolin. Watkins is a labor leader and highly qualified in this field, Doolin reported.

Rev. Julius Brooks, pastor of the Cain Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church, by Councilman Samuel Del Rucker.

Mrs. Lois Harriman, realtor, by Councilman Bruce Marchbanks.

Mrs. Ben Sill, housewife and former member of the Kern County Grand Jury, by Councilman Richard Stern.

Harry Rubin, downtown Bakersfield businessman, by Mayor Gene Winer.

The Council-adopted resolution that established the board two weeks ago sets forth three main purposes for its organization:

Three Objectives

1. To advise the Council on problems involving local inter-group relations.
2. To encourage and, or, sponsor educational activities which tend to promote inter-racial, in-

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Council Asked to Study Needs for New Park

A committee of city councilmen and county supervisors will be asked to consider the need of a new park in the Southwest Bakersfield area, probably on the site presently occupied by the Kern County Union High School District's farm along Stine Road.

The Bakersfield Planning Commission last night asked the City Council to consider the need of a park in the Southwest area and on the recommendation of Councilman Richard Stern the request will be reviewed by the city-county committee.

Stern suggested the park be built by the county and maintained by the city. He recalled the recent offer of Supervisor Charles Salzer of Bakersfield to request the Board of Supervisors to build a neighborhood park north of 24th

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THEY GIVE A HOOT

3,000 Fans Sing, Clap at Folk Music Program

By PATTY KOKINOS

More than 3,000 enthusiastic folk-singing fans packed the arena of the Civic Auditorium last night for the Bakersfield Recreation Department's second in a series of summer hootenannies.

Master of ceremonies Jay Eisen headed an array of more than 20 group and solo performers who excited the audience to sing along, stamp, clap, shout and call for more.

Everything from Hungarian work songs to Blue Grass ballads rocked the huge arena, with cheers for such popular local performers as the Bastilles, the Town Criers, the City Billies, the Cape-town Singers, the Highlanders, the Ashgrove Singers, Keith and Ken Lively, and a host of others.

Free of charge, the all-folk-song show attracted teenagers, adults, families, men, women, and children and offered enjoyment for everyone. The excellent facilities of the Civic Auditorium were do-

nated to recreation department use by manager Irving Ducoff.

Although the show ran over its scheduled three hours due to hordes of participants, a fast pace was professionally maintained by Eisen, who led the crowd in clap-and-holler sessions of his own.

If the success of last night's hoot can be judged by the numbers who participated much and stayed late, the recreation department can count on being overwhelmed by the turnout of folk music buffs at its next free show, slated for July 29 from 8 to 11 p.m. again in the arena of the Civic Auditorium.

Early signups for performers are now being taken by hoot chairman Vickie Leech at FA 3-3782 and by Leroy Hooge, adult coordinator, at FA 2-9654. If the program must be limited due to lack of time, groups and solos will be allowed to perform on a first-come, first-serve basis.



He thinks he can lick anything that flies, walks, runs or flees along Taft Highway—and so far, Lonesome George has proved it. He is shown with Ray Pesante, who shares a ranch with George in the Old River region.

Meet Lonesome George: Loveable, Loyal, Tricky, Dangerous Goose

By BOB JONES

Old Lonesome George is full of surprises — most of them when you turn your back to him.

Lonesome George shares a home at 1155 Taft Highway, near Old River, with Water Faucet, George's wife and nine children, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pesante, the Pesante children, Martin, 14, and Hedy, 15, and a large flock of Chinese White Geese.

Until last year George had to work for his living, weeding the Pesante cotton fields; but he was retired to live the gay life of a bachelor.

George is lovable, he's a dictator, he's a loyal protector, he's sneaky, and last of all he's a goose — white feathers and all.

To Pesante and his son, Martin, George is a buddy, pal, friendly as good old Water Faucet (Oh yes, that's Pesante's bird dog); but to Pesante's wife, Georgia, and daughter, Hedy, he's a nipping, biting sneak, and to Water Faucet an arch rival and enemy.

A year ago Pesante's entire flock of 100 geese, used to weed his cotton fields, had been killed by insecticides — that is except for one loafer, who disloyally had been weeding in a neighbor's field, thereby escaping the lethal insecticide.

He was adopted as a family pet, and named Lonesome George.

From the beginning it was evident, George was a man's man. Mrs. Pesante reports, "Every time I go into the yard George bites me. I was scared to death of him."

"But then I decided: I live here too, and by gosh no goose is going to rule me."

Oh, George still bites Mrs. Pesante, "But I'm not afraid of him anymore," she explains.

When George gets too aggressive, Mrs. Pesante holds him by the biting end, being careful not to cover the air holes in his beak, and continues her work. "That's when George comes running to me," Pesante said, "or to Martin to complain. When he talks, talks, talks, you know he's gotten the worse of an argument."

Often, when George stretches his neck out low to the ground and charges towards Mrs. Pesante, Walter Faucet steps in between. Until recently, George has pulled up short.

"But last week," Mrs. Pesante said, "George kept coming, jumped on Water Faucet's back and gave him a terrible biting."

Just why Water Faucet didn't retaliate is a mystery, the Pesantes said. Until recently, Water Faucet was the terror of the

flock. "Last year he killed 50 to 75 of our geese," Mrs. Pesante said. "But even then, he did not bother George for some reason."

Fortunately for all concerned, Mrs. Pesante said, Water Faucet has reformed. "But I don't think George should take any chances."

George's idea of real relaxa-

Ranch Closed to Hunters

Kern County Land Co. today prohibited deer hunting on the San Emidio ranch in the Tehachapies.

But company officials said the deer hunting ban will only be temporary.

They said the hunting ban was ordered in an attempt to rebuild the ranch's deer herd.

They said that last season only 16 bucks were taken on the 130,000-acre ranch compared with 279 in 1960.

Trace History

In making the announcement, they outlined the history of the San Emidio hunt. During the first four years, the California Department of Fish and Game administered the hunts, issued permits and patrolled the properties. Last year the Department of Fish and Game discontinued the service.

"For the sake of local hunters," officials said, "KCL decided to operate the hunt on its own in 1962. It was announced at that time that the hunt would be on a test basis and, if successful, it would be continued."

The test was unsuccessful in that the take was small and the lack of permits issued reflected the declining interest of hunters. As the success ratio dropped, the number of San Emidio hunt permits requested and issued also dropped from 1,715 in 1959 to only 491 last year.

Praise Hunters

Justinian Caire, KCL's stocker ranch superintendent, praised local hunters for cooperation in fire prevention, litter control and cattle operations.

Caire also praised the Kern County Fire Department for inspecting vehicles for faulty mufflers, and issuing muffler inspection stickers for vehicles entering San Emidio ranch property.

He said a mounted patrol would enforce the "no hunting" decision to protect the deer herd until it can be re-established.

Defects in Overpass Investigated

Councilmen Told of Hairline Cracks, Addition of Steel Reinforcing Plates

A committee of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grades District commission will investigate the need to reinforce several concrete abutments on the \$2¼ million Beale Avenue overcrossing.

Mayor Gene Winer reported to the City Council last night that he had discussed recent repairs on the 3-year-old structure with the district's attorney, Roland Woodruff.

The mayor's announcement followed the reading of a letter from Supervisor David Fairbairn of the Third District calling the Council's attention to the repairs. In his letter Fairbairn said he inspected the work on the bridge as laborers were taking down scaffolding.

Steel Reinforcing

Hairline cracks in the concrete had been reinforced with steel plates at the end of each abutment and were bound together with 10 heavy steel stress rods. Fairbairn's letter said in part:

"It would appear that in view of the relative newness of the structure that repair or reinforcement work of this nature at this time would indicate a deficiency in the design or original construction of the structure."

The supervisor said the reinforcement was called to his attention as a result of inquiries from some of the residents of his district.

Winer told the Council discussion of the matter would be premature at this time and that it should wait the findings of the grade district committee.

City, County Unaware
Councilman Richard Stern said he inspected the bridge after he see OVERPASS—page 20

Engineer Denies Cracks Indicate Fault in Design

Hairline cracks in two concrete piers of the Beale Avenue overcrossing were termed today by design engineer Ralph Wiese the result of "differential shrinking" between the concrete cap and supporting wall.

Wiese, of Kern Engineering, said it did not reflect any structural failure.

"You can expect to get shrinkage cracking in concrete," he said this morning in response to comments in a letter to the Bakersfield City Council from Kern Supervisor David Fairbairn.

In answer to Fairbairn's comment that the cracks would indicate a deficiency in design or original construction of the new Highway 466 freeway in the future, he added,

California Avenue Will Be Widened

The first of two projects to widen California Avenue between Oak Street and Chester Avenue will begin about Sept. 1, according to Bakersfield Director of Public Works Harold E. Bergen.

The City Council approved plans and specifications for the first project between A Street and Oak Street last night. Estimated cost of the work is \$168,000.

The second phase of widening the street will cost about \$185,000, Bergen reports. This phase will begin as soon as the first project is completed, he added.

California Avenue will be widened to four lanes between A and Oak streets and to six lanes between A Street and Chester Avenue. A median island between the east and west bound traffic lanes will be constructed.

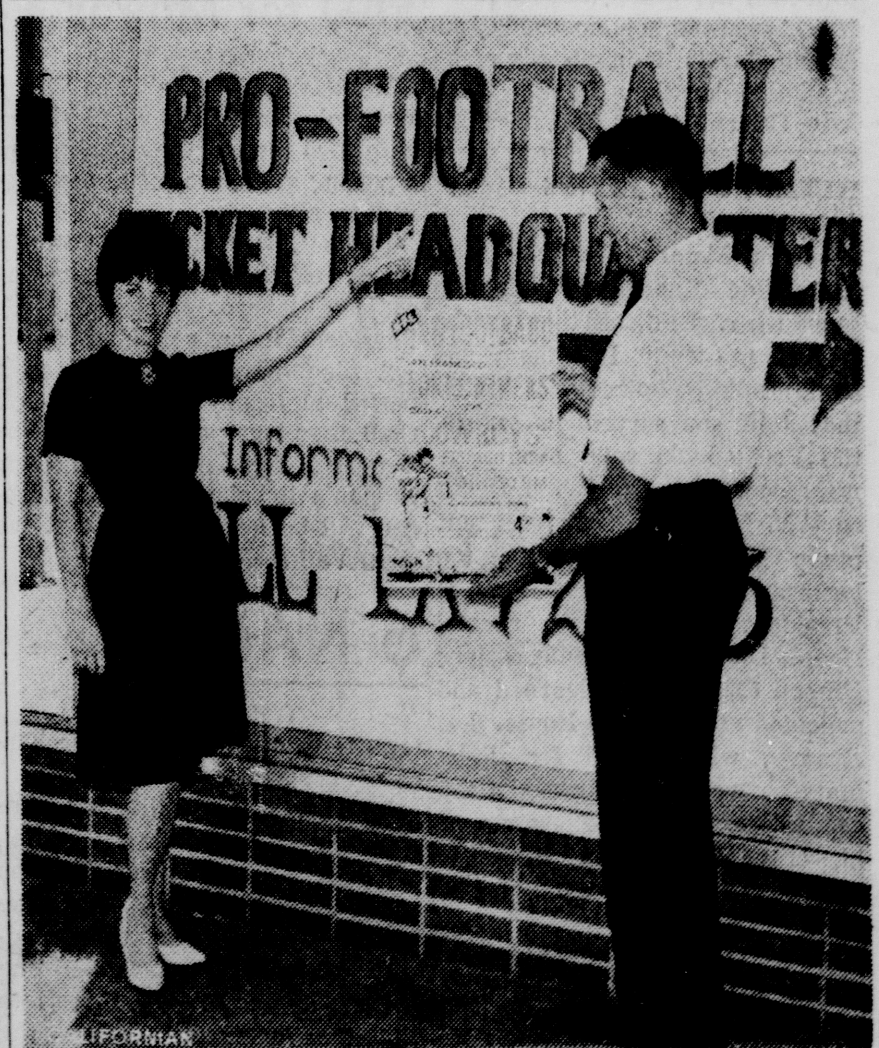
Widening between Oak and A Street will require 7.5 feet of the Santa Fe Railroad property on the north side of the street. The city has sufficient right of way on the south side of the street for the project. Some sidewalks will be relocated on this side of the street and some trees will be removed.

California Avenue will be the main entrance to the Central Bakersfield area from the new Highway 99 freeway west of the city which should open a week from today.

The city will advertise for bids in about a week, Bergen reports.

The public works director says the practical traffic capacity of the street at present, considering peak hours, is about 4,000 cars per day. The usage is about 80 per cent of this figure, he added.

However, Bergen said that state predictions report the street will have a traffic count of 9,240 cars per day by 1980. The state predictions take into account the widening of Brundage Lane and the construction of the new Highway 466 freeway in the future, he added.



Tickets for the First Annual Children's Pro Bowl Game have gone on sale at Pro-Football headquarters at 18th and Chester. Pat Anderson, a ticket committee member, and Art Boehning, Child Guidance Clinic president, urge grid fans to buy their tickets early. Game proceeds will go to the Child Guidance Clinic. Only reserved seats are on sale for the game which pits the San Francisco Forty Niners against the Dallas Cowboys on Aug. 30 in Bakersfield Memorial Stadium.