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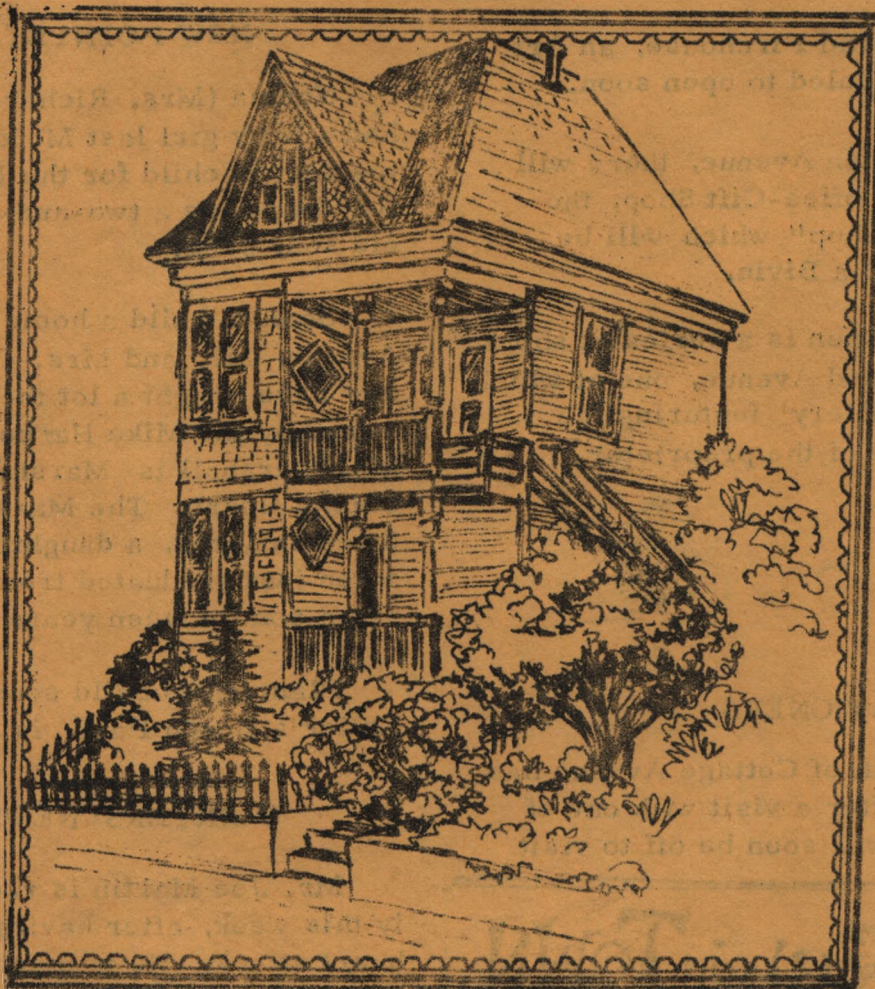
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WHAT'S WHAT on the Point?

OPENING SOON



"The Shop Upstairs" is preparing to open, upstairs in the Old Firehouse. The shop will be run by three charming shopkeepers: Mrs. Hazel Salmi, Mrs. Sally Rush, and Mrs. Marilyn Salmi.

The shop will feature the work of Bay Area Artist-Craftsmen, and Gift Items and Antiques. Watch for an announcement of their Grand Opening!

Also in the Old Firehouse, an Art Gallery is scheduled to open soon.

On Washington Avenue, there will soon be a new Coffee-Gift Shop, the "Ichthus Coffee Shop" which will be operated by Letha Bivin.

Already Open is a series of shops on West Richmond Avenue, one of which is the "Ankh Gallery" featuring the metal sculpture of the proprietor.



VACATIONERS

Vienna Smith of Cottage Avenue has just returned after a visit with one of her sons, and will soon be off to visit

another, in New York.

Alexis Hauser of Casey Drive is home after touring Europe.

Mildred Dornan and daughters interrupted their vacation stay at the Russian River to come home for an emergency dental visit.

Visiting the Hein family (Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hein of Tremont Ave.) is a sixteen year old cousin from New York, Nancy Adams.

NEW POINTERS

Norma (Mrs. Richard) Matteucci, had a baby girl last Monday. This is the second child for the Matteucci family; they have a two-and-a-half year old son, John.

Soon to build a home on Bishop Avenue, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Iverson have bought a lot there, formerly owned by the Mike Harcourt family. Mr. Marshall is Marshall of the County Court. The Marshalls have three children, a daughter in college, a son just graduated from high school, and a son fourteen years of age.

Planning to build soon, across from Keller's Beach Park, is Adena Joy.

POINTERS' NEWS

Mr. Joe Martin is recovering nicely this week, after having had a slight heart attack. He is much better.

Mrs. Maria Mainini is at Brookside Hospital with pneumonia.

Mr. Frank Pearson has retired from Standard Oil, with 15 years of service, and has become employed by Social Security in San Francisco.

Dennis Garrett graduated from High School this summer.

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SEVEN-FOOT MAN-EATER SHARK CAUGHT BY TWO GIRLS HERE.....

FROM the Richmond Independent
August 15, 1914.....

"Two girls, Marguerite Lauritzen and Gladys Pratt, battled for almost an hour yesterday with a 7-foot shark caught off the Lauritzen dock in the inner harbor. The fish was towed around the Point behind the Lauritzen truck.

"The girls noted the shark in the canal waters for several hours and decided to catch it. They secured two large hooks which they spliced to two long poles. They finally hooked one of the hooks in a gill, but the splicing broke. The fish dived out of sight but soon reappeared. Finally the shark was hooked about a foot below its side fin and the battle began. The two girls handled it alone, and finally brought the monster to the wharf. The fish weighed 149 pounds, and was about 10 years old. It was 7 feet 3 inches long. It was a real man-eater, according to Captain Lauritzen."

and on August 13, 1923.....

"A marriage license was issued to Henry Soito and Lucia Bernardi. The marriage took place at St. Pauls Catholic church in San Pablo."

"MISS STOUT HAS NARROW ESCAPE "

FROM the Richmond Independent,
August 13, 1921

"Miss Mabel Stout, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T.F. Stout of 110 Martina Street, and teacher in Byron, is home for the week end, and is narrating a very narrow escape from serious injury, when the horse she was driving became frightened at an auto, and reared up, plunged one foot into the buggy, striking Miss Stout."



"LOCAL BOYS MAKE GOOD AS RADIO TECHNICIANS

FROM the Pt. Richmond Progress
August 18, 1933

"Bernard Bernes and Charles Henry local boys, have made good with a vengeance in their chosen avocation of Radio technic. As short wave experts, both of the boys have progressed until taking the required examinations a few weeks ago, they approximated 100 per cent, and are now regularly employed by Station KROW.

"Mr. August Bernes, a brother,brought his bride to Point Richmond recently, and the happy couple are now honeymooning in Los Angeles."

6. The OLD PROF

West Side LIBRARY



FUN WITH WORDS

Hello again, pupils. The Old Prof is over-joyed to see so many of you in attendance, your shining faces scrubbed and your beady little eyes reflecting a yearning for learning more of the "propundities" of our glorious language from "little old mind-maker----me!"

Today's discourse will encompass, amongst other things, (as they come to mind) a daft definition or two, and, possibly, a couple of paragraphs puzzlingly pun-filled for your reading pleasure. So, unblock, mentally, folkses, and we'll start with a definition or two. Like So:

- (1.) Toboggan: to haggle over prices.
- (2.) Kosher Restaurant:
A place that specializes in judicious.
- (3.) Liar: Someone who amphibian all the time.
(Note: anyone you sea-lion amphibian, too!)

Incidentally, the udder day I was cinnabar, and iron into a peripatetic olfactory workers. These tour lapin up divine, Holsteins of beer, and announcer two of decider. I said tomb, "U-2 geyser boat aghast!" Twitch dairy plied, "Value sea-weed justice soon gopher the straighten arrow path, but licorice a cross-weave been barren forages. Ennui cantilever a loan. So whine chew bias one ford erode, or avenue ascent despair?"

"Well-water you know!" cry dye. "A fine paradox Yuban! Armageddon outa here!"

I'd had anopheles guise, anyhow. So I left.

**

(The Old Prof will have morphia soon.)

--Robert C. Friend.

MISHMASH AND THE SAUERKRAUT MYSTERY

Juvenile Fiction

Mishmash is a very self-sufficient and almost human dog and this is the story of what happens when his mistress, Miss Patch, the teacher, goes off to Europe on vacation.

Pete Peters is left in charge of looking after her house and lawn. He would like to have taken care of Mishmash too but his mother didn't like dogs so Miss Patch put him in a boarding kennel. Pete considered Mishmash the most interesting dog he had ever known and nothing Mishmash did surprised him. So when Pete hears that lights were seen in Miss Patch's house at night and sees a pillow that has been set out to air and finds empty sauerkraut cans buried in the yard, he assumes that Mishmash has broken out of the kennel and set up housekeeping for himself. With Mishmash involved in so many mysterious happenings, Pete doesn't have much time to think about his new friend Jules Ivar who left for summer camp soon after they met but not before Pete copied his twisted smile and bobby-type hat. As it turns out Mishmash is not entirely responsible for the mischief that went on during Miss Patch's absence and Jules Ivar's mother is surprised to receive a postcard from the camp counselor regretting that Jules could not make it to camp that year.

If you would like to know how this funny and mysterious story ends, boys and girls, come into the library and ask for the book.

** Anne Iwamoto

(Story Hour at the Library is 11:00 a.m. on Saturday mornings!)

MUSIC

"ONCE MORE TO SOOTHE THE SAVAGE"

The Straw Hat Lemonade-Concert Revue provides an evening of relaxation and entertainment and laughter, as their musical parodies are presented in rapid progression.

San Anselmo may be farther away than your local theatre, but if you're trying to find variety in your entertainment schedule, the Festival Theatre at San Anselmo is the place to go. The Straw Hat Revue has provided entertainment for audiences for twenty years, and their tradition for light-hearted fun with music is continuing. The Revues are presented on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8:30, and Sunday nights at 7:30. If you wish more information about how to find the Festival Theatre, call June Hein, 235-9843.

IT'S TIME FOR SHAKEY AGAIN

The Marin Shakespeare Festival is in progress once again, and will be thru September 23. Among the plays this year will be "King Lear," and "Twelfth Night." Tickets for reserved seats are \$2.80, non-reserved are \$2.00. Children under twelve will be admitted for half-price. The plays are held on the grounds of the Dominican College. For more information, call 456-1490, and for reservations, send your request to the Marin Shakespeare Festival, P.O. Box 2306, San Rafael, 94902.

And, as long as you're on the other side of the Bay, one of our readers has suggested for dining, the Gibson House in Bolinas, recently opened, and serving delicious French cuisine. The restaurant is decorated beautifully in a Victorian manner, and pictures, glass, and other decorative items are for sale.

7.

WHO'S WHO ON THE POINT

by Julie Davis

Mary Casey, born in Australia, came to Point Richmond from San Francisco in 1905. She attended the Standard Avenue School, and Richmond High School. Her father opened a paper agency in the Point, and delivered Bay Area and Richmond papers to its citizens. A retired City of Richmond Public Works employee, Miss Casey is active in Richmond Civic affairs. She is a member of the Point Richmond Civic Group, the Young Ladies Institute, and the West Side Improvement Club.

One of the most active, energetic ladies in the Point, Miss Casey traveled alone around the world. She was gone for seven months, three of which she spent in Australia. The trip took place in 1963.

Because Mary Casey enjoys life, and the Point---and has for so many years, Point Counterpoint enjoys introducing you to her as "citizen of the week."


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CIVIC NEWS

TO BAT FOR --OR AT-- BART

The Board of Directors of the Bay Area Transit District met Thursday morning to discuss current problems facing the district. Perhaps the most important problem of interest to Point Richmond residents is the fact that the BART representatives have indicated that plans for the proposed station in Richmond have been abandoned. The citizens of Richmond should make themselves aware of the situation and then make themselves heard to the BART representatives.

The City of Richmond is the only city that has a redevelopment plan which is integrated with the BART plans. The total redevelopment area in Richmond was planned with an eye toward the BART station which had been promised Richmond's voters when the bond issue was placed before the voters in 1963. Richmond's redevelopment is in the execution stage, not in the preliminary planning stages. Over \$3,000,000.00 has been spent in acquiring property in the redevelopment area. One parcel of this property has been re-sold with the current owner looking toward the BART station as a prime reason for his investment. Should the promised BART station not materialize, further sale of properties by the Redevelopment Agency would be hampered. BART representatives informed the public during the time that the BART Bond Issue was being presented that the Richmond-Hayward line would be completed as part of stage one of the development of the district.

Richmond Mayor Stanley Grydyk has stated that the City may request that the courts place a temporary restraining order against BART so that additional monies may not be spent until after the current situation is solved.

The citizens of Richmond are currently being taxed according to the promises of BART that were made during the



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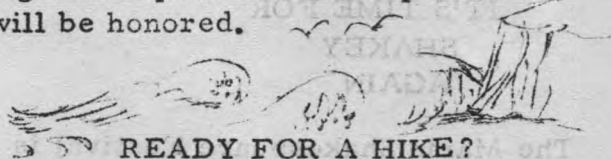
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time of the bond issue. We have the right to expect that these promises will be honored.



READY FOR A HIKE?

Bear Valley, on the Pt. Reyes National Seashore is a beautiful place to hike. The total walk out is 4 1/2 miles, but not a difficult walk. The hike through beautiful scenery, filled with alders, firs, Bishop pines and redwoods is definitely worth the exercise. The area has the second highest bird count in the nation. At the View Point, you will find a lovely water fall, and down at ocean level is a blow hole, which can be travelled through at low tide. Dogs are allowed on leash.

The Olema Station, on the way to Bear Valley, has a supply of books and pamphlets with information about the area. There is also a booklet about Sir Francis Drake, (who on his arrival, noticed some Indians on the hillside, and greeted them, "'T there, Mates"; and one Indian said, "Well, there