

## Honeypot Ants Living Storage

(Austrialian Press Bureau)

Melbourne, Australia.—There are ants in Central Australia which use the bodies of their fellows as a living storehouse for honey. They are among the many rare and curious specimens just brought back by a well-known naturalist, Charles Barret.

Just ordinary black ants in appearance, they yet have this unique habit of storing honey, surely among the most extraordinary of nature's many queer provisions.

How they choose the fortunate or unfortunate creature which is to spend the rest of his days inert, a mere helpless bag of sweetness, is not known. Seemingly any member of the community is eligible. Once selected, the workers bring to it their daily grains of nectar. The "honey-pots" swallow the nectar but keep it for the general use of the colony. They have two stomachs, a private and a communal one.

When a member wants nourishment it caresses the honey pot with its antennae and the living pantry passes out from its mouth, a drop of the desired food.

As the body swells, the ant takes on the appearance of a shiny deep-toned cherry. Head and thorax remain unaltered, and so the insect looks ludicrously disproportioned. Aborigines call the honey ant "Yarumpa," and eat it alive as a delicacy.

## Held a Shindig In Death Valley

(By The Rambler)

What was designated a "shin-dig" was held by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Arnston, at their desert home—Evelyn, Saturday evening, Aug. 6th. It was a pleasant, moon-light night, and cool breezes wafted music to the dancers on the smooth highway, furnished by the Western Talc, "Side-winder" orchestra. Games were indulged in by those so inclined, while abundant refreshments were served to all present. It was estimated that around 120 to 140 persons were present and enjoyed the hospitality of the Arnstons. It was truly an enjoyable evening of entertainment, extended to friends and acquaintances from all parts of the desert.

### NOBODY KNOWS

Washington is as curious as any part of the country as to whether President Roosevelt will seek a third term, have it forced upon him, or decline the nomination. Undoubtedly he can have it. Even his family, and closest political associates, declare that they have no information concerning the President's future political intentions. They don't even know who else to pick for the New Deal standard-bearer. It seems that in a nation of 130,000,000 people nobody knows but Mr. Roosevelt, what he is thinking about.

The moon, as it would look if only 23 miles from earth, will be one of the spectacular astronomical displays at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition in the \$200,000 University of California scientific exhibit.

## World Fair Man Admires Nevada

An enthusiastic endorsement of Nevada's splendid roads, beautiful scenery, and genuine hospitality has been volunteered by Joel C. Hancock, World's Fair Good Will Courier who visited all key cities in Nevada earlier in the summer as a courier of good will from the New York World's Fair 1939.

Hancock, one of the 49 Couriers chosen from the Field Engineering Staff of United States Rubber Company to represent the Fair, reports that never in over 100,000 miles of driving has he seen finer roads, more beautiful scenery, or received more courteous treatment than in Nevada.

"I'd like to recommend to every person who intends visiting the World's Fair next year that he visit Nevada, either on his way to the Fair or on his way home afterwards," Hancock declared. "Everyone should see this beautiful state."

Hancock also reports that recently released figures on the famous nation-wide Good-Will Tour show that the 49 courier cars, one of which visited every state in the Union and the District of Columbia, traveled a total of 130,022 miles without mishap.

## Exhibitors Now Preparing Stock

With the Nevada State Livestock Show and Elko County Fair only a month off, growers of beef cattle, sheep and horses, not only in Nevada, but in other Far Western states, are getting their animals ready for exhibit.

The show will open September 15, and will continue through September 18. It is under the auspices of the Nevada State Livestock Show board and the Elko County Agricultural Association.

Three outstanding Hereford herds of this area probably will be exhibited at the show, officials of the event have indicated, in the purebred beef department. They are the Herbert Chandler herd in Oregon, the Winterton herd in Utah, and the James Stead herd near Reno.

In the sheep department, which includes the display and sale of range rams, it is expected that number of rams will reach 600, as at previous shows, and all of them will be sold at private treaty.

One of the features of the show are the 4-H Club exhibits of beef steers, and the outlook this year is for keen competition in these animals raised by the farm boys and girls.

About 100 head of ranch horses will be placed on exhibit, raced, taught to jump over hurdles, and compete in saddle horse and polo contests. Many of these horses are sold to the government for army use, while private buyers purchase them as polo and saddle animals.

Criminals caught anywhere in the seven San Francisco Bay area counties during the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition will be paraded each hour in a "line-up" on Treasure Island, site of the World's Fair, as one of the measures to protect millions of visitors.

## Light Comfort In Streamliner

The utmost in riding comfort, the latest advancements in air-conditioning, the highest speeds over the smoothest roadbeds, the finest cuisine and service on wheels—all these accommodations, and many more, long familiar to patrons of Union Pacific streamlined trains, may become almost secondary when the Union Pacific Railroad within a few days introduces "light comfort" for the first time in the world in a railroad car, W. M. Jeffers, president of the Union Pacific Railroad, announced.

Individual "light-comfort" has been built in "The Copper King," a sensationally new observation car just completed in the Union Pacific shops in Omaha, and this car will be added this month to the streamliner "City of Los Angeles."

This individual passenger "light-comfort" was accomplished, Mr. Jeffers revealed, through installation of 29 Polaroid circular windows in "The Copper King," thirteen on either side and three in the slightly circular car end. These Polaroid discs, 27 inches in diameter, are the largest of their kind in the world—largest by nearly three times, Mr. Jeffers pointed out.

Explaining further, Mr. Jeffers said each window of "The Copper King" consists of two Polaroid discs, one over the other, mounted in such a way that the outside disc is stationary, while the inside disc can be revolved by turning a handle.

"These are the first variable density windows of any kind in the world, developed specifically for the Union Pacific," continued Mr. Jeffers, "and they will provide individual 'light-comfort' for passengers."

### MEMBERS CALLED TO LODGE IN A NOVEL MANNER

Beaumont, Texas, Lodge No. 286. A. F. & A. M., recently celebrated its 72nd anniversary with a homecoming. The lodge attempted to bring as many as possible of its out-of-town and out-of-state members back to Beaumont for this occasion. Those who could not return were asked to attend a lodge in the city in which they lived and to have the secretary thereof notify Beaumont lodge.

This old lodge possesses a most unique and cherished keepsake, namely a horn, six and a half feet in length, which was made of heavy tin by Mr. H. A. Perlstein, who, nearly 50 years ago as an officer of the lodge, when Beaumont was but a small town, used to call the members of the lodge to its meetings by giving several blasts on this formidable instrument. He again sounded the horn at the recent celebration.

In April, 1890, the lodge met in a small room over a blacksmith shop and, to gain access, the members were forced to climb a ladder running from the ground to one of the windows. So far as anyone knows, Beaumont lodge is the only one in America whose members were called together by use of a horn. The lodge, which was founded May 26, 1866, at present has a membership of 675.

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