

Yesterday & Today from Pg. 8

Michael Gibson has decided to take a hiatus from the Yesterday and Today feature. He has given permission to recycle previously published photos and captions for your enjoyment.



The old church was torn down in the early 1890s and a home was built on the site. That home was demolished a few years ago and stairs have been removed also. A small portion of the old 18th Street Fire Engine House No. 1 can be seen to the right. It was built in 1883 and served as a fire station until 1980. 18th Street was the dividing line between Clay and Couler Avenues. The street to the south of 18th was known as Clay and to the north Couler. In the early 1920s both street names were changed simply to Central Avenue. (Photo by Bill Beutin)



DUBUQUE FIRE
Derek Paulson, Assistant Fire Marshal

Have you ever just stopped and looked around your house, condo, or apartment and looked at all the stuff you have accumulated over the years? From furniture to electronics, clothes to collectibles and everything in between. That stuff wasn't obtained overnight. It took days, weeks, months and maybe even years to acquire everything. When a fire occurs, it can all be gone in a flash. Now ask yourself, how much would it cost to replace all those items. This article will give some tips on how to be prepared in case a fire does occur.

When you become a homeowner or a renter, speak with an insurance agent about getting insurance. Reach out to an insurance agent and look at your options for coverage. Ask questions such as what is all covered, dwelling and contents, dwelling only or contents only? If the fire occurred above, below or next to me, but still affected my living space or contents, am I still covered? Does this policy cover such items as jewelry, collections, or memorabilia or is that a different policy or coverage? If I must relocate for a short- or long-term period, does the

policy cover expenses such as hotels, food, medicine, etc. If you have insurance currently, make sure it is enough to cover what you have.

Also, make a video of the items you have. Walk around your home and video each room and the contents in those rooms. Having this video will help ensure that what you say you have proved you had. After a traumatic event such as a fire, with everything that is going on, we may simply not remember what we all had for items. It is recommended that you update the video on a yearly basis as things change. You can keep that video on your phone, but I would also recommend you send it to a loved one for safekeeping. This ensures that even if your phone is destroyed in a fire, the video is safe.

Lastly, keep valuables in a safe place. Documents, jewelry, and other items that are important should be kept in a fireproof safe. They make safes in many different sizes that will fit the needs that you have.

If you have any questions or would like further information, I can be reached at 563-589-4195 or at Dpaulson@cityofdubuque.org.

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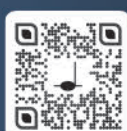
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Memories Passed On (As told to my grandson Maury)

by Jerry Eberhardt (1924-2017)

The Best Of Jerry

originally published
March 2017



Jerry Eberhardt with grandson, Maury Cohn

Maury, Grandpa's baseball team met for another "luncheon reunion" at Alverno. As usual, great and humorous memories owed freely. This caused me to recall an "incident," very funny to everyone at the time, except Grandpa! Later, I confessed, it became one of my funniest baseball memories, but ironically, one I always thought I best not put in writing! Immediately my entire ball club said: "Why not!" They convinced me it would be O.K. So, Maury, here goes...Grandpa will tell you what happened.

Shortly after WWII we played a team from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station two years in a row in Dubuque. Their manager, a Commander McCann, not only invited us to play at their base, but arranged for sleeping quarters there the night before the game, plus the Navy would pay for our transportation costs, a chartered bus to their Chicago area. The Friday morning we left Dubuque, I felt lousy but shrugged it off. By the time our bus arrived at Great Lakes I realized I had a first class case of the "G.I.'s"! (Mom and Dad will explain). I don't recall how many trips to the bathroom (in navy terms "head") I made that night... but there were several!

Switch fast forward, Maury, to the middle of the ball game the next afternoon. A Navy batter hit a "swinging bunt" (a slow roller) that requires coming in from 3rd as fast you can... the kind of close

play where you just do - or don't - get the batter out with your throw to 1st base. The instant I made the throw "everything exploded!" Fortunately, this made the third out of the inning, thanks to a great "pick-up" save by our 1st baseman, Matty!

Desperate, I immediately went over to the Navy bench, which was on the 3rd base side - too embarrassed to tell what happened - and said "I broke my jock strap!" One of the Navy personnel took me on a golf cart to the locker room and gave me my requested item. I'll refrain from any more details other than to say I got out of and back into my uniform with the fastest shower on record in between!

When I returned to our dugout I was informed the game was held up a couple minutes (after three outs were made) because nobody knew what really happened to me. Thankfully, my turn at bat didn't come up while I was gone! Maury, when I finally was able to tell my teammates what happened it broke all records for "mass dugout laughter!"

Much love, Grandpa.

Five Flags from Pg. 1

Anthony Shore: *Elvis in Concert* (theater)
Saturday, March 14, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.

The Muppet Movie Screening
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Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Classics 4
(theater)

Saturday, March 28, 2026 - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 29, 2026 - 2:00 p.m.



To Your Good Health from Pg. 3

sick is the main one. Regular handwashing reduces respiratory illnesses (colds, flu and pneumonia) by about 20%. Handwashing reduces foodborne gastrointestinal illnesses by about 30%.

You also reduce the likelihood of passing on germs to others. People are the most contagious right before symptoms start for most

respiratory diseases. Health care professionals wash their hands (or use hand sanitizer) before and after every patient. It only takes 20 seconds for it to be effective.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Do not protect yourself by a fence, but rather by your friends.

—Czech Proverb

Plant Talk

by Ken Resch



Planting for the Butterflies

Sadly, we have misguided leaders in Washington who continue to dismantle, gut, and ignore the reality of climate change. I feel changes are occurring almost exponentially with world-wide natural disasters happening with more frequency. Yet, what impact might any one individual have on these changes? What might anyone of us do to help save our planet from climatic destruction? I do not fool myself into believing I will stop any of the madness for myself, but I do hope I might impact it enough to save some small piece of the planet for my descendants.

When we moved to Missouri, we chose to purchase the lots on either side of us in order to tend to the resident trees and other flora and fauna. Now, I'm issuing a call to my readers to do the same. No, not buy up vacant lots; rather, care for the butterflies, among our loveliest and most fragile insects. For decades I dealt with the declining number of Monarchs, and now there are hopeful signs of a small rebound in their numbers. After they hit an all-time low in numbers a few years ago, they have been steadily rebounding in numbers and we are hoping that this year's returning migration will be larger still. This month I'd like to spend a little time on simply preparing some of our garden space to attract any number of butterflies that will be passing through.

One can purchase groups of flowers put together specifically for the purpose of attracting butterflies. Eden Brothers Nursery is an excellent place to shop for perennials that will attract a variety of butterflies. If you go to their website at edenbrothers.com you will find an abundance of helpful information. I used their recommendations and below I offer a number of easily obtained perennials one might consider for gardens. Though I'm not going to dwell on the preparation of large areas of the garden, I will say if you are thinking of dedicating a new space in your yard as a butterfly garden and it has not been in use for some time, consider either burning off the dead plant material from last year or using any other means to retard the encroachment of weeds. What you are seeking is a garden space that will not put your new plants into any kind of competitive stress with grass or weeds.

If your budget can afford it, I strongly recommend purchasing plants in at least a quart size if not gallon size containers. Both of these will offer a strong root system and the promise of a plant that will be in bloom the year it is planted. Further, larger plants will adapt more easily and will continue to strengthen their root system as they grow. Perennials in smaller three-inch pots offer a more economical way of developing large spaces, but gardeners must be vigilant in helping such plants grow on and establish themselves the first year.

Following are my personal choices from among the lists I discovered at the Missouri Wildflowers nursery site and have routinely seen in the many garden stores in our community. Among the wildflowers that stand out as my personal favorites and will grow in a more clay-like soil include Butterfly weed, Asters, Coreopsis, Purple Cone Flower, Joe Pye Weed, Bergamot, Goldenrod, and Spiderwort. If one wants to use perennials that are even more butterfly habitat types for average soils and full sun I would add the following to the plants named above: Red Milkweed, Pale Purple Coneflower, Blazing Star, and several grasses such as Prairie Dropseed, and Little Bluestem.

When planting, first and foremost, always put plants in an odd number arrangement. Whether these are annuals along the garden edge, or a planter that sits out on the front porch or our new butterfly garden, always plant in odd numbers. The simplest explanation for this is that odd numbers fool our eyes and we see the various plants blending together rather than as geometric shapes or lines and the end result is simply a pleasing site. I would generally plant in groups of three or five and depending upon the location of your garden be certain that the taller plants such as the Coneflowers are to the back of the garden area and smaller plants such as Spiderwort are more in the front. Prepare the bed with a lot of peat moss and also add a slow-release fertilizer such as Osmocote around the base of each plant at its approximate root spread.

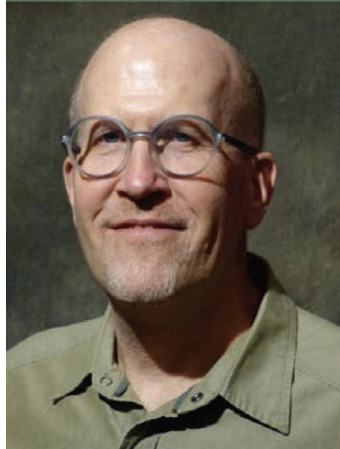
Finally, seek out any number of other varieties of milkweed that are readily available and will grow in our area. Though all of the above perennials are really great attractors for butterflies, the monarch in particular needs to have milkweed plants available because they are the only host plant upon which the monarchs will lay their eggs and caterpillars will feed. So, if you wish to attract monarchs in addition to any number of other butterflies that may

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 20th Century

by Bill Zwack

One of the most enduring sitcoms of the Golden Days of radio was *Our Miss Brooks* — both the writing and talent of this series was exceptional. Everyone remembers Eve Arden as Connie Brooks, English teacher at Madison High. Her landlady was Mrs. Davis (Jane Morgan), (Gale Gordon) as principal, Mr. Conklin, (Gloria McMillan) as Harriet Conklin and to round out the cast is (Leonard Smith) playing the school idiot, Stretch Snodgrass. We can't forget Miss Brooks bashful biologist, Mr. Boynton (Jeff Chandler).

he played two memberable adolescents: Oogie Pringle, Judy's boyfriend on *A Date with Judy* and of course Walter Denton on *Our Miss Brooks*, a role he carried to television. He matured a bit as Bronco Thompson, Marjorie's fiance on *The Great Gildersleeve*. Later in life he played Luke on the Waler Brennan TV show *The Real McCoys*. Even as an adult, Crenna still had the high pitched voice on TV as Walter. It amazes me that all of the performers from the radio series went to TV, with the exception of Jeff Chandler. Robert Rockwell stepped in as Mr. Boynton in the later years on radio and then on TV.

One of my favorite of cast members was Walter Denton (Richard Crenna). Born November 30, 1927, he grew up in the neighborhood of CBS and NBC in Hollywood, he would go behind the CBS fence and steal old radio scripts they had thrown away, "It was my favorite reading for years," he remembered. A leading young performer of the 1940s and 1950s,

Richard Crenna passed away January 30, 2003 of pancreatic cancer. But his adolescent voice will not be silenced. Listen to AM 1370 KDTH's *Big Broadcast* on Sunday nights from 6 to midnight and you will hear one of our favorites *Our Miss Brooks*.

*Far better it is to dare mighty things,
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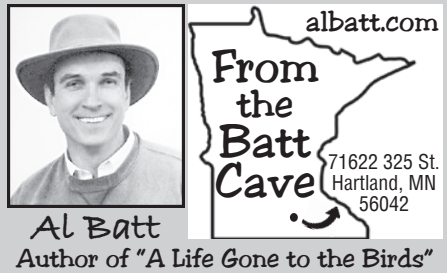
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Down Memory Lane

March 1953 Exerpts From The Pages Of "Dupaco Meating Post" A Newsletter Of The Dubuque Packing Company March 1953

Cutting Floor "Irish" Observe St. Patrick's Day

Members of the Cutting Floor staff who observed St. Patrick's day are represented by the group snapped by our photographer: Standing (left to right): Robert O'Weizorek, Harold McAvernarius, Clarence Hagge, William "Whitey" Powers, Victor O'Shappell and Jake O'Besler. Kneeling: Leonard O'Beauchamp and John McArling.
 (Editors Note: A few "O's and "Mc's were added to convert some of the personnel whose Irish lineage was in question.)



I was sorry to hear about their troubles

I read a newspaper from front to back.

Except for one thing.

When should I read them—before or after I read the funny pages?

I'm referring to the obituaries.

Not all newspapers carry the funnies, which simplifies my decision.

The comics make me laugh, and laughter is the best medicine. I learned early on that laughter is good for the soul, unless I did it during Rocky Bergner's general science class. Then laughter was a capital offense. It was a tightrope act deciding when to laugh at something a teacher said. I wanted to laugh at their jokes, but it was difficult to be certain when they were trying to be funny.

I spoke at a thing where an audience member came up after I'd concluded, shook my hand, and said, "You were hilarious. You meant to be, right?"

I felt like a teacher.

I've given many eulogies and I have learned that laughter and tears spend a lot of time together. A good life is one in which we laugh more than we cry.

You know you are growing up when you read the obituaries. You are all grown up when you take them seriously.

My parents were from Iowa. Once they moved to Minnesota, they continued to subscribe to the Algona newspaper. I enjoyed reading the paper, but I suspect my parents subscribed to monitor who was buying the farm, kicking the bucket, cashing in their chips, biting the dust, shuffling off this mortal coil, or joining the choir invisible in their old stomping grounds.

I read the obituaries regularly. It's in my genes. Each obituary is a history book. Each death is like a library burning to the ground. Information, knowledge, stories and hopes have gone away.

You never know if the deceased believed in reincarnation unless he comes back and tells you, or if he has a takeout menu in his pocket as he lies in the casket.

I come from a long line of obituary readers.

When her grandkids became both rambunctious and raucous,

Grandma turned her hearing aids off. We could tell because the whistling stopped. Grandma had selective hearing. She heard what she wanted to hear. And what she wanted to hear was not a lot of noise produced by her grandchildren.

I remember a sweltering day in her small-town Iowa home, which was completely free of air conditioning. One youngster, who shall remain nameless, threw a temper tantrum, which might have been a temperature tantrum due to the heat. He wanted ice cream. Grandma quickly ran out of patience with "I want." Kids always want things they don't have because it makes no sense to ask for things they already have. Grandma thought too many possessions led to too much dusting. Whining got on her nerves. It wasn't our fault. Grandma left her nerves lying all over the place. It was impossible not to get on them.

Grandma told us to sit down.

When Grandma told us to sit down, we sat down.

Grandma grabbed the Algona newspaper and read the obituaries aloud. She didn't read the obituaries of young people. They were too sad. She had lost a child. She had plenty to read. Grandma's crowd was dropping dead in droves. The deceased whose life stories she described were strangers to me. And they were ancient—some were well into their forties.

I remember thinking, "Does every grandmother read the obituaries to her grandkids?"

But the readings caused us to settle down.

It was difficult to concentrate on being a brat while someone was reading about the one who had passed away, and those who had either survived him or preceded him in death. Good behavior was the norm when hearing an obituary read while an ancient phonograph played Hank Williams singing, "No matter how I struggle and strive. I'll never get out of this world alive," in the background.

Grandma tossed in bits and pieces she knew about the decedents. She turned the obits into extended eulogies. She made them into stories.

That's why I read the obituaries today.

They keep me from throwing tantrums.

Then I read the funny pages. Not every paper carries them, but I find them somewhere.


I need the funnies.

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What we seek from them is pollination. In each case, if one does not get what it needs it will die out. That said, I suggest we do all we can to increase both the butterfly and other insect populations that worldwide pollinate all of our foodstuffs and help to keep us on this planet as well as themselves.

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pass through your garden then consider planting varieties of Milkweed.

In the end, what really matters is to offer our butterfly and insect friends a wide palette of colorful flowers to attract them into our gardens. They all seek the same thing: nectar.



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Most mistakes made by declarer are due more to carelessness than lack of skill. As a case in point, consider today's deal where South got to six hearts and West led a spade.

Declarer won the jack with the king, cashed the ace of trump, then led a low trump to the queen. When West showed out, South realized that the slam was in jeopardy. Although he could get rid of his club loser on one of dummy's spades, he might still lose a diamond trick as well

as a trump trick.

South therefore decided to leave a trump in dummy as he tested the diamonds. At trick four, he led a diamond to the ace and another to dummy's queen, but East ruffed and returned a trump, and South had to go down one.

Had declarer given a bit more thought to the matter after the hearts failed to break, he would have made the contract. Instead of leading a low diamond to the ace at trick four, he should have cashed dummy's queen of diamonds first before leading another diamond from dummy at trick five. This would have left East with no recourse.

If he ruffed, declarer would follow low and later draw East's last trump to wrap up the contract. And if East did not ruff, South would win the diamond with the king, cash the A-Q of spades, discarding a club, and then lead dummy's last diamond.

Again, East would find himself between the proverbial rock and a hard place. If he ruffed, it would be all over; if he did not ruff, declarer would win with the ace and ruff the nine of diamonds in dummy. Whatever East did, South's only loser would be a trump trick.

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Japanese Satsuma Ware Squat Vase

Japanese Satsuma ware is a highly prized style of Japanese pottery that originated in the Satsuma Province, now part of modern-day Kagoshima Prefecture, in southern Kyushu. Known for its intricate designs, rich history, and distinctive creamy, crackled glaze, Satsuma ceramics have captivated collectors around the world. Among the various forms produced, the squat vase is a unique and visually appealing example, embodying both the artistry and technical prowess of Japanese potters.



Satsuma ware traces its origins to the late 16th century, when Korean potters were brought to Japan following the Japanese invasions of Korea (1592-1598). Over the centuries, Satsuma pottery developed distinct characteristics, with early pieces being simple and utilitarian, and later works—especially those produced in the late Edo (1603-1868) and Meiji (1868-1912) periods—featuring elaborate hand-painted decoration and gold embellishments.

Satsuma ware, defined by its broad, rounded body, relatively short neck, and narrow mouth. This form allows for a generous surface area, making it ideal for displaying elaborate painted scenes and motifs. Squat vases are admired for their balanced proportions and tactile presence. The vase pictured here was a recent item from a local Estate cleanout. The Vase sold for \$250.00 and found a home in Carlsbad, California.

The squat vase is a distinctive vessel shape in

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Bake a Cherry Pie With Lattice Crust

Prepare a luscious, mouthwatering cherry pie with lattice crust for a memorable dessert. It might not be cherry season, but when you thaw frozen, pitted, dark sweet cherries for this filling, you'll enjoy a fresh taste of summer in the middle of February! Serve it up warm with a scoop of vanilla ice cream, then have fun telling your kids how the cherry tree found its place in American lore.

CHERRY PIE WITH LATTICE CRUST

- 2 rolled-out rounds of pie dough, such as Pillsbury refrigerated pie crusts from the dairy case of your grocery store
- 5 cups frozen, pitted, dark sweet cherries, thawed and drained
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup sugar (or to taste)
- 1/4 teaspoon lemon juice
- 2 drops almond extract (optional)

Heat oven to 425 F. Press one of the dough rounds into the bottom, up the sides, and beyond the rim of a 9-inch pie dish.

Combine the flour and sugar in a medium bowl. Place the drained cherries in a large bowl. Add the mixture to the cherries and toss gently. Add lemon juice and almond extract, then toss.

It's time to weave the lattice crust. Set remaining pie-crust round on a work surface. Using



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a pizza cutter, cut into 10 even strips, each a half-inch wide. Your kids may wish to use a ruler as a guide.

Place five of the strips evenly spaced out and parallel across the pie. Starting with the first strip, loosely fold every other strip halfway back. Place another long strip perpendicular to the five strips over the middle of the filling. Fold the three strips that you folded halfway back over this cross strip.

Now fold the two strips under the cross strip halfway back. Place a second perpendicular strip crosswise over the pie and turn the folded strips over it like before. Repeat with one more strip. Now do the same for the other half of the pie until the weaving is complete.

Trim and fold the strip ends into the bottom crust and crimp the edges. Bake for 10 minutes, then reduce the heat to 325 F. Continue baking for 40 minutes, until crust is golden and filling is bubbling around the edges.

Cool. Serve with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

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Corned Beef and Cabbage

Ingredients

- 4 medium potatoes, peeled and quartered
- 1 pound carrots, cut into large chunks
- 1 onion, cut into wedges
- 3 cups water
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 (3 pound) corned beef brisket with spice packet, cut in half
- 1 small head cabbage, cut into wedges

Directions

Gather all ingredients. Place potatoes, carrots, and onion into a 5 or 6-quart slow cooker. Combine water, sugar, vinegar, garlic, black pepper, bay leaf, and contents of spice packet in a small bowl; pour over vegetables. Top with beef brisket and cabbage. Cover and cook on Low until beef and vegetables are tender, 8 to 9 hours. Serves 6.

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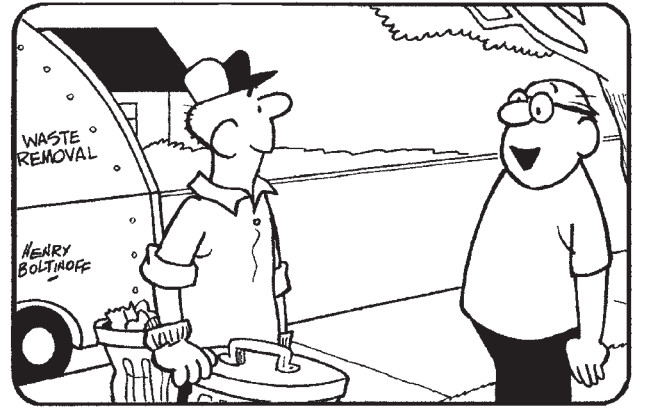
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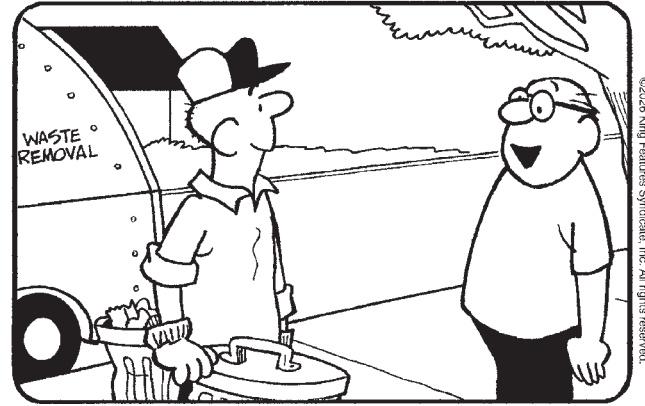
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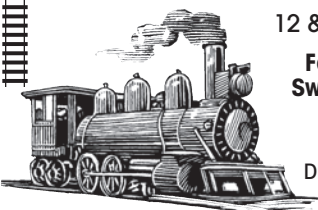
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