

Don't Want Your Children To Smoke— Drop The Habit, Cancer Society Warns

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Parents who don't want their children to smoke had better give up the habit themselves.

This stern and widely-unwelcomed advice comes from the American Cancer Society. More accurately, it stands out in the findings of a survey conducted by the society among high school students.

The survey showed that millions of teenagers are cultivating the cigarette habit, despite all of the medical warnings of recent years that it may contribute to lung cancer or heart disease.

One boy out of five begins smoking by the time he's in the 9th grade. By the senior year of high school, 44 per cent of the boys are smoking. Girls are slightly less likely to smoke, but 29 per cent

of them are lighting up gaspers before they're out of high school.

One-Third Smoke Regularly
Taking all grades and both sexes into account, approximately one-third of our high school youngsters are regular cigarette smokers.

Why do they do it? This question especially interested Dr. Daniel Horn, a Cancer Society scientist who helped to make one of the pioneering studies linking smoking to lung cancer.

Dr. Horn could understand how adults, hooked to the habit, might find endless excuses for not breaking it. But he was appalled by the sight of so many youngsters deliberately developing the same hazardous addiction. Through carefully constructed questions which were asked of all the young peo-

ple in the survey, he sought to determine what motivated them to smoke.

The findings can only be disquieting to any parent who has clung to the notion that he can warn his children off cigarettes, while continuing to use them himself.

The "most important" single influence in determining whether a youngster smokes, Dr. Horn found, is "whether or not his parents smoke."

In statistical terms, a youth is twice as likely to begin smoking in high school if both his parents smoke than he is if neither parent smokes.

Depends On Example

"What is most revealing," says Dr. Horn, "is that if one or both parents have given up smoking, the rate of student smoking drops down to about the same level as among children whose parents have never smoked."

There are a lot more figures of the same general tenor. What they add up to, says Dr. Horn, is that "children's smoking is largely dependent on parental example."

Dr. Horn hopes that this finding may serve as "a powerful tool to the modification of adult smoking behavior."

"Quite apart from the effects of smoking on the health of adults," he says, "the fact that parental smoking is an important factor in teenage smoking poses to each parent the question: 'Do I want my children to smoke?'"

He suspects that some parents, who wouldn't give up cigarettes for their own health's sake, may do so for their children's sake.



CRASH CAUSES DEATHS — Ambulance attendants and California Highway Patrol officers remove passengers from Seattle-bound Greyhound bus near Woodland Sunday after wreck, involving two cars and the bus. Five persons, all in one car, were killed and seven others were injured. Patrolmen said a southbound car, driven by John Reed, 28, Dunnigan, Calif., traveling at an excessive rate of speed, struck the bus head-on, forcing the bus driver to lose control and swerve into a parked car. Officers said all injuries were minor. (UPI Telephoto)

Administration Is Seeking Help From State Governors On Aged Care Compromise

HERSHEY, Pa. (UPI) — The national administration rounded up support among state governors today for a bipartisan compromise version of President Kennedy's program of medical care for the aged.

The Medicare issue was high on the agenda for a breakfast session of Democratic governors before today's opening business session of the 54th annual governors' conference.

The proposal goes before the Senate today.

The Democrats counted drawing support from at least one Republican governor — New York's Nelson A. Rockefeller, who said the compromise is based on principles he has been recommending.

Invitations for the private Democratic meeting went out from Gov. Stephen L. R. McNichols of Colorado. One invitation went to John M. Bailey, who also is Connecticut Democratic chairman, attending the conference as a companion to Gov. John Dempsey of Connecticut.

The governors are meeting in this chocolate manufacturing town and vacation resort in the Allegheny foothills for their annual exchange of ideas and fellowship.

Supporters of the Kennedy medical care plan hoped to put the conference on record with a declaration like one adopted two years ago, calling for financing Medicare under the Social Security system.

As a result of compromise negotiations between Sens. Clinton P. Anderson, D-N.M. and Jacob

K. Javits, R-N.Y., in Washington, the Kennedy backers expected to recruit some Republican supporters led by Rockefeller.

Rockefeller told a news conference Sunday he thought that more than the six Republicans who supported a similar resolution in 1960 would side with him this time. The administration has gone far to meet Rockefeller's objections to the original Kennedy plan.

Since three of the 1960 Republican supporters are no longer in office, it was not clear how the 1962 resolution would command more GOP votes than it did two years ago. However, Gov. Mark Hatfield of Oregon, who voted against the 1960 resolution said he probably would vote for it this year since it allowed aged persons an option to buy private health insurance and provided coverage for persons not under the Social Security system. Those two conditions also were part of Rockefeller's demands.

Rockefeller appeared before the resolutions committee Sunday night to discuss the Medicare issue and press for his proposed resolution on civil rights.

The civil rights issue, once considered out of bounds at governors' conferences, was first raised by Rockefeller last year. His action angered Southern governors, but a bland version was written which they agreed to swallow.

The conference opened Sunday with three news conferences and a journey by the governors to visit former President Dwight D. Eisenhower at his farm in nearby Gettysburg.

Pro-U.S. Party Wins In Japan

TOKYO (UPI) — The ruling Liberal-Democratic party, which campaigned for closer ties with the United States, retained control of Japan's upper house today in the country's national elections.

Reports were incomplete and unofficial but Premier Hayato Ikeda's Liberal-Democrats appeared certain to increase their number of seats in the 250-member upper chamber of Diet (Parliament).

The Liberal-Democrats' mayor opposition, the leftist Socialist party, also appeared likely to increase its seats.

Latest returns tallied by the government-sponsored Japan Broadcasting Corp. (NHK) indicated the ruling party had all but wrapped up 62 of the 127 seats at stake. The NHK tally gave the Socialists 28. The Moderate Democratic Socialist party appeared certain of at least one and the Communist party also had one.

Independents appeared certain of at least 10 seats, with seven of these going to members of the Soka Gakkai, a rising religious party.

The 67 seats apparently sewed up by the Liberal-Democrats, coupled with the 73 not up for election this time, assured them of continued control of the upper houses.

Births

Douglas Community Hospital

SELLARS — To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sellars, Rt. 1 Box 266, Sutherland, June 15, a daughter, Robin Irene; weight 7 pounds 11½ ounces.

VANCE — To Mr. and Mrs. Milton Vance, Rt. 2 Box 381, Roseburg, June 21, a son, Mitchell Steven; weight 7 pounds 7½ ounces.

SVEDEBECK — To Mr. and Mrs. Manfred Svedbeck, Rt. 1, Myrtle Creek, June 22, a son, Terrance Glenn; weight 7 pounds 7½ ounces.

WHITE — To Mr. and Mrs. Murrel White, 1092 NW Carl, Roseburg, June 24, a daughter, Rhonda Gene; weight 7 pounds 10½ ounces.

POLLEY — To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Polley, Box 334, Glendale, June 24, a daughter, Angeline Michelle; weight 7 pounds 12¼ ounces.

NIBBLETT — To Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nibblett, 671 Cary St., Winston, June 24, a son, Ben Eric; weight 7 pounds 8¼ ounces.

McCULLAH — To Mr. and Mrs. Richard McCullah, Box 439, Riddle, June 25, a son, Ricky Clayton; weight 9 pounds ¾ ounces.

FLORES — To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Flores, Rt. 1 Box 251, Drain, June 26, a daughter, Kelly Lee; weight 6 pounds 6¼ ounces.

SMITH — To Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Smith, 607½ SE Ramp, Roseburg, June 27, a son, Christopher Lee; weight 7 pounds 7¼ ounces.

Canadian Province Faces Crisis Under Socialized Medicine Plan

REGINA, Sask. (UPI) — Saskatchewan's 900,000 residents were faced today with a medical crisis that could deplete the province of its finest doctors.

A strike by the physicians already has reduced medical service in the province to the level of "emergency cases only" and the bitter dispute threatens to take the form of a mass exodus by doctors who feel their professional freedom has been disrupted.

The doctors are rebelling against the first inroad made by socialized medicine in North America.

The new law, patterned after Great Britain's national health service program, assures Saskatchewan residents of free medical care. It went into effect at midnight on Saturday and almost immediately the doctors carried out the threat they made repeatedly during the past several months of controversy.

To prevent a full-scale crisis during the strike, about 240 of the province's 900 doctors are providing free emergency service at 34 of Saskatchewan's 121 hospitals.

Infant Dies

Even though the emergency operation was being bolstered by

Pollution Control Meet Conducted At Glendale

The South Central Oregon Sections of the Pacific Northwest Pollution Control Association met recently in the Glendale City Hall, reports Mrs. Gerald Fox, correspondent. Members of the group are sewage plant operators who meet to compare plant operation and problems.

Discussion at the meeting centered around sewage gasses and digesters.

Ed Lynd, state water pollution control technician, and Joe A. Jensen, assistant sanitary engineer, Portland, attended the meeting. Lynd gave a talk on "Packaged Sewage Plans For Small Concerns."

After adjournment of the meeting, the host official, Don Blakely of Glendale, conducted a tour of the Glendale sewage treatment plant and water works.

Sewage plant operators from Grants Pass, Canyonville, Glendale, Medford, and Ashland were present.

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