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Woman Killed When Leaking Gas Explodes

NEWPORT (UPI) — Mrs. Alvis Westrand, about 40, Newport, was killed Friday afternoon and her 48-year-old husband was seriously burned when leaking vapor from bottled gas in the trunk of their car seeped forward and exploded.

Mrs. Westrand was trapped in the back seat of the car and died almost instantly. Westrand escaped from the car.

The accident occurred at a Newport tire firm operated by Dave Lonergan on Highway 20. Lonergan said Mr. and Mrs. Westrand had stopped to pick up some tires they had purchased earlier in the day.

Jim Puetz, a service station operator two blocks from the scene of the accident, said the car had pulled off the highway about five minutes before the explosion with vapor coming out of the trunk. Puetz said the driver got out of the car and took out a five-gallon size bottled gas tank and closed the valve, stopping the vapor. The driver then put the gas tank back into the trunk got in the car and drove off.

EVOLUTION IS INTRIGUING

Johnson Leading Senators Away From Nonsense Talks

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — Evolution is intriguing—especially in the supposedly unchangeable United States Senate.

The stately, ponderous, frequently frustrating, sometimes majestic and often windy Senate is coming to grips with the management of its own time.

Under the guidance of Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson, the Senate is getting the kind of cut-out-the nonsense procedure which keeps the House of Representatives from dissolving into utter confusion.

The device being adroitly manipulated by the Texan is the "unanimous consent" procedure. This is the process of asking unanimous agreement to accept a limitation of debate on a bill, an amendment or any other matter before the Senate. A sin-

gle objection blocks the request.

Limitation of Debate

In a sense, the consent procedure is "cloture"—a limitation of debate—in advance of a "filibuster"—the time-honored maneuver to talk a bill to death. It is given rather freely, if sometimes grudgingly.

In the House, a rule fixing the length of debate on major legislation is granted by the 12-member House Rules Committee, the traditional "power arm" of the speaker. The rule is subject to approval by the full House.

But a short cut is available in the "unanimous consent" procedure that has been used in the House for years.

One advantage in addition to its speedup value is that it lets the party leaders go off to other chores and forget about the "store" until needed.

Preserves Leadership Control

This helps preserve leadership control and the Senate is less at the mercy of free-wheeling individual speakers.

Yet the device does not wipe out the Senate's tradition of individual freedom. A single senator may object to its use.

But he seldom does. Such an agreement normally is not sought until the leadership has a pretty good idea that, or something close to it, is acceptable to all. Then there is always the pressure of majority desire working to silence objection. Most members of the "club" want to be liked by their colleagues.

The evolution is making the Senate more effective—but less

exciting. If it's less like the unpredictable Senate of old, it is partly because there are more "canned" speeches. This in turn springs from the addition of press aides to senatorial staffs.

Few senators now speak "off the cuff" at any length—or even just from notes—when they have something heavy to unload.

Dirksen—"Old School"

Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois is probably the best of the "old school" orators remaining in the Senate; brave enough to venture out in deep debate without the rhetorical life-vest of a prepared script.

The younger Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), who just loves to talk and will do so at the drop of a syllable, is probably the best on the Democratic side. He, like others, uses many prepared texts to help get his speeches into the newspapers.

Johnson, who is responsible for much of the evolution, is no verbal slouch when aroused. He's best when back home talking to fellow Texans in their own colorful terms. He's at his own best when the heat of debate brings out his "natural" speaking style.

Dean of the hold-em-and-sock-em school, a diminishing number in the Senate, is Sen. Robert S. Kerr, the millionaire Democrat from Oklahoma.

The new willingness to control Senate debate may have some connection with the fact that more than a third of the Senate's members served in the House. They were raised that way.

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Social Security Official Stresses Advance Filing

Are you planning to retire soon? One of the goals of the Social Security Administration is to pay benefits as promptly as possible to those persons entitled.

To assist in maintaining a regular income into the household after retirement, the public should be aware of a policy being stressed by the Social Security Administration, Mr. Welo district manager of the La Grande office, stated today.

To receive benefits promptly after retirement, a worker should file a claim for his benefits 30 to 60 days before retiring if he knows he will be retiring on a certain date. This advance filing will give the Social Security Administration and the person claiming benefits ample time to get information and evidence necessary to establish entitlement before the first check is due. It will also afford the wife and any children who might be eligible the opportunity to file for dependents' benefits.

Generally evidence will be required to prove the age of the retired person and his wife. This may be a birth or baptismal record. If there is no such record available, any record that is old and reliable may be sufficient.

ROME (UPI)—Italian Premier Antonio Segni praised the powerful U.S. Sixth Fleet on Friday night as an element of "peace and security" in the Mediterranean. He made the statement after watching the fleet in action in a day of maneuvers.

Mr. Welo again stressed that for prompt payment of your first social security check, "inquire before you retire."

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