

WOULD GIVE GI'S EQUAL LEAVE PAY

Washington, March 1—(U.P.)—Strong house support developed today for a bill to put "GI Joe" on the same terminal leave basis as officers.

A measure to provide terminal leave pay retroactively to members of the armed forces who served after Sept. 8, 1939, has been approved by a House Military Affairs subcommittee and is scheduled to be considered by the full committee next week.

Chairman Robert Sikes, D., Fla., of the subcommittee said the War department estimated the measure would cost \$1,800,000,000 for enlisted men of all branches of the armed forces. Estimated cost for officers under the present program is \$1,000,000,000.

Terminal leave pay for enlisted men is expected to be fought bitterly by the army and navy.

The Sikes bill would pay GI's for accumulated leave not to exceed 120 days plus a minimum of 70 cents a day for quarters and subsistence.

Bead Stringing Service Offered

A new business enterprise for the city has been started by Mrs. Carol J. Parker, who has announced that she will conduct a bead-stringing service at her home, 610 South Central avenue. Mrs. Parker has supplied herself with the necessary materials and equipment and is now ready to accept work.

Mrs. Parker said she became interested in the project after hearing a number of Medford women remark that they believed such a service was needed for the city. Mrs. Parker's phone number is 4473.

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'Diaper Special' Babes Head West



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Three California-bound babes of American servicemen and their English brides, withstood long sea voyage aboard the "Diaper Special"—Queen Mary—which brought 1,719 wives and 615 infants from England, and are now ready for their cross-country ride by bus. They are (left to right) Patricia Cohn, six months; San Jose; Thomas Hooker, 21 months, and Frances Karpman, nine months, both bound for Los Angeles.

Giant Sunspots

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A giant sunspot, several times the diameter of our earth, surely was adequately advertised by press and radio during the first of last month. The dark blot on old Sol's genial countenance doubtless was seen by thousands, for the only needed optical aid was a thin sheet of fog or cloud. In a clear sky, smoked glass or photographic negative sufficed. It appeared about like a black cherry seen against the upper part of a large dinner-plate.

Telescopically, this sunspot became a collection of smaller individuals. A black central part, or umbra, surrounded by a grey penumbra. On February 8, the principal spot was composed of an elongated umbra and several smaller ones enmeshed in continuous oval penumbra of almost a threaded appearance. Several smaller umbrae each encased in its individual penumbra, extended out in a broken line. The filamented penumbra was almost a perfect duplication of the one seen July 4, 1941, and which was followed that night by one of the finest displays of northern lights ever seen in our latitudes.

Sunspots have been known and studied since Galileo turned his newly-invented telescope on the sky in 1610. But that Italian astronomer had difficulty convincing those around him of his find, for said they, "The sun is an orb of pure light, and how can it be pure if blotched with black?" An early theory held that sunspots were actual holes through which the dark interior of this solar body was seen. Now they are known to be cooler surface portions in which great volumes of spiraling gases are active. Although intensely hot and luminous, they appear dark in comparison with the rest of the sun. The temperature of the general solar surface is about 6000 degrees centigrade; while that of the spots is "only" 4000 degrees. The sun rotates in 25 days. The recent spectacular spot was carried entirely across the sun's face from left to right in less than two weeks, and on February 12 disappeared around the

BLUE LAWS ARE FOUND ON BOOKS OF NEW JERSEY

Trenton, N. J. (U.P.)—A person who drives a horse while intoxicated—the driver, that is, not the horse—may be fined \$2.50 or \$10 or be imprisoned for 30 days in New Jersey, an examination of ancient blue laws still remaining on the statute books revealed today.

The Legislature meets yearly to correct existing laws and enact new ones, but does nothing about many of the dusty regulations. No one else does, either, so the public is hardly aware of them. The circumstances of their origin also provide a mystery.

The law, for instance, authorizes magistrates to order a ball and chain be placed on the leg of any tramps when they are tried as disorderly persons.

The wearing of dangerous hats in any public place automatically makes the wearer a disorderly person, liable to a fine of \$5 to \$20 for each offense. In the case someone should be stabbed, the injured person can recover one-half of the fine.

A person who practices witchcraft or sorcery in order to discover lost or stolen goods is guilty of a misdemeanor under the law. A similar charge can be made against anyone who pretends to be God and causes followers to worship him or pay them divine honors.

A person who attempts to sell a floral wreath at a home where a funeral is about to be held is a disorderly person and subject to a fine. The dumping of junk on private property also puts a person in the outlaw class.

Court News

Marriage Licenses
Vernal L. Goodrich and Phyllis Joyce Metzger.
Don DeVere Shaffer and Margery Pedersen.

Lawrence H. Abbott and Loreta Jean Fuller.
Vernon Moses Tison and Bonnie Jean Griffith.
Richard Gale Rayburn and Cornelia Dean Tuttle.
Elvin F. Levuliet and Frances Pauline Rivalier.

47 MARRIAGE LICENSES

ISSUED FOR FEBRUARY
During February 47 marriage licenses were issued and 43 divorces filed with the county clerk's office, records show. The totals were about the same as January.

Today, the last one for procuring dog licenses without a \$2 penalty attached, saw a rush of dogowners to the clerk's office. Approximately 3,000 dog licenses for 1946 have been issued since January 1.

HONESTY STILL REIGNS
Centralia, Wash., March 1—(U.P.)—Centralia city commissioners came to the conclusion today that the world is still full of honest men. They received a \$15 check today from a former resident for some light pole insulators he broke—25 years ago.

PRE-FLIGHT TO END
Moraga, Cal., Feb. 28—(U.P.)—St. Mary's College Navy Pre-flight school will discontinue cadet training operations by May 31, and will be decommissioned June 3, Capt. R. W. D. Woods, commanding officer, announced today.

PUBLISHER DIES
Des Moines, Ia., March 1—(U.P.)—Gardner Cowles, Sr., publisher of the Des Moines Register and Tribune, died at his home last night on his 85th birthday. He had been in failing health for the last few years.

Wyoming had a population of only 55,000 in 1890, when admitted to statehood.

No New Trial



(Acme Telephoto)
Hiram Beebe, convicted of slaying Jon T. Larsen, town marshal of Mt. Pleasant, Utah, has been denied a plea for a new trial and will face a firing squad at the Utah State penitentiary April 12. Claiming to be over 100 years old, he was booked by police as 65.

Civilians Named To Handle Camp White Red Cross Campaign

Camp White, March 1—Civilian representatives who will conduct the Red Cross 1947 campaign for funds at Camp White have been named by John Redden, civilian personnel chief. The representatives are: Bette Bush, headquarters area; Elinor Beattie, M. P. guards and laundry; Marion Beebe, supply building and commissary; Elinor Hall, QM property; John Elson, post engineers; Lucille A. Higginbotham, C & F Salvage and surplus property; Alyce Tamney, hospital; Joe Franklin, ordnance property, and Mildred Chapman, automotive shop.

Norborne Berkeley, Camp White Red Cross field director has stated that no donations will be solicited but that those who wish to make volunteer offerings may do so.

PAIR RETURNED HERE BY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jesse Martin, arrested at Roseburg on a bad check charge, and J. Beauchamp, held at Eugene on a larceny charge, will be returned here today, Sheriff Howard Gault reports.

Beauchamp allegedly stole approximately \$20 from the Nugget cafe and also is alleged to have stolen articles from a store in Gold Hill recently. Martin is accused of passing a spurious check in this city.

Approximately 667,000 head of beef cattle are shipped yearly from New Mexico, and the state retains about 45,000 head for the local packers.

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Medford Chicken In Strong Bid For Hall of Hen Fame

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large size of her white Leghorn flock, was unable to tell which hen produced the monstrosity. The egg was not laid in a nest but on the floor of a hen-house.

Mrs. Kenton has been in the poultry business for the past three years and has a flock of 425 white Leghorns. Her friend, W. R. Holman, 1211 W. Main street, brought the egg to the Mail Tribune office.

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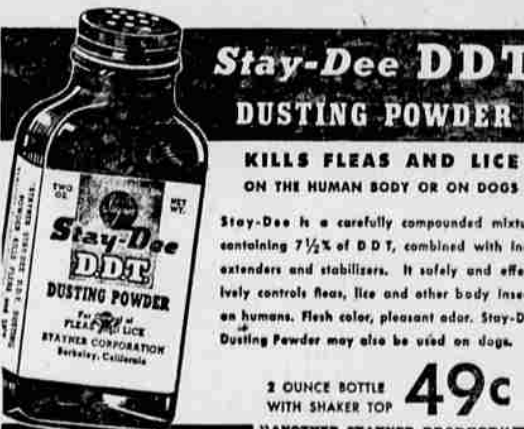
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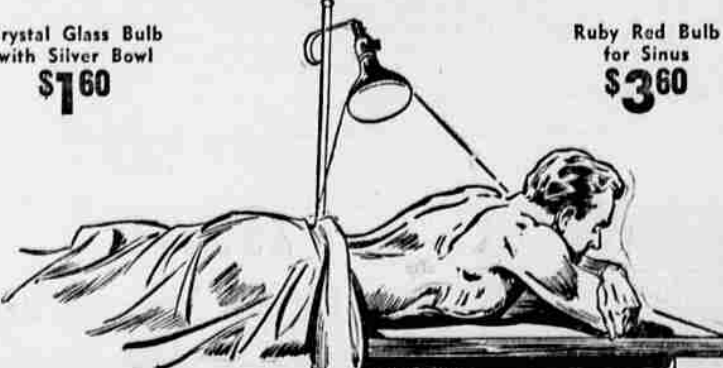
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