

Science at Work

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 New York, Mar. 2—(U.P.)—The first half of the 20th century has come and gone and the second half may bring scientific progress that will make man live to be 120 or older.

Scientists in making off-the-record predictions on longer life point to the rapid rise in the average life span since the turn of this century, and particularly so since the new drugs have wiped out many diseases that once were killers.

In Biblical days there were leprosy, syphilis and arthritis. Today, the same diseases are still here, but leprosy and syphilis are being cured now. In the last year, effective agents—or at least a new approach—have been found in arthritis.

Pneumonia, once a great killer, is under control. Tuberculosis is being brought under control, and influenza no longer strikes in lethal form.

The scientists believe that rheumatic fever, heart disease and hardening of the arteries may fall before new developments in the coming 50 years.

Man Will Fly To Moon
 It's a good bet some scientists say that the conventional airplane of today will become obsolete in a few years. In fact, they believe that the transition period is here now. Most imaginative of the scientists are the rocket experts, who already are designing a rocket ship that could fly to the moon. If not to the moon, it could fly at least around the world in 24 hours or faster.

Even the conservative scientists believe that man's mode of travel will be revolutionized long before this century ends. There always will be automobiles, the scientists say, but not the conventional type that run around today.

Perhaps the 1980 models will be rocket-powered, some scientists believe. Trains may be too, they say, and the railroad business in general will go through a revolution in design and operation.

Progress Will Be Pushed
 As one scientist recently said: Look around you. Examine the modern-day telephone, the radio, the television, the kitchen range, refrigerator, your typewriter, your home. Compare the present day models to those of 1900. Note the difference.

Then use your imagination and guess what the same items will be in the year 2000.

In fact, some of the more imaginative types believe that all such items may be in some museum by the year 2000, and that new things entirely undreamed of now will take their place. It might be, some scientists believe, that everyone will be carrying a two-way radio set and be able to talk to anyone at any place at any time. Also, he won't have to stop for a meal in a restaurant. He can carry around his steaks in tablet form. He won't have to worry about disease because all the bugs will have been eliminated.

Sure it's fantastic, but so were some of the modern day miracles when first predicted 50 years ago.

Atom Expected To Run Ships
 Science has not yet found a way to harness atomic energy for power but in 1900 science had not found a way to release atomic energy. In fact, Einstein's theory was not yet born in 1900.

Today, a few atomic powered "pilot plants" are being constructed or are being designed. The scientists seem sure that within 10 to 15 years atomic power may be put to use to turn the wheels in factories. Atomic power for ocean going ships may come sooner.

They believe it is unlikely that there will be atomic furnaces for homes but the electricity used in the home of 1980 may be made from atomic-powered central heating and power plants.

By the year 2000 the use of coal as a means of heating may have long passed out. Science is now finding that coal and its products are important in medicine and other items, such as nylon stockings.

Of course, the predictions on what progress man may do in his thinking is another story, but most scientists believe that man can write his own destiny in this world, and that it will be a good destiny.

Shady Cove - Trail

Shady Cove-Trail, Mar. 2—Mrs. O. C. Krotz of Shady Cove was surprised on February 19 with a birthday supper given in her honor by Dr. and Mrs. Verne Wilson of the Camp White domiciliary center and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bartuss of Shady Cove. The birthday cake was baked and decorated by Mrs. Bartuss.

Lee Cushman, son of Mrs. Ethel Cushman of Trail, left for Portland February 20 to enter Good Samaritan hospital for an operation. He suffered an injury to his neck in a logging accident last summer. By an odd coincidence he entered the hospital on his birthday.

Tom Quail, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Olsen of the Shady Cove locker plant has returned from spending 13 months in army service in Japan. Mr. Quail and his wife, the former Lula Mae Dudley of Shady Cove are living with Mr. and Mrs. Olsen in Eagle Point at present.

At the school board budget meeting held at the Shady Cove schoolhouse February 22, sixteen were present and voted to accept the budget as drawn up and presented by the school board.

Mrs. Tom King has returned home from Ojai, Cal., where she has visited her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob King.

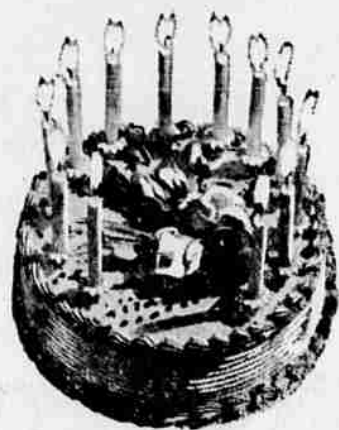
Shady Cove Girl scout troop meet the evening of February 20 at the school house for dance instruction. Ray Briggs instructed in square dancing and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stanley in ballroom dancing.

Upper Rogue Extension unit met February 21 at the home of Mrs. G. E. Hubbell of Sunset on the Rogue, Trail. Glove making was the project. Twenty-one members and guests were present. Next regular monthly meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. T. J. Littlefield on Longbranch road on Tuesday, March 21. The project to be taken up at this meeting will be "lamp shades."

Brownie scout troop of Shady Cove met February 24 at the school house with 17 members present. Mrs. Al Cooper has offered her services as assistant troop leader to help Mrs. Cora Lane. Work taken up consisted of the making of doll clothes with some of the older girls piecing a quilt. The Brownies are planning a birthday party for their next meeting on March 10.

Mrs. Myrtle Tripp, Oregon Department president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was guest of honor at a potluck dinner preceding the regular meeting on Wednesday at Rogue River Lodge.

A number of Shady Cove ladies attended the meeting of the Jackson County Republican Women held February 27 at the Girls Community club. In attendance from this area were Mrs. Johnny Walker, Mrs. M. P. Vogel, Mrs. O. L. Williams, Mrs. Frank Cook and Mrs. Tom King. Mr. and Mrs. Lew Graves of Shady Cove were also present and Mr. Graves was introduced as candidate for county commissioner.



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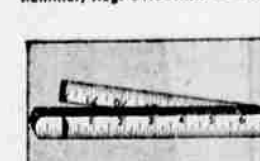
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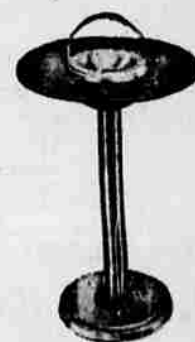
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