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One Binge Only Growing Up Experiment; Do It Again, You Accept Consequences

By DELOS SMITH
United Press Science Editor
New York—(U.P.)—To be drunk once in a life-time could be "a growing up experiment, like smoking behind the barn."

To be drunk more than once in a life-time means that although the drinker knows the consequences of drunkenness, he is willing to accept them.

From this basic reasoning, scientists at Yale University's laboratory of applied physiology developed an interesting experiment which may or may not be a mirror for some of us.

They took 50 men and women and gave them psychological tests which revealed what kind of men and women they were. thirty-four turned out to be "within normal limits" emotionally, or, at worst, were burdened only with "mild maladjustments."

Use Two Groups

By this, the scientists meant the men got along well with women, and vice versa. They had no "severe neurotic traits." If they had emotional problems they handled them well. These men and women were put into "Group One."

The other 16 were revealed to be "deviant or disturbed personalities." They were persistently unhappy. They didn't get along too well with the opposite sex. They were "overwhelmed by personality problems." These 16 formed "Group Two."

All 50 were then investigated exhaustively. There were no marked differences generally between the two groups. But members of Group One had slightly more education and a higher percentage of them were married. Members of Group Two were less healthy. This, the scientists said, "is consistent with

one of the basic theses of psychosomatic medicine, that a relationship exists between physical disease and emotional disturbance."

No Teetotalers

As to "drinking habits," there were no teetotaler among them, nor was there a single out-and-out alcoholic. Over the long haul, members of each group consumed about the same amounts of alcoholic beverage and of the same kind. Incidentally, all 50

were Italian-Americans—the laboratory is engaged in a long-term study of the drinking habits of Italians and Italian-Americans because, traditionally, they are wine drinkers, consider wine to be food rather than drink, and gave a remarkably low rate of alcoholism.

In their break-down of drinking habits, the scientists found nothing to distinguish the "within normal limits" people from the "deviant or disturbed personalities," until they got to the question of how many times the men and women had been drunk during their lives.

Of the people who were "within normal limits," 82 per cent had never been drunk or had been drunk only once. Of the "deviant or disturbed personalities," 56 per cent had been drunk more than once. Mathematically, the ratio was around three to one. This, the scientists pointed out, was decidedly "statistically significant."

The report was made by Dr. George Lolli, who is director of the Yale Plan Clinic for Alcoholics, Dr. Edith S. Lisansky, and Grace Golder.

Spring Increase In Employment Said To Be Slow

Salem—(U.P.)—The spring pickup made slow progress last month with only about 3600 workers finding jobs, according to the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

With 48,100 persons still actively seeking work, it was the smallest March gain since World War II.

Eleven of the commission's 26 offices reported higher employment than at this time last year when 52,100 were without jobs. But Portland, Hillsboro, Coos Bay, Eugene, Klamath Falls and The Dalles noted the usual seasonal revival. More than half of the jobseekers were in the Salem and Portland metropolitan areas.

Expansion Held Back

Continued cool weather held back expansion in lumber, construction and agriculture. The number of unfilled job openings increased 285 to 1010, higher than a year ago but considerably below other recent April figures.

Claims filed by insured workers have eased off gradually in recent weeks with nearly 30,000 still appearing weekly at local offices. The number is slightly below last year but above others at this period.

Compensation Lower

Compensation paid to the unemployed last month was \$2,747,965, about 24 per cent lower than in 1954. It also was under the \$3,587,497 benefits in March, 1950, and in 1946, but higher than in other post-war years.

With three months remaining, payments for the 1954-5 benefit year now total \$16,243,903, slightly below the 1953-4 figure. Estimates for the entire 12 months range around 20,000,000 as compared with the record \$23,430,100 disbursed to the unemployed last year.

Postal Substation Bids Asked April 15

Bids will be received until noon Friday, April 16, for operation of the post office down town sub-station for the Medford post office for a two year period beginning July 1, according to an announcement today by the Post Office department.

Bidders must have a suitable location for the sub-station, as well as heat, light, equipment and clerical help. Bids must be submitted on an annual basis.

George Eppinger is the present operator of the contract station, which is located at 323 East Main st. Detailed information may be secured at the office of Postmaster Moore Hamilton.

BEE REGISTRATIONS DUE

Salem — About 2,000 Oregon beekeepers, previously registered under the state apianry law, have received application blanks for renewal of their annual registration. These returns were due on April 1, but only about one-fourth of the beekeepers have submitted the renewal fees, according to the state department of agriculture.

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