

# Insecticides Might Cause Illness, Death, Board Warns

Portland—The state board of health warned this week that powerful organic phosphorous insecticides expected to be widely used throughout Oregon this year can cause death or serious illness in humans if swallowed, inhaled or splashed on the skin.

Although the most toxic of the new compounds will be available only to farmers and commercial insect control firms, the department said that virtually all insecticides should be considered potentially dangerous to humans and used only according to the manufacturers' directions.

**Several Killed**  
Dr. Gordon C. Edwards, act-

ing state health officer, said that among the most dangerous of the new insecticides are those containing parathion, tetraethyl pyrophosphate and EPI. Several persons on the Pacific coast have been killed as a result of accidental exposure to these chemicals in the last year or two, he pointed out.

Parathion was recently given clearance by the U. S. department of agriculture for use as a soil insecticide in the control of symphylids, and Dr. Edwards said this approval will probably result in a greatly increased use of organic phosphorous insecticides by persons with limited experience in the handling of

such toxic substances. It is expected that the insecticides this year will be used in concentrations five to ten times as great as those used in previous years.

**Dangerous for Children**  
Dr. Edwards warned that the insecticides are particularly dangerous for children who may accidentally swallow or splash a lethal amount of the substances on the skin while playing. He urged that all insecticides be kept in a locked cabinet out of reach of children when not in use.

The health officer said that the following precautions should be observed when applying organic phosphorous insecticides: Always read the manufacturer's label carefully and follow directions;

## On The Side

By E. V. Durling

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She that would gain a constant lover  
Must at a distance keep the slave.  
Not by a look her heart uncover.  
Men should but guess the thoughts  
we have.

While they're in doubt their flame in-  
creases  
And all attendance they will pay;  
When we're possessed their transport  
ceases  
And vows, like vapours, fleet away.  
—Aphra Behn.

which Jeanette sang: "Beyond the Blue Horizon."

**Rings**

Many Swedish married women wear three rings on the third finger of the left hand. One is an engagement ring, the other a wedding ring and the third a "baby ring." What's a "baby ring?" That is a ring a romantic and loving husband gives his wife on the occasion of the birth of their first baby.

**Get It Right**

Note the rumba described as a South American dance. The tango is from South America, the rumba is from Cuba. Do you claim to be a young old timer? If so let's hear you hum the tune of the song titled, "When Yuba Played the Rumba on his Yuba."

**So They Say**

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) women are the most prolific mothers of the zodiac. Rarely have less than four children. Aries (March 21-April 20) bachelorettes seldom "go steady." They like to play the field. Or say the stargazers.

**Among the Married**

A woman bound for a dinner dance wearing an evening gown escorted by her husband attired in a business suit is a pathetic figure. It is also a revealing situation. Shows she has no control over her spouse. It additionally indicates he can't love her very much and has little regard for her feelings. Nowadays formal attire for men is not expensive. It is made so as to be comfortable and easy to wear. That includes the shirts.

**Passing By**

Francisco de Asis Xavier Cugat Mingall de Bruy Deuloffo. The bandmaster professionally known as Xavier Cugat. He was born in Barcelona, Spain. Was an infant prodigy. Appeared with the Cuban symphony at the age of six. When 16 he toured the world as an accompanist for Enrico Caruso.

**Asides**

No life insurance company charges higher rates for smokers than non-smokers. Excessive smoking may be injurious to the health, but moderate smoking affords a relaxation that is probably an aid to longevity. . . The perfectly shaped feminine leg, according to experts on the subject of hosiery, has the following measurements: Ankle — eight and one-half inches, calf — 13½ inches, thigh — 20¼ inches, length of leg — 32½ inches.

**Horses and Women**

Have you a red-haired wife? How are you doing? Any trouble handling her? How much of a study of the flaming tressed type did you make before you took a chance on marrying one? A scientific group once made an extensive study of the type being discussed and said among other things that red-haired women are proud, imaginative, affectionate, courageous, have a good sense of humor and are very intelligent, but inclined to be fickle and hot-tempered. That referred to natural red-heads. The other kind was not given very serious consideration. It was said that while a woman can have her hair dyed red she cannot possibly acquire the warmth, vivacity and glamour of the natural red-head.

## Video Quiz Show Reply Incomplete

New York —(U.P.)— A Tennessee farmer sank the \$64,000 question's American history champion Sunday night—maybe.

Floyd Yeomans, 56, of Wartrace, Tenn., challenged Steven Frohlich, Czech born Princeton, N.J., seed salesman, and appeared to have won at the \$16,000 level last night on "The \$64,000 Challenge" TV show.

However, the show's producers found one of Yeoman's accepted answers was incomplete. They'll decide today whether to accept it or call it a draw.

The two men were asked to identify the speaker and the naval battle which prompted four famous quotations: "We have met the enemy and they are ours." (Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, battle of Lake Erie); "Damn the torpedoes! Full speed ahead!" (Admiral David Farragut, battle of Mobile Bay); "I have not yet begun to fight." (Capt. John Paul Jones, battle between Bonhomme Richard and the Seraphis); and "Don't cheer, boy; the poor devils are dying." (Capt. John Woodward Philip, the battle of Santiago).

Both men slipped on the last one. Frohlich said he was "not familiar with it. Yeoman identified the captain's command and the battle, but left out his name. If the producers decide to let it go, Yeoman's may challenge Frohlich to another round for \$32,000, or take his \$16,000 and go home.

**ALLERGIC TO LIPSTICK?**  
London —(U.P.)— A British doctor writing in a medical journal said today that some men can break out in a rash just by kissing their wives. They might be allergic to lipstick, he said.



DISPLAYING BLOODY SHIRT, Wassili Kowalew and wife, Nina, tell Senate probers they believe two Soviet seamen were beaten and kidnaped from their Paterson, N. J. home by Red agents. Shirt bore knife slits; numerous blood stains when found.

## Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY  
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Hollywood —(U.P.)— Most TV stars snub radio. But Edgar Bergen celebrates his 20th year on the airwaves next Sunday with his philosophy: Radio still is alive and much happier to work in than performer killing TV.

Many radio shows that switched to TV soon forgot the pictureless medium. But although Bergen's quiz show is a top draw on TV, he still quips with Charlie McCarthy and Mortimer Snerd on CBS Radio every Sunday.

"I didn't desert radio because it's a comfortable living," Bergen said frankly. "Radio still will be around. All it needs is a little bit of incentive from the sponsors to advertise on it."

**Livelihood Provided**

"Radio is a livelihood for a lot of performers who got a foul deal on TV. Television has destroyed more stars than it's created."

Bergen's continuous record on network radio is surpassed only by Bing Crosby and Amos 'n' Andy. To older listeners the Bergen anniversary brings back memories of his early "Chase and Sanborn" days.

Charlie then traded quips with Nelson Eddy, Don Ameche, John Barrymore, the late W. C. Fields and other reigning greats.

**Elsa Maxwell Helped**

Bergen was a night club performer who landed on Rudy Vallee's radio show in 1936 only because Elsa Maxwell took him along. The ventriloquist was a rousing success even though the radio audience couldn't see his black-tied partner, Charlie McCarthy.

## Oregon Praised for Traffic Death Cut

Salem —(U.P.)— The National Safety Council praised Oregon for being one of 15 states which reversed the national trend and cut traffic deaths for the first three months of 1956 as compared with a year ago.

Gov. Elmo Smith received a message from G. C. Stewart, executive vice-president of the council, in which he extended "congratulations for this encouraging demonstration of effective control by you and your citizens. We strongly urge that every possible step be taken to maintain and improve this fine record."

Stewart told Gov. Smith that the nation's traffic toll in March was 12 per cent above that for the same month a year ago.

## Know Your Heart

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Your heart is desperately wicked and deceitful above all things. To God your good works are but vile and filthy rags and you must be born again — Bible. Christ was tempted at every point like as we, yet without sin. Of Him, God said—"This is my well-beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." When you receive Him into your heart as your only Lord and Saviour, God blots out your sins and writes in Eternal Life. God then becomes your Heavenly Father; Christ, your Elder Brother and you live by Power From On High. Then Bible, prayer and grow.

**HURT BY GRENADES**

Singapore —(U.P.)— Four Australian soldiers, three policemen and three Chinese civilians were wounded Monday night by hand grenades hurled into the Sungai Siput Perak Hotel by Communist terrorists. Authorities said three terrorists escaped on bicycles.

**PLEASE, WRITE**

Barkhamsted, Conn. —(U.P.)— A newspaper editor complained to his readers, "I only got three letters to the editor last month. Please write a letter." The newspaper is the Barkhamsted Junior Citizen, published by sixth grade pupils.

# Crime Rate Mushrooms Faster Than Population, Hoover Asserts

By Robert F. Coll  
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Washington —(U.P.)— FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover warned today that the U.S. crime rate has mushroomed three times faster than the population since 1950. Hoover also reported that youngsters under 18 committed almost half of the major crimes reported last year by 1500 city police forces. Forty-eight per cent of the juvenile offenders were under 15.

The juvenile crime rate, Hoover said, showed a 114 per cent increase in arrests of persons under 18.

**"Negligible" Decrease**

Hoover's annual crime report said major crimes dropped in 1955 for the first time in eight years. But the decrease, it said, was an "almost negligible" .002 per cent.

Since 1950, the report said, the percentage rise in crime has been almost three times that of the nation's population. Crime is up 26 per cent against a nine per cent increase in population.

Hoover said that while major crimes decreased last year by less than one per cent, the estimated total of crime exceeded 2,000,000 for the fourth straight year.

The report revealed these other highlights in the nation's crime rate during 1955:

A murder, manslaughter, rape or assault to kill was committed every five minutes.

An auto was stolen every three minutes.

A theft of some kind was committed every 30 seconds.

Big cities showed a five per cent drop in major crimes while the rate was on the rise slightly in cities under 250,000 and in rural areas.

**Murders Remain Constant**

Among major crimes, the number of murders remained constant, while rape, auto theft, manslaughter by negligence and larceny increased and declines were noted in robbery, burglary and aggravated assault.

Americans were robbed of property valued at \$399,000,000, but police later recovered over half of the total.

Over 250,000 autos were stolen, valued at \$203,000,000.

Seasonal rates in crime followed their familiar pattern, with more crimes against the person in warm weather and more crimes against property in the cold months.

## Primo Carnera Sues Motion Picture Firm

Santa Monica, Calif. —(U.P.)— Former world heavyweight boxing champion Primo Carnera has filed suit against a Hollywood motion picture studio for \$1,500,000, charging a new film depicts him as "a stupid person who has been deceived by all who associated with him."

His attorney, Paul Caruso, filed suit in Superior court against Columbia Pictures Corp., and author Budd Schulberg. He claimed the picture, "The Harder They Fall," is so similar to his career that he is readily identifiable as the character portrayed in the movie.

To substantiate his claim, Carnera said the fighter in the picture, "Toro Malina," was born in a foreign country, is unusually large and eventually loses his title to Max Baer, which happened to Carnera when he fought Baer in 1934.

Salem —(U.P.)— William H. Haskin has been named right-of-way agent for the State Highway Department by R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer.



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