

Salk Vaccine Is Available for VA

Camp White — Veterans administration employees at Camp White will be inoculated with the Salk polio vaccine on a voluntary basis when requested to cooperate with state or local medical societies. E. K. Ricker, manager of the VA domiciliary at Camp White, has announced.

Dr. R. A. Wolford, deputy chief medical director, VA central office, Washington, D.C., has notified him the inoculations will be made by physicians of VA hospitals and clinics.

The Veterans administration is cooperating with the AMA in a nation-wide program for mass immunization of the population against polio.

Dr. Wolford said physicians of VA hospitals and clinics will inoculate VA employees with the Salk polio vaccine on a voluntary basis when requested to cooperate by state or local medical societies.

The medical societies are spearheading the AMA-sponsored campaign to accomplish mass immunization with the Salk vaccine before summer and early fall, the seasons when a rise in the incidence of polio occurs.

Dr. Wolford said VA employees who choose to receive the Salk injections will procure the vaccine at no cost to the government. The vaccine will be administered without charge by VA physicians who volunteer for the duty at participating VA hospitals and clinics.

A total of 129 species of wood are found in Arkansas.

Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
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Whether worn in the finger, in the nose, ear, lip or around the arm, ankle, toe, or neck, the ring has been a familiar adornment for men and women since ancient times.

Its magic charms were many: for bestowing strength upon the hunter, for curing ills, for winning the favor of a loved one.

Whether a plain round loop or an elaborately chased metal



ring set with precious stones, the ring symbolically represented the magic circle through which no evil could enter.

Its origin has been ascribed to the mysterious knot—a tremendous invention for a primitive people—with the supposed magic of thwarting evil.

As for its antiquity, we know the signet ring was used 8,000 years ago—developing from the ancient Egyptian scarab which was carried as a seal and was first fastened into a ring, perhaps both for convenience and safekeeping.

Paired engagement rings, or betrothal rings to prevent evil from entering both the wooer and the wooed also were passed on to us from the Egyptians by

way of the Greeks and then the Romans who took the custom to England. For decoration, the ring oftentimes contained a valuable gem—not a diamond which came along much later in the 17th century. And should an engagement be broken, then the engagement ring too was supposed to be broken.

The diamond, so greatly prized today—that in one song it has been called a girl's best friend—was at the time of the master craftsman, Benvenuto Cellini, much less prized than the emerald and ruby. He also placed the sapphire far down the scale.

On faultless one carat stones, Cellini set these prices in 1568: Ruby, 800 gold crowns; emerald, 400; diamond, 100, sapphire, 10 crowns. (The jeweler's carat, incidentally, derives from the Arabian ring which means bean.)

Wedding Ring of Iron
The wedding ring, which symbolizes the eternity of the vows—but also wards off the entrance of evil—is made of gold today but in earlier times it was made of all metals including iron, or for that matter of straw or grass.

As a gesture of bestowing honor or favor, men bestowed rings on other men, too. Thus we have Pharaoh pulling the ring from his own hand and placing it on the hand of Joseph when he made him ruler over Egypt.

In Rome, a man's rank was proclaimed by his ring: freeborn citizens wore gold rings; freedmen, silver rings; slaves, iron rings.

From olden times, rings were reputed to have medicinal qualities. Ancient Hebrews wore copper rings inscribed with mystic symbols which gave them healing power or other magic properties. King Solomon had one through which he could listen to the universe and converse with all animals.

Ring To Cure Epilepsy
In the Middle Ages, medicinal rings were inscribed with the names of saints. King Edward, the Confessor, had a famous ring which was believed to cure epilepsy. In the Middle Ages, gold and silver rings were prescribed by physicians in England to ward off cramps. For that matter, people in this country wore rings against gout well into the last century. And some, even today wear copper rings—which conduct electricity, to cure rheumatism.

For luck, silver rings are considered to be lucky in most parts of the world today; but, without question, the luckiest of all is an iron ring made from a common horseshoe nail!

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Opposition Voiced To Senate Bill

Salem — (U.P.) — Opposition to Senate bill 274 to place control of changes in freight service under the public utility commissioner was expressed in a resolution unanimously adopted by the Pacific Northwest Shippers Advisory board meeting here Friday.

The resolution adopted by the shippers said that provisions in the bill would impair the flexibility of local freight and switching services to meet changing shippers demands.

The responsibility for determining the type of service given, the resolution said, should remain a matter of agreement between the railroads and the shippers.

A. W. Schoenauer, chairman of the board's legislative committee who presented the resolution, said the bill was the "worst" he had seen.

The bill was introduced by Sens. Philip Lowry of Medford, Dan Dimick of Roseburg, Monroe Sweetland of Milwaukie and Rudie Wilhelm Jr. of Portland, and Reps. E. A. Littrell of Medford and Tom Monaghan of Milwaukie.

The measure now is before the Senate committee on commerce and utilities. It will be the subject of a special hearing following adjournment of the Senate next Wednesday.

Germans Pay Tribute To Jewish Nazi Dead

Bergen-Belsen, Germany — (U.P.) — More than 4,000 young Germans braved a rainstorm on Sunday at the mass graves of 30,000 former Jewish Nazi concentration camp prisoners.

One of the dead resting beneath the grass-covered sandhills at the former Bergen-Belsen concentration camp cemetery is Anne Frank, the Jewish girl who became a symbol of her persecuted race by the post-war publication of her diary of the days of terror more than 13 years ago.

Cramer Trial Opens In Klamath Court

Klamath Falls — (U.P.) — The trial of Guy Earl (Bill) Cramer, 76-year-old pensioner, for the first degree murder of Fred Peterson, 75, Klamath county welfare commissioner, opened today in the Circuit Court here.

Selection of a jury from 73 veniremen summoned by Circuit Court Judge David R. Vandenberg was the first order of business.

Special prosecutor Charles Raymond of Portland who was employed by the county at the request of District Attorney Richard Beasley has indicated he will ask for the death penalty.

Israeli's Mrs. Meir Satisfied at Meeting

Paris — (U.P.) — Israeli Foreign Minister Mrs. Golda Meir emerged "very satisfied" Saturday from a series of surprise meetings with French Premier Guy Mollet and his defense minister on the Gaza crisis.

Mrs. Meir stopped over in Paris en route to New York for the urgent week end conferences with United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld and U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles on the Egyptian reoccupation of Gaza. She said she would see Dulles today.

Around Hollywood

Hollywood — (U.P.) — as a blonde, Carolyn Jones was just another Hollywood beginner whose hair was more important than she was, but as a brunette she's destined for fame as a young Bette Davis.



Allyn Mosby
When movie fans see Carolyn stride onto the screen as a man-hungry Greenwich Village neurotic in "The Bachelor Party" this year's "Marty," they may sense a new dramatic actress has arrived.

Carolyn, a part-Indian beauty from Amarillo, Tex., has the intense eyes and definite manner of Bette Davis. But before Carolyn dyed her hair black she was playing unnoticed "blonde villainesses."

No Set Decoration
"I shouldn't compete on the blonde level with Marilyn and Jayne," argues Carolyn. "I resent playing women who are just set decorations. I resent having my hair precede me into the room."

"I changed the color for 'The Bachelor Party' so people would notice me instead of my hair. Brunettes have a more lasting sex appeal. If you see a blonde you look for only a few minutes—it's a shock value that doesn't last."

Carolyn, whose great-great-aunt was a Comanche Indian, studied drama at the nearby Pasadena Playhouse. She won a brief contract at Paramount Studio and roles in "House of Wax" (She was Joan of Arc in wax), "The Tender Trap" and "The Opposite Sex" before striking it big in Hecht-Hill-Lancaster's "The Bachelor Party."

TV viewers also have seen her in such dramas as "Lux Video Theater," "Wire Service" and "Panic." She appeared on "Schlitz Playhouse" last Friday.

Being compared to La Davis doesn't bother Carolyn, except she refuses to see Davis movies for fear she'll pick up some of her physical gestures.

"Since I was a baby I've had these large eyeballs and I guess that's the resemblance," she smiled. "I would love to do the roles she's performed. Every role she plays is for an actress, not a personality."

Like Julius Caesar
Unlike the unhappy New York play girl she portrays in "The Bachelor Party," Carolyn lives happily in a new home with a swimming pool in the San Fernando Valley. But in some ways the girl in the black Julius Caesar hair-do reminds you of a young, big city intellectual type.

She says with intensity, "The problem is that people are afraid to reach out and touch each other."

DEATH UNMENTIONED

Tokyo — (U.P.) — Radio Peiping and the Communist New China News Agency made no mention today of the death of Philippine President Ramon Magsaysay.

Tidal Waves Damage Houses in Japan

By ALINE MOSBY
United Press Correspondent

Tokyo—(U.P.)—Big tidal waves, coinciding with the peak of the monthly lunar cycle, ripped sea walls, damaged houses and flooded homes along Japan's Pacific coast before dawn Saturday.

The waves, described by some Japanese news reports as "10 meters (30 feet) high, tore a 350 yard gap in the sea wall at Hisanohama Beach, in Fukushima prefecture and pounded the beaches of Ibaraki prefecture north of Tokyo.

Officials at the Central Meteorological Observatory believed an unusual low-pressure area over the North Pacific, amounting almost to a typhoon center, caused the waves.

IRISH GIVEN 'AIR'

Santa Barbara, Calif. — (U.P.) — In observance of St. Patrick's Day, radio station KIST ran an Irish Free State flag to the top of its 180-foot antenna Sunday and changed station identification to "Radi O'Kist."

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