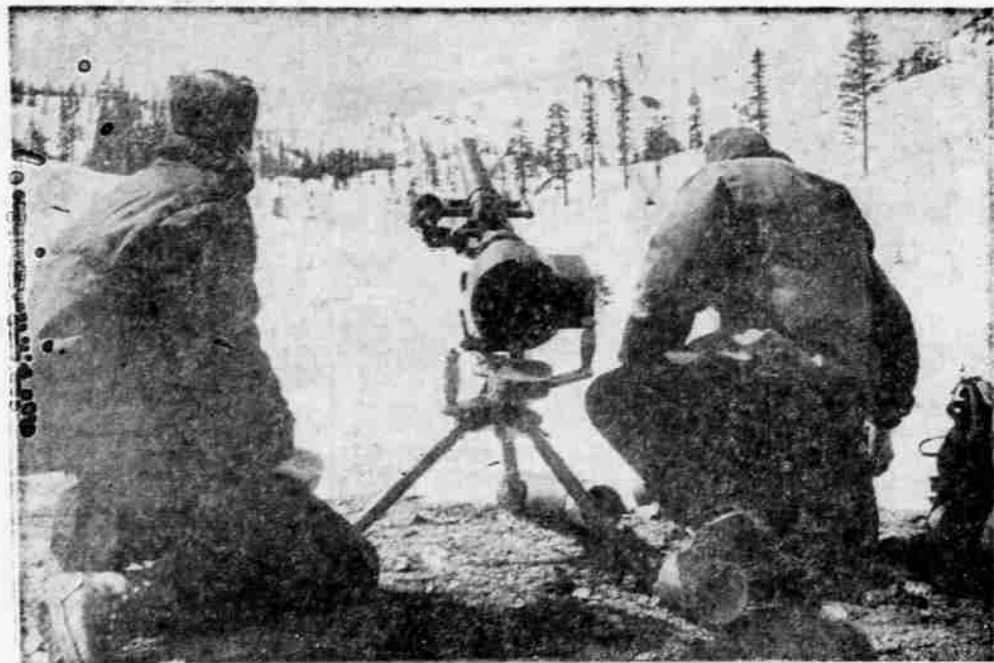




WAR ON AVALANCHES—U. S. Forest Service avalanche expert Montgomery Atwater (left) and John Mortiz, head of the Squaw Valley Ski Patrol, get set to fire a .75mm recoilless rifle into the slopes surrounding Squaw Valley, Calif. The demonstration, conducted by the Forest Service in co-operation with the Army and Olympic Games officials, determined that the danger of avalanches during the upcoming 1960 Winter Olympic events would be held to a minimum.

Father and Son Wait As Spain Believed Heading for Monarchy

Madrid, Spain.—(U.P.)—A father and son are waiting in the wings for a call which would make one of them King of Spain.

Many responsible Spaniards are convinced that Generalissimo Francisco Franco, 20 years Spain's chief of state, is steering the nation gradually toward a restoration of the monarchy.

None predicts that the proclamation is imminent but many believe that Franco's recent government shakeup was a step in this direction.

The names of both Don Juan and his 19-year-old son, Juan Carlos, figures in any restoration of the throne which was abolished by the Republican government in 1935 with the banishment of King Alfonso XIII, now dead.

Monarchy Rumor New Franco defeated the Republic

cans in the 1936-39 Spanish Civil War but it was not until recent years that Spaniards heard talk of restoring the crown.

Don Juan, six feet three inches, youthful looking at 44, lives with his family in a two-story home at the Portuguese resort of Estoril. He speaks flawless English and receives a steady stream of visitors, news-men who ask him questions and Spanish monarchists who address him as "your majesty." He suffered an acute personal tragedy last year when his younger son, Alfonso, was killed accidentally while cleaning a gun.

Don Juan, navy trained and steeped in the traditions of monarchy, refused to let this delay the training of his elder son, Juan Carlos, at the Spanish Zaragoza Military Academy. After the funeral of his brother, Juan Carlos went back to his military duties.

Son Quiet, Bookish

Tall like his father, fair haired and good looking, Juan Carlos takes extra lessons at the academy in statesmanship and political history. He has made no major public appearances in Spain so far but last year toured factories and met a cross section of people. He spends all of his holidays with his family and generally is regarded as a quiet youth whom the tutors keep

grooved in his books.

Franco has preached publicly in the past that a monarchy is the form of government best suited to Spain, but has warned that it must be a modern monarchy, dissociated from the courts of the past and respectful of the plans of the Falangist political party.

Observers believe that if Franco had to make a quick decision, Don Juan would get the nod because of his son's youth. But if the decision, as seems likely, is drawn out, Juan Carlos, carefully trained and remote from association with past courts, is the kind of "new look" monarch Franco might choose.

Women Shouldn't Drink in Excess, Doctor Contends

Los Angeles.—(U.P.)—Women shouldn't drink to excess if for no other reason than because they can't stand the effects of alcohol as well as men.

That's the contention of Dr. Albert M. Snell of the Palto Alto, Calif., Medical Clinic and Dr. Cecil J. Watson of the University of Minnesota.

Although women withstand most diseases better than men, the doctors said in an interview here, females get cirrhosis of the liver earlier than men, and have less chance of being saved from the disease.

Still a Mystery

Just why that is so is still as much of a mystery as why non-drinking women suffer from cirrhosis more than non-drinking men, the doctors said.

They said that cirrhosis, a hardening and shrinking of the liver, is increasing in the United States with California leading the nation in the numbers of deaths from the disease.

"The rate is low in rural populations where people have to work hard to make a living and have less time and opportunity to drink," Dr. Watson said.

San Francisco leads all the cities in California in the number of deaths attributed to cirrhosis and alcoholism, the doctors said.

Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY

Hollywood.—(U.P.)—Oscar time in Hollywood means a crisis a day, and today's is the "wardrobe worry."

Those beautiful actresses nominees out of plunging necklines and hoop skirts.

Movietown is in a general flurry over Wednesday night's 29th annual Academy Awards. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences even assigned designer Edith Head, a six-time Oscar winner and double nominee this year herself, to ride herd on the movie stars' gowns.

Miss Head must see to it that the female nominees and presenters look presentable on the big televised event. One rule: No plunging necklines. NBC will have a wardrobe girl backstage with lace to fill in any wide open spaces.

Faces, Not Anatomies

"We must be sure the audience looks at the girl's face and not her anatomy," Miss Head explained today in her Paramount Studio office.

"I also ask the stars not to wear costumes that look like a revival of 'Gone With The Wind.' Some actresses figure the bigger the dress, the better. One year a star wore a hoop skirt and she had to be helped up the steps to the stage!

"The stars must wear dresses that are navigable. They must be able to walk gracefully without cumbersome trains or too tight skirts. One year an actress slithered onto the stage in a tight dress and got a laugh. We can't have that happen again."

Deborah Kerr, Dorothy Malone, Mercedes McCambridge, Carroll Baker and other nominees also are warned by Miss Head not to bare their backs to the world. A covered back, the designer rules, looks better when the nominee is hurrying down the aisle of the Pantages theater to collect her Oscar.

"The backward view is as important as the front view," she explained.

Last year a star click-clacked her way across the stage in backless pumps, sounding, as Miss Head says, "like the charge of the light brigade." Now the nominees are asked to wear shoes that stay on their feet.

No Morticians' Wear

They're also told not to wear black, or, with the men in black, the event would look like a morticians' convention. The gowns must be full length (a new rule this year) and minus glitter or two-tone colors that make them appear gaudy on television. A full-skirted gown in a pastel color is ideal, Miss Head says.

Some stars break the rules—and create a sensation.

One year the actresses dutifully showed up in fluffy pastels. But Marlene Dietrich, not even a nominee but a presenter, stole the show in a slinky black tight dress slit to the knee. Another year Bette Davis won the most notice in an "illegal" black sheath dress plus a strange turban to hide her head, shaved for a movie role.

"Well, they are great stars who can make their own rules," admitted Miss Head.

THE D.A. SWOONED

Los Angeles.—(U.P.)—The district attorney giggled, blushed and swooned all at the same time Tuesday upon meeting Frank Sinatra when the crooner appeared to testify before the county grand jury about the celebrated "wrong door" raid. "Oh, gee, gosh!" squealed the district attorney—high school student Carol McQuown, who was honorary D.A. in observance of Girls Day.

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Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

New Delhi.—Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, on the concept of the big powers trying to fill any "political vacuum" in the Middle East:

"Such an approach is dangerous and unreal."

Portland, Ore.—Harry Federspiel, a member of Local 162 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and a leader of a petition drive for removal from office of any Teamster official found guilty of racketeering or misuse of union funds:

"We are going to throw out Beck, Hoffa, Brewster, Crosby and Malley. And if our delegates to next year's convention betray us, we'll kick them out, and I mean out in the street."

Washington.—Robert C. Hill, assistant secretary of state, in urging Congress to grant statehood to Hawaii and Alaska:

"Statehood for Alaska and Hawaii would seem to constitute a clear example of self-government referred to in the charter of the United Nations, and as such, should be viewed in a favorable light by the great majority of U.N. members."

Philadelphia.—Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D-Va.) urging President Eisenhower to adopt Hoover commission recommendations aimed at "tax savings":

"I believe that taxes are so burdensome that if continued at present and proposed levels they will take the money this nation's economy needs for growth; they will cause a downturn in business and personal incomes; they will unleash a tremendous inflationary force."

Washington.—Sen. John J. Williams (Del.) after writing to the Interstate Commerce Commission complaining about a Delaware farmer who was told he would have to submit 66 copies of his letter if he wanted his objections to a railroad increase to be heard:

"I hope they will not send me 66 copies of their reply."

Laughs of the Day...

Madison, Wis.—(U.P.)—A University of Wisconsin applicant wrote on his scholarship request: "I will try to be a good egg and become an integral part of the Wisconsin omelette." The scholarship committee promptly discarded the application.

North Vernon, Ind.—(U.P.)—A local automobile dealer with a slogan, "We're Ready to Trade," took in a monkey on past pay-out on a car.

Nashville, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Morris Thurman caught a one-pound catfish in the Cumberland River, put it on his string and dropped it back into the water. When he pulled up his string he found he had two catfish. A second one had tried to swallow the first but just got stuck since each weighed one pound.

Waterbury, Conn.—(U.P.)—A man who accidentally was locked in a billiard parlor was freed after police called Police-manager Louis Police.

Oswego, N. Y.—(U.P.)—Sam Clappa thought the ought to have his auto brakes tested. He was sure of it when his car went through the service station door. Damage was estimated at \$300—plus a fee for adjusting the brakes.

Medford, Conn.—(U.P.)—A thief



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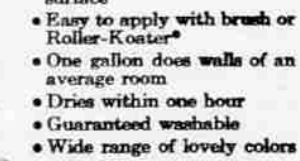
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