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By Jimmy Hatlo

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TV Stimulates Reading by Children, Author of Children's Books Declares

BY WILLIAM EWALD
United Press Correspondent
New York — The Sunshine, oatmeal and rich old uncles aren't the only things good for growing kids, TV it, too.

At last that's the word from Mrs. Nora Kramer, author, lec-

turer and adviser to publishers in the field of children's books. Mrs. Kramer, a member of the Children's Book Committee of the American Library Association, is reading for small fry.

"Anyone who says that TV is

killing off reading among children is just uninformed," bristled Mrs. Kramer. "Studies on this thing have been made in libraries all over the country and they show just the opposite.

"Nature and science books are very big now among children and much of this impetus comes from TV shows. Biographies are in demand by children because of their exposure to hero-type adventure stories on TV. Shows like 'Disneyland' and 'Robin Hood' constantly stimulate reading.

"Up until this past year, tales of fantasy were moving very slowly. But suddenly fairy tale books have become hugely successful. Why? Well, in the past year TV has turned to many fairy tales for its spectacles."

Mrs. Kramer, who has three children and five grandchildren, brushes off those who decry violence in children's shows.

"I'm not a pussyfoot about this," she said. "I don't object to adventure stories with lots of action. Action provides a release for children. It does them a lot of good to get up and stomp around."

"They need this excitement within the bounds of good taste — by this, I mean without things like mutilation or the showing of blood in color. But I see nothing wrong with shooting in Western shows."

"There's no reason why parents should be afraid of sadness or human emotion in children's TV shows. There's no reason why parents should be afraid of showing death. We shouldn't shield our children from human experiences. They're much tougher than we think."

TV, said Mrs. Kramer, has proved a boon in other areas of child education. "It's certainly improved the vocabulary of children," she said. "Words they may have read, but didn't quite understand are suddenly illuminated when these words are used on TV."

"And TV illuminates life itself for children. It fills in corners of their minds. Quiz shows, I think, have done a wonderful job of stimulating children. When that little Robert Strom boy was on 'The \$64,000 Question' I think many children identified themselves with him and became more curious about ideas."

However, Mrs. Kramer does have one big reservation about TV—she dislikes the attitude of many family-type situation comedy shows.

"They show the father or mother as fumbling idiots," she said. "They don't treat parents as warm human beings, but just look at them contemptuously. This type of show is far more of a danger than any shooting Western."

Girls See Festival Play Rehearsal

Ashland—Twenty two junior and senior high school girls of the McIntosh Girls Pipe band, en route from their home in Vednon, B. C., to San Francisco witnessed a rehearsal of "Henry VIII" at the Elizabethan Theatre in Ashland Saturday night.

The bagpipe and drum unit will appear in several events at the Lions International Convention in San Francisco June 25 to 29. They will be representing all the Lions Clubs from Dawson Creek, B. C., to Othello, Wash.

Now in its tenth year, the pipe band tours extensively. While in the Rogue Valley, they played at the Medford Junior high, during the regional Lions conclave at the Craterian Theatre, and also paraded through Medford streets. Following the Saturday night rehearsal, the girls collected autographs from the festival company, and continued on to the Bay Area via chartered bus.

Florence, Ore. — Mrs. Orpha O. Lane, 57, Florence, was killed Monday when struck by a car as she crossed Highway 101 to her mail box three miles south of here. The driver, Dewey Miller, Florence, was not held.

'Double Blind' Test Shows Cobra Venom Not Pain Killer

BY DELOS SMITH
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New York — The "double blind" test, which is used by scientists in seeking unchangeable truth, has tested the poisonous venom of the cobra as a pain-reliever in human beings and found it wanting.

It also provided additional proof that there is a quirk in human nature which permits people to "give up" their plans, in order to please someone who is sympathetic, understanding and trying to do something to help them.

For some 25 years there have been reports that a very little cobra venom had the magical power to relieve pain from such undoubted pain-causers as arthritis and cancer.

Enthusiastic Reports Appear
Cobra venom was prepared in vials mixed with formic and silicic acid. Enthusiastic reports began appearing in medical literature.

But there was no "double blind" test. That was undertaken by Drs. Leonard E. Meiselas and Austin A. Schlecker of the State University of New York Medical School in Brooklyn. They had a batch of vials prepared which were labeled "A," "B" and "C."

The "A" vials contained formic acid only, the "B" vials cobra venom mixed with formic and silicic acid, and the "C" vials contained the acids without the venom. It was impossible to tell the vials apart except by their letters.

Now the stage was prepared

for the pain-suffering arthritic human beings.

When the "double blind" was removed, it was revealed that formic acid alone and formic and silicic acid together had afforded "considerable" pain relief for as many patients as has the two combined with cobra venom—and no one has ever found either acid to be a pain reliever.

But either alone or together, they afforded "some" relief to more patients than they did when combined with cobra venom. And the same numbers of patients found no relief for their pain from any of the three.

The report of the doctors was published by the Medical Society of the State of New York. Their results, the doctors said, "emphasizes that the continued interest of the physician, the participation of the patient in a research project, and his desire to please the physician by responding to the drug may be some of the factors that are responsible for his positive reaction."

Mrs. FDR Denied Visa To Red China

New York — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said today she had asked for a visa to visit Communist China, but was turned down.

"I made application and was told that, as yet, no newsmen were permitted by our government to visit Communist China," Mrs. Roosevelt said in her column, My Day. The column is distributed by United Features Syndicate, Inc.

"I still hope that the State Department may find it possible to allow all correspondents who wish to gather news from this area of the world to go there if the Chinese will allow them to enter."

"I believe it might be easier to learn some things in China than in the Soviet Union. But I am anxious to go to the Soviet Union, too," she said. "Since I cannot now go to China, I hope that I will be able to visit the Soviet Union in the near future."

LOGGER KILLED

White Salmon, Wash. — Louis McKenzie, 55, White Salmon, was killed Monday in a logging accident north of here.

Supreme Court Term Sets New Marks for Individual Freedoms

Washington — The Supreme Court today looked back on a long, arduous term which set new landmarks for individual freedoms under the Constitution.

The justices will sit again July 8 to hear the case of GI William S. Girard, whom the government wants to turn over to Japan for a manslaughter trial. Except for that, their work is finished. The term has already lasted longer than most.

This term saw the addition of two new members — Justice William J. Brennan Jr., who replaced retiring Justice Sherman Minton last October; and Justice Charles E. Whittaker, who took the seat of retiring Justice Stanley F. Reed in March.

DuPont Rapped
One recent decision included a new interpretation of antitrust law with a finding that the huge DuPont Corporation has been guilty of monopoly tactics. Du Pont owns 23 per cent of the stock in General Motors.

Only last week, in three decisions which are still echoing through the capitol, the court slipped down both the executive and legislative branches of the government.

Ordering the acquittal of five California Communists convicted of conspiracy and a new trial for nine others, the court laid down new principles for prosecutions under the Smith Act. Speaking for the court, Justice John M. Harlan said the law does not bar preaching the violent overthrow of the government, even with evil intent, unless some concrete action toward that end is involved.

In another precedent-shattering opinion, Chief Justice Earl Warren reversed the contempt of Congress conviction of Illinois labor leader John T. Watkins, who had refused to identify persons he had previously known in the Communist movement. Warren said legislators who encounter an unwilling witness must tell him "the subject under inquiry at the time and the manner in which the proposed questions are pertinent thereto."

Another Harlan opinion set aside the 1951 firing of veteran career diplomat John Stewart Service by former Secretary of State Dean Acheson. Harlan found the secretary had violated the regulations he himself set up for such discharges.

Must Reveal Reports
Earlier this month, Brennan spoke for the court in an area long the subject of intense con-

trovery — the circumstances under which the FBI must reveal secret reports.

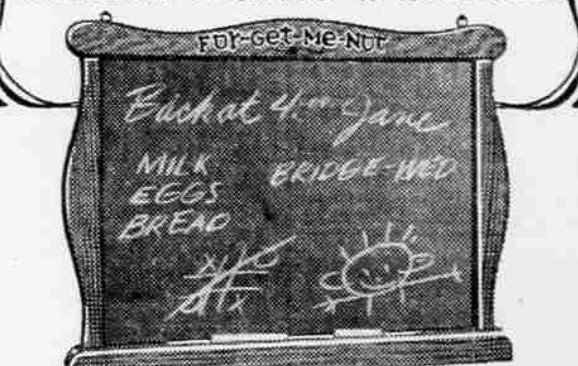
Brennan held that if the government puts an informer on the witness stand at a criminal trial it must also supply on demand the reports about the accused made by the informer to the FBI. The report can be used to check on whether the witness is telling the truth.

If the government objects to this procedure, it can drop the prosecution, Brennan said.

The court also this term freed two women convicted of murder by overseas military courts

marital on the ground that they were entitled to a civilian trial. Obscenity was one of the few areas where the court cracked down on individuals. Monday it upheld the constitutionality of the Federal Obscenity Law as well as New York and California statutes. The court held that "obscenity is not within the area of constitutionally protected speech or press."

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