



HOWDY PODNAH, SUH—Air Force Gen. Lauris Norstad, supreme commander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, tries on a Texas-style hat replete with the four stars of his rank prior to addressing a World Affairs group in Dallas. Reviewing the position of NATO in keeping world peace, Norstad said that "NATO as a deterrent to Soviet aggression could not be over emphasized."

Is That So?

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In the animal kingdom as a whole, the sense of smell is probably the most important. Although modern man has tended to relegate it to the aesthetic — whether something pleases him, as the perfume of flowers, or contributes to his taste of savory foods, or disgusts him with bad smells — nonetheless, it plays an important role in his life.

Smells (or scents, if the cost is excessive) are just as exciting, depressing, stimulating, soothing, head-turning, or nauseating as the sense of color, may. More, perhaps. They can recall past events to the mind quicker than any other stimuli.

Among social insects the sense of smell is deeply ingrained. Strange odors set up antagonistic, combative responses in most groups. So strong is this drive that if a member of the same colony of ants, termites, or bees has its odor changed, the other members will turn upon it, frequently killing it if it does not flee.

Also, it is possible to take a strange individual and bring him into the colony and have him accepted by giving him the colony odor.

As a result, it is possible to bring strange individuals from a strange colony into a nest by keeping them there for several hours — but protected from the others by anesthetizing all with the same gas or cooling them in a refrigerator and allowing them to recover together. It is possible then to bring different species together—even different families who would ordinarily kill one another—and have them live amicably together.

How does this affect the human? Perhaps in many ways.

Before presenting a strange fiancée to the family, why not give her a lift of the family's favorite perfume? The subtle nuances of odor might well win her the favor of her prospective mother-in-law.

Evoke Same Memories

Or, perhaps future cooking troubles can be neutralized. Instead of having the new husband drool for food as Mom cooked it, why not find out what spices his mother used and then use them on the newly-wed husband to evoke the same home memories — spices, say, such as cinnamon for apple pie; nutmeg for the custard; rosemary for the veal.

Bees, too, are affected by odors. This may be the answer why flowers have developed so many different kinds of odors. Bees tend to visit one kind of flower for a definite period—they are attracted by the odor; and the preference for certain odors will dominate the hive, all bees in that hive collecting nectar from certain flowers.

We in North America seem to have developed supersensitivity to smells. The slightest "off" odor is enough to kill our interest in food, or even in household furnishings or wearing apparel. As a result, manufacturers are employing osmics, the science of smell, to improve the sales appeal of everything from castor oil to insect killers. One of the first to assail sales resistance via the nose was a factory owner who sprayed his plastic upholstery to make it smell like leather—and his sales zoomed, out-selling every similar product by an enormous margin. Au-

tomobile manufacturers, likewise, have developed a spray which imparts a smell of "newness" to an automobile. Soap manufacturers have imparted balsam smell to conjure up the imagination of peaceful piney woods.

Look next to have your bedroom scented: sleep experts state that smells have a potent influence on dreams.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

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Ellen M. — Terry is jealous

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Mrs. R. D. — I am very much concerned about my two married daughters.

Ellen is married to a successful businessman. She is very well off. She and her children have beautiful clothes and all kinds of luxuries. Terry is married to an ordinary workman. They have barely enough to get by. Terry works her fingers to the bone and can't even take a day off for a little fun.

The girls were always good friends as children, but they have grown far apart. I feel that Ellen should make more of an effort to do things for her sister. It would mean nothing to her to take Terry out occasionally. She could also do things for the children. Why shouldn't sisters help one another when they are in a position to do so?

Ellen M. — I'm sorry to have to say a thing like this, but I do feel that my sister is jealous of me.

For a long time I have tried to get her to come out with me to a show or to some little function given by my club. She always refuses, saying she is too busy. Yet I know that she goes out occasionally with one or two of the women from her neighborhood.

When Terry and her children come to my home, I always feel some kind of restraint. She seems to be in a hurry to get away. She doesn't seem to even listen when I tell her things. She never invites me to her home.

My mother seems to think I should shower Terry and her children with gifts, but I don't think she would like that. She is much too proud.

The Council: We agree with Ellen that Terry would probably prefer not to be showered with gifts. This mother is a little too anxious to equalize her children's material positions. She fails to realize that Terry may have quite a lot of

Explosion of Tank Hurts Silverton Man

Salem — A 520-gallon tank exploded at the W. W. Rosebraugh Company foundry here Wednesday afternoon injuring the employee who was rust-proofing the inside of the tank.

Taken to Salem Memorial hospital with lacerations, burns and bruises of the lower abdomen was Floyd Lauber, 29, Silverton. He was reported in good condition today.

DUCHESS TROUBLE

Surbiton, England — The Duchess of Devonshire gave 17-year-old Mary Cole a little trouble Wednesday before Mary passed her driving test. Mary said the Duchess—her name for the car, a 1908 Renault painted with white stripes—skidded almost across the road in making an emergency stop.

Ontario, Ore. — Employees of the Oregon Frozen Food Company here voted against affiliation with the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workers Union of North America.

What'll it be: dreams based on beefsteak, charcoal, or li-lacs.

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Fossil Material Found in Alaska

College, Alaska — A 2,000-pound fossil field yielded a 2,000-pound harvest to Dr. Otto Wiliam Geist recently.

Dr. Geist, research associate in paleontology at the University of Alaska, returned to the campus with more than 1,500 pounds of Pleistocene fossil material from the Seward Peninsula. Earlier, he had gathered 500 pounds from the Forty-Mile area near the Yukon Territory-Alaska border and along various creeks in the Tanana Valley.

The material will be studied by the university here as well as in the Frick Laboratory at the American Museum of Natural History.

Most of the specimens were of mammoths and bison, but one unusual modern-day specimen obtained during the summer was the 13-foot skeleton of a male narwhal

with an ivory tusk a yard long.

Usually this whale is found in North Atlantic waters around Baffin Bay in Greenland. Dr. Geist believes another narwhal killed the specimen he obtained because he found the tip of a narwhal tusk imbedded in the jaw. This discovery indicates that a second narwhal is in Alaskan waters, and possibly a tuskless female over which the two males were fighting—something naturalists have theorized does not occur.

CAN'T BE COP

Washington — President Eisenhower is ineligible to become a policeman or a fireman in the District of Columbia. The district's commissioners ruled Tuesday that anyone suffering from ileitis—the intestinal ailment which struck the president in 1956—cannot join either of the forces.

Salem — William F. Frye of Eugene has filed for the Democratic nomination for district attorney of Lane county.

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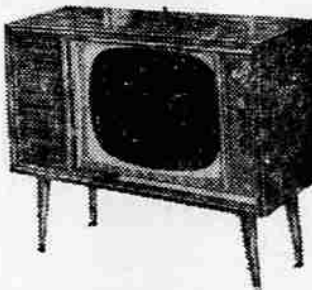
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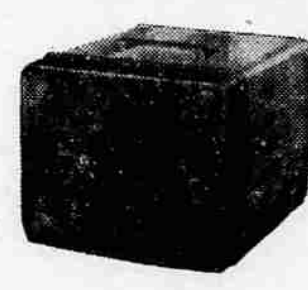
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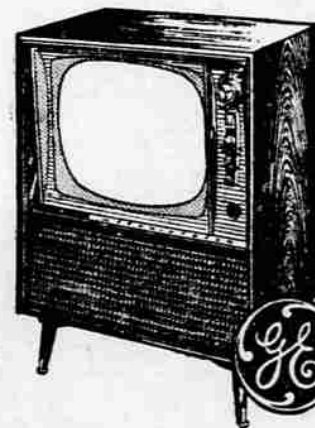
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