

Italian 'Test Tube' Ruled Not Adultery

Padua, Italy —UPI—An Italian court ruled Friday that artificial insemination was not adultery. It cleared a school teacher of charges brought by her estranged husband.

Carla Casarotti, 35, told the court she submitted to artificial insemination to prove it was her husband, Antonio Faeddo, 45, who was responsible for their not having children.

13 Influenza Cases Reported in County

Thirteen cases of influenza were reported to the Jackson county health department last week, according to Dr. A. Erwin Merkel, county health physician.

Other cases of communicable diseases reported were chicken pox, Butte Falls and Medford, one each; measles, Ashland and Shady Cove, one each, and pink eye, Ashland one.

The Lincoln Memorial cost \$2,940,000.

Western Lawmakers May Be in Thick of Fight Between Ike, Democratic Spenders

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Washington — If the next two years of the forthcoming 86th Congress become a battle between the "spenders" of the Democratic party, then western lawmakers seem bound to be in the thick of the fight.

With the largest bloc of western Democrats scheduled to come to Washington this winter since New Deal days, the voice they customarily raise in behalf of federally-financed public works projects—dams, irrigation works, harbor improvements, forest access roads, highways, etc.—will be all the stronger because of their substantially increased number.

What is more, the sharp split along party lines within the western bloc of senators during the past five years may be all but gone during the 86th Congress. That is, western Republicans who followed the GOP administration's lead in favoring a reduced government role in western development will now be in a small minority, less capable of contesting the plans and programs of the Democrats for more and bigger federal projects.

Heavy Extension
What happened in the western states congressional races last Tuesday was no sudden swing toward the Democrats, but rather a heavy extension of a trend which had been developing away from the Republicans since the 1954 elections.

This trend began after the record of the 83rd Congress went on the line. This was the Congress which came in with the Eisenhower landslide of 1952. It gave Republicans control of 12 of the 22 western Senate seats and an even bigger margin of control of western House seats. It was in this 83rd Congress that western Republicans split away from western Democrats in supporting federal dams, giving support to the administration's new "partnership" power policy which favored local utility development of dam sites.

1954 Elections
Then in the 1954 elections, one of the chief advocates of this antifederal power policy, Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore.), was defeated by Richard L. Neuberger, a Democrat who hit hard at what he termed "give-aways" of resources. In the 1956 elections, Oregon voted to keep Sen. Wayne Morse, now a Democrat, over Douglas McKay, who symbolized more than anyone else the administration's controversial resource policies because he had served as Eisenhower's Secretary of the Interior. And in Idaho, another critic of this policy, Frank Church, was elected over incumbent Republican Sen. Herman Welker.

With Democrats moving into these Oregon and Idaho Senate seats, the administration came to rely heavily upon Utah's white-haired Sen. Arthur V. Watkins, especially in the Republican effort to defeat the high Hells Canyon dam bill. Now, with the 1958 election returns in, Watkins is out.

Lone GOP Senator
So are Sens. George (Molly) Malone (R-Nev.), easily the most ancient-minded of the western bloc, and Frank Barrett (R-Wyo.), another conservative. And the seat held by conservative Sen. William Knowland (R-Calif.) has gone to the Democrats. Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) was the lone GOP senator to survive this year's elections in the West.

Goldwater is perhaps the most likely prospect for assuming the role of administration spokesman in opposition to western Democrats for more projects requiring federal financing. But his is likely to be a lonely voice of opposition on many occasions, for even some of those western Republicans who remain are not apt to buck the tide of opinion that appears to be running in the West.

Four Colleagues
Goldwater will have only four Republican colleagues from the West, not counting the possibility that Alaska may elect a Republican when it votes Nov. 25. Sen. Thomas Kuchel (R-Calif.) is the most liberal of the lot. He strongly opposed an administration plan for "partnership" construction of the Trinity River project in northern California, supporting the Democratic proposal for federal construction championed by California's new Democratic senator, Clair Engle.

The other three GOP senators are more conservative, but not as much as Goldwater, with the possible exception of Sen. Wallace Bennett (R-Utah), former head of the National Association of Manufacturers who confines himself chiefly to fiscal affairs and has played only a minor role in resources affairs. Colorado's Sen. Gordon Allott is moderately conservative. And Idaho's Sen. Henry Dworshak, while thoroughly conservative is a veteran politician who is given to straddling the fence, holding one finger aloft and keeping an ear to the ground, all simultaneously, to the wonder of amateurs in the trade.

Favor Government
Western Democrats in the Senate will all appear to have been cut from the same cloth when it comes to resource development. They favor the federal government doing the job in the main. Their differences are apt to be more on national issues, with Engle more conservative than Morse, for example, on labor legislation; with Neuberger more insistent than Magnuson or Morse that the government must increase its revenues if it is to step up spending.

But it would be a mistake to assume in advance that this strong bloc of western Democrats will be able to bring in a new federal dam building era such as was started during the New Deal, when Bonneville, Grand Coulee and Hoover dams were built.

Power of Veto
If President Eisenhower makes a fight of it, as he indicated at last Wednesday's news conference that he would, then he will still have the power of the veto to employ against new spending proposals. He vetoed one appropriation bill this last session, forcing the Democrats in Congress to trim its amount. Whether the Democrats will have enough strength to override vetoes with consistency remains to be seen.

In the House of Representatives, conservative western Republicans have lost ground since they reached their peak of strength with Eisenhower's 1952 win, but not as much ground as in the Senate. The defeats of Reps. Harris Ellsworth and Sam Coon in Oregon in 1956 illustrate the GOP setbacks. Both were advocates of the GOP power policy, who lost to federal power men, Reps. Charles Porter and Al Ullman.

Seats Without Change
But in Washington state, Democratic election of two Democratic senators, Republicans have held six of seven seats without change in the last three elections. Some of these GOP congressmen, notably Reps. Russell V. Mack, Thor Tollefson and Walt Horan, have leaned more toward public power than private power. And Rep. Thomas Pelly in Seattle has even had labor support in his campaigns—all of which indicates that Washington state's successful Republicans have been less conservative by far than the average GOP lawmaker.

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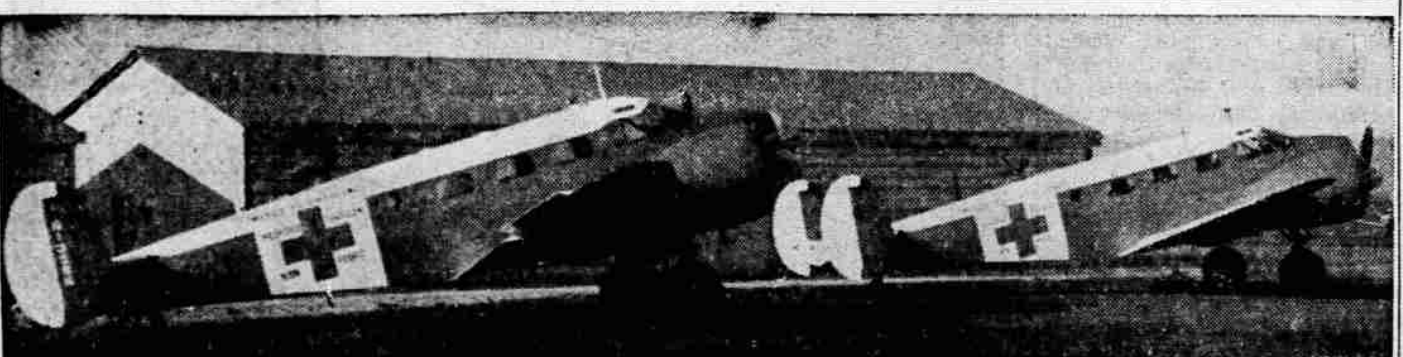
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Local Youth Named UO Class President

Eugene — Frank Albert, Medford, was elected president of the University of Oregon freshman class last week when about 50 per cent of the freshman class turned out to the polls.

Other officers elected included Arthur Emig, Portland, vice president; and Daniel Williams, Astoria, and Carol McKelligon, Portland, class representatives.

Bruce MacGowen, Eugene, was selected graduate student assistant. He is a graduate assistant in chemistry.

Albert is pledge class president for the Delta Upsilon fraternity, a dormitory officer in McClure hall, Erb Memorial Union committee member, and is a former high school student body manager at Medford.

He was also student mayor at Medford high school. He was the recipient of an Oregon Dad's Club Leader's award when he entered the University of Oregon this fall.

EX F.C.C. Member In Innocent Plea

Miami —UPI—Richard A. Mack, who resigned from the federal communications commission under fire, pleaded innocent in federal court here Friday to conspiracy charges growing out of the Miami Channel 10 television case.

Mack was permitted to post \$1,000 bond before Federal District Judge Emmet Choate. His arraignment previously had been scheduled before Federal Judge John J. Sirica in Washington but he was allowed to appear here instead because of illness.

Premier of Iraq Joins Red Festival

Baghdad, Iraq —UPI—Premier Abdel Karim Kassem joined the Soviet celebration of the October revolution Friday night to climax the biggest show of Iraqi-Soviet friendship since the new government came to power July 14.

Kassem attended a reception at the Soviet Embassy given for foreign diplomats and Iraqi officials.

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