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Thirteen Medford auto dealers will be taking part in the first nationwide "total selling" auto promotion April 6-18 "to help restore to Americans the excitement, thrill and pride of buying, owning and driving a brand new car."

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Darrell Miller, president of the Medford Automobile Dealers' association, and Dick Knight and Russ Heysell are members of the "Live Better" committee.

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Special plans to assist prospective customers in selecting a new car are being made by the auto dealers.

Taking part in the "Live Better" campaign are Skinner Buick - Cadillac, representatives for Buick, Cadillac and Opel; Jay Allen company, Fiat and Borgward; Courtesy Chevrolet, Chevrolet and Lloyd; Hamlin Motor company, Chrysler, Imperial, Plymouth and Triumph; Crater

Lake Motors, Ford, English Ford and Thunderbird; Dean and Taylor Pontiac company, Pontiac, Renault, Volvo and Peugeot.

Dick Knight company, Plymouth, DeSoto and Simca; Medford Motors, Inc., Mercury, Lincoln, Edsel, Taunus and Willys; Stevens Auto Sales, MG, Morris, Jaguar, and Austin - Healy; Darrell Miller company, Oldsmobile; Morse Motors, Volkswagen; Parsons Motors, Dodge, Plymouth and Hillman; and Lea Motors, Rambler and Metropolitan.

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Prospect for Traffic, Earnings For Railroads Reported Better

Editor's note: The railroad industry is picking up speed in the first half of 1959 along with the rest of the economy. Railroad reports are making much brighter reading than a year ago although the industry still is beset with problems.

By PETER T. EARLE
UPI Correspondent
New York—(UPI)—The nation's railroads rolled through the first quarter of the year at increased speed but the pickup was not great enough to pull some of the Eastern roads out of the red.

Over-all, the industry made a much better showing in the period than in any quarter last year and traffic and earnings prospects for most roads in the second quarter are considered promising.

The railroad industry, heavily dependent on industrial activity, was one of the industries hardest hit by the 1957-58 recession. Consequently, the industry has enjoyed an improvement in operations along with the recovery in general economic activity.

Railroads in most areas of the country realized improvements in revenues and earnings in the first quarter. Eastern railroads such as the New York Central and Pennsylvania succeeded in sharply reducing—but not eliminating—their deficits.

Activity on Increase
The bright spot in the industry's second quarter outlook is the rising trend of activity in such heavy traffic-producing industries as iron and steel, automobile, coal ore and construction.

The 13 regional advisory boards reporting to the Association of American Railroads estimated that freight loadings in the second quarter of this year will run 12.4 per cent above 5,670,512 cars loaded in the same period of last year, when the recession hit its low.

Loadings in the first quarter of 1959 ran approximately 6 per cent ahead of a year ago, but trailed pre-recession levels by 10 per cent.

Industry spokesmen pointed out that earnings comparisons for the first half of 1959 should be specially favorable for Eastern railroads, in view of their severely depressed 1958 showing. In the first half of 1958, Eastern roads suffered a 64 per cent earnings drop.

Much Working Capital
Working capital for the industry is at a very high level, reflecting in part economies of operation realized during the recession. However, the outlook still is for a conservative dividend policy pending a much sharper improvement in earnings.

The new transportation law signed late last year has brought about some reduction in losses from unprofitable operations. In the east, unprofitable ferry runs have been eliminated.

Industry observers pointed out, however, that every cut-back in service forces more customers to competing forms of transportation. And there is an old axiom in the business that: "Freight traffic follows traffic."

One of the big criticisms leveled against the industry—especially the big Eastern roads with their substantial commuter operations—is that they have been following a defeatist attitude toward passengers which eventually may hurt their over-all freight volume.

Interest in Mergers
Railroads are showing more interest in mergers and some experts feel that 1959 may be an important year in this respect. There are 131 Class I railroads—those with annual revenues of \$1 million or more—and many industry leaders have gone on record as saying there should be only 10 or so major railroad systems.

"We have too many railroads competing for too little business," is the way one spokesman summed it up recently.

A number of railroads also are contemplating a series of freight rate reductions in an effort to lure traffic away

from competing modes of transportation. The success of this bold attempt to regain lost traffic will depend on how the rate cuts are received by the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington.

Bing Crosby, Wife Expecting Again

Ishpeming, Mich. — (UPI) — Kathy Grant and Bing Crosby are expecting their second child, it was confirmed here today.

The baby is expected in the late fall, according to Otto Preminger, director of "Anatomy of a Murder," in which Miss Grant has a lead role.

Preminger said Miss Grant told him she was pregnant two days ago when she arrived in Ishpeming, where the movie is being filmed.

The couple's first child, Harry Lillis Jr., was born five months ago. The crooner has four other sons by his late first wife, Dixie Lee.

Kathy's part in the movie will be completed in five or six weeks, Jim Merrick, spokesman for the company, said.

ACTRESS DIES
New York—(UPI)—Mrs. Clare Bruce Hendrickson, 63, an actress and artist, died Saturday.



TWISTER BLASTS FARM—Rescue workers find only a soaked and shivering dog at this farmhouse in Hillsboro, Tex., after a tornado blasted it apart. The twister trailed a path of destruction between the farming communities of Vaughan and Bynum in North-Central Texas. Six are dead and 38 injured.

Two Men Lodged On Burglary Charges

Two men are being held in the county jail today on the charges of burglary, state police said today.

The two men, Robert Homer Hanna, 31, and John E. Mathcett, 30, both of Phoenix, were arrested by Phoenix Police Chief Clay Johns and state police on charges of removing furniture and miscellaneous articles from the

Southern Oregon Trailer Mart north of Phoenix Sunday night.

ARMS AUTHORITY DIES
New York—(UPI)—Walter H. B. Smith, 57, one of the world's noted authorities on small arms, died Sunday. He had been a consultant on arms and armaments to the League of Nations.

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DST Appears Dead For the Time Being

Salem — (UPI) — The issue of daylight saving time in Oregon appears to be dead for this session of the legislature.

The Senate Committee on State and Federal Affairs Friday tabled a measure to submit the question of daylight saving time to voters in the 1960 general election. Previously, an emergency measure to put Oregon on fast time this Centennial year was killed on the floor of the House.

The Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee also voted against Senate Bill 94 which would have increased basic school support from \$105 to \$120 per census child.

Earlier, the bill had been favorably reported out by the Senate Education committee. Another measure to increase basic school support is being studied in the House.

Emotional Strain Believed Possible To Arouse Cancer

By DELOS SMITH
UPI Science Editor
Excelsior Springs, Mo. — (UPI) — Here are two new and astonishing facts about people and cancer:

—After long lapses cancer came back in six persons while they were under severe emotional strain.

—The Blood of a woman whose cancer had been arrested for a long time killed reawakening cancer cells more efficiently than the best cancer cell-killing drug.

Dr. Oscar Creech Jr., of Tulane University, New Orleans, who disclosed these facts, had no explanation for the first beyond its obvious suggestion that the emotional mind, which is known to influence many body functions, can also influence the body's relations with its own cancerous parasite.

Natural Chemical Defenses
The second, Creech took as more confirmation of what practically all cancer doctors have to come to believe. The body has natural chemical defenses against cancer just as it has against bacterial and virus diseases. Bacteria and viruses rouse those defenses and further invasions by those particular bacteria or viruses are stopped cold.

Creech and other cancer surgeons, in briefing science writers on the newest in cancer research at a seminar sponsored by the American Cancer Society, agreed the defenses exist and a thorough understanding of them could make them usable and go far in conquering cancer.

That would lead to vaccines to prevent cancer. Cancer experts are convinced that cancer is not one disease but many, since cancer cells are so diverse and behave so differently, and there would

have to be many vaccines, one for each cancer disease. However, vaccines are far in the future. No one knows enough to make even one now.

Creech's famous New Orleans surgical colleague, Dr. Alton Ochsner, reiterated to the science writers his now well-known belief that cigarette smoking is a direct cause of lung cancer and the tremendous increase in cigarette smoking by men since World War I, explains the great increase in lung cancer in men over that period.

Mrs. FDR's Camel Barred From Entry

Washington — (UPI) — The Agriculture Department barred "Duchess," a camel Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt bought in Israel last month, from entry into the United States.

Mrs. Roosevelt purchased the camel for her 16-year-old granddaughter Nina and planned to ship it to her Hyde Park, N.Y., estate.

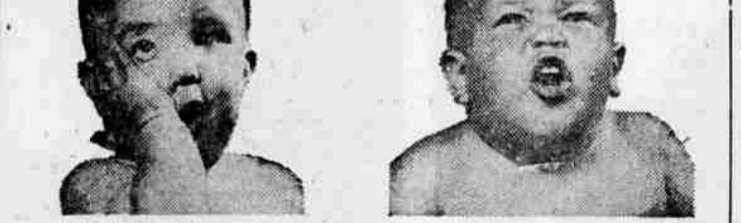
L. C. Heemstra, director of the Animal Quarantine Division, explained that U. S. law prohibits entry of domesticated animals from countries where hoof and mouth disease exists.

He said the department acted before Duchess was removed from Israel to avoid an embarrassing situation for Mrs. Roosevelt.

NIXON IS KEYNOTER
Denver—(UPI)—Vice President Nixon will keynote the national Young Republican convention in Denver next June 17-21.

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