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Movies Reported Popular in Warsaw

Warsaw — (UPI) — Movie theaters provide Warsaw with its most popular form of entertainment, according to a recent survey by the Polish Ministry of Culture.

Of 1,417 persons queried, 67 per cent said they went to the movies at least once a month, compared with 18 per cent who said they attended sports events regularly, 14 per cent who go to the theater and 4 to 6 per cent who visit museums.

Only 6 per cent said they never went to see a film, while 24 per cent never ventured into a theater, 28 per cent skipped museums and 50 per cent stayed away from all special artistic and cultural exhibitions.

The survey also sought to determine why people do not attend cultural events. It found that 55 per cent blame the high price of tickets, 48 per cent the lack of leisure time, 30 per cent after-work fatigue, 28 per cent the difficulty of obtaining tickets, 15 per cent the difficulty of finding transportation, 13 per cent the lack of suitable clothes and 9 per cent the lack of companionship.

NO HARD FEELINGS

Superior, Wis. — (UPI) — Richard Trautline, 25, was sentenced Tuesday to 25 years in prison but apparently held no hard feelings. Trautline thanked Superior Court Judge A. Walter Dahl for the sentence and asked permission to apologize to the service station attendant he robbed.

Democrats Start Maneuvering With Social Security Benefits

Washington — (UPI) — The Democratic leadership has flashed the green light for a congressional drive to liberalize some of the social security benefits in advance of the 1960 presidential elections.

The action came just a few days after Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, secretary of health, education and welfare, indicated the Eisenhower administration would recommend liberalizing revisions.

The quick democratic reaction demonstrated the political potency of the issue. It raised the possibility that election-year jockeying for votes may produce an across-the-board increase in monthly benefit checks that would require a new and higher schedule of payroll taxes on employers and employees covered by the multi-billion dollar program.

In an unusual pre-session announcement, Chairman Wilbur D. Mills of the house ways and means committee, virtually committed the next session of Congress to liberalize revisions.

The Arkansas Democrat said he would ask the committee, which has jurisdiction over the program, to consider "various suggestions" for improvements.

Mills said Congress could, without boosting taxes, repeal the present requirement that permanently and totally disabled workers must wait until age 50 before drawing benefits. This would add about 125,000 persons to the more than 12,000,000 now on the benefit rolls. Flemming this week spoke out publicly in favor of this change.

Mills emphasized, however, that social security taxes will have to be raised if Congress decides (1) to provide an

across-the-board boost in monthly benefits; or (2) to broaden the program to include paid hospitalization and medical insurance for persons 65 or older.

Chances Rated Good

Nevertheless, Mills said, the committee "may want to consider" these proposals. Chances for a boost in benefits are rated better than enactment of the controversial medical-insurance program which is being pushed by organized labor in the face of determined opposition from the American Medical association.

Although it is impossible to determine just how far Congress will go in liberalizing social security, the past record indicates it is likely to enact some major liberalization. For five consecutive election years, Congress has done so. The size of benefit checks were raised in 1950, 1952, 1954 and 1958. In 1956 Congress expanded the program to provide disability insurance and lowered the age of eligibility for benefits for women to age 62.

The expanded benefits have resulted in a sharp increase in the social security taxes required to finance the program in the years ahead. Those subject to the taxes have yet to feel the full burden.

Covered workers and their employers now must each pay a tax of 2 1/2 per cent on the first \$4,800 of the employee's annual earnings. The tax rate will automatically increase to 3 per cent next Jan. 1. The rate will hit 3 1/2 per cent in 1963, 4 per cent in 1964, and 4 1/2 per cent in 1969.

The rate for self-employed persons is 50 per cent higher than on employees.

Mills listed half a dozen

Berlin Billboards Got Too Personal

Berlin — (UPI) — Police have put an end to the postwar Berlin custom of placing personal want ads on billboards. They were getting too personal.

Immediately after the war Berliners started using signboards for messages seeking missing relatives, an apartment, or food or other goods in short supply. In the chaotic city it was an effective way to advertise.

As Berlin returned to normal the nature of the billboard messages changed. Police suspected there might be immorality hidden in the ads. Some examples:

"Brunette witch with good figure seeks serious man."
"Blonde poison, young, charming, many interests, seeks acquaintance of men."
"Woman's wrestling in discreet atmosphere."

"Disciple of nudism wants to meet other followers of nudism."

Police checked into one ad and found that a shoemaker advertising a model service for amateur photographers was using his 15-year-old daughter to pose in the nude.

Erich Reiske, who owned 13 signboards around the city and rented them out, was arrested and fined \$125 for publishing indecent notices. Berlin's signboard game came to a quick end.

Other possible changes which could be made without requiring any increase in the existing tax schedule.

They included payment of monthly insurance benefits to wives and widows who are permanently and totally disabled. Benefits now can be paid only to a disabled worker and his dependents.



PRIVATE NURSING CARE—An outstanding member of a lately-hatched flock of 6,000 on the Fred Yelton poultry farm at Belong, Ind., is this four-legged, double-breasted chick. While its conformist brothers and sisters await the market out in the barnlot, this chick is being given private nursing care in the warmth of the Yelton basement. —(UPI Telephoto)

BUTTE FALLS School Play Presented

By MARY JO HARRIS

Butte Falls — Butte Falls High school presented its annual fall play Dec. 4 at the high school gym. The play, "Me and My Shadow," was written by J. Vincent Barrett. The cast included Raymond

Abbott, Susie Strong, Mrs. Larry Cavin, Earlena Vasseur, Ira Rambo, Martha Dalton, Linda Webster, Arthur Rambo and Mike Stratton.

Dean Boggan was director. Darrell Hawkins was stage manager and sound effects man and Nola Smith, Virginia Baker and Darlene Edmondson were prompters.

Following the 3-act comedy, members of the cast presented Boggan a gift as a token of their appreciation.

The executive committee of the Butte Falls PTA will meet at 3:30 p.m. Dec. 9 at the grade school. Regular meeting of the PTA will be held at 7:30 Monday, Dec. 14 at the Butte Falls High school.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Arnold are the parents of a boy born Nov. 16 in San Pablo, Calif. Edwin is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Arnold, Butte Falls. The baby is the Edwin Arnold's third child and only son.

Mrs. Jim Arnold, postmistress, wishes to remind all patrons sending Christmas cards to Canada that the minimum postage is 4 cents and therefore may be sealed.

The Grange and HEC held their annual bazaar and silver tea at the city hall Dec. 1. Many things were offered for sale, including Christmas wreaths and candles, pillow cases, aprons, homemade candy, baked foods and surprise packages.

The Butte Falls Lions dinner meeting will be held Wednesday, Dec. 9 at Scotties cafe at 7 p.m.

The Brownies will meet Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the city hall at 3:30 p.m., at which time they will continue work on their Christmas project and practice Christmas carols.

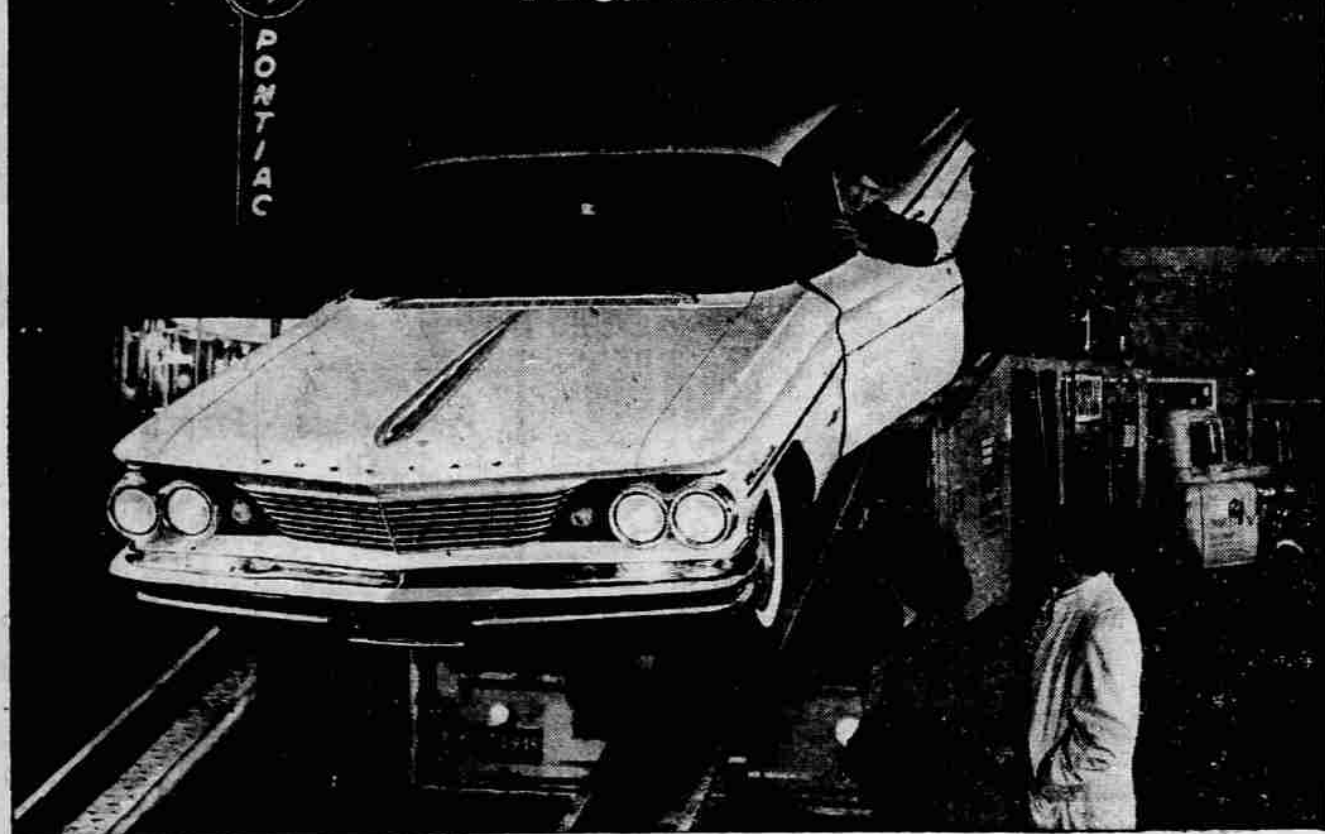
Jim Hawkins of Riverside, Calif., and Mrs. Don Ruddick and baby, Eddie, of Klamath, Calif., were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins. Jim and Mrs. Ruddick are the son and daughter of Kenneth Hawkins. While here Jim visited his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Holmes, and Mrs. Ruddick visited her father and mother-in-law and family, the Orb Ruddicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Marley of Paradise, Calif., also were recent visitors in the Kenneth Hawkins home. Mrs. Marley is a daughter of Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins.

Cal Beck of Grass Valley, Calif., was a recent guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Holm. Cal and Lloyd both attended the Grass Valley High school.

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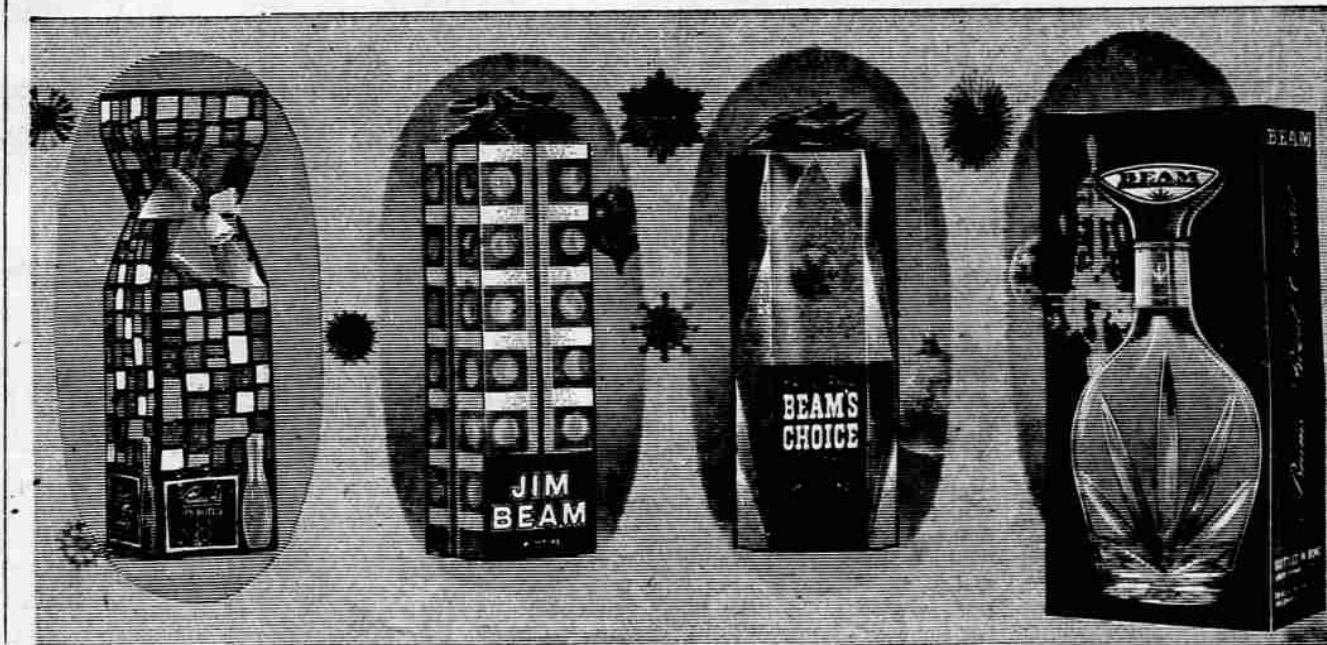
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