



Quotes From the News

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Tokyo—U. S. Ambassador Douglas MacArthur II, in ceremonies attending the newly-ratified U.S.-Japanese security treaty:

"This treaty is completely defensive in nature and represents no threat to any nation."

United Nations, N.Y.—Israeli Foreign Minister Mrs. Golda Meir, on the capture in Argentina of Nazi Col. Adolf Eichmann:

"If Israeli citizens broke the law they broke it not in tracking down an ordinary criminal, but in tracking down Adolf Eichmann."

Washington—AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer William F. Schnitzer, on congressional candidates who oppose medical care for the aged:

"The American Medical Association may consider 'compulsory' an effective scare word... but we will be able to nab any candidate who parrots that charge as a political bunco artist unworthy of our support."

Los Angeles—Actress Bette Davis, breaking into tears upon being awarded \$65,700 in damages for injuries suffered in a fall:

"These are just tears of joy."

Capitol Memo

Serve Our State Group Seeks Repeal Of Reorganization

By DOUGLAS GRIPP

Salem 28p — Officials responsible for educating Oregon grade and high school children will be in a fantastic muddle if the 1957 school district reorganization act is repealed by the people next November.

A laymen's group, Serve Our State, Inc., is working hard on repeal action now.

It has to get 33,712 signatures by July 7 in order for the initiative to be placed on the general election ballot next fall. When the law passed three years ago a similar petition drive lacked about 2,000 signatures.

Everett E. Demars of Portland, chairman of Serve Our State, or "SOS," predicts success not only for the initiative campaign but for repeal at the polls.

One-Fourth Completed

If the law is killed, consolidation of school districts in the 36 counties would cease.

The mess comes in because reorganization is already one-fourth completed. Among other things repeal would order redistribution of school

districts assets and liabilities, not only of the new districts, but back to the old. School district finances are controversial even when they are not complicated.

This is not to say it could not be done, but state officials pale at the thought of it.

Dennis Patch, director of the program for the Oregon Education Department, says the main purpose is to whittle down the 709 school districts existing in 1957 to consolidated "administrative" districts whereby education from grades one through 12 is provided in each district. As of May 31, 1960 Oregon had 539 school districts. By July 1, the figure will be 519.

"This unified program is basically a good one," Patch said. He adds that more than 30 per cent of public school students through the U. S. attend classes in unified districts.

Repealed By People

Patch noted that a school district reorganization law passed in 1951 was referred to the people and was repealed. "But that one was very rigid," he said. He classes the new law as "semi-permissive," in that it allows the decision to rest on the voters within a given district.

SOS is opposed to the law in toto.

DeMars said the law itself should be voted on by the people. SOS believes in pure local control of schools and that the 1957 law "leaves an opening for centralization of the education system."

Chance Seen Remote

County reorganization committees dissolve July 1, 1962, whether or not they have completed school district reorganizing. The responsibility then falls on county school superintendents.

The ax falls heaviest on Oregon's many elementary school districts. The state had 487 of these in 1957 and the figure is down to 333.

Oregon had a total of 2,556 school districts in 1918.

Patch said "anything that is new and involves schools, brings resistance." He feels the chance of repeal this time is "very remote."

San Set Trap for Mom's Fur Coat

Traverse City, Mich. — The idea came to Bob Lepisto last fall. He'd trap a fur coat for his mother.

Bob set a trap line around Boardman lake and during the winter he collected almost 40 prime muskrat pelts. At the end of the season he took the pelts to a furrier and asked to have them sewn together into a coat.

But Bob was in for a let-down. The furrier explained that really fine coats are made of pelts which are matched in color, grade and size. He did the next best thing, selling the pelts and using the proceeds to buy his mother a ready-made coat.

Car Keys Used as Buckles for Belts

Chicago — Someone finally has come to the aid of the absent-minded fellow who keeps misplacing his car keys. But he's got to cooperate... by remembering to wear his trousers.

The Paris Belt people are making a belt on which the little metal spike that hooks through the notches is replaced by a dummy car key. A key grinder can turn the dummy into a duplicate of the car's regular door lock and ignition key.

Blank keys are available to fit all models of Ford, Chrysler and General Motors cars.

By Jimmy Hatlo



BRITISH FIRE THOR

Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.—The British Royal Air Force Wednesday fired its 13th Thor missile from this training base. RAF spokesmen, who termed the shot a success, said it was the fourth combat training launch performed by the British air arm.

Jet Inoculations Speed Immunization Against Disease

Washington—(Science Service) — Mass immunization against disease by jet injections may provide a breakthrough in the elimination of epidemics that have plagued underdeveloped areas of the world for centuries.

Results obtained with jet vaccine administration in Pakistan give promise of "a new horizon in the field of mass inoculation." Richard L. Towle reports. He is field sanitarian advisor with the International Cooperation Administration's U.S. Operations Mission to Pakistan, Dacca, East Pakistan.

Compact Instrument

Cholera and typhoid vaccines were administered to the civilian population by means of a "hypospray multidoze injector," a compact instrument developed several years ago by the U.S. Army and used with real success for large-scale immunization of military personnel.

Vaccine is forced through a minute opening under high pressure, producing a jet stream that penetrates the surface tissue of the skin. The vaccine remains in a closed,

sterile system, thus eliminating the necessity for sterilization required with the ordinary syringe and needle method of inoculation. Springs supply pressure for injection, and power is supplied by an electric-motor-driven hydraulic system. The entire process of loading and firing the injector into the patients requires only a few seconds, Towle reports.

Thousands 'Shot' Daily

The machine's capability is demonstrated by the fact that thousands of Pakistanis were inoculated against cholera daily with two injectors. As many as 6,759 men, women and children were treated by two technicians in one day by hypospray injection, contrasted a maximum of 100 inoculations per inoculator working with needle and syringe. Thus one injector does the work of 25 to 30 men.

East Pakistan is one of the few remaining endemic areas of cholera in the world, with a reported death rate from this cause of 10,000 annually. The actual figure is believed considerably higher since in-

fectious diseases are inadequately reported.

The population of East Pakistan is 46 million. Its immunization programs are carried on by the limited staff of the Directorate of Health Services which can provide one vaccinator and inoculator for about every 40,000 persons. Added to this obstacle of insufficient trained personnel is the psychological aspect of the fear of the needle among the comparatively uneducated masses in the area.

Even the educated classes have reason to fear needle immunization since untrained assistants often neglect the sterilization required and it has not been uncommon for malaria, syphilis and hepatitis to be transmitted by vaccination against cholera and typhoid.

People Impressed

The fact that no needle was used "seemed to impress the people more than any other factor," according to observations made by Towle and his staff.

They have set up classes to train sanitary inspectors and doctors in Pakistan to both operate and maintain the injectors. Plans are underway to supply sufficient instruments to enable those now in training to take over the burden of mass inoculation in the area.

In the limited period of

John Van Dyke Gets Bachelor's Degree

John P. Van Dyke, Medford, received his bachelor of science degree from the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, at the annual commencement recently.

Son of Mrs. Naomi H. Van Dyke, 204 Bradford way, Medford, and Frank J. Van Dyke, 3385 Hollywood ave., Medford, he has majored in physics at Caltech. He was graduated from Medford High school in 1956.

PUBLISHER DIES

Englewood, N. J. (UPI) — John W. Allicoate, 70, co-publisher of Film Daily, died Tuesday.

SEAMY SIDE

Washington—UPI—The District of Columbia procurement officer has sent 1,400 new pairs of policemen's pants back to the manufacturer with the following instructions: For modesty's sake, sew the seams in the seats with stronger thread. The officer said the seams began to give way even before the trousers were handed out to the officers.

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