



**CHAMP IN TRAINING**—Ham, an Air Force chimpanzee now in training at Aero-Medical Laboratories at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, has his blood pressure taken by Dr. William E. Britz Jr. Ham, like a lot of other monkeys in training, might be rocketed into space this year. (UPI Telephoto)

## Kennedy Would Work To Free Rail Industry From Federal Regulations

Washington—UPI—Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy has promised he would work to free the railroad industry from "burdensome and unnecessary government regulation" if elected to the White House.

Kennedy made his views known on railroad problems in a statement published in "Traffic World" magazine.

He said the value of railroads to national defense and security has been "beyond all measurement."

**Crucial Problem**

"Yet, today this vital part of our economy and essential element in our defense is under a grave threat," Kennedy said. "Railroad service is increasingly being curtailed and the jobs and security of thousands of men and women who operate railroad facilities are menaced. The effect of this is felt by the entire economy."

"It is no exaggeration to say that the distress of our

railroads is one of our most crucial problems?

How would Kennedy solve these problems?

The senator said first there should be a national transportation census. He said there had never been such a census taken, even though there was legislative authority for one.

"Second," Kennedy said, "the industry should be released from burdensome and unnecessary government regulations. It is important that the public interest be uppermost at all times, and regulation is essential to accomplish that purpose."

"But it is time the laws were examined in the light of exigencies."

Kennedy also promised the Democrats would use the authority of the Transportation Act of 1958 to guarantee loans to rail lines for capital improvements. He said such loans could improve efficiency

and economy in railroad operations.

The senator said another grave problem was urban mass transportation.

"It is becoming increasingly apparent that if we are to solve this problem, we will have to make greater and more effective use of our railroads," Kennedy said. "We can do this if the federal government is prepared to assist the railroads to retain responsibility in this important area of public service."

**No Wiser Investment**

"The Democratic party knows of no wiser investment that this nation could make, and will support legislation to provide such assistance," he said.

Kennedy also promised that his party would continue to oppose efforts to weaken the Railway Labor act. He said the act had served as an "effective instrument" in the past in the railway-labor field.

The senator said his party also would work to strengthen the Railroad Retirement act and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance act. He took credit for the Democrats for increasing benefits under both laws in recent sessions of congress. But he pledged "further improvement" if elected.

**'Largest' Rancher Has Crop of Snails**

Clinton, Ind. — Jack Bazzani calls himself "one of the largest ranchers in the country" and has only a plot of ground 20 by 20 feet in his back yard. Bazzani raises edible snails.

**DROP COLOR BAN**

St. Louis, Mo. — UPI — Six owners of prominent St. Louis cafeterias agreed Wednesday to serve Negroes. Many downtown St. Louis restaurants have been serving Negroes for some time.

## Volemetron May Be Used in Rapid Blood Measuring

San Francisco (Science Service) — Rapid measurement of blood volume in patients by an automatic device called the Volemetron was reported at the Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons here today.

Drs. John A. Williams and Jacob Fine of the Harvard Medical School and Beth Israel hospital, Boston, described the machine, which requires less than 15 minutes for accurate measurement.

The Volemetron applies a new approach to an old principle of injecting into the blood stream a measured amount of "labeled" material such as human blood protein tagged with a small amount of radioactive iodine.

**Radioactivity**

About ten minutes later, after the injected material has been thoroughly mixed in the circulation, a blood sample is taken and its radioactivity measured.

Knowing the amount injected and the extent to which it has been diluted, the investigators said one can readily calculate the volume of blood by which the material must have been diluted.

The laboratory procedures usually required to carry out this isotope dilution principle have been so time-consuming and relatively inaccurate that they have been limited mainly to research.

There are only two Volemetrons in existence now, but future manufacturing and marketing will be done by Perkin-Elmer corporation, Norwalk, Conn.

Not only can blood accurately be measured by the new device, the syringes, needles and sample tubes can be thrown away, thus avoiding breakage and cleaning of special glassware.

Dr. Williams said the machine can be run by ordinary technicians, and that used clinically it has provided accurate, quick information for guiding proper transfusion treatments and intelligent patient care.

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**Grange News**

Central Point Grange

The presentation of a new 50-star flag to the Central Point Grange by Mr. and Mrs. Dee Hendrickson was one of the highlights of the meeting Friday.

Hendrickson, assisted by Master Benton Boyce, assembled the staff and placed the flag, with the eagle and tassel cord ornaments before the Grange. Past Master Mrs. Walter Mang, acting Ceres, had the honor of retiring the new flag at the closing ceremony.

Another event of the meeting was the exemplifying of the first and second degrees by the ladies degree team under the direction of Mrs. Mang. The degree was conferred on Mr. and Mrs. Carson of the Roxy Ann Grange. Mrs. Lester Gorden, Flora, had arranged baskets of chrysanthemums. The tableaux were directed by Mrs. Morris Frink. Mrs. Fred Kuest sang.

Reports of the standing committees were given during the business session. HEC Chairman Mrs. O. T. Wilson asked members to consider having an old fashioned Thanksgiving dinner for the members, families and friends Nov. 24.

Mrs. Dee Hendrickson brought a collection of Oregon cones and dried flower plants and exhibited on the displayed table. Insurance and business agent, Roscoe Roberts, reported on features of car and fire insurance.

Recreation Chairman Mrs. Gaston Floux announced the Grange party and social night, which is set for Saturday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. All Grange members and friends are invited to see colored slides of the trip to Europe taken by the William Foleys last summer.

The remainder of the evening will be used in card playing and visiting. All ladies are asked to bring cookies, white elephants to be used for prizes, cards and card table.

Mrs. Cyphers of Sams Valley Grange, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, and Mr. and Mrs. Carson of Roxy Ann Grange were visitors.

Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Mad Madison, Mrs. Lucille Gebhardt and Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Wilson.

**Toy Pistol Helps To Prevent Robbery**

Dallas — Bob Gulley, a service station attendant, was only partly successful when he whipped out a toy pistol and pointed it at two hijackers.

One of them shot twice, grazing Gulley's head. But the gunmen fled empty-handed.