

Attorney To Attack Libel Indictments

Portland—(UPI)—Paul Gronert, an attorney for four persons indicted for political criminal libel, said Tuesday he will attack the indictments against his clients.

The four persons were indicted by the Multnomah county grand jury in connection with handbills circulated against Monroe Sweetland, unsuccessful Democratic candidate for Secretary of State. Gronert Tuesday asked for addition time at arraignment before Presiding Judge Charles W. Redding on behalf of the four.

Judge Redding continued the case until Nov. 29.

Defendants are Mrs. Louise Gronert, Portland; the Rev. Claude Pike, Oregon City; Homer Rogers, Portland; and Henry Dieringer, Portland.



Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

The Kissing Bug's 'Kiss' Was Pretty Painful

In the so-called age of enlightenment, which is always the period just previous to the one the observer is living in, people welcomed a strange insect into old rooming houses because the insect, the bedbug hunter, had a habit of eating those household pests that once occupied slovenly kept homes.

Later, by a decade or two, this same insect so rudely named bedbug hunter, acquired for itself another name because it showed a preference for "kissing" ladies on their mouths. The bug actually did all those things it was

credited with doing—it was both a bedbug eater and a kissing bug.

Being "kissed" by one of these insects was a painful experience.

Became Hysterical

There were women "kissed" by this insect who actually became hysterical and required medical attention, both for the bite and for shock. The unusualness of the name kissing bug and the reported cases gave a decided "lift" to the story and made it a startling new item.

The kissing bug did not favor women over men but, mostly, you only heard about it when the bug "kissed" one of the fair sex.

Ordinarily, the kissing bug forces his attentions on other insects. He waits in the shadows until an unsuspecting bug comes along then plunges his sharp beak into the luckless one's body. It is actually a "kiss of death" to the other insect.

The saliva injected into the victim by the "kissing bug" paralyzes the victim quickly. In this helpless state the insect is eaten by the kissing bug.

It is estimated there are about 2,000 kinds of kissing bugs in the world—about 150 varieties in the United States. Of these, only a few species are known to suck the blood from the higher animals. The puncture made by the sharp beak is poisonous, and results in considerable swelling and intense pain when the victim is a human.

The insect is black or dark brown, with dull red markings. These insects have over a long period of time acquired a long list of common names, none of which are complimentary, but all are descriptive of the creature's habits.

In various areas where it is found it is called pirate-bug, assassin-bug, cannibal bug, vampire bug and, of course, "bedbug hunter" by those who have noticed that the insect will readily come indoors if the hated bedbug is present.

This insect's bloodthirsty habits justify all the things said against it. It has an unsavory reputation as "Blue-beard." The old Frenchman, however, saved only the heads of his victims as grisly evidence of a deranged mind, while the "kissing bug" seeks only food when it bestows its repulsive kiss on an unwilling victim.

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FIRE DAMAGES HOTEL

Chicago—(UPI)—A fire which broke out in a grease duct Tuesday sent flames and smoke spouting from the tower of the Conrad Hilton hotel, the world's largest hotel. No one was injured and damage was comparatively minor in the spectacular fire which was quickly brought under control.

TURKEY AND PIE

Chicago—(UPI)—Mayor Elmer Lacey of Turkey, Tex., has invited the mayor of Pie, W. Va., to a joint celebration of National Indigestion Week, which starts when Thanksgiving dinner finishes.

Election Message Appears To Be for Middle of Road Electees

By A. ROBERT SMITH
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Washington—The message of the election appears to be that the people want to be politically to the middle of the road.

Not only is this seen in the razor thin difference between the popular votes gained by the winner and the loser of the presidential election, but it is supported by the outcome of the congressional contests.

The margin by which the Democrats will control the new Congress is slightly less than they had after the 1958 election when the country, just recovering from a recession, veered slightly left.

The conservative coalition which effectively has controlled much of the legislative process in recent years has been strengthened by the election results. This is the by-product of the outcome of the individual congressional campaigns.

Among those members of Congress who were defeated, one finds a high number who were not middle of the road men. They were either uncomfortably to the left or the

right, as far as the voters of 1960 were concerned.

Left Wing Clipped

In Oregon, the defeat of Rep. Charles O. Porter represents a clipping of the left wing of the Democratic party. In Idaho, the defeat of Rep. Hamer Budge represents a clipping of the right wing of the Republican party.

Porter is an exceedingly liberal as Budge is exceedingly conservative. Both have been in Congress long enough to have wide name familiarity and both were defeated by comparative new comers, in Porter's case a relatively elderly contender, Dr. Edwin R. Durno, 61; and in Budge's case by a youngster, Ralph Harding, 31.

In Montana, Rep. Lee Metcalf was elected to the Senate by a narrow margin. Metcalf was the leader of the liberal study group in the House the past year. His opponent was an ex-congressman, a Republican who had to carry the stigma of past defeat, and yet he almost beat Metcalf.

Another Liberal Lost

In Vermont, Rep. William Meyer, an even more unorthodox liberal Democrat than Porter, was defeated. Meyer is a pacifist with strong convictions about the need for disarmament. In Massachusetts, Rep. Joe Martin, long the leader of the Old Guard Republicans in the House, almost was upset.

In Delaware, Sen. J. Allen Frear, a very conservative Democrat who has excelled only in answering his name with a high pitched shriek, was replaced by Gov. Caleb Boggs, who as a Republican congressman a few years ago was a moderate Republican on the order of Oregon's Rep. Walter Norblad.

Maryland's most liberal congressman, Rep. John Foley, was defeated by an unknown Republican.

Liberals Re-elected

This is not to say that most of the most liberal and most conservative members of Congress were defeated. Sens. Paul Douglas and Hubert Humphreys, leading liberal Democrats, were re-elected; and so were Sens. Styles Bridges and Henry Dworshak, who are equally conservative Republicans.

But many not-so-conservative Republicans—Margaret Smith of Maine, Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts, John Sherman Cooper of Kentucky—and not-so-liberal Democrats—Bob Bartlett of Alaska, Clinton Anderson of New Mexico and Jennings Randolph of West Virginia—had an easier time of it on the whole this year.

The voters had a difficult time deciding between Kennedy and Nixon, for the ideological difference between them was slight. Both are near the middle of the

road, at least closer than many of those who were rejected by the voters.

LARGEST ANTS

Buenos Aires—The largest ants in the world hunt flies in the Amazon jungles.

EARLY PROTESTS

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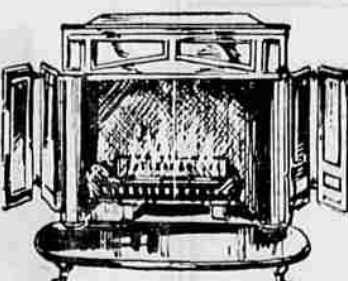
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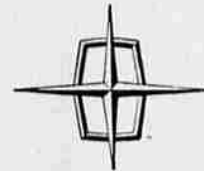
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