



DRUG CHANGES COLOR—Dr. Robert Stoler, a Washington, D.C., skin specialist, is shown after he produced evidence at a meeting of the American Medical Association that a drug called "monobenzyl ether of hydroquinone" in some cases can make white people black or black people white. He was accompanied to the meeting by a white-skinned Negro woman who said that under his treatment she had been white for 15 years. (UPI Telephoto)

### Medford High School Girls Win Sweepstakes Award At Speech Tournament

Medford High school speech students returned victoriously early Sunday morning from the annual Pacific University high school speech tournament in Forest Grove. Saturday evening at the presentation of awards, Medford was presented with the first place sweepstakes award in the women's division. The trophy is given to the school earning the most points by having top winners in the division. In addition, two Medford women's debate teams tied for first place in women's division debate. Top debaters were Suzy Thompson, Judy Sims, JoAnn Johnson and Nancy Duncan. Individual top winners include Sue Jahn, second, women's oratory; Jim Frake, second, men's extemporaneous speaking; and JoAnn Johnson, third, women's serious interpretative speaking. Other Finalists: Judy Sims was also a finalist in women's extemporaneous competition, and Suzy Thompson and Sharon Koblik were semifinalists in the same event. Oratory semifinalists included Sandra Gannon and Marilyn Conrad, women's division, and Mike Phillips in men's division. Fred Lorish and Bill Dames were semifinalists in men's humorous interpretative speaking, according to the debate coach. Specific ratings and results of all speaking events are to be released by Professor A. C. Hingston, tourney director, later this week. Hingston said Saturday that some 595 students from 40 Oregon high schools competed in the 15th annual contest.

### State GOP Picks Minority Leaders

Salem—UPI—Sen. Anthony Yturri (R-Ontario) and Rep. F. F. Montgomery (R-Eugene) will provide the Republican leadership at the 1961 Oregon legislature. Yturri and Montgomery were chosen here Saturday at separate Republican caucuses as minority leaders, respectively, in the Senate and House. Montgomery was unanimously selected over Rep. Harry C. Elliott (R-Tillamook) and Yturri was unopposed for reelection. Montgomery will succeed Rep. Robert Elfstrom, Salem, who did not seek reelection. Montgomery immediately announced that he would meet with the Democratic speaker as soon as one is named "in an effort to get good committee appointments for Republicans."

### Hillsboro Man, 64, Killed in Accident

Portland—UPI—Clifton Jones Terry, 64, Hillsboro, was killed early Sunday in a one-car accident on Germantown rd. about one mile west of Skyline blvd.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

**Financial note:** Last year India converted its monetary system to the decimal system. South Africa changes in February. New Zealand expects to drop its pounds, shillings and pence system by 1964. There is even talk of Australia following suit at a not too distant date.

**WHY these changes?** The answer is simple. These countries have immemorably been using the sterling system (known rather generally as the English system) which has three basic monetary units—the pound, the shilling and the penny. A pound sterling equals 20 shillings. A shilling equals 12 pennies—or pence in the plural. They're used to it, and hate to change. But— This system involves a lot of complication in the way of addition and subtraction when you make a purchase, tender more money than your purchase comes to and then start to figure out how much change you have coming.

**FOR example:** Suppose you're visiting London—as all Americans hope to do. Suppose you go into one of the big London stores and make a purchase amounting to 40 pounds, 12 shillings and 8 pence. Suppose you tender a 50 pound note in payment. Naturally, you want to know if you're getting back the right change. So you start to subtract 40 pounds, 12 shillings and 8 pence from 50 pounds. Here you put it down on paper, if you how your problem will look:

L	S	P
50	0	0
40	12	8
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10	48	12

Your job is to subtract the smaller sum (the amount of your purchase) from the larger sum (the amount of money you tendered). In this illustration, the L stands for pounds, the S for shillings and the P for pence.

**SO far, it all looks simple enough.** But hold your breath. You ain't seen nothin' yet.

**NATURALLY** enough, you start in at the right hand side, subtracting the 8 from the 0. Being an American, your thought is to borrow ONE from the figure to the left, in the shilling column. Under the sterling system, that CAN'T BE DONE. You can't borrow just one penny. You have to borrow a WHOLE SHILLING. So you borrow one from the number of shillings. There are 12 pence in a shilling. So you put the 12 pence in the pence column. You then subtract 8 pence from 12 pence, leaving 4 pence.

With that out of the way, you move over to the middle column. You can't subtract 12 from 0, so again you have to borrow. You have to borrow a whole pound from the pound column—and there are 20 shillings in a pound. BUT—you've already used ONE shilling in your pence column, so you put down 19 shillings in your middle column. That leaves only 49 pounds.

**SO . . . your final problem,** as you have put it down on paper, will look like this after you have made your final subtraction:

L	S	P
49	19	12
40	12	8
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9	7	4

**WHICH is to say:** You should get nine pounds, seven shillings and fourpence in change. If you want to prove you problem, to assure yourself you haven't been gypped, you can add the amount of your purchase and if everything is on the up and up the total you get will exactly balance the 50 pound note you tendered in payment. But, by this time, the chances are, it's TEA TIME. And, besides, your head is going round and round after your bout with the change figures. So you shove the nine quid, seven and fourpence into your pocket and hope for the best.

### Salem Policeman Bitten on Seat But Gets His Man

Salem—UPI—Salem Policeman Herbert Hale said he was bitten on the seat of the pants by the man he arrested Sunday night. Hale came upon Robin Marmion Williams, 21, Greenville, Calif., sleeping in a parked car in north-east Salem and woke him up. There began a struggle and Hale had to sit on the man to handcuff him. That was when the officer was bitten. Williams was charged with disorderly conduct and carrying a concealed weapon.

### Severe Storms Lash Europe

London—UPI—Britain and Europe staggered under the impact of violent prewinter storms today and prepared for worse to come. Reports indicated that at least six persons were killed as a result of the storm—two in England and four in Holland. Sixty-mile an hour gales with torrential rains swept coastal regions from France to Scandinavia over the week end and roared eastward as far as Austria. In Britain, it was regarded as one of the worst storms on record. In some places floods were the most devastating in more than a century.

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CLAY STATUES FOUND—Ex-jockey turned art dealer Bill Pearson sits among three of four life-size clay statues of an ancient king he uncovered during digging at Tierra Blanca, near Vera Cruz, Mexico. The sculptures of Totinacian culture from the fifth century, B.C., are placed at a value of \$100,000. Pearson came to light as an expert on art and sculpture on a TV quiz show. (UPI Telephoto)

### Flirtation Suggested As Substitute for Men's Habit of Smoking

London—UPI—Middle-aged men tempted to reach for a cigarette to ease the worries of everyday life were advised today to reach instead for a blonde, or a brunette. The suggestion came from a British medical expert who said that in his opinion there was nothing like a flirtation for taking a man's mind off his routine troubles. Dr. Alistair MacKinnon, 45, father of five children, offered his "don't smoke—flirt" theory in an article in the medical magazine, The Practitioner.

**Seeker Healthier Vice**  
In the article, Dr. MacKinnon took the view that if middle-aged men must have a "minor vice" they should try to find a healthier one than smoking—for example, a light romance. "I wouldn't suggest flirtation as an alternative to smoking for younger men," he said. "That could be dangerous." Youth, he went on, could take up chess, or drink beer or engage in a series of "platonic" friendships, preferably several at the same time.

At his home, Dr. MacKinnon—who is a nonsmoker—amplified his somewhat original ideas. "People look upon smoking as a tranquilizer," he said. "For the man over 40 who shouldn't smoke for health reasons I think flirting is a suitable alternative. "Smoking is said to be a sign of emotional immaturity. Pleasant Relationship could be counteracted by a pleasant emotional relationship like a flirtation. "A man loves his wife more for having other women friends."

### Meeting Planned For New Association

An organizational meeting of a northern California and southern Oregon Quarter Horse owners association will be held in Grants Pass Monday, Dec. 12, at 8 p.m. at the fairgrounds. The group first met Nov. 29. Permanent officers will be elected and the meeting is open to all interested persons. Jim Wilson, Grants Pass, was elected temporary president at the last meeting. Other officers serving on a temporary basis are Marvin Roark, vice president; Raymond Rice, secretary; and Cecil Norris, Medford; Phil Davis, Yreka; Joe Burrow, Ashland, and Chester Elde, Grants Pass, board of directors.

Tentatively chosen as the name of the association is the State of Jefferson Quarter Horse association.

### Bartender Forced To Give Drinks

Silverton—UPI—Marion county sheriff's deputies said an armed man Sunday claimed to be Johnny Yuma, a television personality, and forced the bartender at Shorty's tavern here to give drinks on the house for 30 minutes before he was overpowered. John Marvin Johnson, 32, Silverton, was arrested on charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Although no one was hurt, officers said the man fired shots into the ceiling and floor. The bartender, Edward Buchheit, finally was able to hit the man on the head with a club and other patrons grabbed Johnson.

**WINS RACE, DATE**  
London—UPI—Traveling salesman Peter Beschorner, 19, and auctioneer's assistant Roger Wright, 20, Sunday held a swimming race in winter temperatures across Hyde Park's Serpentine lake. Wright won the prize—a date with Vaudine Agassiz, 17.

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