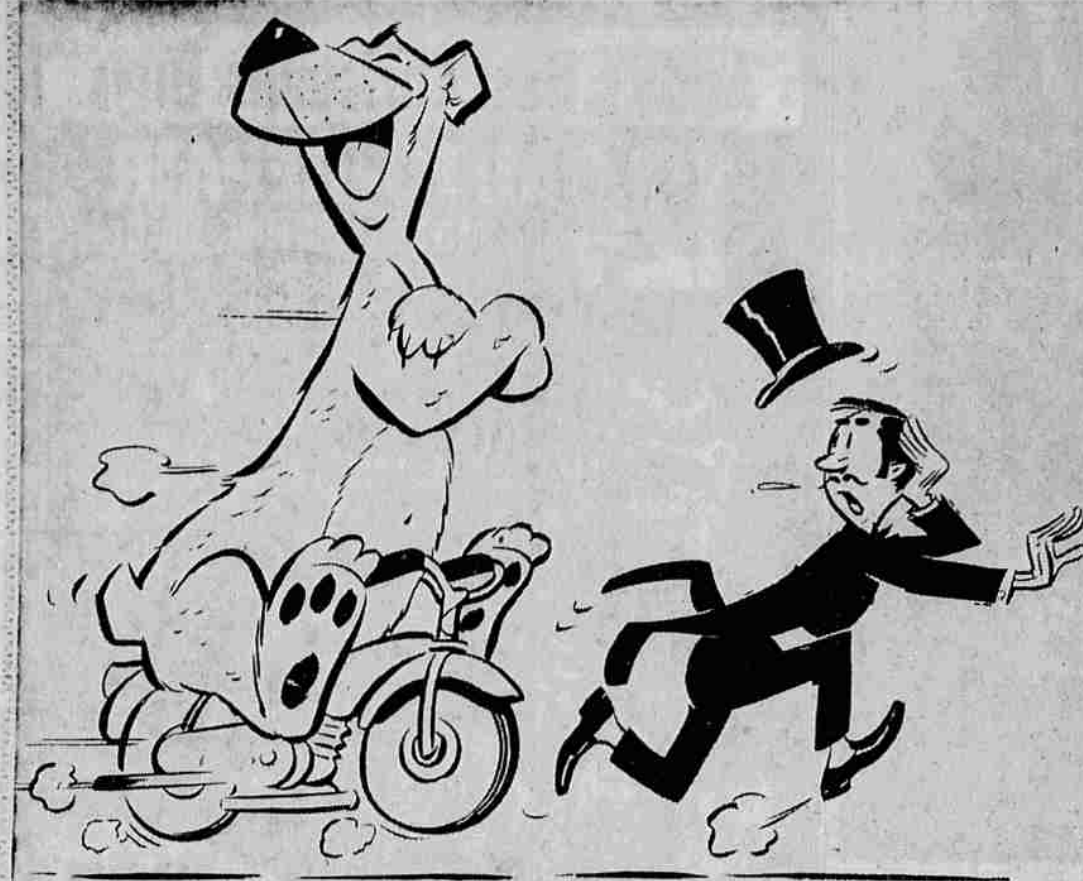




Pedestrian Hit by Bear on Motorcycle; Motorist Hits Own Car in Year's Most Oddball Accidents

Chicago—UPI—A pedestrian who was hit by a bear on a motorcycle, a woman driver whose car was struck by a moving tree and a motorist who rammed into the rear of his own car were hailed today as the "stars" of 1960's wacky accidents.

The National Safety Coun-

cil, which compiles the list of oddball mishaps, said there were many others.

Box Car in Basement

Like Robert Coon, of Mason, Mich., who found a 60-foot box car in his basement. Or Richard Siewertsen of Detroit whose foot was run over by a house.

The case of the cycling bear occurred early in the year in Miami Beach, Fla., when the talented beast was tooling around a ring on the Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey circus lot.

The bear lost control and veered into trainer Walter Klausner, Klausner was treated

for leg injuries at a hospital.

Officers Skeptical

Traffic officers were skeptical when Marie Rarrick, Toledo, Ohio, reported that her car was rammed by a tree. Investigation proved she was right. The tree, officers learned, was being hauled by a city truck which backed into Miss Rarrick's car.

Reed E. Very, Florissant, Mo., had amassed a half-million miles of accident-free driving and then it happened. He rammed his company car into the rear of another car, which turned out to be his. His wife was in the driver's seat.

Missed His Grip

Siewertsen, a house mover, was riding atop a residence which was on rollers. He jumped off. When he tried to jump back, he missed his grip and the house rolled over his foot.

Baton twirler Keith Hodges of Santa Barbara, Calif., flipped his stick into the sun during a parade. A gust of wind sent it sailing and it hit California Gov. Edmund G. Brown on the head.

Yowl in Engine

Then there was Jerry McMahon of San Francisco. McMahon, an automobile mechanic, thought he detected more of a yowl than a purr when he started the engine on his car. He was right. When he turned off the engine and raised the hood, a slightly battered cat leaped out and ran away.

The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Roy B. — How can I keep my mother-in-law a less frequent visitor?

Elaine B. — Her life is so empty. Why begrudge her the joy of seeing us?

Roy B. — Things have reached a point where something must be done. My home isn't my home any more, even though we moved 500 miles to make it so.

We're married eight years and have two little boys. Elaine's father died three years ago and her mother lives with an unmarried daughter. Although she has a married son, our boys are her only grandchildren and she goes simply ga-ga over them.

To get them away from her babynalk and nonsense, I welcomed a transfer to a city two states away. I thought she'd be satisfied with a Christmas visit and perhaps a hello during the summer. But no. Even though the fare is \$30 each way by plane, she's here two, and once three, times a month! The last trip was because she just had to see Chippie leave the house for his first day of school.

I have a mother and father, too. They live a few hours away. But my mother has more to do than to come running to see every new tooth! If this keeps up, boy, next stop is Ghana!

Elaine B. — How can Roy compare his mother with mine when it comes to the children? Grandma B. has 11 grandchildren, with most of them within a few blocks of their home. And she has a husband, as well as a big job in the ladies' auxiliary of the local hospital.

My mother, who has always adored babies, just has our two now. She would have made a perfect kindergarten teacher but instead she stayed home with us, and then helped Dad.

Now that she's alone the one thing that brings the smile back is being with Chippie and Buzz. Roy shouldn't begrudge her this pleasure.

I admit it's disconcerting to have her turn up from such a great distance for such trivial reasons. But she only stays one night. And she'll stop when my sister-in-law has a baby or my sister gets married.

The Council: It's always sad to hear of a woman with a heart that's all dressed up and has nowhere to go! Elaine's mother is winging through the air to the home of her daughter and son-in-law with what amounts to — in the words of a recent book title — "a surfeit of honey."

Roy won't have to move to Ghana. He and Elaine can enlist the aid of the other members of the family to siphon off part of Mom's deluge of emotion so that it doesn't drown the B's. A moderate amount of attention

and maternal demonstrativeness is pleasant. Too much is dazzling and dizzying, if not cloying.

And of course the best way to siphon off some of the excess ardor and energy is to channel it in the direction of young children who are panting for a little tender loving care. This mother, obviously, has no idea of how precious her wares are in the open market!

Naturally there are no little boys like Chippie and Buzz. And, like a real grandma, she's let them know that. But as a make-believe grandma to a few dozen orphan boys, neglected and abandoned and ill children, she can make those hugs and kisses really count.

In his awkward way, Roy is forcing his mother-in-law into a more wholesome design for living. Her pent-up feelings for children were making her obsessive about her own grandchildren. Now she must sign up for an outside activity involving grand motherless children.

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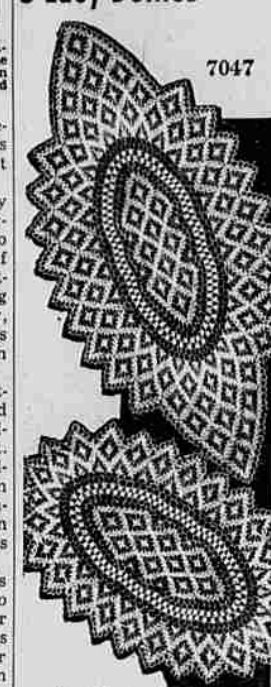
FORMER ADMIRAL DIES

Princeton, N.J., —UPI—William Mack Angus, 68, a former U.S. Navy vice admiral and one-time commander of the 7th Fleet Seabees, will be buried with military honors Thursday at the Arlington National Cemetery in Washington. Angus died Monday.

ELUSIVE CULPRIT

Tallahassee, Fla. —UPI—"Yankee" was painted in big letters with red paint on the dome of the Florida state capitol building Sunday night or Monday morning. No one spotted the culprit at work despite the fact that the dome was bathed in flood lights.

3 Lacy Doilies



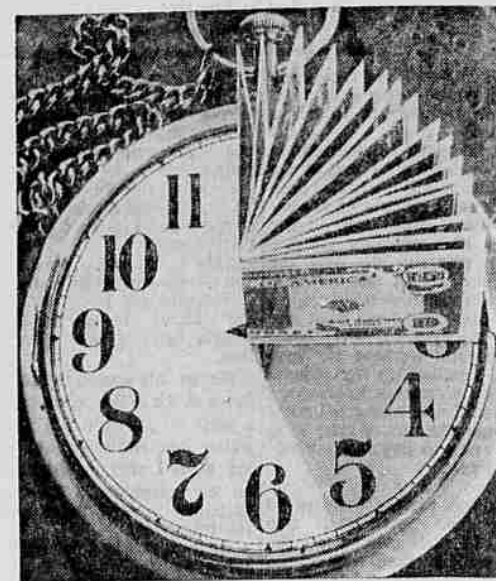
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Each Body Reaction Found To Need Own Specialized Protein

Editor's note: This is the third of four dispatches on the wonder molecule, DNA.

By DELOS SMITH

UPI Science Editor

New York—UPI—The "queen bee" molecule of DNA is the source of the protein molecules which generate living things and govern them until the moment of death.

Proteins are "giant" complex molecules which must be perfectly fitted to their tasks as keys to their locks. They are the substances of enzymes and hormones, and these in turn are the chemical starters, stoppers and regulators of the chemical reactions whose sum total is life.

Each reaction needs its own specialized protein or proteins. A protein molecule which helps to make or operate a hippopotamus does nothing for a tiger, and the protein molecules of wheat are useless in a man.

Proteins are made out of amino acids. Twenty of them have been positively identified chemically. Any given protein molecule has some of these 20 linked together in combinations which are unique to that molecule.

Extracts The Amino Acids

Body chemistry extracts these amino acids from proteins in foods and then uses them as raw materials in the making of the highly specialized proteins which it must have.

The question is, how in the world can the DNA molecule contain the designs for all these protein molecules and at the same time get the designs executed as needed? The present scientific answer is largely theoretical. But it is bolstered with enough facts to be highly plausible.

Let's get back to the individual cell. It has a nucleus which has long been recognized as its directing center. The remainder is the cytoplasm which seems to be both a chemical factory and a chemical storeroom. The chromosomes, packed with DNA molecules, reside only in the nucleus.

But there is another nucleic acid. It is ribonucleic acid—RNA for short. It is a very close relative of deoxyribonucleic acid—or DNA. Its molecules are found both in the nucleus and the cytoplasm.

Now, keep in mind that the DNA molecule is built like a spiraled staircase with many, many steps. If each two or three steps were a coded recipe for one particular protein molecule, there would be plenty of room along these many molecular staircases for the recipes of all the protein molecules needed for life—with room to spare.

This is the generally accepted scientific theory. The

theory of how these recipes are carried out is this: RNA molecules are molded against the many segments of DNA molecules. They then migrate from the cell nucleus to the cytoplasm where they attract the correct combination of amino acids to mold into protein molecules.

The number of unanswered questions in these intricate chemical processes is all but uncountable. The fact is that what science now knows is very little — if you consider how much there is to be known. But, if you remember how little science knew about them only 20 years ago, what science now knows in enormous.

As an example of the tough questions, take the one of cellular differentiation. The original fertilized germ cell divides into cells precisely like itself, but eventually in the course of successive divisions, there appears many types of cells. Each type divides only into "daughters" like itself.

Behave Differently

Yet each type will have the number of chromosomes characteristic of the original fertilized germ cell. Clearly the chromosomes and their DNA molecules in these specialized cell types now behave differently from those in the original germ cells. Somewhere along the line of cellular division, the original DNA molecules produced in any specialized DNA molecules.

No one knows yet. But you can be sure scientists are going to find the answer to this and to all the other questions. Only since the 1940s have scientists had this workable concept of the life processes. It dates from x-ray diffraction studies which revealed the tightly spiraled structure of the DNA molecule.

Einstein's relativity and other theories years ago promised to unlock the energy within the atom. Atomic theory still is far from total verification; yet it has yielded both the atomic bomb and atomic power. As scientists get deeper and deeper into the "giant" molecules of DNA and proteins, the interim results may be quite epoch-making.

Next: The benefits we can expect from DNA research.

Non-Alcoholic Parties Urged

Salem —UPI—Oregon Traffic Commissioner Vern Hill has urged Oregon business and industrial leaders to make office Christmas parties this year non-alcoholic.

Hill, also director of the Oregon Motor Vehicles department, said every December several Oregonians are killed on their way home from these parties if cocktails have been served.

"In my book, those who arrange these parties and then permit their employees or guests to drive home after drinking are as guilty as the person behind the wheel if an accident or death should result," Hill said.

Hill said it is probably "expecting the impossible" to hope that all such parties will be "dry" but he urged party planners to assure that no one who does drink drives home afterward.

He suggested car pools whereby non-drinkers could shuttle the drinkers home.

UN Command Ships

Vehicles To Congo

Leopoldville, The Congo —UPI—The United Nations Command Tuesday stated its future effectiveness in The Congo on a test shipment of vehicles in defiance of orders of strongman Col. Joseph Mobutu.

SELASSIE VISITS BRAZIL

Rio De Janeiro —UPI—Ethiopia's Emperor Haile Selassie the first African chief of state ever to visit Brazil, arrived here today to begin a five-day stay in South America's second city.

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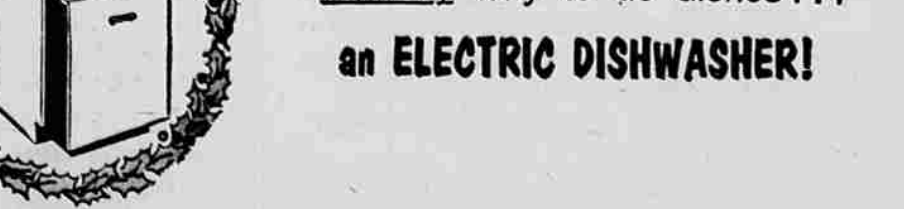
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