

Empire Builders Schedule Party

The 4-H Empire Builders association will sponsor a Christmas party Dec. 28 for all interested high school age students at the 4-H building at the county fairgrounds. The party will begin at 7:30 p.m. and planned recreation is scheduled for the evening.

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Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

"THIS BUSINESS OF GETTING UP at the crack of dawn is a lot of hokey," complained Groucho Marx in his autobiography. "Most wealthy people I know like to sleep late and will fire the help if they are disturbed before 3 in the afternoon. Who are the people who rise every morning early? Garbage collectors and men who have to deliver the papers and milk. You don't see Marilyn Monroe getting up at 6 in the morning. The truth is, I don't see Marilyn getting up at any hour, more's the pity. I'm sure if you had your choice you'd rather watch Miss Monroe rise at 3 in the afternoon than watch the world's greatest garbage collector hop out of bed at 6 a.m."



A mean but resourceful crook turned up in Grand Rapids. He refused to pay his taxi fare, so the rightfully indignant driver headed for the nearest police station. While he was inside registering his complaint, the passenger drove off with the cab. (They cornered him in East Lansing.)

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Oregon Legislators Expected To Oppose Bridge Deficit Split

Portland—(UP)—Oregon lawmakers have expressed doubt the legislature would agree to a 75-25 split of deficits for a proposed Columbia river bridge between Astoria and Megler.

Legislative Interim Highway Committees from Oregon and Washington discussed the proposed bridge at a meeting here.

Some Washington lawmakers suggested that Oregon should make up 75 per cent of the expected operating deficit of the bridge and Washington 25 per cent. They based this on an engineering survey which showed the Oregon side of the bridge would have about three times as much population and retail trade as the Washington side.

To Cost \$23.4 Million

Late construction estimates for the bridge place the cost at \$23.4 million. The pre-

dicted deficit is estimated at \$525,000 a year for the next 30 years.

State Sen. Robert C. Bailey of South Bend, Wash., said his state would go along on a proposal not exceeding \$200,000 a year subsidy payments, with affected counties to bear a good share of that amount.

Approaches Discussed

Proposals are that both Oregon and Washington stand the expense directly of constructing approaches on their respective sides, with estimates amounting to \$1.58 million for Oregon and \$179,000 for Washington.

State Sen. Anthony Yturri, (R-Ontario), chairman of the Oregon group, expressed doubt the legislature would accept the 75-25 basis. However, he said there was a good possibility that with the approach factors interjected in the matter plus the fact the present ferry system receives some \$100,000-a-year subsidy from Oregon, the proposition might be considered.

Would Float Bonds

It was agreed generally that should preliminary problems be worked out Oregon would float the \$22 million general obligation bond issue deemed necessary for actual construction.

Sen. William Holmstrom, (D-Gearhart), said there was a possibility that with a better interest rate the deficit could amount to less than planned. He also said it was "highly probable" that Oregon would go along on the proposed 75-25 basis.

Building Natural Body Resistance Battles Cancer

Berkeley, Calif.—(UP)—In the war against cancer it may be more practical to build up natural resistance in the body than to try to fight the disease directly, according to a noted scientist.

Dr. Harry Rubin, of the University of California's virus laboratory, said he has found evidence that suggests "the physical condition of the host plays a prominent if not decisive role in the development of cancer."

Cells Unaltered

Experiments with a chicken cancer caused by a virus showed the disease did not develop if the cells were nourished with the blood of unborn calves. Even though the dangerous viruses continued to multiply, "they did not alter the cells" and cause cancer, Rubin said.

Something in the calf blood protected the cells from cancer, Rubin said he believes it was the highly nourishing proteins in the calf blood. This food made the chicken cells strong enough to hold off the cancerous effects of the virus, he suggested.

Experiments on mice also support his theory, Rubin said. When mice are infected with a cancer at birth, they sometimes do not show the disease for a long time. This suggests that strong young mice are able to resist the virus, but that "age brings on" the physiological conditions which enable the viruses to cause cancer.

Seen More Practical

Rubin said his findings suggest "it may be as important to treat the host as to treat the cancer. It may even prove more practical to maintain the host's natural resistance to cancer than to try to protect him from cancer viruses of cancer-causing chemicals."

The scientist's research was reported in a release by the American Cancer Society, which supported the experiments.

School Board To Ask Levy at Portland

Portland—(UP)—The Portland school board Monday night decided to ask the voters next March 8 to authorize a special levy to run two years at a maximum of \$2.5 million a year.

CARD FROM STRANGER

Point Reyes, Calif. — (UP) — Bank teller Betty Adams received a Christmas card Monday from a stranger named William Williams, but she had no trouble remembering him. Williams took \$14,300 from her during the holdup of a Bank of America branch here last August. He later was captured and confessed. The card came from Prisoner 1423 at Alcatraz federal prison.



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