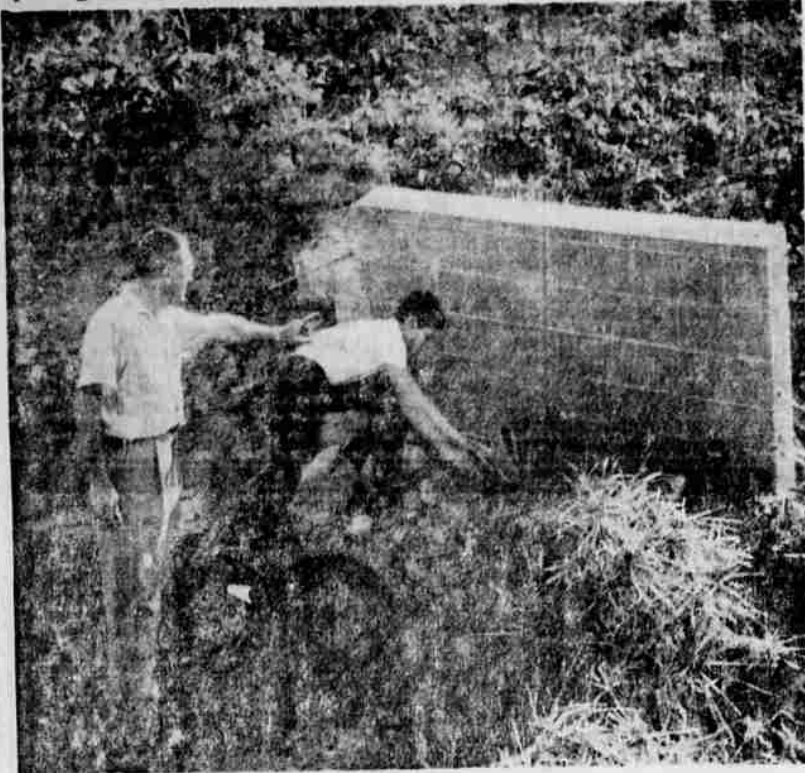




MOUNTAIN MOVING — Jack Root Jr. moves a Century plant from the path of a moving mountain as his father directs the operation. The mountain threatens to drop two expensive homes at Sherman Oaks, Calif. Eleven persons have moved from the homes as a result of the earth movement, which has knocked down retaining walls and a carport. (UPI)

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The Medical Roundup

by Walter T. Brown

Emeritus Consultant in Medicine Mayo Clinic Emeritus Professor of Medicine Mayo Clinic (Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1962)

Artery to the Brain Plugs Up

One of the big, recent advances in surgery is in the relief of a person who has been suffering a series of small strokes, due to some plugging-up of one of the main (carotid) arteries in the neck which supplies the brain with blood. I recently read an excellent article by Drs. W. S. Henly, D. A. Cooley, W. B. Gordon Jr., and Michael E. DeBakey of Baylor University College of Medicine, in Houston. Dr. DeBakey is one of the great artery surgeons of this country. The doctors report several cases in which the internal carotid artery in the neck was not carrying enough blood because it had become twisted and knotted.



In the first case, a man of 47 had had a spell with difficulty in talking, paralysis of the right side of his face, inability to write, and weakness of the left arm and leg. These symptoms cleared up in three days, except for a slight hesitation in his speech. For the next six months, the man went on having episodes in which he would become dizzy, he might see flashing lights, and he might walk like a drunk.

Troubles Typical This story of a series of brain troubles is typical of these people. The story is not like that of the man of 50 or 60 who, out of a clear sky, gets a terrible stroke, and drops to the floor, paralyzed on one side and perhaps unable to talk.

In the second reported case, the doctors tell of a man who, for a year, had been developing more and more difficulty with talking. What the doctors do now in such a case is to inject into the artery a chemical which makes it visible with the x-rays. If they find an obstructed place or a kink, they operate, and in one way or another restore the ability of the artery to carry blood up to the brain. With this, recovery may be spectacular.

In the third case, a 50-year-old man had had several episodes of dizziness and inability to talk. He would be in trouble for an hour or so, and then would talk again. In the fourth case, the man had had four years of trouble with sleeplessness, irritability and bodily discomfort. One night, as he got out of bed, he fainted and lay unconscious on the floor for 15 minutes. After that, he had severe discomfort in his chest, and a brief weakness of his right arm and leg. A year later, he fainted while in a store, shopping.

Then for two or three months he had spells of slight dizziness and faintness which came when he turned his head to the left side. He would feel all right when he turned his head to look straight ahead. Obviously, turning of his head caused an extra narrowing of the diseased artery.

Work Ability Impaired

In another case, a 49-year-old woman had been having episodes in which her memory would suddenly fail for a while; also her ability to work would be impaired. The doctors have now studied 600 patients like those described, 40 per cent of whom had some obstruction in one of the very important arteries in the neck.

Many a person writes to me to say something like this: "that six months or a year ago, their old father suddenly had a bad stroke with paralysis and an inability to talk. In all of this time, he has not improved much. They wonder if they should now take him half across the continent for an operation, and I am almost certain they should not. His brain has been severely damaged and if he has a plugged-up artery, the chances are that by now, it is a solid cord which never can be opened up again."

The best time for operating on the neck arteries is within hours after the last of a series of strokes. Usually, also, if after a stroke, the man has degenerated mentally, a surgeon will not want to operate on him.

Boardman Site To Be On Morrow Tax Rolls

Heppner — The Boardman Industrial Site will go on the Morrow county tax rolls. Assessor Oliver Creswick said the question was settled at a meeting with Gov. Mark Hatfield.

The original plan was for the county to get \$8,000 in lieu of taxes from the \$60,000 rental Boeing Co. will pay the state for use of the site. Creswick said, however, the law requires land leased by the state to private corporations to be put on the tax rolls. He said the lease provides for taxation at bare land values.

Planted Acreage Of Feed Grain To Equal 1961

Washington — The Agriculture Department says the total planted acreage of feed grain this year will about equal the 130 million acres planted in 1961 if farmers carry out their March 1 intentions.

Such an acreage would be 18 per cent below the 1955-59 average. Increases of 3 per cent over 1961 are planned for corn and 2 per cent for sorghums. Offsetting are prospective reductions of acreage for oats and barley.

Influence Reflected

The department said in a review of the feed situation that feed grain acreages last year and this year reflect the influence of the feed grain program. The 1962 program carries about the same provisions for corn and sorghums as last year's program. Barley is included this year. Through March 22 farmers had agreed to divert a total of 22.6 million acres of the three grains to soil conserving uses.

Department economists, basing their predictions on March 1 indications, said a favorable growing season this year likely would maintain total feed grain supplies at near the 1961-62 levels.

Higher Yielding Crops

Corn and sorghum grains are higher yielding crops than oats and barley. Therefore, the additional output from the prospective increases in corn and sorghum acreages could more than offset reductions in oats and barley. This could result in a little larger total feed grain production in 1962 than the 141 million tons last year. But since around seven million tons less feed grains are expected to be carried over into 1962-63 than in 1961-62, total feed concentrate supplies for the 1962-63 season would not differ greatly from the 256 million tons of a year earlier.

Feed grain prices have been comparatively stable during the first half of the 1961-62 feeding year, the department said. Prices of feed grains and high-protein feeds advanced only 3 per cent from November to March this year, much less than the rather substantial increases that occurred in that period of 1960-61.

Scout News

Troop 43 was paid three Boy Scouts of Troop 43 at a chief recognition ceremony recently conducted by Cub Scout Pack 43. Scouts who received Den Chief honors were Billy Dye, den three; Ronald Courtland, den one; and Kent Anderson, den two. Master of Ceremonies was Cub Master James Kenny.

The den chiefs had previously been presented shoulder cords during a regular Boy Scout Troop 43 meeting and received certificates of recognition from the troop.

Cub Scouts of den two presented a skit on America, and scouts of den one presented the Cadence Count. A Latin dance was presented by Cub Scouts of den three.

A film strip on "Den and Pack" meetings was shown. Lyle McGrady, new committee chairman presided at the business session.

The next pack meeting is scheduled Saturday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at Patrick Elementary school.

Fascinating Discoveries

Dropping Tomato on Hard Surface Found To Cause Internal Injury

By DICK WEST



Washington — Friends, that tomato you picked up, so fair, unblemished and seemingly in the pink of condition, could be a case of beauty being only skin deep. The poor thing may be suffering from internal injuries. The theory that tomatoes are highly susceptible to internal bruising has just been resoundingly confirmed in the research laboratories of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

A report on the study brings to light some of the most fascinating discoveries that I have seen in many a day. First of all, the researchers established various ways that tomatoes can be bruised. They found that bruising can occur when tomatoes "are squeezed tightly together in a box," when there is "rough handling of the boxes," and "from dropping individual tomatoes on hard surfaces."

As far as I know, nobody

had previously suspected that dropping a tomato on a hard surface might cause it harm. The researchers then made some laboratory tests "to measure the amount of damage at various stages of ripeness when they were dropped distances ranging from 6 to 18 inches on a hard surface, and when dropped on a surface covered with a layer of foam rubber."

This led to the startling revelation that "injury to those dropped on hard surfaces was much the more serious."

If I interpret that correctly, it means that tomatoes are more badly bruised when dropped on a hard surface than when dropped on a soft surface. Eureka!

And that isn't all. The researchers also found that "hold onto your hats! — the ripest tomatoes were injured most" by the dropping.

Stated As Fact

That may be hard to believe, but the report states it as a fact.

Furthermore, it says that injury from the dropping "was found to be cumulative; that

is, when tomatoes were dropped two or more times, the damage was found to extend to more and more internal parts."

That conclusion especially came as a shock to me. I had always believed that the more you dropped a tomato, the better. The tomato research, valuable though it may be, had what I regard as one serious shortcoming. Apparently, the tests did not establish whether the damage is greater when tomatoes are dropped at 6 inches or at 18 inches.

I trust that point will be cleared up in future experiments. And then I hope the researchers will do some comparable work on the effect that dropping has on eggs.

Small Worlds Around Us

By LYNN M. WATKINS

(Register and Tribune Syndicate 1962)

China's Birds Saved More Food Than They Provided

Once not so very long ago, and in happier times, there was a classified list of over 700 species of birds in China. Then as now, there were many people, all seeking elbow room and all competing for a diminishing food supply.

As would be expected with a people who are short-sighted and at the same time hungry, they looked with jealous eyes at birds feeding in the rice fields and presumed they were eating the grain that could feed the hungry people. That, they stupidly reasoned, is the cause of our hunger; the birds are consuming our grain.

'Kill Them'

The leaders, blinder in many ways than the people they controlled, gave the order: Kill off the birds and save the grain. Besides, they assured the people, there would be an added bonus: a couple of dozen sparrows would feed, for one meal at least, a hungry human being. So the slaughter and the pitiful feasting began. By every means the mind of man could devise, the birds were killed, their tiny, feather-rumped bodies gathered, cleaned and cooked.

It didn't take very long to find out. Millions of sparrows, finches and other birds were dumped into pots and eaten. Within a short time, a few months at most, all the birds had disappeared. There were no bird songs to delight the ear of man and woman whose back was bent by work and by the heavier yoke of oppression by a cruel and unjust governing body.

Insect Army Lurking Hiding in the rice field, the radish patch, the bean acreage, or anywhere and everywhere a plant was growing were the nuclei of an insect army. The checks on their startling profligacy was removed; they increased with-

out sense or reason. They gnawed and chewed their destructive path across the impoverished land where now there were only bugs and people.

Today, China has an expensive and labor-consuming spraying project to control a problem once pretty well taken care of by feathered insect catchers, and only at the cost of very little grain.

Old China is today terribly short of bird life. But the land has plenty of bugs. Probably they deserve what they have harvested.

People of limited intelligence and low literacy could be expected to commit such a stupid blunder, but strangely enough we have, right here in a supposedly enlightened America, some people who advocate programs of extermination just as ridiculous — and commentary on what we are so proud to call human intelligence.

Warning Issued on Learning Devices

Salem — Dr. Leon P. Minear has issued a warning to parents concerning door to door salesmen that are trying to sell "questionable" learning devices claimed to assist children in school work.

The state superintendent of public instruction said the devices brought to the attention of his office include pocket size punch card equipment and automatic electromechanical machines said to be capable of "teaching" a wide range of topics at home.

Before buying any such machine or device, Minear urged parents to confer with their child's teacher or school principal to make sure that the device is appropriate for him and that it is reasonably priced.

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PREMATURE BABY—Nurse Mrs. Frances Potter must be careful when handling little Karen Sue Heise. The child, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Heise of Hempstead, Tex., was born three months premature and weighed only one pound and nine ounces. The tiny baby cannot stand the pressure of a diaper and must be kept in a "rocking bed" to breathe. Doctors gave the child little chance to survive when she first arrived, but now say they are more encouraged. (UPI)