

They'll Do It Every Time

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Experts Consult on Problem Of International Language

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New York — (UPI) — As any world traveler will agree, one of the first places you run into the "language barrier" is when you come to a closed door overseas.

Does the sign on it say "Men," "Women," or "Danger — Keep Out?"

Travelers will be glad to know that an international study is under way to devise pictorial markings for such doors. The experts hope to come up with a uniform system of indicating "push," "pull," "Do Not Drink This Water," "Entrance" and "Exit" as well as the obvious "Men" and "Women."

The decision to eliminate one more language barrier was taken recently at "The First Conference for Breaking the Language Barrier."

The main question for the conference was not powder room markings but rather: When an Australian has trouble understanding the English spoken in America, when words in any language mean different things to Communist and non-Communist, can there ever be a "universal language?"

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age use of native languages in African schools met with a curious resistance. "The populace accused the British of using this device to keep them uneducated; they wanted to learn English."

Miss Yoshiko Kajino of Japan and other proponents of Esperanto argued that difficulties of spelling and pronunciation prevent English from becoming the ideal common language. Mark Starr of the International Labor organization agreed that English is very widely spoken "but it carries the stigma of imperialism — the language spoken in the embassies and social clubs. We must remember that in the world's flood of nationalism there is a lot of resentment that English-speaking people are too lazy to learn another man's language."

New York university Professor of Linguistics William F. Marquardt noted that national radio and television networks have helped standardize American pronunciations "so it's not so hard now for a man from Maine to understand a man from Georgia." He predicted international radio-TV will have the same effect globally.

Probably not, according to conference participants. But they felt a lot can and must be done to reduce the world Babel.

The conference brought together 100 experts from 20 countries in International house, Columbia university. It was organized by Soichi Kato of the International institute of Japan.

The experts agreed that everybody should-but won't-learn a universally-agreed single language besides his own — a tongue in which Arab could talk to Finn, Portuguese to Filipino, etc.

As a small first start the conference agreed to design pictorial signs and seek their universal use in the hope this would encourage worldwide study of the need for a common tongue.

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GUARANTEED BEARS — Two six-month-old female polar bear cubs arrived at the St. Louis zoo from the Soviet Union. They will soon be joined by a third cub, and will become part of the zoo's new bear display when renovation of the bear pits is completed. The new acquisitions were born in a Russian zoo and cost \$2,500. They carry a 30-day guarantee. (UPI)

Colorful History Possessed By Cards

New York — (UPI) — The next time your partner trumps your ace in a bridge game, count to 10 and then let off steam by reflecting on the colorful history of the playing card.

Consider, for example, that playing cards has been entertaining mankind for more than 600 years and how many aces have been trumped, or similar boobies perpetrated in that time and your own plight may seem less bleak.

As far back as the thirteenth or fourteenth century, traders from the East brought with them spices, fine cloth, gold, ivory — and playing cards. And the cards had much of the elements of today's.

The expensive, rare and richly worked ancient decks were called "Tarocchi" and found mainly in medieval Italy. They consisted of a trump suit of 22 "Atouts" in addition to four 14-card suits.

The Atouts represented the most important forces affecting mankind, such as religion, lightning, disease, war and death. The common suits were basically the four suits of the decks we have now. They represented nobility, clergy, tradesmen and peasants — today's spades, hearts, diamonds and clubs, respectively. Face cards were essentially the same except that Knaves

were called Cavaliers.

Cards originally were made by hand of costly materials, including ivory, metal, silk and wood. Many were gold-encrusted. Gutenberg, father of printing, brought his discovery to cards and fine quality low cost cards began to receive wide popularity.

The five standard decks of European playing cards have survived, at least in the numbers of cards in each, since the Middle Ages. Besides the Tarocchi deck, there are the Italian decks of 40 cards, the Spanish deck of 48 cards, the German deck of 32 cards and the most widely used French and English-American of 52 cards.

However, playing card designs have changed to reflect history. Rulers and soldiers were exalted on card faces during certain periods of war and empire while enemies were subject to ugly caricatures.

Much of playing cards' popularity throughout the years has resulted from their adaptability to many games. Such odd-sounding and unusual games as Bezique, Zionscheck, Darada, Wipe-off and the Earl of Coventry have found followers at one time or another.

Among the 120 million Americans who play cards today, Contract Bridge and Canasta are played the most. Pinochle, poker, solitaire, rummy, 500, Auction Bridge,

Wagon, Pickup Crash on Highway

A station wagon owned by Jackson county and a pickup truck owned by the Eagle Point irrigation district collided on the Butte Falls highway, two miles east of Crater Lake highway. Tuesday, according to state police.

County Engineer Robert Carstensen Wednesday estimated the damage to the county vehicle as \$200. Nobody was injured, although the station wagon was carrying passengers.

The station wagon was driven by David Leonard Herndon, 801 Huener lane, Jacksonville, and the pickup was driven by James Stevens Bunker, Eagle Point.

RECEIVING TRAINING

Pvt. Gordon Fleming, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Fleming, 706 South Holly st., is undergoing basic infantry training at the Army's Monterey peninsula training center at Fort Ord. He is a 1958 graduate of Medford High school.

TO SUPPLY SCHOOL

Airman Basic Gerald R. Poindexter, son of Victor Poindexter, Route 1, Gold Hill, has been selected for the Air Force technical training course for supply specialists at Amarillo Air Force base, Texas.

Hearts and Gin Rummy also are favorites.

Grand Jury Probe Of Withdrawn Drug Under Way

Washington — (UPI) — A federal grand jury is investigating circumstances surrounding government approval of a drug which was withdrawn from public use after two years because of dangerous side effects.

The investigation of the drug, used to retard formation of cholesterol, was disclosed in a letter to a congressman from Commissioner George P. Larrick of the Food and Drug Administration.

Inquiry in Progress

The Justice Department acknowledged that a grand jury inquiry was in progress. Neither Larrick nor the Justice Department said where the grand jury was located or what type of evidence was being collected.

Larrick said in a previous letter, however, that the case was being investigated "to determine whether false statements were made in connection with new drug applications or whether there was a failure to disclose material facts."

The FDA first gave its tentative approval of the medicine April 19, 1960. The drug, MER-29, was withdrawn by its manufacturer April 11, 1962.

The side effects caused by MER-29 included formation of eye cataracts and the loss of hair.

"The MER-29 matter is under consideration by a federal grand jury," Larrick said in a letter dated July 16 to Chairman L. H. Fountain (D-N.C.) of a House government operations subcommittee.

Files Opened

In a second major development, Larrick bowed to congressional pressure and opened to House investigators FDA files concerning MER-29 and another drug, Flexin, also withdrawn because of dangerous side effects.

Flexin was used about five years for the treatment of gout and as a muscle relaxant but has recently been suspected of being linked with cases of infectious hepatitis.

Smylie Said Afraid To Leave Idaho

Craigmont, Idaho — (UPI) — Democratic Lt. Gov. William E. Drevlow says Republican Gov. Robert E. Smylie is afraid to leave the state.

Drevlow commented Smylie is afraid to attend funeral services in Washington today for Sen. Henry Dworshak, for fear Drevlow, in his capacity as acting governor, might appoint a successor to the late senator.

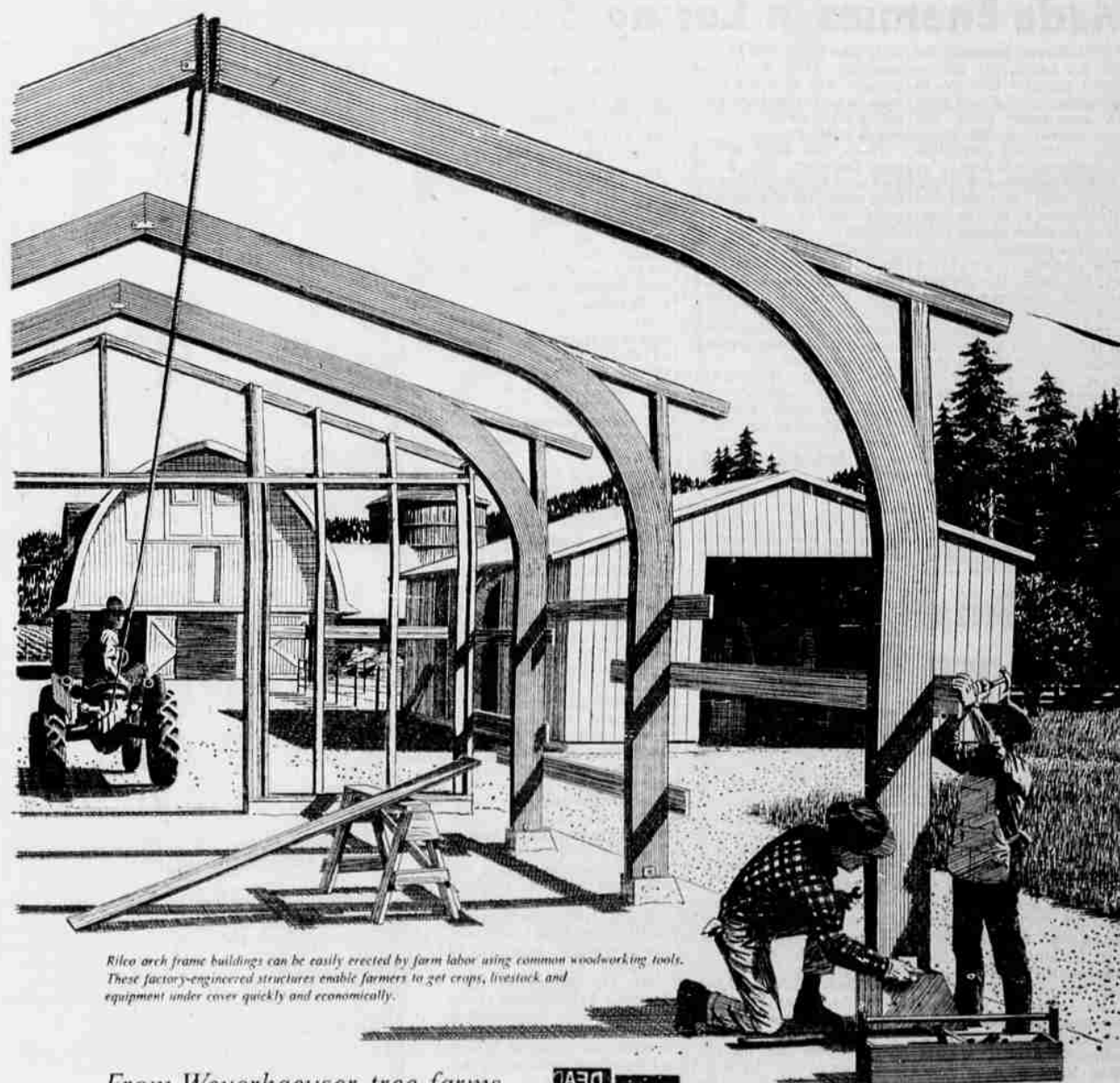
With Smylie out of the state, Drevlow could name a Democrat to the Senate vacancy.

"A dozen people remarked to me that the governor does not dare leave the state until the appointment is made," Drevlow said.

Drevlow refused to comment on what he might do if Smylie did leave the state.

COULDN'T BE SWAYED

St. Louis, Mo. — (UPI) — "Duke," a member of the police canine corps, must be having some second thoughts today. Carrying out his assigned task of marijuana sniffing during a narcotics raid at a restaurant Wednesday, Duke came upon 10 pounds of frankfurters in the refrigerator. He impatiently brushed aside the meat and under it he found eight packages of marijuana.



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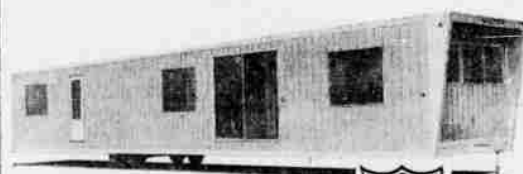
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