

**DEEP WATER TEST** - The flip-top ship FLIP (floating instrument platform) does what her name implies at Dabob Bay, Wash., in the first deep water test of the weird vessel float. Upper left, the stern of the vessel sinks and the bow rises. Lower left, a Navy helicopter studies the vessel as the bow lifts higher. At right, at 90 de-

**VA Using Electronic System of Army**

White City - Notice has been received here that Veterans administration field stations are utilizing the Army electronic telecommunication system for interoffice messages in a cooperative undertaking between the two branches of the federal government.

At present, 200 VA stations are connected through six net control stations throughout the United States and through the VA central office. It is planned to cover the entire system with the improved teletype method during the coming year.

A feature of the operation is the electronic selector which automatically picks out the message to be sent.

**Acquisition Notes**

**West Visualizes Day His Papers Will Be in Library of Congress**

By DICK WEST

Washington (UPI) - The weekly information bulletin published by the Library of Congress contains a section labeled "acquisition notes." Usually, the notes impart the tidings that somebody or other has presented to the library a collection of personal papers to have.

West had and to hold, and to cherish forever. The papers ordinarily consist of old letters, scrapbooks,

clippings and other miscellany that the donor, who hated to throw anything away, had been accumulating for several generations.

They are placed on file in the library, thereby enriching that institution's storehouse of trivia while at the same time providing the donor with a certain sense of immortality. I am not certain as to the procedure used in these acquisitions. In other words, I do not know whether the library calls up someone and says "May we have your papers?" or whether someone calls up the library and says "Would you like to have these papers?"

My guess is that in some cases the procedure has been for the donor to side up to the library under cover of darkness, deposit his papers on the doorstep, and run.

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However that may be, I think that presenting one's personal papers to the library is a splendid thing to do. I certainly intend to see that the library gets my papers, and I suggest that you do likewise.

By shutting my eyes real tight, and putting my hands over my ears, I can already visualize what my "acquisition note" will look like.

On the day that it appears in the information bulletin: "Dick West, who represents himself as a newspaperman, has presented to the Library of Congress a substantial bundle of his personal papers, loosely bound between covers of genuine cardboard."

"Although they have been neither catalogued nor indexed, the papers appear to consist of material that Mr. West regarded as educational and had put aside for future reference."

"Among the documents in the collection are a clipping about a Kansas City dry-cleaner who owns a 100-year-old 'goffering iron'."

"A report by the National Geographic Society disclosing that woodchucks can eat a ton of hay each year."

"An announcement that the

Smithsonian Institution has discovered a frog with membranes between its toes, enabling it to 'parachute' from treetops to the ground. "An account of a duel in which the antagonists missed each other but hit the referee in both legs. "Applications to examine the papers should be addressed to the chief of the manuscript division who asked not to be identified."

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**Mt. McLoughlin Trip Set This Week End**

Ashland - Southern Oregon college is sponsoring a week end hike to Mt. McLoughlin, Saturday, Aug. 4. Bob Bennett, summer session recreational director, has announced.

Townpeople are invited. Four members will leave Britt Student center at 7:30 a.m. and return at 5:30 p.m. Dan Bulkley, advisor to the SOC mountain climbing club, will be the group leader.

**Set This Week End**

It is advisable to wear hiking boots, long trousers, a warm sweater, and a cap, Bennett said. One also should bring his lunch and if possible bring a back pack for easier hiking.

This is the last chance to take advantage of the week end outings this summer, Bennett said, and the trip is open to anyone who wants to go. Some transportation is available.

**Hillah Temple to Take Part in Drive**

Hillah Temple will participate in the canned food caravan of the Shrine which will benefit the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Portland, according to Ray Frisbie and Wayne Safley, local representatives.

The caravan has been an annual project of Shriners in the northern part of the state for several years, and is now being extended to the southern area.

The caravan, which will collect only commercially canned goods, will travel from Lakeview through Klamath Falls, Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass and to Roseburg and Eugene.

Local Boy Scouts will assist the Shriners here in collecting canned goods. A door to door campaign will be conducted Wednesday, Aug. 8, between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Food collected in the drive will be held for the caravan, which is scheduled later.

Residents not contacted in the drive may leave their contributions in containers available in most local grocery stores.

**Drinking of Carrot Juice Said Useless Form of Therapy**

By DELOS SMITH UPI Science Editor

New York (UPI) - Nutrition scientists will never understand the worship of the carrot by food faddists. To them it is not a very attractive vegetable aesthetically, what with its elongated shape and its color, nor is it in any way magical nutritionally.

And it has a very definite drawback. Eat enough carrots—or drink enough carrot juice—as a regular thing, and your skin will turn a carrot-like yellow. The word for it is, hypercarotenemia, and it is getting so that when practicing physicians see yellow skin they say, carrots!

**Express Amazement**

Dr. Ira A. Abrahamson and his son Dr. Ira A. Jr., of Cincinnati, Ohio, are the newest to express amazement at the carrot craze, in a medical science organ of the American Medical Association. They are eye doctors and they were examining a child with crossed eyes.

The mother watched, holding a nine-months-old baby. They couldn't help noticing the babe's yellowish skin, and one of them asked, how much carrot juice are you giving that infant?

A pint a day, the mother replied, and she's been getting

it since she was a month old! Naturally the next medical question was, what's the idea? To prevent her second child from having crossed eyes like her first, the mother said.

**Most Useless Therapy**

In one day the Abrahamsons had two animated yellow skins walk into their office. One was a 74-year-old woman, and to the opening question, how much carrot juice have you been drinking? She replied, one and a half pints a day for two years.

The other was a 50-year-old man. He was proud of his devoted wife. Every day for a year and a half she had ground up enough carrots to make two quarts of juice for him to drink.

In both cases the idea was to improve vision. But in both cases vision had been impaired by cataracts and it improved when the cataracts were removed. Needless to say, carrots do nothing for cataracts.

"Although not the most expensive form of therapy, drinking carrot juice is probably the most useless, and it should be condemned," the Abrahamsons remarked. But they granted it was harmless.

**Delays Corrective Measures**

When people with carrot-yellowed skin abstain from carrots their skin slowly returns to its normal color. The Abrahamsons wanted carrot-addiction "condemned" because it delays the application of workable corrective measures to visual defects.

The factual basis for the superstition that carrots are "eye food" is that the carrot is rich in carotene, which is a pigment manufactured by a number of plants. The plants use it to color their fruits. The tomato is another vegetable which owes its color to carotene.

Chemically carotene is several steps along the path toward vitamin A. In human body chemistry carotene is pushed the rest of the way into that vitamin which among other tasks, maintains the sharpness of vision. But happily for the carrot worshippers, the conversion rate is a very slow one and this prevents vitamin A intoxication and consequent sickness. Everyone needs vitamin A in his diet, of course, but the needed amount is quite small and it is abundantly present in most vegetables (and not only in the carrot and tomato) and also in milk.

**BUSINESS TOO GOOD**

London (UPI) - Playwright Tennessee Williams arrived Tuesday night to watch a performance of his latest work. "Business was so good," he said "I got a lousy 8-9."

**SET NEW RECORD**

Indianapolis, Ind. (UPI) - Barbara Fenske, 16, and Marilyn O'Connor, 15, have laid claim to the ice cube toasting record, with a reported 3,599 catches before the cube melted.

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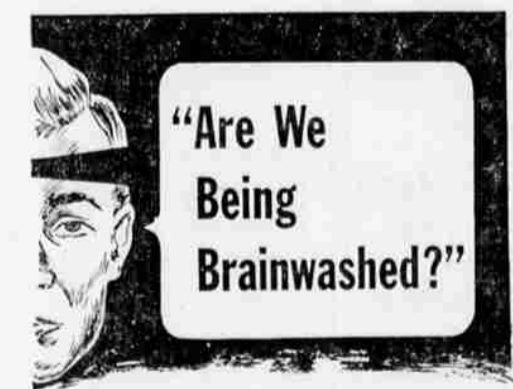
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