



DAMAGED HOMES REMOVED—A wrecking crew starts work on removal of two homes damaged by an earth slide at Brentwood, Calif. The huge crane is demolishing the Henry Neel residence. The homes were first noticed moving Jan. 2 when the hillside behind them began slipping, wrecking several houses and threatening others. (UPI)

Powder Puff Crew Reaches Honolulu

Honolulu — (UPI) — The 45-foot sailboat Neophyte and its powder puff crew reached the end of a 25-day cruise across the Pacific today.

The Neophyte, with ex-steeplejack Lee Quinn and a crew of four young women aboard, dropped its sails off Oahu Sunday. Quinn radioed that he would pull into Honolulu Harbor today.

The ketch set sail from San Francisco Bay Dec. 27 after Quinn recruited the all-girl crew on the theory that females were more "docile" crewmen.

The radio message ended nearly two weeks of silence from the Neophyte. On Jan. 1 a naval vessel encountered the ketch but no word had been heard since then.

Quinn plans to pick up his wife, Mary Ann, in Honolulu, sign off his distaff crew and proceed on to the South Seas.

On board during the 2,100-mile voyage, besides Quinn, were Giselle Mayer, 22; Jackie Miller, 24; Susan Bird, 20, and Mrs. Carol Hope, 20.

The Medical Roundup

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Endometriosis Can Cause Sterility

Endometriosis is a disease of young women in which bits of the endometrium or lining membrane of the womb get out through the fallopian tubes and start growing on the inner lining of the pelvic cavity, perhaps around the ovaries or on the large bowel. These little masses of displaced cells are called chocolate cysts.

In many cases, they cause no trouble, but in other cases, they cause pelvic pain, irregular and troublesome menstruation, and an inability of the woman to get pregnant.

Treatment today usually consists of stopping ovulation for 6 months with the new drug Enovid. With this treatment, the chocolate cysts will shrink up. On stopping the use of the drug, improvement often continues for a long time. Today, surgeons are less inclined to operate than they used to be, and especially if the woman wants a child, every effort will have to be made to avoid removing the pelvic organs.

What is Chronic Bronchitis?

Several doctors from Tulane University have recently commented on the fact that in many cases a disease that looks like chronic bronchitis is really a pulmonary emphysema, a disease in which the lungs have lost much of their elasticity and hence are having difficulty in getting the air out. Also, in cases of emphysema thousands of the tiny air sacs in the lungs are so damaged by disease that they do not do a good job of creating the blood. In the last few years we physicians have become more and more alert in diagnosing emphysema.

By chronic bronchitis, physicians mean an inflammation of the inner lining of the bronchi, or the tubes that carry air into and out of the lungs. There is often some over-secretion of the tiny glands that keep the lining of the bronchi moist, and this leads to the formation of sputum.

The patient is likely to have repeated attacks of coughing, associated perhaps with moderate amounts of whitish sputum. These persons are prone to get "colds," when they may have some thick or yellowish or greenish sputum that has pus in it. These people are likely also to have their bronchi irritated by substances that pollute the atmosphere, like smog. They can be much injured also by cigarette smoke.

Not Enough Blood

When shortness of breath occurs, one fears that either

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the airways are getting narrowed, or many of the alveolae (air-sacs) are being destroyed, or there is not enough blood flowing through the tiny arteries that line the air-sacs in the lungs.

When all the patient has is X-ray examination of the chest is likely to show nothing abnormal; but if there is much emphysema, the X-ray man will note, first, the lungs are too full of air; also, perhaps, that the midriff, or diaphragm, is lower than it should be. This is because the inelastic lungs remain expanded; they do not contract well to force the air out.

In cases of chronic bronchitis, "bronchograms" — which give a picture of the "bronchial tree" — can be made by first injecting some material, through the throat into the bronchi, and then making X-ray films. These will show if there is much bronchiectasis — a disease in which some of the bronchi are dilated and perhaps full of pus.

Because X-ray studies will not show the earlier changes produced by chronic bronchitis and emphysema, in order to detect these, a specialist in lung diseases may have to use tests of lung function. He can determine the lung volume, the degree of so-called ventilation of the lungs, and the degrees of distribution and diffusion of the gases in the lung.

Unfortunately, these tests have to be made by experts using special instruments, and hence they are not available in all cities. Much study is needed in this field.

If you would like Dr. Alvarez' booklet which discusses shortness of breath, send 25 cents and a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request for "Pulmonary Emphysema" to Dr. Walter C. Alvarez, Dept. MMT, The Register and Tribune Syndicate, Box 957, Des Moines 4, Iowa.

Josephine Board Lists Appointments

Grants Pass — The Josephine county board of commissioners has announced the appointment of six persons to various county boards and commissions.

New appointments are James O. Wilson, county fair board for a three-year term; and Mrs. Arthur Cribb, Kerby, to the county library board, a three-year term.

Reappointed to posts which they now hold were: Henry Turk, Williams, airport board; five-year term; Cecil Johnson, county budget committee, three-year term; Larry Adams, industrial park board, five-year term; and Jens Peterson, county planning commission, three-year term.

INSULT TO INJURY

Portland, Maine — (UPI) — Police would like to press their investigation of a \$2,100 hold-up they say took place Friday night, but the victims are too embarrassed to complain. Police said three armed, masked bandits took \$1,400 cash and \$700 in jewelry from 14 poker players after forcing them to remove their trousers to discourage pursuit.



FAVORS DRUG—Dr. Andrew Ivy, an advocate of the controversial cancer drug, Krebiozen, adds up a column of figures in his office at Chicago. Dr. Ivy has labeled a charge that Krebiozen is being illegally sold a "deliberate falsehood". Secretary Anthony Celebrezze of the health, education and welfare department has notified Dr. Ivy, Dr. Stephen Durovic, discoverer of Krebiozen and two Chicago distributors of the drug that an investigation is planned. (UPI)

UO Fraternity Hazing Forbidden

Eugene — (UPI) — The office of President Arthur S. Flemming of the University of Oregon said Sunday that any fraternity at the school found guilty of hazing its pledges will be closed for one year unless there were extenuating circumstances.

Truman Making Rapid Recovery

Kansas City, Mo. — (UPI) — Former President Harry Truman, 78, recovering rapidly from a hernia operation, was reported in satisfactory condition today at Research Hospital.

The former president, who underwent a two-hour operation Friday, bounced back quickly.

Truman was on a routine diet and was walking around his room. He has made numerous telephone calls, including one to his daughter, Mrs. Clifton Daniel, in New York.

'NO EXIT' KIDS — Springfield, Ill. — (UPI) — A University of Illinois trustee suggested Thursday that campus traffic signs should say "No Exit" instead of "Dead End." "I don't think we should suggest we are creating 'Dead Ends Kids,'" said Irving Dillard.

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