



Small Worlds Around Us

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Inflicting Pain To Treat Pain Common in Early America

Inflicting a pain to correct or minimize another pain is a pretty stupid way of treating a body ailment. But back in the pre-scientific time, even in Early America, this silly procedure was followed pretty generally. It was practiced especially in cases of aches or disorders of the stomach and digestive systems.

Anything which set one's inner organs on fire or gave to them a comfortable warmth was believed to have a beneficial effect on whatever ailed the patient. Before the advent of the drug store or the availability of a doctor, any concoction that began a tumult or an upheaval in the stomach was supposed to be exceedingly helpful.

It was like a man suffering with an earache purposely hitting his thumb with a hammer; he forgets—at least for a brief period—the pain in his ear by the sharper, fresher pain in his thumb. Starting a pain to cure a pain seemed to be the formula.

Long-Ago Origin

The idea of arraying one pain against a greater pain may have been an idea incubated in the mind of some unknown American Indian, back a long time ago. Long before the arrival of the first white man, the Indians were eating various plant leaves, roots, berries, bark and stems that set up internal fires in the belief the burning irritation was beneficial.

Perhaps it was one of those old ideas or beliefs which started the use of some plants which today are economically very important. Tobacco could very well be one. What the Indian used to smoke or chew, which certainly started an inner fire in his tortured stomach, was the weed known today as Indian tobacco.

Still Plentiful

Probably we will never know just how the first Red Man discovered this weed; neither will it ever be known how his system withstood the shock of eating and smoking the leaves of this common weed, the wild relative of today's refined and cultivated tobacco.

Indian tobacco is also called gag-weed or asthma-weed; it

still grows profusely in dry fields and thickets throughout a large part of the United States. This poor weed is still struggling to maintain its lowly position as a noxious member of the plant kingdom. Its near relative, the genuine tobacco plant, has gone on to a glorious and exceedingly profitable pinnacle of importance. It is probably one of the most profitable of crops with the exception of corn, wheat and cotton.

Indian tobacco grew wild everywhere a small patch of earth was available. It is an acrid, evil-smelling, bitter-tasting and pucky plant. How the toughest Indian smoked the leaves or chewed them is something we will never understand. The internal fires it kindled in the stomachs of those who used it and swallowed the juice must have been pretty terrible. It must have burned those stomachs for several hours.

To the Indian, the use of Indian tobacco may have provided a lift, or may even have induced a spell of drowsy lassitude whereby he could forget some of his troubles and help his earache to be less acute. With his stomach on fire he could endure the pain of his bruised thumb.

Perhaps what all this boiled down to was that sometimes the cure is worse than the ailment.

Prunes' Wrinkles Being Ironed Out

New York — (UPI) — They're ironing out the prune's wrinkles.

The last step before packaging consists of a hot water bath and steaming which restores as much as 30 per cent of the fruit's original moisture content. As a result, there's hardly a wrinkle left when the prunes head for market.

NOW YOU KNOW

The ashes used in the Roman Catholic Church as the ceremonial symbol of penance on Ash Wednesday are obtained by burning the remains of the palms blessed on the previous Palm Sunday. According to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Court Records

MEDFORD MUNICIPAL COURT

Donald Allen Bobbett, racing, \$10.
John Philip Koenig, expired operator's license, \$5; disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Jay Woolford Taylor, improper left turn, \$15.
Lawrence LeRoy Padra, violation of basic rule, \$25 suspended.
Walker Allen Anderson, failure to yield right of way, \$25 suspended for Driver Improvement School.
Beron Hugh Davis, disobeyed traffic signal, \$10.
Carol Martha Lamb, disobeyed traffic signal, \$10.
James Ross Hutton, excessive noise, \$10.
Dennis Lee Schmitt, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Earl Lawrence Corned, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Romey Margaret Fieger, failure to yield right of way, \$10.
Richard Clarence Clark, excessive noise, \$10.
Sandra Suzanne Stevens, disobeyed stop sign, \$10.
Bill Lee Bradshaw, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Clarence Arthur Winetrot Jr., violation of basic rule, \$25.
Eugene Edward Prince, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Joseph Frank Baran, disobeyed stop sign, \$10.
Robert Harold Cortis, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Charles Nichols Cook, improper right turn, \$5.
LeRoy Ray Richey, failure to display lights on vehicle during the hours of darkness, \$25.
Curtis Boyd Woolley, improper lane usage, \$5.
Timothy Warren Murray, no tail light, \$10; suspended; no operator's license in possession, \$5, suspended.
Lawrence Henry Morse, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Clevie Iona Householder, one headlight, \$5; suspended.
Janet Rae Baker, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Gloria Phyllis Phyllis, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Michael David Reich, no operator's license in possession, \$5; suspended; violation of basic rule, \$25.
Paul Duane Culbertson, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Fred B. Wileman, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Alfred Gilhouse, improper passing, \$5; no vehicle registration, \$5, suspended.
Carson Charles Chase, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Walter Vernon Doty, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Albert Lee Hias, disobeyed traffic signal, \$10.
Lorraine Helen Board, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Kathleen Bevis, failure to wear corrective lenses, \$15; suspended.
Bernadine Mae Bratton, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Thomas Lyle Shoppert, violation of basic rule, \$10; suspended; 24 hours work probation in city park.
Bessie Myers, violation of basic rule, \$5.
Larry G. Preheim, expired operator's license, \$5.
Dean Edward Reddington, expired vehicle license, \$5.
Ernest Clifford Conrad, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Richard LeRoy McDowell, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Ralph Omer Stephenson, violation of basic rule, \$25.
John Donald Boehardy, violation of basic rule, \$25.
David Russell Monia, violation of basic rule, \$5.
Karen Rae Stansburg, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Duane David Poff, excessive noise, \$10.
Patrick Joseph Murphy, expired vehicle license, \$5.
Myron Charles McEwen, operator's license not in possession, \$5.
Merl Samuel Elgett, switched license plates, \$5.

session of alcoholic beverages, \$25, curfew.
Donald Allen Bobbett conducting a speed contest, \$50.
James Bernard Seitz Jr., wrong way on one-way street, \$5.
Lawrence Evans Shearer, violation of basic rule, \$15.
John Robert King, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Bobby Dale Thomas, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Wilfred Donald Pearson, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Paul Leon Jacks, violation of basic rule, \$25.

DISTRICT COURT

John Clery Lucas, excessive noise, \$5.
William T. Wickizer, overload, \$50.
Edward J. Craig, no vehicle license, \$5.
Benjamin Franklin Compher, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
William H. Davis, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Mary Margaret Nichols, illegal possession of venison, \$30.
Fredrick Wallace Wilson, switched license plate, \$25.
Donald Emil Kocina, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Constance Irene Greenwood, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Johnnie Dee Wayne Beattie, no vehicle license, \$5.
Richard E. Apperel, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Clarence Robert Schmidt, failure to stop, \$15.
Sherman Monroe Skeers, no vehicle license, \$5.
Robert Paul Babcock, no vehicle license, \$5.
Ernest Norman Freitas, overload, \$50.
Dorothy Zundt, no vehicle license, \$5.
Elvis Dale Yow Jr., overload, \$15.
Harold Edward Smith, improper passing, \$10.
Rachel Irene Stanfield, failure to stop, \$15.
Clark Jay Walker, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Earl Alvin Biles, overload, \$30.
Norman Robert Mallon, overload, \$50.
William B. McNeill, failure to display combined weight, \$5.
Sidney Jones, truck speeding, \$10.
Jenning I. Miricle, no vehicle license, \$5.
James Linder Fink, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Ruth Madeline Kline, failure to dim lights, \$15.
Matthew A. Schmidt, obstructed vision, \$10.
Robert Lee Davis, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Robert Jack Gillsinsky, no operator's license, \$5.
Robert W. Sherwood, no horn, \$10.
Edward Bergeson Jr., failure to stop, \$10.
Seldon Dillon Hill, failure to stop, \$15.

CIRCUIT COURT

Donald S. Bundy vs. Beverly A. Bundy, divorce complaint.
Betty Louis Bross vs. Keith William Bross, divorce complaint.

Report Is Made

On Uses of Wool

Washington — (UPI) — Wool consumption in the United States last year added up to 12 pounds per family, reports the U. S. department of agriculture.

Four pounds of U. S. wool and four and one-half pounds of imported wool went into each family's clothing, blankets, draperies and upholstery. The remaining three and one-half pounds, almost entirely imported, was used for floor coverings.

ASHLAND MUNICIPAL COURT

Roger Jerome Duvall, illegal possession of alcoholic beverages, \$25, curfew.
Lee Albert Oman, illegal possession of alcoholic beverages, \$25, curfew.
Larry Wayne Cleveland, illegal possession of alcoholic beverages, \$25, curfew.
John Joseph Barry, illegal possession of alcoholic beverages, \$25, curfew.



EVIDENCE OF SPRING—Nature's miracles fascinate David Giese, 3, of Belleville, Ill., as he watches the first evidence of spring. Recent temperatures have been in the 30s and 40s and in spite of the still-frozen ground, an early variety of tulip pushes up tender shoots. (UPI)

Many Drivers Do Not Know How to Make Turn

"A great many Medford drivers do not know how to make a legal turn in traffic," according to City Police Chief Charles P. Champlin.

"Too many others are either careless or deliberately violate turning regulations," he added. The most frequent turning offense is turning from or into the wrong lane of traffic.

Motorists ignorant of the proper turning practices generally fall into two groups: (1) drivers who confuse Oregon turning laws with those in other states; (2) drivers who have failed to keep up with changes in turning laws during recent years. The latter group is by far the larger, according to Champlin.

The rapid increase in the use of one-way streets during the past few years has created many new turning situations. Although appropriate adjustments have been made in the turning regulations, many motorists have not consulted the Oregon Driver's Manual to see what the new regulations are and when they apply.

Turning laws are based on two prime considerations, Champlin said.

These are, first, to facilitate the smooth and even flow of traffic, and, secondly, to promote the greatest possible degree of safety to drivers and pedestrians alike. Turning from the wrong lane not only interrupts the "smooth and even flow" concept, but also presents a hazard to other motorists, he noted.

Gantt Enrollment

Approved by Majority

Columbia, S.C. — (UPI) — The South Carolina Senate was told Tuesday that a majority of the Clemson college student body approved of the peaceful admission of Negro Harvey Gantt last month.

The Clemson student senate, in a resolution read to the legislature, said the college administration "conducted itself in a manner second to none" in handling Gantt's enrollment.

SUGGESTS SEAL CHANGE

Boston — (UPI) — Attorney Robert Donaldson, chairman of the board of directors of the Massachusetts S.W.C. Postage Committee, expressed opposition to increased racing dates in the state Tuesday at a hearing and suggested a change in the state seal—"to depict a horse and dog drooling greedily at a \$2 bill."

Auto Production Stimulates Growth

Washington — (UPI) — The Commerce Department Tuesday reported that automobile production has been one of the main reasons that business has continued to advance recently.

Auto output, it said, accounted for nearly a fourth of the increase in the national total of goods and services produced during the last three months of 1962.

The value of passenger car output totaled \$23.4 billion at seasonally adjusted rates during the final quarter of last year.

Syrian Fishermen

Fire on Israeli

Jerusalem — (UPI) — Israeli officials said Tuesday Syrian fishermen poaching in the Sea of Galilee fired on an Israeli boat.

The officials told members of the United Nations Armistice commission that Syrian fishermen also have been stealing nets set in the water.

SAFE BOATING WEEK

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy Tuesday designated the week of June 30 as National Safe Boating Week, noting that "increased use of our waterways has caused a corresponding increase in safety problems."

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE CLERKS' STRIKE AGAINST S.P.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC AGREED LONG AGO TO ALL THE

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S EMERGENCY BOARD

THE RAILWAY CLERKS' UNION

REFUSES TO ACCEPT THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Southern Pacific accepted in good faith the recommendations of President Kennedy's Emergency Board that clerical employees displaced by changing conditions should be provided REASONABLE INCOME PROTECTION. Our offer to the Union on income protection is EXACTLY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD, AND IS ONE OF THE MOST LIBERAL EVER PROVIDED BY ANY INDUSTRY.

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THE UNION'S DEMAND FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF POSITIONS FOR WHICH THERE IS NO WORK IS CLEARLY BEYOND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD.

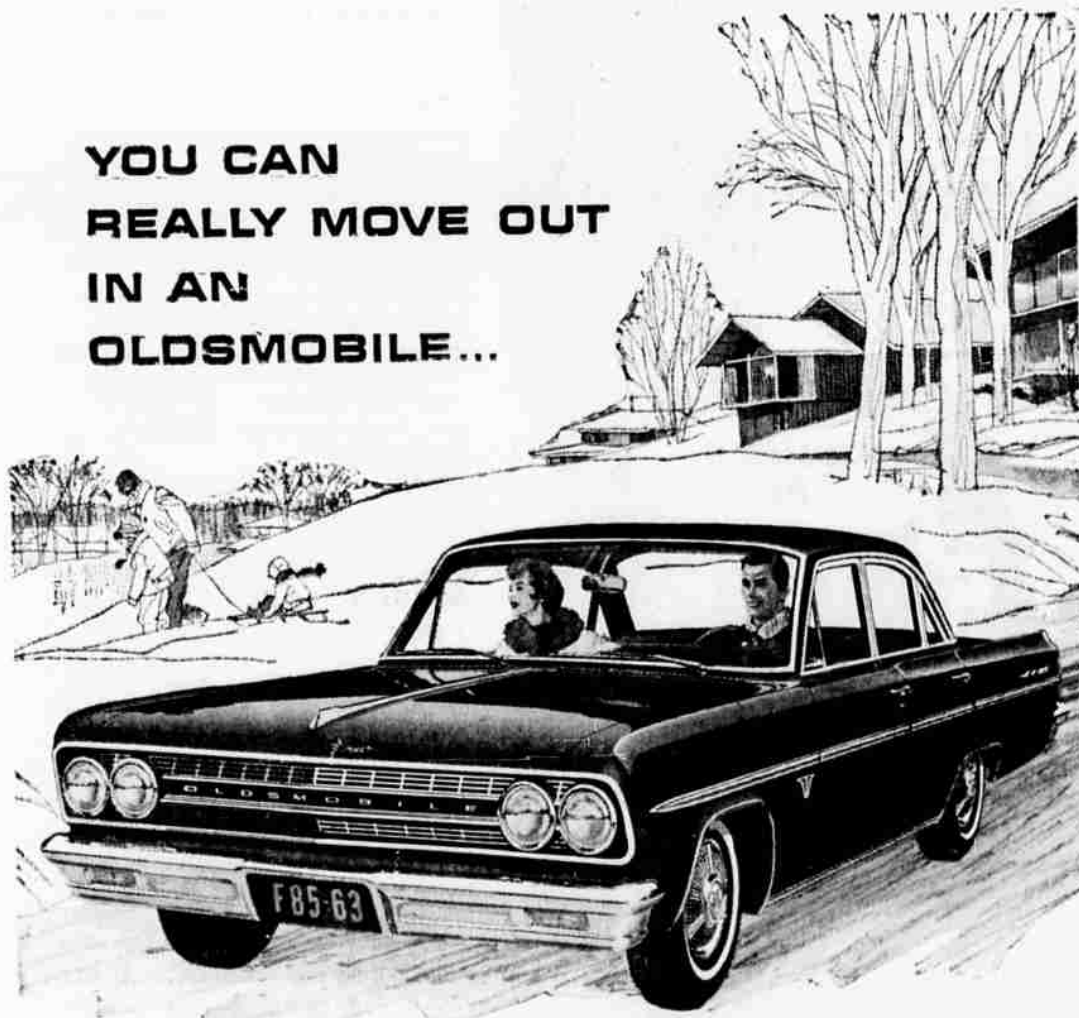
If there are any misunderstandings of the intent of President Kennedy's

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