



PRESENTS AWARD - Paul P. Schmitz (left) director general of the Loyal Order of Moose, Mooseheart, Ill., presents Moose fraternity's Distinguished Citizen award to famed comedian Danny Thomas at 75th annual International Moose convention in Chicago, Ill., Tuesday. Award was in grateful appreciation of Thomas's humanitarian service to all mankind. (UPI)

Small Worlds Around Us
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Natural Beauty Is Unfairly Destroyed for Billboards
Many people driving along the highway wondered why the group of men were cutting down the tree. There seemed no reason for it, as it stood some distance from the edge of the highway, and at the extreme front of a vacant area. It was a beautiful tree, all of 60 feet high with a wide spreading crown.
Because of its ideal position, it had never been mutilated by utility companies. Most of the observing passers-by who noticed the tree and the workmen, assumed the tree was being removed because of a proposed building on the vacant lot behind it. Yet this seemed ridiculous, the tree's presence in that particular spot would have been beneficial to any property for the welcome shade it would have afforded.
Branches First
Those that regularly traveled the highway watched the daily progress of the tree's destruction from day to day. First, the great horizontal branches were removed, then the smaller limbs. As fast as they struck the ground, a crew of men sawed them into short lengths; trucks hauled them away.
The removal of the great stump occupied the work of several men for three days. This stump was a massive thing, the severed part just above the roots was over three feet in diameter. It took a powerful derrick to lift it onto a low bodied truck.
During the time the tree butchers were at work, another group of men were busy digging holes and setting in a series of six, tall telephone poles, each pole 10 feet from its neighbor, and all in a row. Probably few of the motorists that traveled the highway took any notice of the tall poles; all were watching the destruction of the tree.
The Answer
With the tree gone the vista opened up, suddenly the reason for the poles and the elimination of the tree became

apparent. A great, glaring billboard was being erected; for this, the tree was being destroyed.
It is impossible to know how many people - millions probably over a period of a little time, consciously or subconsciously admired that tree. Now beauty has been replaced by ugliness; greedy commercialism has destroyed that which was beautiful. "Progress" someone will yell, but the fact remains, this raw ugliness is accepted vandalism, depressed to its lowest depths.
Bliss Beauty
"The highways are happy ways" was a slogan we were all justifiably proud of. Trees along those highways added considerably to their charm, they were a part of an America we were proud of. But any billboard anywhere, whatever it is advertising, is an eyesore, a blot on the beauty of the outdoors, a menace to the driver that attempts to read the message while he is driving, and an obstruction to what a scenic beauty may be there, or in the distance.
No message any of them could possibly give, is worth what was destroyed to allow for their presence. Every one, in its way, detracts from what we would like to still believe is, "America the Beautiful."

U.S. Delegation to Coronation Named
Washington - (UPI) - President Kennedy has named Chief Justice Earl Warren and Senate Democratic leader Mike Mansfield to head the U. S. delegation to the coronation of New Pope Paul VI.
White House press secretary said that other members of the delegation which probably will number four will be named within the next few days.
Kennedy himself was expected to arrive in Rome on June 30, the scheduled date of the ceremonies installing the new Pope.

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo



Excessive, Habitual Drinkers Pay for it by Dying Sooner

By DELOS SMITH
UPI Science Editor
New York - (UPI) - It now has been demonstrated with hard figures that those who drink excessively and habitually pay for it by dying sooner than they would have otherwise.
Many people have always believed it but usually they're not alcoholic. Heretofore mathematical proof - or disproof - has been lacking. Vital statistics do not say whether their subjects were alcoholic or non-alcoholic.
Michiko Tashiro, a statistician, and Dr. Wendell R. Lipscomb had the makings for such a unique set of figures in the records of the California State Alcoholic Rehabilitation Organization. They are members of its scientific staff.
Living and Dead
To its four alcoholism treatment centers, 1,892 men and women were admitted in a three-year period beginning in 1954. Tashiro and Lipscomb checked back on them all and separated the presently living from the dead.
This gave them two sets of statistics, a survival table and a mortality table. These they compared to the same tables for the California population as a whole, making proper statistical and adjustments for age, sex and race in order to get mathematically precise comparisons.
For the five year period under consideration, the heavy drinkers survived only 91 per cent as well as their opposite numbers in the general population, demonstrating, the scientists said, that "alcoholics do not live as many years" as they might.
Death Rates Compared
To verify this, they compared mortality tables. The average annual death rate of the alcoholics figured out to 26 per 1,000. In the general population the rate was 11 per 1,000. Thus, the death rate among alcoholics was almost 2 1/2 to 1.
As to the causes of death, 24 per cent of the alcoholics died of violence accidents and suicides and for the general population violent deaths amounted to 9 per cent. The next most common cause of death in alcoholics was heart disease, 23 per cent. Then came cirrhosis of the liver, 14 per cent. The comparable percentages for the general population was 4 and 3.
Tashiro and Lipscomb were struck by how hard it had been to ascertain the actual cause of death in most of the 124 deceased alcoholics. The autopsy rate reached 73 per cent compared to 34 per cent in the general population and they reminded that autopsies usually are performed when there is some doubt as to the cause of death.
This could only mean "the morbid conditions of the alcoholics were frequently so complex that the cause of death was difficult to determine," they said in their report to the Center for Alcohol Studies at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.

Police Break Up Riot; Arrest 60
Elkhart Lake, Wis. - (UPI) - Police, backed by the threat of tear gas, made some 60 arrests and broke up a riot of more than 2,000 teen-agers and college students in this Sheboygan county town Saturday night.
Sheriff Robert Freiwert said the arrests appeared to have slowed down the mob, but several youths still lingered in huge circles around deputies' squad cars. Deputies, with gas mask on, stood ready with tear gas bombs.



Scholarship Awarded By Pepperdine College
Frank E. Balch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Balch, 953 Kenyon ave., has been awarded a one-half tuition academic scholarship for the 1963-64 school year by Pepperdine college, Los Angeles.
Balch is a graduate of Medford High school and has attended Southern Oregon college and Oregon State college. He will enter Pepperdine as a junior religion major.

Family Council
Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor, and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.
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Ken R. - They're just idlers and I don't want to see them.
Viola R. - He's envious. He'd be the same if he were rich.
Ken R. - My wife's cousins are coming to town again and, to me, they are the world's worst bores. He made his pile in real estate before he was 40 and all he does now is travel around, bothering the likes of me who still have to put in a full day's work. This time I don't want to reserve a week end to accompany them to the hot spots. I have more interesting things to do, like read and rest for instance.
Viola R. - Ken can read and rest any time. These cousins are great fun - they have been all over the world and are now en route to Maine for the summer. We're the only New York relations and they count on us to plan their stops. Ken seems to hold it against them that they have money, but they spend it instead of hoarding, and the world needs people like that.

The Council - Our overall views on leisure are: it must be earned and it must be part of a plan, else how does one differ from a toy poodle? To most of us leisure time arrives in its De Luxe form at late middle age, with retirement as the desert in the cinner of life, but Viola's cousin hit the jackpot in his youth, and his dilettante way of life irks Ken. However, Ken, this chap earned his early leisure. What he does with it is his own business, so long as it's not illegal. The rub you object to is that his Plan is so different from your Plan, which leads us to suggest a possible eventually: Suppose you join up with the visitors this time - hobnobbing with the "idle rich" can't be a total blank. At least you can learn a little geography and gossip from their name-dropping. As for next year, perhaps they'll have wearied of doing nothing and have a new Plan which includes some do-gooding. If not, if it's still more of same, Viola should respect your wishes. Surely the cousins can tie up with other friends, like-minded folk in the "lolling" business. Ken feels best among the toilers.

Son of Famed World War II Hero Marries
West Point, N.Y. - (UPI) - Colin P. Kelly III, son of the famed World War II hero, took a bride Saturday - a pretty high school English teacher.
Kelly was wed to Mary Margaret Cooper of Goshen, N. Y., in a simple ceremony at the U.S. military academy chapel here.
U. S. National Bank President E. J. Kolar has announced staff appointments for the bank's new Interstate and Going branch in Portland.
Walbert is being transferred to the new branch from the bank's head office in Portland where he has been since March of this year. Before then he was assistant manager at the North Medford branch. He began with the bank in 1952.
Robert L. Price was named manager of the new branch which will open July 12, and Richard A. Walbert will serve as assistant manager.

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