



**HIGH-STYLE CHAIR**—The young lady isn't sitting on a modernized ice cream cone. Lynn Borden is showing off the new high-style "cone" chair which made its debut at the summer homes furnishings market at the Western Merchandising Mart in San Francisco. (UPI)

### The Medical Roundup

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#### Dangers of Playing With Park Animals

This summer thousands of our people will go into National Parks, and there they can get badly hurt if they get out of the car to feed a bear or to photograph it, or—most dangerous of all—to play with a cub. Many people, and especially people with a camera, try to get the bear to come closer and closer to the car, tempting him with food. It is foolish to tease the bear until he gets angry.

A bear is always dangerous, especially if he gets resentful, as when he thinks that a person is withholding food from him. Many a bear with a nasty temper has taken such a swipe at someone that he has torn off half his face. A female bear with cubs is particularly dangerous because, if a person happens to come between her and a cub, she is likely to attack viciously.

The rangers in our western parks keep telling people never to feed or molest or try to make friends with a wild animal, especially a bear. When the car is parked, windows should be kept closed, also the doors; because bears smell any food that is in the car and then they will try to get at it. A bear can tear the top out of a convertible.

Even deer are dangerous, because they will sometimes strike at someone with their sharp hoofs. A big buck can make a nasty wound with his antlers.

Another reason why the rangers beg people not to feed wild animals in a park is that when the animals get dependent on tourists for their food, they forget how to forage for themselves. Also, when they become dangerous, or when they become a nuisance to campers, they may have to be shot. The person who feeds a bear not only exposes himself to a great danger, but he is likely to injure the bear and the bear's cubs.

**Think of Handicapped**  
It is remarkable how we human beings often fail to think of the needs of people who are handicapped and have trouble getting about. To show how thoughtless we can be; until recently it seems never to have occurred to anyone that the big tiers of beautiful stone steps outside of many public buildings and churches are nice to look at, but they keep out many handicapped persons; perhaps

persons on crutches, persons in wheel chairs, or persons short of breath with a bad heart, or a bad emphysema (damaged lungs). It is true that in some cases the person can enter through a side door, where he or she may find an elevator. Doubtless, in the future, such an entrance will always be made, and placed where it will be easily available to all persons who cannot climb a long flight of steps like that which leads up into the Capitol at Washington.

I thought of this problem as I read a "release" from the Association for Crippled Children and Adults (239 Park Ave. South, New York City 3). The association now has for distribution a pocket guide to "New York City for the Handicapped." It contains 70 pages of information on places to go and see—places without long flights of stairs, or other types of architectural barriers. The booklet tells of more than 250 restaurants, theaters, motion picture houses, museums, art galleries, concert halls, libraries, department stores, beauty salons, and bowling alleys, with an entrance which will not keep out a handicapped person.

**Dangerous Allergy to Penicillin**  
In the April 20 number of the JAMA, Dr. Walter B. Shelley, of Philadelphia, writes that some persons are so extremely sensitive to penicillin that even the injection of the tiny amount needed for a skin-test can kill them. Accordingly, a new test has been devised which can be carried out in a test-tube, with a drop of the patient's serum, some penicillin, and some white blood cells from a rabbit. This test has been found to be accurate, and it can be used also for synthetic penicillins, the sulfa drugs, and local anesthetics.

This is good news; and it is to be hoped that soon one will give penicillin to a patient and especially a patient who has previously had trouble with the drug, until he has had this test made. Probably soon, the people in charge of all hospital laboratories will be making it.

The person who has epilepsy may never have had a typical seizure. Dr. Alvarez outlines some interesting facts about this often misunderstood disease in his 25-cent booklet called, "What Is Epilepsy?" You may get a copy of it by sending 25 cents and a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request for it to Dr. Walter C. Alvarez, Dept. MMT, Box 957, Des Moines 4, Iowa.

## Single Women Outnumbered Here By Single Men

Calling all single women. Now hear this. Jackson county is loaded with single men. The surplus of bachelors is such that there are 148 single men locally for every 100 single women.

The findings are based on the latest marital figures, gathered from all parts of the country by the Department of Commerce. The reports indicate that the male-female ratio varies considerably from region to region.

Throughout the United States as a whole, the ratio is from 44 per cent to more than 80 per cent. Early Marriages  
The trend toward early marriages, which started about 25 years ago, is now in full swing. Teen-age marriages have become commonplace, with nearly half the girls taking their vows before they are 20. The majority of them become brides at 18.

## Court Records

**DISTRICT COURT**  
Albert Wondra, no operator's license, \$5.  
Joy L. Heath, violation of basic rule, \$15.  
Robert Nevil Funk, truck speeding, \$10.  
Leonard Joe McNew, violation of basic rule, \$15.  
Bobby Q. Futt, overload, \$19.  
Raymond Ross Frewing Jr., truck speeding, \$10.  
Carl Clinton Van Fleet, no vehicle license, \$5.  
Earl Alvin Bliss, truck speeding, \$10.  
Arthur Alan Hughes, failure to drive on right side of highway, \$15.  
Edward Earl Gilroy, violation of basic rule, \$25.  
Lyle Eugene Harrell, no operator's license, \$5.  
Charles Howard Walden, no safety chain, \$15.  
Eileen Margaret Standfield, violation of basic rule, \$25.  
Fred Nichols McPherson, truck speeding, \$10.  
Martin Victor Smith Jr., violation of basic rule, \$25.  
William Graber, no dealer's license, \$25.  
Robert Gene McCarthy, no vehicle license, \$5.  
Edward William Halverson, obstructed vision, \$10.

Harley Ennis Lorme, no fixed load license, \$5.  
Jerry Blair Bryan, no muffler, \$10.  
Ronald Edward Sequin, overload, \$30.  
Merle Stanley Knutson, 33, Veterans Domiciliary, drunk on public highway, 30 days suspended sentence, six months probation.  
William Joseph Sachs, 47, Kettering, Ohio, drunk on public highway, 15 days in jail.

#### High Ratio

The ratio of single men to single women, 148 to 100, is higher than it is in many areas of the country. The average is 124 to 100 in the United States and, in Oregon 135 to 100.

#### Two Plead Innocent To Spying Charges

New York — (UPI) — A man and a woman, accused of helping a jailed Russian couple spy for the Soviet Union, pleaded innocent to espionage charges Monday and had their trial set for Sept. 30.

#### Yosemite falls is America's highest waterfall.

### Officials To Speak At UO Assembly

Eugene—Two high officials of the U.S. State Department will be featured speakers during a Pacific Northwest Assembly Aug. 1 through 4 at the University of Oregon.

After receiving his master's degree from Columbia University, Guthrie accepted a position as language instructor at Lingnan university in Hong Kong. During the summer of 1941 he traveled extensively in northern China.

The Assembly at the University of Oregon, which will be attended by opinion leaders from five western states, will probe the problem of "Cultural Affairs and Foreign Relations." The meeting will be co-sponsored by the university and the American Assembly at Columbia university.

Upon the outbreak of war in the Pacific, he joined the Hong Kong Volunteer Defense Corps. After the fall of Hong Kong he was interned by the Japanese for the duration of the war. During this period he took advantage of the fact that there were many Russians in the Volunteer Defense Corps to acquire an excellent knowledge of the Russian language.

Mrs. Norrell filled the unexpired term of her late husband, Representative William F. Norrell, in the 87th Congress. She assumed her duties in the office of Assistant Secretary of State Lucius D. Battle last January.

After the war he joined the U.S. Department of State, where he has concentrated on Soviet Union affairs. He served twice in the American Embassy in Moscow, and has also served as counselor of the embassy for cultural affairs in Bangkok. He has held his present position for the past two years.

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### Bids on Highway Projects To Be Opened Aug. 13

Salem—(UPI)—The State Highway Commission will open bids Aug. 13 on 14 projects estimated to cost about \$9 million.

The projects by counties include:  
**Baker** — Durkee-Malheur county line section of the Old Oregon Trail Highway. Rock production.  
**Benton** — Luckiamute river bridge at Hoskins.  
**Columbia** — Nehalem river bridge section on Fishhawk rd. near Birkenfeld.  
**Douglas** — Fairgrounds rd.-Shady section of the Pacific Highway one mile south of Roseburg. Grading and paving 2.62 miles.  
**Douglas** — North unit, Kellogg Bridge—Yellow Creek section of the Elktion-Sutherland Highway about 13 miles north of Sutherlin. Grading and oiling 4 miles.  
**Gilliam** — Heppner Junction interchange undercrossing on the Columbia River highway about 10 miles east of Arlington.  
**Grant** — John Day River-Ochocho Junction section of the John Day Highway about 27 miles south of Spray. Grade and pave 4.11 miles.  
**Linn** — Cox creek bridge widening on the Albany-Junction City highway.  
**Multnomah** — Grant ave. overcrossing on Pacific highway in Portland.  
**Multnomah** — Dodson-Bonville section of the Columbia River highway about three miles west of Cascade Locks. Roadside improvement.  
**Polk** — West Salem section of the Willamina-Salem highway. Roadside improvement.  
**Wasco** — Big Eddy-Cello section of the Columbia River highway about four miles east of The Dalles. Grading 6.22 miles.  
**Wasco** — Brewery Grade connection section, Columbia River highway in The Dalles.  
**Yamhill** — Lambert Slough bridge section, Grand Island county road about eight miles southwest of Dayton. Grading and stone base and structure.

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