

Electronic Mate-Picking Odious To Women's Editor

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 Women who hailed the dawn of the push-button age might well stop and take a second look at what the modern Magi has wrought.
 It's fine to push a button and get the dishes washed, the clothes laundered, the roast cooked. It's all right to have an electric shoe shiner, even an electric comb which dries your hair.
 And if you want an electric eye to open the garage door and a television set to watch the baby, that's okay by me.
 But not to push a button to get a husband. I prefer the old-fashioned way.
 I confess I am definitely shaken by accounts of the Hollywood wedding of a beaming young couple who found each other through Univac.
 News pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kardell, nee Shirley

Saunders, look like any other fond and happy bride and groom. He's handsome, she's radiant, and they gaze at each other with the proper expression of bliss.
 But Shirley and Robert were selected for each other by an electronic computer-analyzer on a television show. The fiendishly clever machine decided that these two people were made for each other, and the blushing young couple agreed.
 They weren't introduced by a mutual friend. The man didn't single out the girl at a dance or a church social. They didn't even discover each other on a blind date. No, a machine that is smarter than people digested thousands of cards and came up with the introduction.
 Maybe I'm a reactionary old fuddy-duddy, but if that is what romance is coming to, I'm glad I got married before cupid took up electronics.

BASIN BRIEFS

Correction—Next meeting of Siskiyou County Peace Officers' Association will be held at Tulelake on November 14 instead of the regular date.

Voters School—A voters school will be held in the Bonanza Library at 8 Tuesday, October 21. County Judge Charlie Mack will speak on "Voters Responsibility." Ed Geary will explain measures before voters, and candidates will appear to support their candidacy. All interested voters are invited.

Meeting—Bonanza Parents and Patrons Club will meet at the school auditorium 8 p.m. Wednesday, October 22. Lillian Hoffman will present the 4-H awards. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Prosperity—Chapter, OES, will have a school of instruction on Thursday, October 23, at the Malin Masonic Hall. Grand Associate Conductress Elsie Ollitt will conduct the school. Potluck supper will be at 6 p.m. with the meeting to begin at 8 o'clock.

Food Sale—Farm Bureau Women will sell potatoes, pastries and coffee at the Merrill Potato Festival, October 25. The sale will be in a vacant building across from Grigg's Grocery.

Recent Guests—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sacher of Kansas and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Seaton of Los Angeles have been recent guests of the Bill Saunders and George Bauers in Malin. Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Seaton are sisters.

Food Booth—Merrill Rebekah Lodge No. 151 will have a food booth at the potato festival.

Red Educational System Termed Discriminatory,

Editor's Note—Roy Essoyan, an American who speaks Russian fluently, spent three years in the Soviet Union as a correspondent of The Associated Press. He was expelled last month on a charge that he had evaded censorship. This is the first of four articles giving a keen insight into the Soviet Union of today.

By ROY ESSOYAN
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 Russians think the Soviet system of education isn't what it's cracked up to be, especially by the United States.
 Probably nobody was more surprised than the Russians at the near-panic of American reaction to Sputnik.
 After Sputnik went into orbit, American educators went into a tailspin of agonizing reappraisal. The Russians lost no time in gleefully picking up the American refrain and crowing to the world that communism had shown capitalism how to educate youth.
 But Nikita Khrushchev himself pricked that illusion recently when he ordered the system of Soviet education changed. He admitted it was inefficient, discriminatory and top heavy.
 It produced scientists fine, he

no Russian parent who was pleased with the news.
 The reason is not hard to find. Forty-one years have passed since the Revolution. The old revolutionaries are dying off. Except for a thin hard core, the revolutionary fervor is gone.
 The Russian parent of today has developed a middle-class desire for security, for comforts and a better life for his children.
 Many are unscrupulous about making sure their children don't have to go through the discomforts they did. And apparently those with money, influence or party connections have been surprisingly successful, despite the Kremlin's repeated protestations that discrimination does not exist.
 The rewards of influence over ability are so well recognized that the Russians have a saying that covers the situation. Even Khrushchev couldn't resist mentioning it in announcing the latest change

in Soviet education.
 Referring to the stiff competitive exams which are supposed to determine who deserves a higher education, he quoted the saying: "After the competition of examinations comes the competition of parents, and the competition of parents is often far more decisive."
 After World War II this Kremlin has been gradually reducing it. But, as Khrushchev complained, the system now produces too many pampered intellectuals, boys and girls who have "lost their respect for manual labor." "Bourgeois-minded" parents use influence to keep children out of the factory and collective farm.
 The system, and Khrushchev's own short-lived campaign of de-stabilization and liberalization, also gave birth to widespread student discontent.
 So now Soviet universities and industries, breeding grounds of student unrest, will be turned in effect into night schools and correspondence schools. Most Soviet children will leave the classroom to learn "respect for manual labor" from the seventh grade up.
 But only two years ago the government first decreed that basic education should be extended to 10 years. The 10-year school wasn't even going into effect throughout the country until 1960.
 No wonder Soviet parents are unhappy.
 The Soviet school system has been under attack from parents' newspaper of the Ministry of Education has carried complaints for years against the shortage of schools, classrooms and textbooks. Some textbooks haven't been brought up to date in 30 years. Others, particularly histories, are rewritten all the time.
 The paper has also attacked absenteeism and juvenile delinquency, blaming parents and teachers alike. Teachers have often been accused of ignorance, poor training and slosh habits. According to some complaints many teachers don't know their subjects and some of the language teachers don't even know Russian well, let alone the languages they teach.
 Hints of the drastic new change in the Soviet education system started appearing in the Soviet press more than a year ago. I met

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Some Little Rock Students Will Start School Today

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A portion of Little Rock's high school student population will start school today—more than a month tardy.
 About 300 white seniors registered Monday for classes in the new high school operated by the Little Rock Private School Corp.
 A legal challenge to the new school's operation was immediately promised by the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People.
 Another 407 students of all high school grades registered at the Second Baptist Church for classes which will start next Monday at Baptist High School, a branch facility opened by Ouachita Baptist College. These classes will be held in education buildings of the Second Baptist and two other Baptist churches. A tuition of \$20 per month is charged.
 The corporation school is free. W. C. Brashears, principal, said the corporation would have no space for 10th and 11th graders until Nov. 1, when it will get other quarters at an undisclosed location.

The senior high is holding classes in a 32-room building formerly used by the University of Arkansas Graduate Center.
 An estimated 3,700 high school students, including those at Horace Mann, a Negro institution, were shut out when Gov. Orval E. Faubus closed the city's four high schools Sept. 12 to block integration. The schools were scheduled to open Sept. 15.
 A reported possibility that two Negro colleges would establish high school classes for displaced Little Rock Negro students was squelched.
 The Rev. Roland Smith, chairman of the board of Arkansas Baptist College, said if his institution decided on the high school undertaking, it would be after federal courts act further on the issue of white private schools.
 Dean B. F. Lever of Shorter College at North Little Rock said the college president, Dr. A. O. Wilson, had decided that it wouldn't set up a high school branch because of its current building program.

Crosby's Son Wrestles Man

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—A flock of celebrities showed up at a cocktail party for poet Carl Sandburg Monday night, but most of them missed the thrilling last act.
 A wrestling match between Bing Crosby's son Gary and a chess company executive twice his age, John Geiger, 48, West Coast head of a chess firm that used to sponsor Bing's radio show, said he walked up to young Crosby—and:
 "I told him who I was and wanted to introduce my wife to him. But all of a sudden we were on the floor wrestling. He insulted my wife."
 Said 24-year-old Gary: "I still don't know what happened. This fellow just came up to me and the first thing I know I'm wrestling on the floor with him."
 The match had been in progress less than a minute when bystanders—actor James Mason among them—separated the combatants. Neither was hurt, but Geiger lost his tie.
 The husky Crosby boy shook hands with his taller but more slender adversary before leaving.
 The chess company and comedian Milton Berle sponsored the party for Sandburg. But Berle, the poet and lots of cocktails had disappeared by the time the late floor show started, some 3½ hours after the party began. And so had most of the other celebrities, including Groucho Marx, Alec Guinness, Sammy Davis Jr., Tina Louise and Barbara Nichols. Sandburg will be a guest on Berle's TV show Wednesday night.

Hereford Group Reelects Chief

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Alan Feeney, Phoenix, Ariz., who served as president of the American Hereford Assn. in 1956, was elected president of the organization again Monday.
 Jack Van Nattan, Battle Ground, Ore., was named vice president. Chosen as directors were Walter Lewis of Larned, Kan., the outgoing president; Earl Monahan, Hyannis, Neb., and Charles Chandler, Baker, Ore.

Auto Tragedy Kills Woman

THE DALLES (AP)—Mrs. Jess W. Moore, about 27, The Dalles, was killed Monday in the wreck of a car she was riding on Highway 97, about six miles south of Biggs Junction.
 Her husband, also 27, lost control of the vehicle on a curve, Moore and two other passengers, Matt Payne, 63, and Vera Payne, 42, both of The Dalles, were taken to a hospital.
 Unhurt was Jay Moore, the 18-month-old son of the Moores.



Need For More Technicians Cited By America, Britain

SEATTLE, Wash. (AP) — The United States and Britain are urging underdeveloped nations in South and Southeast Asia to sharply increase the training of technicians needed to help raise living standards in their countries.
 U.S. officials made this known today as the 10th Consultative Conference of Colombo Plan Nations swung into its second day.
 The Colombo Plan is an 18-nation organization designed to cooperate on economic development programs.
 Official sources stressing the need for more technicians pointed out that a new era of resources available for loans will soon be realized.
 This was one of the results of decisions reached by directors of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund who met earlier this month in New Delhi. The directors approved enlarging up to 50 per cent the capital available for development and stabilization loans.
 In addition, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has increased its capital two billion dollars to a total of seven billion as a result of congressional action last summer. Also, the Eisenhower administration has said it will ask Congress next January for an additional 225 million dollars to enlarge the development loan fund which now has 700-million-dollar capitalization.
 As the result of mobilization of these new credit resources, the United States and its free world partners hope to quicken the rate of economic growth in underdeveloped portions of the world.
 Officials here say Asian nations must turn out more trained personnel in order to take fuller advantage of these new lending resources.

But, Norblad said, "we cannot under present conditions let our guard down or take a chance of falling behind."
 Norblad, who is seeking reelection to Congress from the 1st District, also spoke before the Linfield College student body.
 His Democratic opponent in the Nov. 4 general election will be Oregon Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton.

Former Coos Man Believed Dead

EMPIRE, Ore. (AP)—A former Coos County resident is a member of the crew of a Navy plane which disappeared on a flight in the South Pacific near Guam Saturday.
 He is Robert McDuffee, who spent his childhood at Empire and was graduated from Marshfield High School. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McDuffee of Empire.
 Robert's wife and three daughters live at Guam.

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