

Printing Set On Blue Book

SALEM—The Oregon Blue Book is now on its first press run and should be available by January 12 for distribution to legislators, libraries, state officials and the public, Secretary of State Mark Hatfield said Tuesday.

The 1959-60 Blue Book has several new features which should make it an even more valuable reference work than it has previously been termed.

It is the first complete revision of text in the book in many years. The Oregon history section, long written by the late Dan Clark, professor emeritus at the University of Oregon, has been accounted by the Oregon Historical Society. More easily read and more complete election statistics are included, including the vote for current legislators. Historical data on referendums and initiatives has been restored. A thumbnail biography of legislators is also included and the final paragraph of each board and commission cites the main statutory provision for the agency.

In format the book is simple with a full double column measure adopted for easier reading. Even telephone numbers of agencies are included as an innovation and the 50-year model of the Capitol Mall is shown. The 448 page volume will be published in a quantity of 20,000 with another 5,000 optional if Centennial year requests prove greater than normal demands.

Dropped from inclusion are some population statistics of other states, presidents of the U.S. and other information generally available in other standard reference works.

The cover is blue and gold with a night scene of the floodlighted facade of the capitol. Floodlights were installed during the biennium for the first time.

Editor of the book is Rosemary Cochran of the Department of State staff with coordination handled by Hugh Scott of the Grand Thruway agency. Portland Printing was done under low bid by the Portland Printing House.

Contract Bridge Course Offered

A course in contract bridge for women has been scheduled to begin January 16 by the Klamath County Young Men's Christian Association. To be taught by Mrs. Pauline Richardson, a certified member of the American Bridge Teachers Association, the classes will be held at the Y's 722 Pine Street headquarters from 10 a. m. to 12 noon on Fridays, for 12 weeks.

No previous knowledge of contract bridge is needed, the announcement said. The Goren system will be presented with instruction covering fundamentals, scoring, meaning of bids and actual play. The class will be limited to 24 students. Information regarding fees and enrollment may be obtained at Y headquarters, telephone TU 4-4149.

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"YOU'LL FIND OUT WHY I'M SITTING HERE AS SOON AS THE PHONE RINGS!"

Toy Invented By Ad Man Provides Top Fun For Kids

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (AP) — A simple toy invented by a former television advertising salesman is whirling toward the top in the kingdom of children's fun.

It's the Whirley-Whirler, the only invention of John Hyatt. Simply, it's a small stick whirling a plastic soup plate aloft.

How did Hyatt get the idea? "I was reading about the hula hoop craze," Hyatt recalled, "and like a million other guys, I said to myself, 'Why can't I think of something like that?'"

"Well I got to thinking about hula hoops and what made them popular. Kids like something that balances and spins — and suddenly I remembered the jugglers and their spinning plates in vaudeville."

With help from a plastics designer, Hyatt fashioned the first model from a dime-store plastic plate and a rim from a coffee can.

Then Hyatt excitedly went to a friend, Lou Westheimer, a marketing consultant, and told him he had the successor to the hula hoop. The men joined forces and took in Israel Treiman, a lawyer, to handle the legal end.

The public unveiling came in St. Louis' biggest department store. Hyatt and his two young sons did the whirling. That first day they sold more than 250.

The cost of a single die was \$5,000. But "the Whirley boys" — as John and Lou call themselves — gambled.

The toy clicked. In two months a half a million units have been sold. Four plants now work around-the-clock to make the toy.

You work the toy by elevating the four-ounce plastic plate on the two-foot long stick. You flick your wrist and the plate begins spinning. The right motion puts it in orbit. The wrong one puts it on the floor.

Better Relations Loom With Jet Travel Advent

By ELMER C. WALZER
NEW YORK (UPI) — The jet age will provide five-billion dollars worth of high-speed planes for low-cost travel that could make for a better understanding among nations.

But none of the nations has produced even a round wheel in travel so far as their treatment of tourists goes.

So the whole thing may end up with the tourist finding there's no place like home, says Horace Sutton, travel editor of Saturday Review.

Saturday Review's current issue features the jet age with a series of articles by experts who point up the good and bad of jet travel. The jets will provide a smooth trip and the travelers to Europe will find currencies adjusted to help them and the nations they visit.

But that's where it ends. The troubles include, Sutton points out such things as visas, embarkation taxes, landing taxes, head taxes, tourist cards, medical taxes, sales taxes, stamp taxes, and myriad others to say nothing of many forms to fill out, baggage rummaging by customs men and so on.

Sutton notes that the United States is an arch offender along with others. And you ought to see what the Latin American nations do to the tourist.

"The Traveler," Sutton says, "has become the world's pigeon. Never was a moving target easier to plug. But the jet-age tourist, if the airlines are to fill those yawning seats, will come from a different social scale. He will be a man who has been conditioned to work hard for his money and is not quite so easily parted from it."

"Dun him, do him, tax him, and toll him, and he may get the idea very soon in the game that there really is no place like home."

Edward Barrett, former assistant secretary of state and now dean of Columbia School of Journalism, in his article for the Review, hits at our complex passport system, because "in the mass of rules, regulations, rulings and procedures, ordinary horse sense has been eclipsed."

He holds this nation "should be extremely reluctant to interfere with the constitutional right of free travel in peace time" of U.S. citizens or to impede visits to this country by the friendly citizens of other nations.

James J. Haggerty, Jr., former aviation editor of Colliers, stresses the inadequacy of air traffic control.

But, he notes, despite this horse-and-buggy system, air travel is surprisingly safe today, thanks to the dedication of air-traffic controllers.

Statistically, he says, "you are 22 times as safe in a commercial airliner, the congested airways notwithstanding, as you are in the family auto."

Nicholas L. Deak, president of Perera Co., foreign currency exchange, tells what the new European currency changes mean to the tourist.

Devaluation of the franc means a tourist, for a time, perhaps 60 to 90 days, will be able to buy French goods 17.55 per cent cheaper than he could before Christmas. But prices will rise and by the time the summer travel rush begins, the advantage very likely will have evaporated, he says.

Of more importance, is the move of ten free European nations to make their currencies convertible for foreigners. One doesn't have to take currencies with him in travel. He can buy them with his dollars and get dollars back when he leaves if he has any foreign money left. That doesn't apply in Spain and the traveler will save 20 per cent by taking along some pesetas.

Editorially, the Saturday Review notes that some fifty million people are on the move annually across national frontiers, and urges their lot be made easier so that they can in the words of President Eisenhower help in the search for world peace and promotion of well-being and security among nations.

SHORT-LIVED FREEDOM
BATON ROUGE, La. (UPI) — Robert C. Booker, 42, and James Walden, 39, enjoyed only 18 hours of freedom after their release from the state penitentiary.

Booker was arrested for forcible entry and Walden was back in jail for picking Booker's pockets.

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CORRINE S. RICHARDS

Basin Woman Rites Slated

Funeral services will be held at 11 a. m. Saturday, January 10, from the Bible Baptist Church where she was a member, for Mrs. Corrine S. Richards, 53, who died January 5 in Hillside Hospital, following a lingering illness. The Rev. Freeman Schmitt will officiate. Final rites and interment will be in Klamath Memorial Park.

Mrs. Richards was a member of this community for 12 years and during part of that time was identified with the teaching profession, teaching at Malin for two years and at Fairhaven near Klamath Falls when she became ill.

Upon arriving here in 1947 from Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Richards bought the Bible Book Store which they operated for two years. She was a member of the Bible Baptist Church, the Gideon Auxiliary and the Oregon Educational Association.

Surviving are the widower, Willard, Klamath Falls; one daughter, Jean Hayden, Roseburg; four brothers, Alva of Oakland, California, Fenton of Salem, Clyde of Eugene, and Paul of Crescent City; her mother, Mrs. Hattie Starr of Eugene; also four grandchildren.

Copco Foreman Escapes Injury

A California Oregon Power Company labor foreman escaped with minor injuries Wednesday morning, when a dynamite cap exploded near him, while he was working on construction of a transmission line east of the Sprague River.

A Copco spokesman reported that Joseph P. George, Medford, who was in charge of a hole-digging crew, approached the dynamite cap to investigate the cause of a misfire. The explosion occurred while he was standing directly over the cap, and a quantity of dirt was thrown in George's face.

Members of the crew immediately brought George the 40-odd miles into Klamath Valley Hospital, where it was determined that his eyes were not injured and he was released after treatment.

Suspension Of Gambling Poses Problem For Hoods

NEW YORK (UPI) — The revolutionary suspension of gambling in Cuba posed both an employment and a residence problem today for some of the United States' busiest expatriate racketeers.

Meyer Lansky, who helped departed President Fulgencio Batista organize Havana's plushest industry, arrived in Florida Wednesday night "to see a doctor." He expressed some hope the new government would reopen the casinos at least for tourist gambling.

Some of his fellow gambling house operators were less eager to come to this country. At least one of them is wanted here for questioning by three law enforcement agencies about the murder of gangland's "executioner" Albert Anastasia and the Alalachin, N. Y., gangster convention that closely followed it.

New York Dist. Atty. Frank S. Hogan has said he wants to talk to certain Havana gamblers who "conferred with Anastasia a few days before the killing."

New York police say they'd be interested in talking to almost any Cuban gambler in the interest of solving the Anastasia murder mystery.

"They consider Anastasia's reported attempt to muscle in on the lucrative Cuban gambling take as 'one of the likeliest reasons' he was shot to death in a

BOOK FOR SMUGGLERS
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Scientist Offers New Plan To De-Salt Water From Sea

By DELOS SMITH
UPI Science Editor
NEW YORK (UPI) — The inexhaustible waters of the seas may soon become available to make deserts bloom and supply vast industrial needs, thanks to a scientific invention which can extract the salt from it with a high efficiency at relatively small cost.

This is the word circulating among interested scientists who understand the invention of their Israeli colleague, Alexander Zarchin, has been proved practical for large-scale application after more than two years of pilot-plant testing and experimentation.

Zarchin's invention is a technical process which capitalizes on a phenomenon known for untold centuries — frozen sea water is salt-free as it melts under certain conditions. The extremely difficult technical problem was to organize and control this natural chemistry.

The technical process which does it is complex. This has made for legalistic difficulties in setting up world-wide patent protection, it was said. Israel financed the research and testing, and its government will not divulge any of the finer techniques involved in the process until all patent problems are settled, this reporter learned.

The worth of the invention depends upon how much you need water since this controls how much you can pay for it. Israel and the entire arid Middle East need water desperately, especially Israel which is striving to develop an extensive agriculture and industry.

Much of Israel's water now comes from deep wells and it costs eight to nine cents a cubic foot to get to the surface. It was estimated that the Zarchin process could desalt sea water at one half this cost. There are several other ways of desalting. The Zarchin way was said to cost one tenth or less than the other ways.

No less an authority than Dr. R. L. Nace of the U.S. Geological Survey believes that the wholesale conversion of sea water is not economically feasible for this country in the near future. The arid sections are too far removed from the oceans. But for arid nations bordering on seas, it could be economic salvation. The Sahara borders on the Mediterranean, for instance.

What powers the process is electricity and the only authoritative estimate of cost was in terms of kilowatt hours. Experimentally three kilowatt hours will process one ton of sea water and produce a high yield of fresh water. The cost of generating a kilowatt hour of electricity is quite high in the Middle East.

Generation by water power is the cheapest method which would seem to rule out cheap electricity for arid countries. But development of the head waters of the River Jordan could generate it for transmission to sea water conversion plants along the coasts. So could Egypt's projected high dam for the head waters of the Nile.

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