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WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. (UPI) — Taking off from and landing on makeshift airstrips in the jungles of South America, the Rev. Walter Herron, an Australian-born missionary, managed to log 250,000 miles in the air without an accident. But while on vacation here, Herron was cleaning the wings of his plane when he fell off a ladder and broke his leg.

KEEPSAKE

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. (UPI) — Retiring U.S. Sen. Ralph Flanders will receive a unique gift in memory of his early school days. The Eureka School, built in 1785 and believed to be the oldest structure of its kind in the state of Vermont, will be torn down and stored in the Senator's barn.

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Leptospirosis Increases
In Klamath Basin Area

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Leptospirosis has become more prevalent in Klamath County the past year. The disease is rather widespread throughout the United States. A number of herds of cattle have suffered from the disease and cattle and swine growers should be on the watch for symptoms of the disease and take steps to have the herd vaccinated.

Premature birth or abortion is the most common symptom and can cause very heavy losses in cattle and swine. Death losses may also occur. Other early symptoms include depression, loss of appetite, fever, anemia and yellowish color may develop on the membranes of eyes and mouth. Lactating cows usually show a drop in milk production.

Stockmen who notice any suspicious symptoms should contact their veterinarian who can make a positive diagnosis from a blood test at least in chronically infected animals.

The disease can be prevented by vaccination. Animals held for milk or breeding purposes should be vaccinated each year.

If the disease is known to be present in a community, stockmen should consider vaccination before symptoms occur. The disease spreads rapidly from infected animals through feed, bedding, slowly moving streams or even inhalation.

Administering antibiotics to livestock in the salt is showing some promise and is an easy way to provide this material.

Antibiotics are used in feeds in many different concentrations. They are usually included at levels that can only be a preventative at best. Where infections of disease such as scours or pneumonia are actually noticeable, these low levels are not high enough to stop the infection after it gets started.

Where a large number of animals in a herd are infected a high level of antibiotics in salt may be the easiest way to provide these drugs for a prolonged period. It is advisable to have a veterinarian diagnose the trouble before treatment is started.

The generally recommended levels for cattle are 50-75 milligrams per day and sheep 20-30 milligrams.

This winter one cattleman had excellent results in stopping pneumonia in cattle with around 70 milligrams of aureomycin per head per day in salt. One lamb feeder stopped scours in feeder lambs with 20 milligrams per day in salt.

The drugs must be mixed with granulated salt given fresh every few days and the salt boxes should be protected by a shelter to prevent heavy losses from rain or snow.

Since livestock use various amounts of salt, depending on feed and soil conditions, it is advisable to keep track of the amount of salt livestock take so that proper mixtures can be made. Where records have been kept on salt consumption, cattle have eaten around 5 to 1 ounce of salt per day. More loose salt will be taken than hard block salt.

Sheep use more salt proportionately than cattle. Records show they will eat from 1/4 to 1/2 ounce of salt per day.

BUTTER-NUT SAUCE

EAST LANSING, Mich. (UPI) — Try almond butter sauce to dress up vegetables, suggests Anita Dean, food specialist at Michigan State University. Melt 1/2 cup butter in a heavy saucepan and heat until golden brown. Add 1/2 cup toasted, slivered almonds and 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice. Pour sauce over cooked broccoli or cauliflower. Serves 4.

IN THE AIR

CHICAGO (UPI) — An all-aluminum model home is to be exhibited over the city's shopping center, State Street. That's right, over. Planners said the home will be built 18 feet in the air on a bridge support spanning the street. The home will have seven rooms and be completely furnished.

Oil Rigs As Numerous
In Holland As In Texas

THE HAGUE, Holland (UPI) — Oil derricks are as much a part of Holland's landscape as dikes.

The world's most densely populated nation is now producing even more oil than the United States—at least on a land ratio basis.

The U.S., with an area about 260 times larger than Holland, produced 383.8 million tons of oil last year, or 256 times as much as the 1.5 million tons of oil produced in Holland in the same year.

The more than 350 producing wells in Holland are run by Nederlandse Aardolie Maatschappij, or N.A.M., a joint venture on a 50-50 basis involving the Bataafse Petroleum Maatschappij, B.P.M., and Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Holland's young oil industry—its first productive drilling operation came 10 years ago—provides for 25 per cent of the national consumption and production is steadily increasing.

Before World War II, oil derricks were to the Dutchman what windmills were to the American—structures known only from films and pictures. Today, these derricks are towering over cows in the meadows, over the famed

glass houses in the "Westland," and in the dunes along the North Sea.

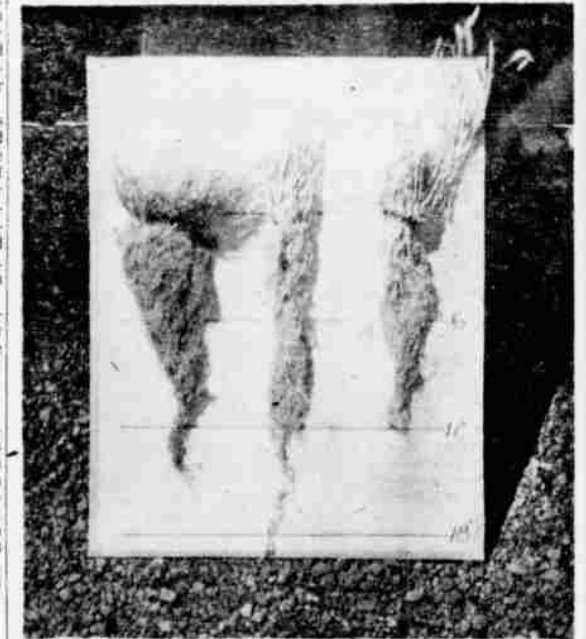
They have even moved into the cities and have become a familiar sight in the northern residential suburbs of The Hague.

After a while, the derricks disappear to make way for nearly inconspicuous installations which pump oil through small underground pipes to larger collection centers.

Oil thus far has been found in exploitable quantities in Holland in the general area of Schoonebeek, in the central northeastern part of the country, and in the nation's most densely populated province, Zuid-Holland, between The Hague and Rotterdam.

In addition to oil, the N.A.M. company exploits a total of 28 gas wells.

The ownership of land in Holland does not include the minerals in the soil, which belongs to the state. The N.A.M., therefore, must apply for oil concessions in any area where it wants to drill. In return for this, the company pays the government a percentage of its profits.



GRASSES play an important part in soil improvement. The sheep fescue, left, adds approximately four tons of organic matter per acre per year to the soil in the form of dead roots. The Alkar Tall Wheatgrass, center, has a tough, deep root system which will help loosen up compacted layers in the subsoil. The Crested Wheatgrass, right, is a commonly used range grass in this area.

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A LAND LEVELING job was recently done on the Glen Funderburger farm south of Klamath Falls to improve irrigation efficiency. Over 15,700 acres have been leveled in the Klamath Soil Conservation District since it was organized ten years ago.

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