

Children Of Movie Stars Have Tough Go In Filmland

By **BOB THOMAS**
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Bing Crosby has admitted what other famous fathers have discovered: It's not easy to rear children in Hollywood.

Judge Denies Elkins' Plea

PORTLAND (AP)— Circuit Judge Charles Redding Tuesday refused to dismiss an indictment against Portland gambler Big Jim Elkins.

The indictment accused Elkins and six other men of conspiracy to commit burglary. Elkins' attorneys said the indictment should be dismissed because one of the counts of conspiracy did not result in a burglary.

Hypnotist To Aid Cafe Proprietor

LOS ANGELES (AP)— When Dave Childs hides something, brother, it stays hidden. Childs, a cafe owner, tucked away \$400 cash and a \$115 check when he closed his cafe Friday night.

It's still there — at least he thinks so. But where? After ransacking the cafe in vain, Childs resorted to an amateur hypnotist. The first attempt to prod his memory failed. They are going to try again.

"It's there somewhere," Childs muttered. "Somewhere."

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"IF WE LIVED HERE, WE'D PUT THE DIVAN OVER THERE, AND THAT BIG MIRROR OVER THE FIREPLACE, AN' WE'D BURN UP THAT OL' CHAIR!"

Hereditary Cancer Theory Pondered By Physician

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo. (AP)—The seeds of cancer may lurk in your body—an unwanted gift planted perhaps as long as 100,000 years ago in the cells of an ancestor.

Only a few such seeds among the trillions of cells of your body could start deadly, uncontrolled cancer.

As these seeds—perhaps sleeping viruses—were passed on generation to generation they may have awakened from time to time, bringing a sudden and unexpected cancer attack.

This is a theory expressed at this week's American Cancer Society seminar on cancer research and progress by Dr. Ludwig Gross, cancer unit chief of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Bronx, N.Y.

These sleeping viruses somehow hitchhike a ride through the cen-

tures with the genes of the cell—getting passed along with inherited factors from one generation to the next, Dr. Gross suggested.

What awakens the deadly virus? Radiation—the chance hit of an atomic ray — might provide the trigger. Or some chemical poison unrecognized as dangerous might do the trick.

Dr. Gross has succeeded in following inherited leukemia through only a few generations of mice.

But he feels the theory explains why cancer seems to strike so often within certain families.

Describing his work on mouse leukemia, Dr. Gross told of a mysterious gland and the strange role it plays in cancer of the blood and blood producing areas of the body. The mystery gland is the thymus. In humans this little gland in the chest seems to have no function after birth.

But in mice stricken with leukemia, removal of the thymus means survival. Some mice were intentionally infected with leukemia and then operated on for removal of the thymus. They never developed the disease.

4 Oregonians Meet Deaths In Violent Tragedies

By **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**
 Four persons met violent death in accidents reported in Oregon Tuesday.

David Anthony Wallingford, 17, of Sweet Home, who was home on leave from basic training at Fort Ord, Calif., suffered fatal injuries in an automobile accident near Lebanon.

The car he was riding in blew a tire and smashed up, police said. The driver, Harold Garrison, 21, was not injured seriously. Another passenger, Johnny Holmer Livezey, 23, suffered a leg injury and a twisted shoulder. Both also are from Sweet Home.

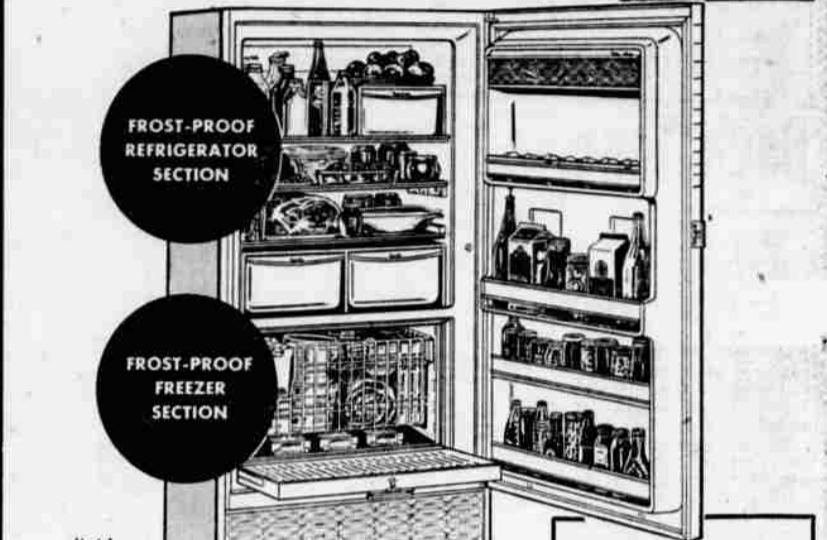
Larry Lee Bowen, 17, of LaPine died at a Redmond hospital from injuries suffered in a March 15 accident. The car, driven by his brother, Vernon, 21, went out of control and skidded into a ditch. The brother and a passenger, Ronald Miller, 20, of Redmond, suffered minor hurts.

These two deaths raised Oregon's traffic toll for the year to 99. Thirty-four perished in March. Carl William Hensen, 61, of Creswell, died at a Eugene hospital from a gunshot wound which police said apparently was accidentally inflicted. He was found on the lawn of a neighbor's home. Police said he apparently slipped on a steep, damp bank as he was carrying the gun. It discharged and wounded him in the head.

Faye Webb, 61, of Portland, fell into the Columbia River Tuesday while working on a float. When bystanders pulled him out he was dead, apparently a victim of drowning.

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GOP National Chairman May Be Planning To Quit

WASHINGTON (AP)— Meade Alcorn was reported today to be planning to resign as Republican national chairman—a position he has held since January 1957.

Alcorn declined comment. He told a reporter early today he wasn't prepared to say anything at the moment. He indicated he might have something to say later.

Alcorn was contacted after the Hartford (Conn) Courant reported that he will resign shortly, possibly today.

This was backed up by Eisenhower administration informants who said announcement of the resignation is expected today.

Both the administration sources and the Courant said Alcorn wants to return to his Hartford law practice. The Courant indicated that Alcorn, now 51, might try for the Connecticut governorship in 1962.

There was no immediate indication who might be named his successor as Republican chairman. The Courant said Alcorn will stay on the job a short time to give the GOP National Committee a chance to pick a replacement.

This choice could be made next week when the committee meets here to select a site and date for the 1960 Republican national convention and act on proposals to reorganize the party's machinery.

Alcorn, an energetic worker and campaigner, launched an extensive party rebuilding program in January in the wake of heavy GOP losses in last fall's congressional elections.

There were reports shortly after the elections that Alcorn intended to resign but he insisted he intended to stay on. However, it was reported that Alcorn has informed President Eisenhower that he intended to quit for personal reasons.

Alcorn is regarded as a liberal

Jail Slated For Bigamist

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—Ernest Sears Jr. gave up his first wife, their two children and a new home in Florida for his second wife and a prison term of one to two years.

His lawyer said Tuesday that Sears wanted to "serve his time so he could be with the woman he loved."

Sears, 23, was convicted of bigamy last month. The charge later was reduced to attempting to commit a felony. Sentence was suspended on condition he return to his first wife and support her and their children.

His lawyer, Dan Garfinkle, said Sears went to Winn, Fla., and got a job and a new house.

"But last Thursday he kissed his first wife goodbye and came to Nashville . . . to be with his second wife," Garfinkle said.

Police Await Star Return

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif. (AP)— Manhattan Beach police are a patient lot, and even if actress Diana Varsi has exiled herself in Vermont, they expect her back here.

She was given a traffic citation March 6 and ordered to post \$31 bail. She left without paying the fine or making a court appearance, so a warrant was issued for her arrest Tuesday.

The warrant has been placed in the future file and the police will watch the newspapers. If the star of "Peyton Place" comes back, as many expect, they'll be waiting for her.

Sewer Projects Bids Sought

PORTLAND (AP)— Multnomah County Tuesday asked for bids on two big sewage projects. The county said those projects will be part of a three-county sewage system that eventually will cost 30 million dollars.

Bids were called on a sewage treatment plant near Beaverton, and on the Fanno Creek interceptor line. The cost of the first project was estimated at \$460,000, the other at \$745,000.

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