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Epilepsy

By FLORENCE JENKINS

One and one-half million Americans have epilepsy, according to medical authorities. That exceeds the cancer total by 400,000.

Seventy per cent of these cases are recognized before the age of 20.

Fifty per cent of the cases can be completely controlled and 30 per cent partially controlled, according to authorities.

"Epilepsy is a symptom of one of the most common of all neurological disorders," states the Epilepsy League of Oregon, Inc. "It is usually characterized by convulsive seizures. A seizure may be likened to a temporary electrical storm in the brain—an irregularity of brain pulsations."

Epilepsy is neither inherited nor contagious and it certainly is nothing to whisper about in secret as if it were a "taint" of some kind.

Epilepsy is no respecter of race, creed or economic conditions. When epilepsy is recognized in a child it is particularly important to have medical diagnosis, the specified treatment and to adopt a healthy attitude toward the situation.

"The Dark Wave," a 23-minute film to be shown here under the auspices of the Retarded Children Association of Klamath Falls, answers many questions concerning epilepsy—its causes and its treatment.

It will be shown, without charge, to all interested persons next Tuesday evening, November 24, starting at 8 p.m. in the showroom of Baisger Motors. Dr. Don Rice will present the film.

The outlook for complete control of epileptic attacks and a full life of work and other activities is excellent for most of those having epilepsy today.

The nation's largest employer, the federal government, has announced that epilepsy is no longer a bar to civil service or other government employment. The Federal Civil Service Commission considers that a person's condition is adequately controlled if he is under a physician's continuing supervision, taking medication designed to prevent seizures and if the seizures are effectively controlled by medication.

This is certainly acceptance of the fact that epilepsy is not the cause of mental deficiency. Doctors say that the intelligence of persons with epilepsy parallels that of all persons—it may be below average, average or above average.

The film is recommended by Dr. Warren E. Smith of Lewis and Clark College to all adults who have any interest in or contact with epilepsy and to young people in the community so they may receive correct information before the formation of lasting prejudices.

A half hour is not much time out of a day, yet it may change your entire outlook.

Marsh At Sunrise

By NELSON REED

When God has put the little stars to bed
But still allows the biggest ones to stay.
And in the East the haze is turning red,
With just a faint suspicion of the day.

And Stukel's rugged outline cracks the sky.
A smoldering mighty mass of molten ore,
And Hogback with its man made eye
Seems to tower o'er the marsh's shore.

Far to the West the somber timbered hills
Stalk darkly outward into space,
Not touched as yet by any ray of light,
Except for Hamaker's bright star.

Now East and North and more and more,
Countless little dots come endlessly
Like wavy wreaths of smoke all joined
To float across the wide expanse of Heaven.

The ducks, the countless thousands
Come drifting cross the glowing sky
From up the lake and through the Olene gap
From grainfields where they've fed their fill.

And now a flight of great white swans
Like ghosts that effortlessly float
Twist earth and Heaven drifts by
With flute-like voices calling mournfully.

Now streaks of fire dart cross

the eastern hills
And eagerly race out across the sky
To strike a kingly honker flight
And turn their breasts from grey to flame.

Now endless ragged Vs of sprig,
White vested longnecked curved-wing fish
Swim swiftly through a golden bowl
To resting places in the still dark marsh.

While underneath them Mallards loaf along
To settle down in all the little ponds
To splash and squawk and gossip for a while
Before they sleep in the warm sun.

By now the Tule Wrens have awakened up
To search for spiders all day long;
Up and down their tule woods they flit
While cheerily they sing their lovely song.

A fat old muskrat swims across the pond
And leaves a widening V upon the water
To crawl out on a last year's nest
And nibble on a tule root a spell.

At last the marsh is brown and warm again
And overhead the clear blue sky is blank
The light has ended as all wild-life rests
Except the tiny wren who never can.

Grange Thanks

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)—We wish to take this opportunity to thank all the merchants, grangers and last, but certainly not least, the many friends who helped and who attended our ham dinner and made it such a tremendous success.

Klamath County Pomona Home Economic Chairman Zetta Sullivan and Committee, Master Pomona Grange Francis Flowers.

Budget News

By JAMES MARLOW
Associated Press News Analyst
WASHINGTON (AP)—Not even a national prize for fancy phrasing could make the word budget sound exciting. But it will be one of 1960's major sore spots and talking points.

Last month the Senate Republican Policy Committee predicted budget balancing would be the big issue in Congress next year and later in the presidential campaign.

And because government economy, or lack of it, will hold such a high place in the national consciousness in 1960 you, who pay for the budget with your taxes, have practically no hope for a tax cut next year.

For Republicans, budget-balancing is both a rallying post and a tender point.

In the 1952 campaign President Eisenhower was pretty optimistic about reducing government spending. He hasn't always succeeded.

In the last fiscal year the government went 12½ billion dollars in the red, a peacetime record.

For that fiscal year—which started July 1, 1958 and ended June 30, 1959—Eisenhower proposed spending 74 billion dollars. He was off on his estimate because the 1958 recession sent government income down and expenses up.

This year—for the 1960 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1959—the President asked 77 billion but spending may hit over 79 billion. That does not necessarily mean

a deficit, because government income has picked up.

No wonder that Eisenhower—remembering the deficits, his early hopes of cutting down spending, the need for economy in dealing with inflation—went after the Democrats like a man with a mallet.

He did more than just appeal to Congress for economy. He went on TV to get public support and pressure on Congress. He kept banging away on the same theme all through the 1959 congressional session.

One effect of all this was to make the Democratic-run Congress so self-conscious about spending that it pretty much ate out of his hand. He can be expected to do no less next year, his last full White House year.

He has been subjected to criticism, of course, for not pumping more money into defense and other areas to keep abreast of the Soviets or to surpass them.

This year, since relations with the Soviet Union seem a little warmer and Premier Nikita Khrushchev is calling for world disarmament, Eisenhower has some added ammunition to use against those who believe he is not making the maximum effort. It may be rather comforting to all sides in a dispute over government spending that they can't see 10 years into the future. It may take that long to prove who is right and who is short-sighted now.

Very possibly, since economy and government spending will be a presidential campaign issue, the Democrats may trot along beside Eisenhower in keeping down the budget.

But that won't prevent about six months of yipping and yapping on both sides during the congressional session.

Monday Eisenhower tentatively okayed part of the budget he will offer Congress in January—41 billion dollars for the military forces—which was just about what he asked this year.

That might indicate he has in mind the same kind of total budget for next year: 77 billion. Even if the politicians of both parties were stricken speechless in 1960 there would still be an awful budget rumple if only from the Army, Navy and Air Force, each of which always wants more money than Eisenhower says they need.

Committee

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)—One test of a successful man today is how many committees he can serve on without shortening his life.

We live in an age of togetherness, and our lives are largely ruled by committee-made decisions.

To have an active social life today, you almost have to serve on a committee dedicated to one cause or another. One's importance in the community often is measured by the number of committees one serves on.

But committee work is a thing a fellow has to learn by personal experience whether he can take in stride or should leave strictly alone.

Serving on too many committees undoubtedly has killed by aggravation and overwork many men in their middle years who might otherwise have lived to a graceful and serene old age. They had become addicts. They didn't know how to handle it.

Haunting indeed are the sordid stories of those who tried to raise their social status by joining a committee, then found their lives ruined as one committee led to another, until finally there was no stopping.

Here is one man's story: "The Neighborhood Assn. asked me to serve on a committee to

improve the beach. I said yes. Then I joined a lodge and a church, and they both soon put me on committees.

"We were invited to a lot of parties, and it seemed like at each party they organized a new committee, and I was always asked to join, and I did. I joined a committee to get rid of covered bridges.

"I joined a committee to send books to the Hottentots, a committee to save the barn owl, and a committee to improve the railroad's commuter service.

"I joined the mayor's committee to bring new industry into town, and I joined another committee to keep the town zoned only for private homes.

"At the end of the first year I guess I must have been about the best known man in town, and they were even talking about running for mayor. I was serving on 68 committees, and being invited to join new ones at the rate of one a week.

"I was getting three hours sleep a night, making an average of 37 phone calls a day from my office on committee work, and living on pep pills that turned me into a nervous wreck. I was completely neglecting my own family and my own job.

"Well, the whole thing collapsed last week. My boss fired me, my wife ran off with a man down the street, and my two children were sent to reform school as juvenile delinquents.

"Naturally, I thought my friends on all those committees would stand by me in my hour of need. But do you know what I found out? I found out that for every fair-weather friend you make by serving on committees, you make at least two all-weather enemies.

"My neighbors now are organizing a committee to ask me to sell the house and move away as an undesirable member of the community. It's a funny thing. That's the only committee in town I haven't been asked to join."

The Almanac

United Press International
Today is Tuesday, November 17, the 321st day of the year, with 44 more days in 1959.
The moon is approaching its last quarter.
The morning star is Venus.
The evening stars are Mercury and Saturn.

On this date in history:
In 1734, editor John Peter Zenger of the New York weekly journal was arrested and charged with libel.

In 1869, the Suez Canal was formally opened for world navigation.

In 1881, Samuel Gompers organized the federation of organized trades and labor unions of the U.S. and Canada.

In 1948, the British House of Commons voted to nationalize the steel industry in England.

A thought for today: British statesman Winston Churchill said: "There is no finer investment for any community than putting milk in babies."

Quotes

United Press International
NEW YORK — Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, stating that mutual fears of an all-out war may help East and West achieve a new process of communication:

"I believe that on certain fundamentals we can find a common language because we have a common interest. That interest lies simply in the basic will to survive, shared by free men and Communists alike."

WASHINGTON — Former Secretary of State Dean Acheson, criticizing the administration as lacking clear foreign policy objectives:

"This administration neither negotiates nor acts. It travels. The mileage clocked . . . is very impressive, but the results are not impressive."

LOS ANGELES — Dr. Eberhardt Rechtin, chief of the California Institute of Technology's jet propulsion laboratory guidance division, asserting that the United States must expand its space effort:

"In a sense, we are so far behind that the Russian competition does not even look back to see where we are."

NEW YORK — Republican Gov. Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon, predicting that Vice President Richard M. Nixon and New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller will hold within bounds any fight for the GOP presidential nomination:

"Nixon and Rockefeller have agreed that, whatever may develop, they will not conduct a vicious, name-calling, party-splitting pre-presidential campaign."

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Flower Man To Give Talk

Marvin Black, nurseryman and flower-arranger from Salem, will present a lecture and demonstration on Christmas materials at the city library on Saturday, November 21, under the sponsorship of the Klamath District Garden Clubs.

The speaker specializes in chrysanthemum culture and has a two-acre display garden of mums open to the public each fall. Choice chrysanthemums developed by the Washington Experiment Station at Vancouver, by Dr. E. J. Kraus of the Experiment Station at Oregon State College as well as a number of new introductions of his own, may be found at his nursery in Salem.

PRISONER WANTS CHILD

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI)—Mrs. Lela Fay Fleck said today she wants to keep the child she bore while confined to the county jail. The infant, a six-pound boy, was born Saturday. Mrs. Fleck has charged that the child was fathered by a sheriff's deputy. Her accusations touched off a sweeping investigation.

To his busy schedule of growing plants, Black has added three courses in arranging, namely: "Flower Arranging for Everyday," "Principles of Show Arranging," and "Creating With Flowers," which have drawn a great deal of interest from flower enthusiasts throughout the Willamette Valley.

The demonstration on Saturday, between the hours of 10 a.m. until noon and from 1 to 3 p.m., will be devoted to the making of Christmas displays suitable for tables, walls and mantels. The guest artist comes highly recommended by Carl Starker, nationally known flower arranger. Garden Club members as well as the public are promised an abundance of new ideas for the fast approaching Christmas season. A charge of 50 cents will be made to non-members.

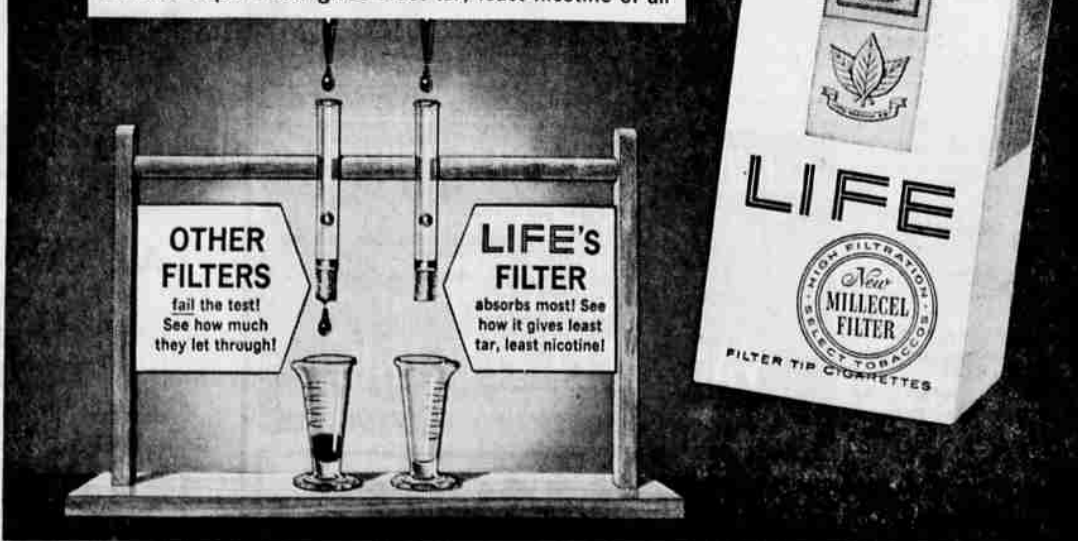
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