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Spider Bite Deaths Cause Warnings To Be Issued In West

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (U.P.)—Reports of extraordinarily large numbers of venomous black widow spiders have resulted in public health departments throughout the West issuing warnings to be on the alert.

Numerous cases of black widow spider bites have been reported and a few deaths have occurred. A mild winter and dry weather were conducive to development of the poisonous species.

The black widow, so named because the female of the species devours her mate, has a large, round, shiny black body resembling a shoe button. The long, sprawling legs may spread two inches.

The most distinguishing mark is a red spot, somewhat in the shape of an hour glass, on the under side of the body.

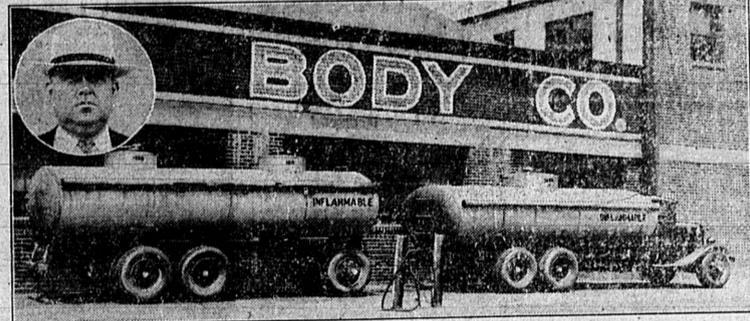
Poisons are not effective in riding sections of the pest, but spraying crude oil, or creosote, into cracks and crevices is considered a helpful control procedure.

When a person is bitten by a black widow, acute pain develops almost immediately in the region of the bite, and spreads to other parts of the body. Accompanying the pain there may be muscular contraction, difficult breathing, cold perspiration, nausea and an extreme rigidity of the abdomen.

Fatalities are not common, but when death does occur, it usually comes swiftly—within 32 hours after the bite.

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"My trucks are operated through-out the State of California," stated Capt. Cook. "With these units powered with Ford V-8 engines I have been able to effect a saving of one-third over my other equipment. These units are geared similar to the bulldog type tractors. They have a rolling speed of twenty-eight to thirty miles per hour loaded and thirty-five to forty miles per hour empty. Fager Manufacturing Company are building two more units for me, one of which is nearly completed.

The engine used in this job is the same power plant that is used in the regular passenger and commercial car units, according to Ford factory officials.

Doctor of Philosophy at 21 AUSTIN, Tex. (U.P.)—Richard Joseph Gonzales, 21 San Antonio, Tex., is the University of Texas' youngest Doctor of Philosophy. He received a bachelor of arts degree at 18 and Master of Arts at 19.

Stratosphere Balloon May Rise Tomorrow If Weather Favorable

RAPID CITY, S. D. (U.P.)—From a natural "cup" in the edge of the Black Hills, 11 miles south of here, the newest stratosphere balloon ascension may take off tomorrow, Friday the 13th. If weather remains favorable.

Commanded by Major William E. Kepner, a huge gas-bag, lifting an air-tight gondola weighted with almost a ton of scientific instruments, will soar upward.

Take-off Site
 The site for the take-off, chosen after months of careful surveys, is an open, level, almost round plot of land some seven acres in extent. It is entirely surrounded by wooded hills, rising from 500 to 1000 feet.

These hills, it is anticipated, will cut off vagrant air currents which might bring disaster at the take-off. Not until the great balloon has risen above the protecting hills will it become a target for the wind. By that time, Major Kepner believes, it will have achieved a sufficient altitude to be beyond danger.

There is little doubt, it was said, that the winds will carry the balloon, as it rises, east, and perhaps slightly south. The prevailing air currents are in that direction, blowing down from the Black Hills.

Advantages of Site
 When this fact is considered, the advantages of the site chosen for the take-off are obvious. It lies at the eastern extremity of the surrounding foothills of the "cup," the balloon, drifting east, will be in no danger from high peaks or hills. It will have before it the rolling plains of South Dakota.

Rapid City, with more than 10,000 population, is the only sizeable town in the area, which is only a few miles from Mount Rushmore, where Gutzon Borglum is carving out faces of George Washington and other presidents.

Headquarters in Cabin
 Major Kepner makes his headquarters, during preparations for the flight, in an abandoned cabin at one edge of the "cup" from which the take-off will be made.

The take-off, despite the apparently almost perfect site chosen, will not be without its dangers. Should the prevailing wind swing to the west, the balloon might be blown in the direction of the highest mountains in the Black Hills, only a few miles from here.

First Wedding in 10 Years
 BEATTY, Nev. (U.P.)—What was said to be the first wedding here in more than 10 years, united E. N. Shirley of Yearington, Nev., and Miss Georgia Carpenter. The entire community turned out for the ceremony.



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Inglewood Man Is Arrested Here
 Frank Kown, 3909 Garden Road, Inglewood, was arrested Sunday morning on a charge of being drunk and disturbing the peace. He was fined \$20 or 10 days on the first charge, all of which was suspended, and \$30 or 15 days on the second charge. Kown was committed to the county jail to serve out his time in default of payment. The disturbance is alleged to have occurred in the vicinity of Cota and Maricopa streets.

INDIAN'S SKELETON FOUND
 NEW MIAMI, Ohio. (U.P.)—The skeleton of an Indian, found by FERA workers in a grave three and one-half feet under ground, was presented to Mayor John E. Einsfelt, who placed it on display in a local hotel. A tomahawk was found also in the grave.

Quinn Protests Action of Other Supervisors In Upping Budget

Informed that his colleagues during his absence had permitted the county's preliminary budget to be adopted without reserves being included and that the total now is some \$62,000,000 as compared with last year's final budget of \$50,000,000, Chairman John R. Quinn said he would demand that it be slashed by \$6,000,000.

Quinn has been out of the city and county, having been waging a gubernatorial campaign in the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys. He attended but few of the budget conferences between the supervisors and the various department heads.

"If I can prevent it," Quinn said, "the tax rate of Los Angeles county for the current year will not be raised. To avoid an increase it is necessary that cuts of not less than 10 per cent be made by every department. These cuts must be made.

"Such reductions should not contemplate reductions in the pay of employees. They must be made in the administrative costs of government. Pay of all county employees already has been substantially reduced each year. The aggregate from the peak has been almost \$9,000,000. It is my intention that this annual paring down of costs continue."

On the other hand, it already has been evidenced that some organizations, the property owners' division of the Los Angeles Realty Board for one, will appear before the board of supervisors during budget hearings demanding that county employees' salaries be cut in the higher brackets. One instance to be singled out for attack, according to representatives, is the salary of the supervisors' chief clerk, at \$500 a month, which is \$50 more per month than the supervisors receive.

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The game played between an eastern chess student, M. Major, and A. L. Paul, resulted in a draw when White (Eastern) resigned.

White, Eastern	Black, A. L. Paul
1. P-K4	P-K4
2. Kt-KB3	Kt-QB3
3. B-B4	B-B4
4. P-QR4	P-Q4
5. P-QB3	B-R4
6. P-Q4	P-Q3
7. Q-Kt3	Q-Q2
8. P-QR4	Kt-B3
9. O-O	O-O
10. PxB	KKt x P
11. B-B3	B-K3
12. Q-B3	Kt-B4
13. R-Q1	Q-K2
14. PxB	PxB
15. QKt-Q2	B-Kt5
16. R-K1	Q-Q2
17. BxKt	Bx1
18. B-Q3	P-KR3
19. Kt-R4	Kt-K2
20. Kt-K1	P-B1
21. B-B4ch	K-R2
22. Kt x B	PxKt
23. P-KB3	B-R4
24. B-K6	Q-Q3
25. P-KKt4	B-Kt3
26. Kt x B	KxKt
27. QR-Q1	Q-B5
28. P x Ch	KtxP
29. R-K4	QxBP
30. QR-KB1?	QxRch (?)
31. KxQ	Kt-K6
	dbl. ch
32. K-K3	KtxQ
33. Resigns	

Volitional conditions still detain Mr. Paul in the north. As his Torrance chess classes have been of necessity suspended and maintained for this department furnished by one of his students, it is deemed best that the chess column be discontinued until such time as Mr. Paul returns to Torrance.

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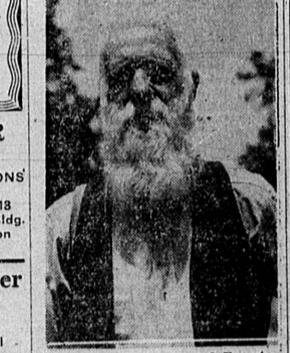
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Indian Fighter



Alexander Armstrong of Esparto, Cal., is one of the few remaining Indian fighters of the '70s. He fought in more than 50 engagements and was one of a party that went to aid Gen. Custer in his famous last stand, but arrived and the ceremony took place at 6:30 o'clock Sunday morning at the church of Saints Peter and Paul in Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs left later to spend their honeymoon at Catalina.

Wedding Bells Ring For Miss Groover

LOMITA—Miss Adelaide Groover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Groover, 26012 South Cypress street, became the bride Sunday morning July 8, of Gordon Jacobs, former resident of Lomita. The ceremony took place at 6:30 o'clock Sunday morning at the church of Saints Peter and Paul in Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs left later to spend their honeymoon at Catalina.

Mrs. Jacobs is a graduate of Narbonne high school with the class of 1931. She is a life member of the California Scholarship Society and is one of four sisters who have attained that honor, all graduates of Narbonne, which record is unmatched in the history of the Scholarship Society.

Mr. Jacobs is a navy man.

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