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"Krazy Glue" a sticky business

Regina (CUP) - Fingers glued together, eyelids glued shut, and hands glued to counter tops were cited by Saskatchewan Consumer Affairs Minister Ed Tchorzewski as accidents caused by "Krazy Glue".

"Krazy Glue" is the consumer product advertised on television that "sticks to anything".

Tchorzewski says the product is dangerous, and he has asked Federal Consumer and Corporate Affairs Minister Andre Ouellette to bring such products under the Hazardous Products Act and make labelling requirements mandatory and stiffer for the product.

He is also concerned about the advertising campaign for the product, which is especially

directed to children. "The name itself is attractive to children who may consider it as something to play with."

"The television commercial for the product certainly portrays it as a fun item for adults too, according to the gentleman swinging from the steel girder (suspended from Krazy Glue)," Tchorzewski said.

He said that Ouellette has agreed to place the product on the Dangerous Products list and will be urging the industry to take a more responsible attitude in its advertising.

"Until such time as this happens I urge consumers who buy this product to use extreme caution themselves and to be sure that it is never left where children can use it," he said.

It's a pleasure to be hot in Switzerland

(ENS) - For years, Switzerland has been known as a haven for hot money, hiding behind the protection of numbered bank accounts. But, from now on, any foreigner who puts money in a Swiss bank will have to pay for the pleasure of doing so.

Swiss banking authorities have imposed a negative interest on the accounts of

foreigners living out of the country. Every year the government will remove a whopping forty percent of foreign balances as a negative interest.

The reason for the move is the flood of foreign money to Switzerland, which has driven up the value of the Swiss franc, threatening to raise prices and wipe out the country's profitable tourist industry.

Pot luck for jailed Canadians

Ottawa (CUP) - Hundreds of Canadians in jail on cannabis convictions may be given a special parole break as soon as the less harsh cannabis bill, now before the Senate, becomes law.

Solicitor-General Warren Allmand has asked the National Parole Board to review such cases to see whether they can be given an early parole.

He said the parole review will be of most benefit to people convicted of importing cannabis and sentenced to the minimum seven years in jail. Under the proposed legislation the minimum jail sentence would be three years on conviction by indictment.

The Parole Board will first determine if a person in jail would have received a shorter jail sentence under the proposed cannabis law changes. Then the Board would consider the individual eligible for parole rather than wait for the person to become eligible under the actual jail sentence. Prisoners now become eligible for parole after serving a third of their sentences.

Parole board officials said on the basis of good behavior a prisoner becomes eligible for release after serving two-thirds of his sentence.

Thus an importer who was sentenced to the minimum seven years in jail under the existing law but who would have received only a three year minimum sentence under the proposed one could become eligible for parole after serving only one year instead of two years and four months.

Allmand said it is unlikely that the cannabis law changes, now before the Senate and expected to become law later this year, can be made retroactive.

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critical acclaim. In 1962, it was "The Pyramid Climbers", a lively examination of the roads to success that today's executives must travel. In 1964, "The Naked Society" threw the spotlight on the professional "people-watchers" the tens of thousands of investigators who inspect, control and keep an eye on us as individual citizens. And in 1968, "The Sexual Wilderness" gave America the first significant study since the Kinsey report of the changing relationships between the sexes and the shifting standards of acceptable behavior.

THE BIG ONE

Big taste, big satisfaction

Warning: The Department of National Health and Welfare advises that danger to health increases with amount smoked.