

## Labor Shortages Appear Early In Some Farm Areas

Although the 1946 harvest season is just getting a good start, shortages of farm help have already appeared in some localities, officials of the Extension service emergency farm labor program have announced.

Most critical of the labor shortages to date are in cherries in the lower Willamette valley. Farm labor assistants in Marion, Washington, Yamhill and Polk counties report that cherry growers in their localities started the picking season with approximately one-half the number of pickers on hand which was required to see the bumper cherry crop safely harvested.

A typical case is the 25-acre orchard owned by Frank Farmer of Route 1, Rickreall in Polk County. Sixty pickers were at work June 25 when the orchard

boss declared he had jobs for 120 workers.

Apple thinners have been short in Hood River County since the season started. Pea viner workers were in demand in the Milton and Athena areas in mid-June but an influx of migrant workers has eliminated that shortage, farm labor assistants state.

Farm wages in the state are at an all-time high. Cherry pickers are earning from \$10 to \$15 a day with some expert pickers doing better. In most orchards the picking wage is set at 2 1/2 cents per pound for sour cherries; 3 1/2 cents for the sweet varieties. Wage adjustments are being made for the so-called "hardship" orchards where picking conditions are abnormal.

Housing—or the lack of it—appears to be the principal drawback standing in the way of more aid from transient harvest workers. Jobs are easy to find, they report, but locating a place to live is the chief aggravation.

All migrant camps in the state could be filled to capacity many times over according to camp directors, if the facilities were available. Use of these has

## Greek Premier

### HORIZONTAL

1 Pictured  
2 Greek leader, Constantin  
3 Army order (ab.)

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1 Tax  
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### Answer to Previous Puzzle

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## Scotland Yard Asks Aid to Halt Orgy of Slayings

LONDON, July 10.—(AP)—Scotland Yard appealed today for recruits to combat one of Great Britain's heaviest homicide waves as the number of unsolved deaths in recent months was boosted to 21 by the finding of two more bodies.

One of the newly discovered bodies was that of Miss Doreen Margaret Marshall, 21, a former Wren, of Middlesbrough. The death was listed tentatively as a homicide, thus boosting the number of feminine victims to seven in the last four weeks. The seven have been either unusually attractive women or young girls.

Meanwhile, George Neville Heath, handsome former RAF pilot who was arrested last Saturday at Bournemouth, was charged yesterday with murder in connection with the death of pretty Margery Gardner, movie extra whose nude body was found in a London West End hotel June 22.

Police searched a wide area of southern England for the stranger of little Sheila Martin, 11-year-old Fawkesham schoolgirl, who was killed near her home Sunday.

The Daily Mail reported that 20,000 volunteers were needed to bring British police forces up to their full strength.

## Washington Plans to Halt Cattle Rustling

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 10.—(AP)—An up-to-date method of apprehending cattle rustlers will be put in operation soon by state patrolmen and cattle inspectors, Agriculture Director Fred Martin said.

"In this drive to wipe out cattle thefts in the state, all vehicles transporting stock on public highways will be stopped by the state patrol," he said. "Inspectors of the State Department of Agriculture will check to see if drivers have certificates of permit."

Martin said such certificates are required to accompany all cattle transported in the state.

## School Attendance In Douglas County Shown in Report

Douglas County school children attended school last year for a total of 905,014 days, it was announced this week by Mrs. Lula C. Gorrell, county school superintendent.

In the Roseburg district, grade school children attended for a total of 169,245 days and high school pupils for a total of 61,881 days, Mrs. Gorrell said.

The tabulations of the "total days attendance" for all school districts in the county have been made so that an apportionment may be to the districts of the county's share of a \$2,000,000 appropriation to all schools in the state.

The Reedsport school district, with 61,549, and the Union high school, with 25,778, rank next to Roseburg in the tabulation of total days attendance, Mrs. Gorrell said.

Other districts with high attendance include: Sutherlin, 45,685 for elementary pupils and 13,854 for high school students; Myrtle Creek, 38,000.5 and 17,464, and Glendale, 31,700.5 and 12,573.

Another tabulation prepared by Mrs. Gorrell, for the distribution of \$6,000,000 appropriated by the legislature, shows that the Roseburg schools are entitled to 59 "teacher units," on a basis of 27 pupils to a unit. An extra unit is allowed for consolidation with another district.

Roseburg schools employ 66 teachers, Mrs. Gorrell said, and the extra teachers will not be counted in the allotment of state school support funds.

No state school support funds can be allotted to districts levying less than a three mill tax.

## Oregon's Traffic Death Rate for May Declines

Oregon's traffic death rate for the month of May dropped three points below the rate for the same month a year ago, Secretary of State Farrell reported. The rate this May was ten persons per one hundred million miles of travel, compared to a rate of thirteen a year ago.

Farrell said the actual death toll for May of this year was 37, compared to 31 for May of 1945. However, motorists ran up 371,599,644 miles on Oregon highways in May of this year, compared to 226,945,212 miles a year ago. The accident death rate indicates the number of persons killed in relation to exposure, as shown by motor vehicle use.

Farrell urged Oregon motorists to remember the increased traffic volumes on the highways today and to exercise greater driving care to avoid accidents.

## Planting of Shad Will Spread in Oregon Streams

PORTLAND, July 10.—(AP)—Shad, once the ugly stepchild of Oregon's famed trout and salmon, is becoming so important the State Fish Commission may plant it in other streams, the commission's chief biologist said today.

Don McKernan told the commission's monthly meeting that Columbia and Umpqua river fishermen are earning neat sums catching shad for roe or for smoking.

Shad were first planted in the Columbia river in 1880, and with only one more planting—have propagated rapidly.

Some of the moon's craters are more than a hundred miles across and thousands of feet deep.

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