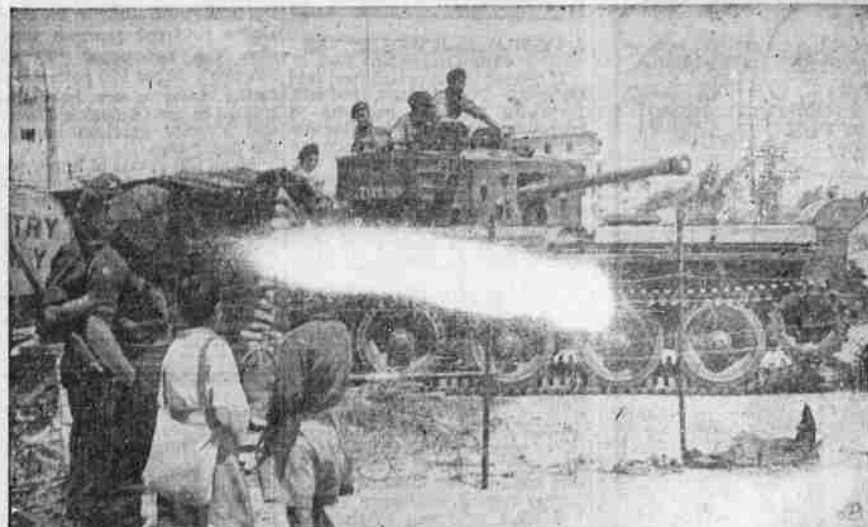


Housewife Gets Blue Ribbons For Top-Notch Hogs

By CHARLES T. MOSEY
(AP Newsfeatures)
MARSHALLTOWN, Ia. — Mrs. Elmer Hatten is one Iowa housewife who thinks of blue ribbons and not pork chops when hogs are mentioned. The Marshalltown, Iowa woman, in partnership with her husband, is one of the nation's leading Hereford hog producers. After Hatten entered military service in 1942, she took charge of the hogs and began showing them. Prior to this, she had assisted in their care but never had shown.

Upon returning from service, Hatten, an electrical engineer, backed out and let her have complete control. At the recent Midwest Hereford Hog sale at Hutchinson, Kans., a top of \$655 was paid for a gilt sired by Prize Goods, the 1946 national grand champion owned by the Hattens. The top animal now owned by the Hattens is Prize Goods, Jr., who



ARAB BOYS ADMIRE TANK—Two Arab youngsters question British soldiers about a 28-ton Cromwell tank guarding a road block in Jerusalem. The station is one of many set up by British to protect neutrals during Arab-Jewish warfare in the Holy Land.

was sired by Prize Goods. The younger boar, now 17 months old, weighing 840 pounds, has been grand champion at every show where it has been exhibited.

A first look at Mrs. Hatten, a slight vivacious, attractive woman, would lead the observer to believe she was a club woman—and

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Stanley Haysell, Jr., is the official mascot of UAW Dodge Local No. 3, in Detroit. When the 75,000 Chrysler Corporation employees struck, the 4-year-old did a trick on the picket lines. But he found

not one of the leading hog show women in the United States. She says she loves her work. Clubs and hog raising don't mix so the Hattens dropped the former when the latter became more of a business and less of a hobby. Mrs. Hatten says that she has never yet entered a large show

where another woman is showing.

She is a former Four-H club girl. The Hattens have 64 purebred Hereford hogs on their farm. Many tedious hours are spent preparing them for shows. Her "pets," as she calls them, know her and she spends several hours every day training, feeding and grooming them.

While recovering from a recent injury, she says, "I spent more time in the hospital worrying about my pets back on the farm than I did about my own conditions."

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More Pupils Drop Out Without High School Education

By JANE EADS
WASHINGTON — The nation should take notice of the increasingly alarming proportion of youngsters dropping out of school annually without completing a high school education, warns the National Education Association (NEA).

Only 453 pupils out of every 1,000 are in school when the final year of high school is reached, NEA states in a survey just completed. The survey is based on "school survival rates" for the nation, computed by the U. S. Office of Education over a number of years. This means that over the nation each year 1,000,000 to 1,250,000 children drop out. They are quitting from "disinterest, discouragement, or for other reasons."

"If secondary education constitutes an essential minimum of training, which should be the common heritage of all citizens of this democracy," says NEA, "the nation can ill afford the prodigious waste of human resources represented by the numbers who leave school prematurely."

During the decade preceding World War II, the school survival rate into the final year of high school increased steadily. With the coming of World War II, however, this trend was halted and then reversed, the survey reveals.

NEA says no single cause is responsible and points out "that many are forced by straitened financial circumstances in their families to go to work. Others lack the sympathetic interest and encouragement at home. A few withdraw for health reasons."

The authors of one recent study of school withdrawals were led to the following conclusions: "Perhaps the best explanation of the fact that children who are past the upper age limit of the compulsory attendance law are not in school is simply that they do not like school. The reasons behind this attitude are many, chief of which are a dull and uninteresting offering, discouragement through failure, poor and indifferent teaching, inadequate buildings and equipment, lack of interesting extra-curricular activities, and the inconveniences of bus transportation."

NEA along with other educators see in the proposed federal aid to education legislation, "an effective positive step" in keeping young people in school.

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There will be many new faces in the legislature next year, the high turnover being partly due to the fact that the 1947 session lasted a record 84 days. Many legislators feel that is too long for their pocketbooks.

In the senate, there will be election contests for 18 of the 30 senate seats, the other 12 being holdovers.

Nine of the 1947 state senators won't be back. Three of them died, three are quitting politics, and three are seeking higher offices.

Those quitting are W. W. Baldersee, Grants Pass; P. J. Stadelman, The Dalles; and George P. Winslow, Tillamook.

Senators who died are Lee Patterson, Portland; Merle Chessman, Astoria; and Marshall E. Cornett, Klamath Falls.

The senators who quit to run for higher offices are Earl T. Newberry, Ashland, now secretary of state; Lew Wallace, Portland, who is after the state treasurer's job.

In the 60-member house, 22 are not seeking re-election. Of these, 11 are through with politics. Eight are running for state senator, and three are after other offices.

All three women who served in 1947 are through with the house. Two of them—Rose Poole of Klamath Falls, and Anna Ellis of Garibaldi—are through with politics entirely. The other, Marie

Wilcox of Grants Pass, is running for the senate.

Of the seven supreme court justices, there are three whose terms expire this year. But all are re-elected without opposition. They are Justices Percy R. Kelly, James T. Brand, and Harry H. Belt.

Three Judgeship Contests

There also will be 14 circuit judges elected. But there will be contests on only three districts.

In one district, comprising Hood River and Wasco counties, there is a woman candidate, Celia L. Gavin, The Dalles, who has been high in the councils of the Democratic party. Opposing her are two other The Dalles lawyers, Malcolm W. Wilkinson and Sam A. Van Vactor. This is the only one of the 14 districts where there is not an incumbent judge seeking re-election.

In Benton and Linn counties, Judge Victor Oliver, Albany, is opposed by Fred McHenry, Corvallis, Benton County district attorney.

Judge Ralph S. Hamilton, Bend, whose district includes Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties, is opposed by Arthur J. Moore of Bend.

Twenty-four of the 36 counties will nominate candidates for district attorneys. But only in Clackamas, Clallam, Marion, Tillamook and Wasco counties are there contests.

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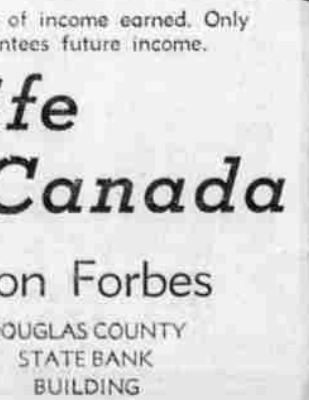
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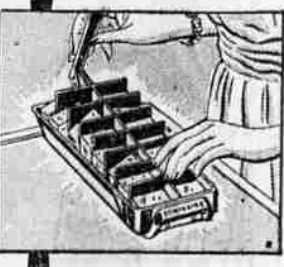
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