



WORLD RESCUE SQUADS FOR U. S. AIR FORCE — Wiesbaden, Germany, is the headquarters of a new airborne rescue unit being organized by the U. S. Air Force to sweep one-eighth of the world's air-lanes in searches for missing planes. Four flights of B-17 Flying Fortresses carrying aerial lifeboats will operate from Lagens in the Azores; Tripoli; Dharan, Saudi Arabia, and Wiesbaden. The map above indicates general areas to be covered from each outpost. In addition to B-17s, each rescue team will include one C-52 "flying boxcar" and a helicopter which it can carry.

Livestock Show Was Pot Of Gold

CHICAGO, — (AP) —The international livestock exposition's golden jubilee has been a big pot of gold for its thousands of exhibitors.

As the world's biggest annual agricultural show passes into history exhibitors have realized an estimated \$2,155,000 in prize money and from sales of their blue-blooded animals.

But the exposition's biggest value—an intangible thing—is its incentive to stockman and breeders for raising better meat producing animals.

R. C. Pollock, chairman of the national livestock and meat board and superintendent of the exposition's meat activities, described the accomplishments of the big show with this statement: "We have developed cattle, hogs and sheep of superior meat producing qualities in the past 50 years."

All this means cheaper, better and more meat for the consumer at a time when the livestock population is not keeping pace with the growth of human population.

The international hay and grain show and the national 4-H club Congress were held in conjunction with the exposition.

The high spot of the exposition was the sale Thursday—at the record high price of \$11.50 a pound—of the grand champion steer, a 1,200 pound Hereford named Judge Roy Bean. The owners, the Pecos County, Tex., 4-H club, realized \$13,800 from its sale.

The junior grand champion steer, Liza, a 1,250 pound Aberdeen-Angus owned by Bonnie Lu Logan, 15, of Van Wert, O., brought \$5 a pound. The previous record for the junior grand champ was \$4.50 a pound.

Buyers paid an all time record high price of \$44 a hundred pounds for 66 carloads of fat cattle.

"No Account" Check Ends Raiding Mouse's Career

Here's a yarn of a store mouse that ran up against the "straw that broke the camel's back."

Three consecutive mornings Royal S. Denton, local grocer, opened his cash register to find mutilated sales receipts and a chewed dollar bill.

Wednesday morning Denton opened the till to find a mouse in a complete state of unconsciousness and a mutilated check, marked "no account."

Lions Club Hears Carols; Plans For Kiddies' Party

Four students from the senior high school mixed chorus presented a program of Christmas carols as the program feature at the Lions club meeting Wednesday night in the Hotel Umpqua.

They included Jackie Daniels, Ernestine Wallen, Dick Hoskins and Carl Ellingwood. R. Clody Riffe, vocal music supervisor, accompanied them at the piano.

Plans for the annual children's Christmas party, scheduled for Thursday night of next week, were announced by Dr. E. W. Carter. About 35 specially invited children will be the guests of the Lions at dinner, a brief Christmas program and a Santa Claus party, he said.

Al McBee, in charge of transporting the children, announced that those persons assigned to

picking up the children at their homes should plan to do so by 6 p. m. They should arrive by 6:15, since the dinner will be at 6:30.

Lady Lions will also be present at the meeting, and it is planned that each member and his wife assume the responsibility of one of the children at the party, to assure them a good time.

The Christmas tree part of the program and presentation of gifts will take place in the hotel lobby.

Norman Siefarth announced plans for a Lions stag party, starting at 5:30 p. m., Jan. 28. E. R. Buckingham reported on the coming Melvin Jones' month, January, which is the annual time for concentration on new memberships.

In 1789, Sir Alexander Mackenzie reported finding oil seeps during his exploration in Canada.

It is estimated that U. S. tourists in Canada spent a quarter of a million dollars last year.

Poultry, Dairy Price Decision Must Come Soon

WASHINGTON, — (AP) —The government must decide soon whether it should permit prices of some dairy and poultry products to go down or to hold them at current levels.

The decision will be made in connection with producer price support levels for these products in 1950. Because of big supplies and large production, prices are down to or near levels guaranteed farmers.

The new farm law going into effect Jan. 1 permits the agriculture department to lower supports on milk, butterfat, eggs, chickens and turkeys. Under expiring legislation, these products had to be supported at 90 per cent of parity.

Parity is a legal standard for measuring farm prices, designed to be equally fair to producers and those who buy their products.

The new law permits the department to support prices of eggs, chickens and turkeys anywhere from zero to 90 per cent of parity. Milk and butterfat must be supported at prices between 75 and 90 per cent of parity.

Some department officials have predicted that secretary Brannan will lower support, on all these items, but with eggs taking a larger cut in price guarantee than other products. The department now faces the prospect of a loss of \$90,000,000 on surplus eggs bought last year and this year to carry out the price guarantee.

The present support program is designed to assure producers in the midwest—the region of surplus production—an average of 35 cents a dozen for general run, ungraded eggs. Some market and farm sources expect this guarantee to be cut to at least 30 cents for 1950.

Jackie Robinson Wins High Praise

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 — (AP) —Baseball star Jackie Robinson was praised Wednesday as "not only a great citizen, but a great American" as he was to receive the George Washington Carver Memorial institute gold award for 1949.

Publisher Frank E. Gannett, of Rochester, N. Y., said in remarks prepared for the presentation that the negro second baseman's career "stands out as a glowing example of Americanism at its best."

"In no other country in the world could Jackie Robinson do what he has done here," Gannett said. "The Communists speak about 'equality' in Russia, but it's equality that means nothing. It's equality of poverty, of oppression and suppression."

The Brooklyn Dodgers star was chosen for the annual award for "outstanding contribution to the betterment of race relations."

Gannett traced Robinson's background, from his poverty-

ridden youth in southern Georgia and California to his rise to baseball fame, and said: "He has become the idol of millions of young boys. He has set an example—if he can achieve such great success, others of his race can do it."

The award is in honor of the late George Washington Carver, noted negro scientist. It went to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1946; publisher William Randolph Hearst in 1947 and movie producer Darryl F. Zanuck last year.

Women's Exercise Hour Set For Friday Night

The YMCA women's exercise hour will be held at 7:30, Friday night, in the girls' gymnasium at the high school. All women are urged to attend and have their own gym clothes and gym shoes. The cost of the program is 25 cents. Exercises will be directed by Ida Ulrich. Volleyball will be played later on.

Cod liver oil is often used in tanning leather.

Busy Bees Produce 11 Percent More In 1949

CORVALLIS, — (AP) —The busy bees lived up to their reputation this last season, but their owners aren't too happy about it all.

With their working force down 2 per cent, the bees boosted their national output of honey by 11 per cent—at no increase in pay or pensions.

Just as miners worry about conversions to oil, so beekeepers are concerned about the fickleness of the public in deserting honey for more glamorous sweets. Though during the war people grabbed every drop of honey at any price, now shelves full of honey are going begging at prices far below costs.

Agricultural economists at Oregon State college take a dark view of the future, since this year's bumper crop plus that left over from last year provides 350 million pounds, while average use for hot cake sweetenin', candy and the like is only about 190 million pounds.

Sorriest outlook is in the realm of the "birds and the bees." Orchards and seed crops don't flourish unless the bees are there to help.

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