## Consolidation Set For Farm Bureaus

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Before very long, the farmer should be able to go to a single office in his county and do all his business with the federal government relating to soil and water conservation.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan has issued orders directing consolidation of local offices of such department agencies as the Soil Conservation service ,the Production and Marketing administration and the Forest service.

All three carry on conservation programs, which, in some cases have been conflicting. Many have offices in different buildings and some in different towns.

So that the farmer might get the full benefit of conservation programs offered by the department, Brannan directed that the local offices be opened on Saturdays, the farmer's traditional day for going to town.

Brannan said this effort at consolidation was designed to save money and to work out more effective conservation programs. All three of the agencies will operate under direction of an assistant secretary of agriculture at Washington, yet to be named.

The PMA will continue its $285,000,000-a-year conservation program under which payments will be made to farmers for carrying out approved conservation practices. However, the SCS—both in Washington and at the state and county levels —will have a hand in drafting these programs.

Nevertheless, the state and county PMA committees — composed of farmers — will continue to administer the payment program.

## Allied Victories In Korea Blow To Red Prestige

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. — (AP) — Defense Secretary Marshall says scrimping to find enough base replacements to send to Korea was "a fly-by-night procedure in which we should never be involved."

Marshall deviated from a prepared speech to make the remark after citing the difficulty encountered in "finding 12,000 men to be sent to Korea" to take the place of casualties.

Association of School Administrators, the former wartime army general called recent Allied victories in Korea "a stunning blow" to Communist prestige.

He urged the educators to support the plan to draft 18-year-olds to bolster our armed forces whose weakness "encouraged Communist aggression in Korea."

"If we had had immediately available a trained reserve that could have been quickly brought into action, that Korea attack would never have been made. But, if made, it would have been suppressed, I think, long before this," Marshall said.

He commented on the fact that the nation was caught unprepared before both World wars and again before the present Korean conflict.

### Cinema Actor

**HORIZONTAL**

1 Depicted actor, Adolphe ——
7 He is a —— performer
13 Princes
14 Woolly
15 Fiber knots
16 Citrus fruit
18 Short-napped fabric
19 Malayan coin
20 Anglo-Saxon slaves
21 Seaport (ab.)
22 Symbol for silver
23 Cloth measure
24 Sweet secretion
27 Discreet
29 Chaldean city
30 Editor (ab.)
31 Daybreak (comb. form)
32 French article
33 Bear
35 Shortening
38 Compass point
39 Symbol for europium
40 Woody vine
42 Nobleman
47 Steamer (ab.)
48 Beverage
49 White poplar
50 Cravat
51 Type of fur
53 Diners
55 Cease
56 Gets up

**VERTICAL**

1 Genial
2 Issue
3 Insect genus
4 I (Fr.)
5 Shield bearing
6 Employs
7 Blackthorn
8 Containers
9 Registered nurse (ab.)
10 Auricles
11 Storehouses
12 Cuddle
17 Symbol for manganese
25 Regrets
26 Malaysian canoe
27 He is noted as a ——-dressed man
28 Notion
33 Joined together
34 Venerate
36 Withdraw
37 Constraint
41 Sweet potatoes
42 Prohibits
43 Encourage
44 French island
45 Genus of true olives
46 Approach
47 Saintes (ab.)
52 Two (Roman)
54 Palm lily

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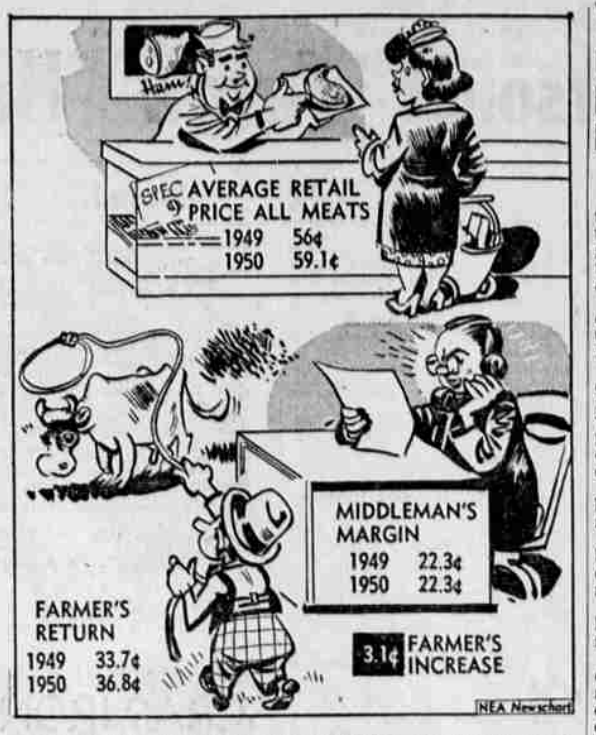


TAKE MIDDLEMAN OFF (MEAT) HOOK—The average of all meat prices went up 3.1 cents in 1950, and the farmer—not the much-maligned middleman and retailer—got the whole increase, as Newschart above illustrates. This startling fact is underlined in a Bureau of Agricultural Economics report prepared by Harold Beimeyer, agricultural economist. He says the estimates are rough, not precisely accurate, but adds he'll stand by the general story that the farmers got the gravy.

## Unemployment Pay Plans Please Neither Group

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

SALEM — (AP) — The legislature's controversial and difficult unemployment compensation program has taken shape with neither employers or labor happy about it.

The senate labor and industries committee unanimously approved unemployment legislation which makes concessions to both sides.

It would keep the present scale of maximum benefits of $25 a week for 26 weeks in any year, but would add a provision that jobless persons could get $2.50 a week for each dependent up to four dependents.

Employer contributions would be reduced $1,300,000 a year, or about 10 percent.

The ceiling on the maximum benefits in a year would be increased from ¼ of the earnings in a year to 1-3.

And the seasonality clause of the law would be repealed, with a new formula substituted.

Labor wanted the benefits increased to a top of $30 a week, and is unhappy about the new benefit schedule. So are the employers.

Neither labor nor employers optributions. Labor likes the impose the decreased employer concrease in the maximum benefits from ¼ to 1-3, but the employers don't.

Sen. Philip S. Hitchcock, Klamath Falls, said the state unemployment compensation commission will make a study of benefit payments in the next two years, so that the 1953 legislature will have more information upon which to act.

## Flu Epidemic Nearing Its Peak In Ontario

TORONTO — (AP) — A nationwide influenza epidemic appears to be reaching its peak in Ontario but elsewhere in Canada was on the wane.

One in eight workers and students were reported stricken with the illness in Ontario. Toronto, a city of 1,000,000 population, had 140,000 cases. The epidemic appeared to be spreading in London and Windsor.

Montreal —Canada's largest city — reported a death toll of 127 since Christmas, the biggest in any one city. But here and throughout Quebec province, the epidemic was declining.

## Policy, Not Candidates, GOP Need, Sen. Duff Says

HOUSTON, Tex. —(AP)—General Dwight D. Eisenhower "positively is not" out as a potential Republican nominee for President next year, Senator James Duff of Pennsylvania said here.

The senator said the general's position as commander of Atlantic pact defense forces does not preclude his being the Republican nominee.

But, continued the senator, "if the Republicans want to win the presidency in 1952 they must quit talking about candidates and get an affirmative policy that will appeal to the people."

## Cpl. Jack Phillips With Japan Logistical Command

WITH THE JAPAN LOGISTICAL COMMAND: Corporal Jack F. Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips, 1365 Myrtle street, Roseburg, was recently assigned to Camp Gifu, which is part of the newly created Southwestern command headquarters.

Corporal Phillips is now performing duty with an engineer construction battalion. He arrived in Japan in January 1951.

The Southwestern command, part of the Japan Logistical command, has the mission of furnishing logstc lai spuotthtorpe ishing logistical support to the troops in Korea and the occupation forces in Japan. Commanded by Brig. Gen. Carter W. Clarke, the command encompasses southern Honshu island and the islands of Shikoku and Kyushu.

## Andre Gide, Famous French Writer, Passes

PARIS — (AP) — Andre Gide, 81, considered Frances' greatest man of letters, died of pneumonia Monday. He won the Nobel prize for literature in 1947.

Gide wrote more than 50 books. His best known novels are "The Counterfeiters," "The Immoralist" and "Pastoral Symphony."

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