

Little Change In Employment Picture Noted

Although some merchants will require extra help during the Christmas holiday season, little change is foreseeable for job opportunities in Douglas County communities in the near future, according to the county employment office.

Some merchants are filling these openings with regular part-time workers.

The long-range outlook on the employment picture is that weather conditions from now until sometime next spring will not be conducive for work in the logging and lumber industries.

An item for future reference, says the employment office, is the recent purchase of 4.7 acres of land in the Garden Valley district by the local newspaper, The News-Review. Present plans call for building a structure there, with the possibility that construction may start early in 1957.

The employment office instructs that most of the unemployed workers in the area, consisting of varied-skilled and qualified workers, are registered at the employment service office. Any employer in need of a qualified worker can call OR 3-5886 or drop in at 327 SE Jackson St.

AEC Chairman Strauss Puts Stress On Efforts To Build Cheap Atom Electric Power

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chairman Lewis L. Strauss of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) called Tuesday night for a redoubling of U.S. government and private efforts to develop cheaper peaceful electric power from the atom.

He said substantial progress has been made toward that goal. But the country cannot be satisfied.

No H-Bomb Tests Said Planned During 1957

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Post said Wednesday in a Washington dispatch that the United States has decided to suspend further major H-bomb tests at least through 1957.

The newspaper said the Atomic Energy Commission soon will announce that next year's nuclear tests will be restricted to the area of Las Vegas, Nev.

"This will be a guarded way of disclosing that no large-scale H-bomb tests are planned," the Post said.

The story, by Robert G. Spivack, said: "It is also understood that the government intends not to resume H-bomb tests even after next year, if world conditions improve."

The Post said its information came from "the highest sources."

He said, because results so far represent only a fraction of the bright prospects for nuclear power development in the United States during the next five or six years.

He announced a series of steps designed to expand the present program.

A number of Democrats in Congress have been critical of Strauss on the ground that he has not pushed the peaceful power program hard enough.

Strauss opposed as not needed

a Democratic-sponsored bill in the last Congress to undertake a 400-million-dollar program to build demonstration plants. The bill passed the Senate but died in the House.

In a speech to the American Nuclear Society Tuesday night, the AEC chairman said the government's goal is not one of building a fixed number of plants or a fixed amount of generating capacity.

"Our objective, which seems to

us more prudent and more constructive," he said, "is to develop the technology of nuclear power reactors (furnaces) of various types and sizes, to the point where they will be economic in competition with kilowatts produced from conventional fuels."

He said plans are being negotiated or discussed for at least 15 civilian atomic power plants to be in operation by 1962.

Strauss said the AEC will again ask private and publicly owned

industry to propose construction of various types of plants to be completed no later than mid-1962. He said no limits will be placed on the size or type of these proposed plants, and he promised that each will be considered individually.

The AEC, he said, would give priority to any proposal for a large-scale reactor fueled with natural uranium and using heavy water as a moderator.

Strauss said industry will be

given first chance to build such plants, but if acceptable proposals are not forthcoming, the AEC itself will "take prompt and positive steps to build these reactors on its own initiative."

Strauss said there is need for Congress to enact a law covering atomic industry's insurance requirements. He said the problem of insuring against possible accidents is "the chief impediment in the way of an accelerated nuclear power program."

PLANE CRASHES

PARIS (AP) — An Air France four-engine Viscount airliner on a pilot training flight crashed and burned Wednesday about 25 miles south of Paris, killing five persons. The dead included the aircraft pilot, three other pilots and a ground technician.

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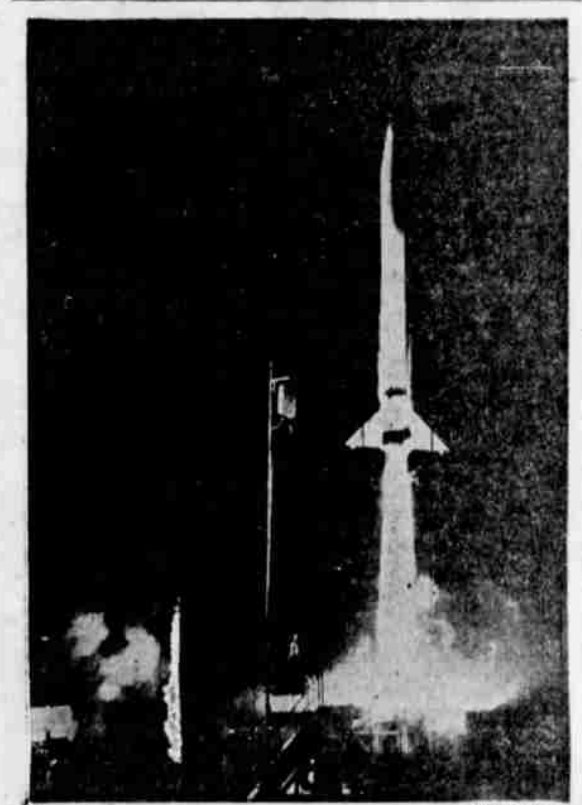
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Riversdale Grangers Plan Christmas Projects, Party

Riversdale Grange members voted to use the money collected at the flower penny drill and in the youth fund, to send CARE packages, at their latest meeting.

Donations of non-perishable food and clothing to be given to the Salvation Army for Christmas baskets are to be brought to the Dec. 21 and 22 meetings. The resignation of Mrs. Fred Kuck, chaplain, was accepted and Mrs. Clyde Downing was elected to fill the office.

The annual Grange Christmas party will be held Dec. 22, with a program at 8:15 p.m. Members are to bring their choice of treats, such as candy, popcorn balls, cookies, fruit cake, etc. Parents should bring a gift for their children with their name on it for Santa to pass out to them.

Prior to the business meeting of the Grange, a birthday dinner was held to honor all members with birthdays during the last quarter

of the year. A birthday cake centered the honored members table.

Sunday evening a joint installation of Grange officers was held at the Riversdale hall. Seventy-five members attended, representing granges at Melrose, Lookingglass, South Deer Creek, Camas Valley, Azalea and the host grange, Riversdale.

Howard Craerolt was the installing officer in the candlelight ceremony. Other members of his team were Nelda Norris, regalia bearer; Amy Kruse, marshal; Helen Landers, emblem bearer; Ray Deadman, custodian; Cora Colson, chaplain, and Loraine Veenstra, pianist. Candlelighters were Donna Kinsom and Darlene Young. Hilda Walters had charge of the tableaux.

Refreshments were served after the installation, with Anna Troelle in charge of the kitchen. Last Sunday afternoon this team had installed officers at Sunnysdale Grange.

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