



TROPHY WINNERS in the dog obedience class trials held over the weekend were Dr. C. W. Fletcher of Myrtle Creek with his miniature poodle and David Harland, Roseburg, with a vizsla. Fletcher's poodle placed first and Harland's dog was second. The training classes and obedience trials were sponsored by the Roseburg Canine Courtesy Club. (Warren Evans Photo)

ASCS Committee Balloting Under Way

Ballots will be received in the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office in the Courthouse until Nov. 29 to determine which farmers will serve on the community committee.

This was the announcement today by Charles D. Colgrove, office manager. He said farmers who cast ballots for ASC community committees will be marking the 30th anniversary of the farmer - community system. This method of administering farm programs started when the original agricultural adjustment programs were first authorized in 1933. The election procedure itself

was provided by legislation five years later in 1938, so the voters could carry on the democratic process followed by farmers each year for almost a generation.

Since the effectiveness of the "joint action" programs depends upon close contact between farmers and the government, it was necessary to have an administrative system which would reach as directly as possible from the farm to the national office and vice versa. Thus, the farmer-elected committee system was set up. Colgrove says the committees "have provided the spark and imagination, as well as the judgment needed in locally adapting and running ASCS farm programs."

Starting at the farm community, farmers put the committee election machinery into motion by choosing from their neighbors three regular and two alternate members of the ASC committees. The newly elected committees — chairman, vice chairman and regular member — then act respectively as delegate and first and second alternate delegates to the county convention, where the ASC county committee is chosen. The offices maintained by the county committee are the farmers' local contact for business connected with participation in the various farm-action programs.

These county committees report to a state committee composed of from three to five farmer members appointed by the secretary of agriculture to see that the various programs are administered properly.

Through the years, the duties of the farmer committees have been greatly varied. In war-

time, the committees headed up the local production goals program, appointed and worked with farm machinery rationing committees, allocated scarce supplies and equipment, advised local price and rationing boards, recommended on-farm construction involving critical materials, appointed farm transportation committee, which helped farmers obtain transportation facilities.

In peacetime, they have administered the ASCS program, acreage allotments and marketing quotas, price support, storage-construction loans, the sugar act program and the feed grain program.

Colgrove sees the vote this month as "the key to making the system work."

All farmers either participating or eligible to participate in the ASCS programs are eligible to vote in the election.

RELEASE PRISONERS

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (UPI)—More than 800 political prisoners of the Ngo Dinh Diem regime have been released from hidden prisons since the Nov. 1 coup d'etat, the new Vietnamese military government announced Monday night.

"The search for the underground jails has ended, and not a single one remains in and around the capital," the directorate-general of police said in an official statement.

CANDLELIGHT PARADE

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A group of about 100 teen-agers from Hollywood High School marched down Wilshire Boulevard to the city hall Monday night in a candlelight procession as a tribute to President

DALLAS (UPI)—Dallas police are absolutely sure they had President Kennedy's assassin.

"I have sent men to the electric chair on less evidence than we have now," said Dallas County District Attorney Henry Wade.

But Lee Harvey Oswald, 24,

maintained he was innocent. He denied he shot Kennedy fatally, wounded Gov. John B. Connally, and later killed policeman J. D. Tippitt.

With absolute finality, any chance of getting at the truth was wiped out Sunday when Oswald was shot to death.

But what was the evidence that police had making them so certain they had the right man?

The Dallas News reported in a copyright article that it had

learned of the most damning piece of evidence of all against Oswald—a map found in his room showing the path of the bullets that killed Kennedy and wounded Connally.

The News said this was the "major evidence" that police held and would have become Wade's "exhibit A" if he had gone to trial.

Before Wade called his news conference, this much was known:

—Paraffin tests for gunpowder on both hands were "positive" indicating he had fired a gun.

—Photographs had been found at his home showing Oswald posing with a rifle in his hands similar to the 6.5 Italian Carcano weapon which killed Kennedy and with a pistol strapped to his waist similar to the one

that killed Tippitt.

—Oswald's Russian wife said he owned such a rifle. It was missing, Oswald admitted owning the pistol.

—The gun was purchased from a Chicago sporting goods house. It was purchased under the name "A. Hydel" but the order was in Oswald's handwriting.

—He was an expert marksman while in the Marine Corps.

—He was employed in the building from which Kennedy was shot.

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VFW Schedules Memorial To JFK

A special meeting of Patrick W. Kelley Post 2468, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has been called by Cmdr. Glen Murdock for Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Purpose of the meeting is to drape the charter and hold a memorial to President John F. Kennedy. The meeting is for members and families.

Murdock said the meeting call came on a directive from the Oregon Department Cmdr. Ralph C. Cornmesser that all chapters of all commands of the VFW in the department be draped for a period of 30 days to honor the memory of the late President of the United States.



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