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## Farmer-Merchant Feed Draws Crowd Of 503

By BUCK BUCHANAN

The 10th Annual Farmer-Merchant banquet held at the armory was the "most successful in the history of the affair," officials proclaimed this morning as they announced that 503 Union county farmers and townsmen attended the dinner.

Chamber of Commerce President Averitt Hickox extended the chamber's "most sincere thanks" to the many business and professional men who actively participated in arrangements and serving at the dinner.

Guests at the gathering filled the armory—and saw four county men receive awards for being "outstanding" in their respective fields, in 1957-1958.

Merle Becket, La Grande banker, presented awards to Reed Taylor as Cattleman of the Year, to John Shaw, for being Conservation Man of the Year, Bernal Hug, Sr., as Farm Forester of the Year, and Clifford Towle, as JC Young Farmer of the Year.

Principal speaker at the affair was State Senator Anthony Yturri of Ontario.

Yturri, whose speech bordered on the philosophical and strayed from politics at this political time, said "the current trend is away from the importance of the individual in our society with power being centralized in state and federal governments."

He called on the farmers and businessmen at the dinner to "speak out as individuals—else the decadence of the individual, particularly the farmers, will continue to be subsidized."

The straight forward senator from Ontario discussed taxes in Oregon and attacked the tax system here. He told the group that the nine and one-half per cent personal income tax was "the highest in the United States." He said if the trend continued in the next session of the legislature taxes would continue to skyrocket.

He told the group that the turnout last night "is a fine show of cooperation between farmers and urban dwellers."

Shaw, of North Powder, was cited for his water conservation practices as well as his range management, when he received his award as the counties' 1958 Conservation Man of the Year. Shaw is the third generation of Shaws to operate the farm which was homesteaded in 1870. Present size of the farm is 2,100 acres.

Towle, of Cove, lives with his wife and three children east of town. He has 80 acres, of which 40 acres are cultivated. His producing cherry orchard covers 27 acres but recent plantings should increase the orchard to 40 acres. This year's winner started farming on his own in the Cove area immediately following his graduation from Oregon State College.

Bernal Hug of Elgin comes from a long line of foresters and farm foresters. Hug has shown great interest in the promotion of the farm forestry industry. At present he is chairman of the farm forestry committee and this committee has been working quite extensively under Hug's guidance for the promotion of this industry in Union county. He owns 250 acres of woodland at the present time.

Reed Taylor was cited as Cattleman of the Year. He owns and runs a herd of cattle on his ranch, the Sandridge Polled Hereford Ranch, near Alice. He was selected early this year for the award.

Ed Draper barbecued the 250 pounds of beef consumed at the dinner. Rev. Gene Robinson delivered the invocation and the welcome was extended by Averitt Tiekoff. Chuck Gavin introduced guests.

At the dinner Union County Fair Manager Dave Baum presented awards to livestock winners at the fair, this year.



**SPEAKER**—State Senator Anthony Yturri, chief speaker at the Farmers-Merchants' banquet held at the armory last night, lamented the decline of individualism and the "ridiculous" tax structure of Oregon.

## Jury Selected For Girl's Trial On Murder Charge

LINCOLN, Neb. (UPI)—The men and women who will decide the fate of Caril Fugate, 15, companion of mass murderer Charles Starkweather, were selected today during the third day of Caril's first degree murder trial.

A District Court jury of seven men and five women was seated. In all, 47 prospective jurors were questioned.

Caril is charged with helping Starkweather, her teen-age boy friend, kid and murder Robert Jensen, 17, last Jan. 27 near Jensen's home at Bennet, Neb.

Under Nebraska law, the person who helps in commission of such a crime is as guilty as the one who committed the actual slaying. Defense attorney John McArthur said Caril will testify in her own defense. She is eager, he said, to relate her story.

## Swift Dam Worker Crushed By Girder

COUGAR, Wash. (UPI)—Henry Morsette, 36, Portland, was fatally crushed by a 130-foot-long steel girder bridge that slipped off a moving dolly at the Swift hydroelectric project here Tuesday.

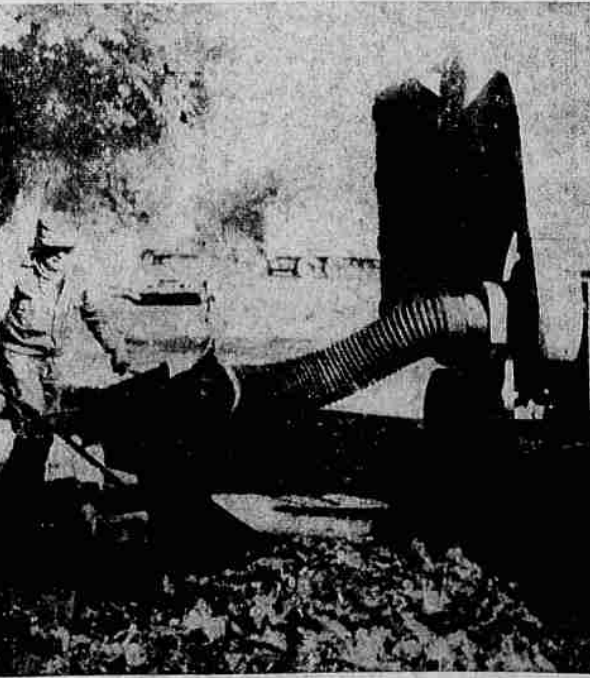
Donald Hobson, Portland, another worker, suffered a broken wrist in the accident.

The steel superstructure was being moved into place over the Lewis river at the time of the accident. One end of the bridge was on the dolly and the other end was being towed and lifted by a large crane.

The dolly got stuck, according to officials of Pacific Power and Light Co.

**ABSENTEE BALLOT**

The county clerk's office reminded voters who will be out of the area on election day, Nov. 4, that tomorrow is the last day that they may vote by absentee ballot.



**VACUUM CLEANERS**—City employees Ben Nelson (pushing sweeper) and George Carleton yesterday were busy cleaning house. The huge vacuum sweeper is literally sweeping the streets clean during this autumn season. Scene above is on First Street off of Adams. (Observer Photo)

## Masonic Official To Visit Here

La Grande Lodge No. 41, AF and AM, will host lodges of Masonic district 31 tonight at 7:30 p.m. during the official visit to this district of Walter L. Lansing of Salem, grandmaster of Masons in Oregon.

Yesterday the Observer erroneously listed the time as Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Lansing will outline the grand lodge's program for the year, with emphasis upon the public schools. He will be accompanied by other grand lodge officers, including Oscar G. Rollins of Cove, district deputy of the grand master, who is in charge of arrangements.

La Grande lodge has the distinction of being the home lodge of the senior past grandmaster of Oregon, George T. Cochrane, who headed the craft in 1923. Clarence A. Koop, immediate Past Grand Master, also resides here.

Lodges in district 31 include those at Elgin, Union and Cove.

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**BULLETIN**

SPRINGHILL, Nova Scotia (UPI)—Twelve miners were reported found alive today, nearly six days after they were trapped 13,000 feet underground in North America's deepest coal mine along with 81 other men.

# Pope Appeals For Peace

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ATOMIC TEST SITE, Nev. (UPI)—Nuclear blasts sent rumbling echoes across the desert today as U.S. scientists punched buttons in a race to fire five shots in one day and beat a proposed test ban deadline.

Humboldt, the day's second shot, flared brightly as it was detonated at 6:45 a.m. p.s.t. atop its 50-foot aluminum tower in Yucca Flat. The tower disintegrated as a plume of dust swirled into the sky in its familiar mushroom formation.

Cloud-tracking aircraft darted into the area after each shot to check radiation effects and ground crews scurried forward to begin evaluation of the blast as a proposed Oct. 31 deadline neared.

A few hours earlier, Mazama was triggered atop a 50-foot steel tower with a force of less than 1,000 tons of TNT after a brief technical delay.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has announced the United States would honor the U.S. proposed deadline for tests by Russia, Britain and the United States. Russia earlier informed the two powers it had declined the offer to halt nuclear testing and would continue with its program.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian A. orin did, however, make it clear that Russia would participate in talks slated to start at Geneva Friday covering possibilities of banning nuclear test explosions.

## Stampede Asks World Leaders To Listen To People

The Elgin Stampede will participate in the Oregon Centennial Pony Express mail run, June 7th to 10th, 1959, according to a letter received from Harry Long, executive vice president of Centennial Pony Express, Inc.

Pony Express mail will be carried across Oregon by the Elgin Stampede and other participating riding clubs and then deposited in the U. S. Mail for final delivery.

The statewide run is expected to take three days, which will be followed across Oregon with some feeder lines. There is to be one run each week, starting at the Centennial site in Portland for the duration of the Centennial Celebration, which ends September 17, 1959. It is believed that this is one of the largest events of its kind ever to take place.

The purpose is to publicize the Oregon Centennial and the western horsemen of today who have our horses to rely on in case of disaster, evacuation, or searching for lost persons and removing injured or sick persons from remote areas.

The Stampede stage the Elgin Stampede, a Junior Rodeo and actively participate in the Eastern Oregon Livestock show, Pendleton Round-up, Milton-Freewater Pea Festival, Chief Joseph Days and the Baker Stampede.

At the present time, plans for filming and televising the Pony Express run are being made. Mock Indian and bandit raids are also in the planning.

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## Youth Group Will Collect For UNICEF

Members of Junior High Fellowship of the First Presbyterian church will collect for UNICEF here tonight between 7 and 8 p.m.

UNICEF is United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. The group undertook this activity for the first time last year and was able to send almost \$80 to the head office in New York. Every penny collected is turned over to the fund. The local children undertake this as a service project.

Through buying in large quantities and from surplus food accumulations this agency is able to provide a great deal for a few pennies in helping the children over the world who are in need of food, medicine, clothing and the minimum essentials for living.

Church groups throughout the nation are adopting the slogan, "The trick is to Treat," and are collecting for UNICEF rather than asking for treats for themselves.

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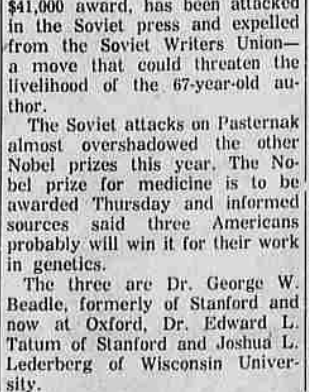
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