

Jones Asserts French Fear of Reds Lessened

Fear of a communist government in France is largely over now because Frenchmen found the communists could not better their lot, it was asserted Thursday by Ronald E. Jones, Labish area farmer and president of the Oregon Farmers union who recently returned from an international agricultural producers' conference in Paris.

Jones told the Salem Lions club yesterday noon in the Marion hotel that the French defeated communists in the last general election because their wage increases had shown no signs of catching up with the 15-1 inflation in prices since the war.

The speaker said he had learned "on the scene" that there remain thousands of French communists in government positions, however, and maintained that Premier Schuman's government may give way to a DeGaulle government for France unless the present premier receives the authority he seeks to dismiss 150,000 civil service workers who are communists.

Jones declared that the French underground against the nazis was built largely on communist underground organization and when allied liberating forces marched through France the underground communists were on hand to take over local governments liberated from the Germans, while the non-communist underground continued fighting the nazis.

Farming Picture Good
The farm leader told his fellow club members yesterday that the farming picture in European countries is fairly good, with farm mechanization about as far advanced as can be expected of nations where overabundance of farm labor supply exists. He asserted that in the long run the European countries will benefit most from manufacturing materials received via the Marshall plan than from actual manufactured equipment or products.

At the club luncheon L. J. Stewart, new president, and other new officers were installed by Al Lamb of West Salem.

Spitzbart Tells Deadline for Fair Entries

Manager Leo Spitzbart reminded all livestock showmen this week that entries in the various livestock divisions of the Oregon state fair in Salem, Sept. 6 to 12, will close at midnight on August 6. Construction was completed this week on a new loading dock for livestock at the fairgrounds. The new dock, which is adjacent to the main barn area, will be large enough to accommodate a dozen stock trucks at one time. The construction was recommended by various breed associations last winter.

Spitzbart also reports that the 1948 fair will feature the largest cooking and textile display in the 83 year history of the state's annual production. Premiums in the two divisions have been more than tripled. Heading the extensive list of cash awards and merchandise premiums is the large refrigerator to be awarded the Oregon resident scoring the highest number of points in combined culinary and textile competition. A desk model radio will be given the Oregon resident, 70 years of age or over, who scores the most points in the textile division.

Cannery Box Fire Smokes Downtown Area



Much smoke, splintering of boxes belonging to the Starr cannery and crowds of interested spectators featured an early afternoon alarm Thursday which brought most of Salem's downtown fire fighting equipment to a smoldering blaze in a stacked pile of boxes at the corner of Church and Trade streets. About 15 per cent of the boxes were damaged, according to Starr cannery officials. Cause of the blaze is undetermined. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer).

Fire Consumes Berry Crates

Several thousand strawberry crates and hallocks piled outside the Starr Fruit Products Co. at Mill and South Church streets were destroyed by fire early Thursday afternoon.

Firemen were called to the scene at 1:45 p.m. when a passerby noticed the fire burning rapidly through the pile. The flames were quickly brought under control, but about 15 per cent of the crates were consumed, firemen said.

Company officials were unable to estimate the loss but said it would total several hundred dollars. Another large crate pile nearby was undamaged. Sparks from the fire caught on the roof of the Andressen creamery but the blaze was extinguished before causing damage, firemen said.

Legion to Fete Miss Salem Contestants

Contestants and judges in the Miss Salem contest to be staged July 4 will be guests of contest chairman Charles Jens tonight at the headquarters club of American Legion's Capital post 9.

The contest to select Miss Salem will be held here Sunday night during the annual American Legion Fourth of July celebration at Waters park. Jens said that the contest filing deadline is noon today.

Latest to add her name to the list of contestants is Luella McClellan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott W. McClellan, 2045 S. Cottage st. Miss McClellan has brown hair, hazel eyes and is five feet three inches tall. She is employed by Larson Beauty salon.

The dinner tonight will start at 7:30 o'clock. Judges, who will be present, include Mrs. Allan Carlson, Mrs. Paul Hale, Mrs. Reginald Williams, Maurice Brennan and Lt. Col. Howard E. Hellesien. Gene Malecki is to be master of ceremonies.

A special guest will be Mrs. Joyce Evenson Wilt, winner of the Miss Salem contest of 1947.

Arrangements were completed Thursday for a fireworks display.

The elk or moose is the largest member of the deer family.

Truck Drivers Stand Trial on Noise Charge

Thirty-three cases of city noise violations involving heavy transport trucks were tried in an all-day session of Salem municipal court Thursday, and all cases were taken under advisement at the conclusion of the trials.

The mass trial resulted from the arrest of 33 truck drivers last month on charges of operating vehicles with excessively loud mufflers. The drivers were represented by attorneys for the Oregon Motor Transport association. Only a small group of the operators appeared during the session. Most of the companies involved were out-of-town firms operating trucks on an interstate basis.

Police Expert Testifies
Municipal Judge W. W. McKinney presided with City Attorney Chris Kowitz acting as prosecutor for the city. Four Salem night policemen who made the arrests missed a day's sleep to testify during the trials. A noise expert hired by the association also presented lengthy evidence on the various degrees and types of sound, irritable and pleasant.

In taking the cases under advisement, Judge McKinney told the association attorneys he would notify them if any fines are levied. The attorneys stated the fines, if any, would be paid by the association.

Police Warned
At the same time they warned police that the city of Salem would be responsible for any perishable truck cargo should trucks be impounded when drivers are arrested and unable to post the required \$15 bail. Interfering with goods under jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission, they stated, is a federal offense.

Police were directed to arrest truck drivers for muffler violations early in June when residents along North Capitol and South Commercial streets registered numerous complaints of excessive truck noises with the city council.

Only one truck driver has been arrested since June 18 when police were instructed to collect \$15 bail from violators and announced that the crackdown would continue. Police Thursday said the drivers have been driving slower recently, with a subsequent reduction of exhaust noise.

GRANDCHILD BORN
AMITY — Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Christensen were advised June 24 of the arrival of their first grandchild, Kathy Gail Sanford, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, at Corpus Christi, Texas, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sanford (Merle Christensen). Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Sanford.



KASHMIR CELEBRATION — The Women's Defense Corps in Kashmir stands by for parade held during freedom week celebrations in Srinagar. The women, young and old, train with rifles to be ready to protect their homeland.

Mrs. Bell Hawley Dies in California

Mrs. Bell D. Hawley, former resident of Salem for 20 years and daughter-in-law of the late U.S. Rep. W. C. Hawley of Salem, died recently in Healdsburg, Calif., according to word received here Thursday.

She had lived the last three years at Geyserville, Calif. A native of The Dalles, Ore., she died at the age of 62. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Annabelle Croble and a son, Willis C. Hawley, both of Geyserville, and two grandsons.

Bible School at Swegle Closes

SWEGLE — The daily vacation Bible school sponsored by the American Sunday School union for this community closed

the term with a program for parents and friends at the school house Friday. The teachers were Dorothy Weims and Alma Fast. Pupils were divided into two groups, primary and juniors. There were about 60 enrolled, with several having a perfect attendance record.

Lorraine Harris, Beverly Hansen and Sharon Hinkle were among those receiving awards. The teachers for the school were entertained for the two weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Patz.

L. H. Meyer Goes Home After Hospital Stay

SILVERTON — L. H. Meyer, at the Silverton hospital for the past week with influenza, is much improved and returned home Wednesday.

Charles Watson, confined to the hospital for the past week following a stroke is reported artificially ill.

Sec. Newbery Elected by Auto Administrators

Secretary of State Earl T. Newbery was elected second vice president of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators at a western regional conference in Reno, Nev., this week. Resolutions were adopted urging the national organization to create committees for further study of reciprocity between the states and a uniform definition of residence in automobile registrations.

Raisers Told Reasons for Sheep Decline

CORVALLIS, July 1 — Range regulations are not the basic cause of decline of sheep numbers on the western range, Joseph F. Pecharac, president of the American Society of Range Management, told the assembly at the joint meeting of the western sections of the American Dairy Science association and the American society of Animal Production, being held at Oregon State college here this week.

Pecharac cited figures showing that 15 per cent of the sheep range in the national forest has been unused in recent years through lack of demand. While sheep numbers have declined from a number of causes, total animal units on the western range have not declined materially, he said.

Washington State college was chosen for the 1949 session with the University of Idaho as joint host. Officers elected include Dr. Robert F. Miller of the University of California, president of the ASAP, with A. W. Oliver, Oregon State college, as vice president, and W. F. Lehrer, University of Idaho, secretary. Officers of the ADSA are elected by mail ballot.

GIRLS IN DRUM CORPS
LIBERTY — Mrs. Ed Peterson chaperoned seven girls to Portland Friday to participate in the drum and bugle corps of the Eagles state convention, Salem placed second among the Eagle teams. Attending were Mary Louise Vanek, Lorraine Peterson, Betty Harrison, Bernice Beale, Shirley Peterson, Elizabeth Sipe and Beverly Harrison.

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