

Farm Bureau Host to State Officials, 275 Visitors Eat 'Inexpensive' Lamb

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You don't usually tell company the price of the food they eat. There are, however, exceptions, the Oregon Farm Bureau officials point out.

In fact, they explained, the dinner Wednesday night at the American Legion Hall at which the Farm Bureau was host, was one of these exceptions.

"Company" was 275 state officials and legislators, the press and other friends of the Bureau. And the hosts were not at all reluctant to disclose that the rougout of lamb, which was the piece de resistance—enough for all 275 people—cost less than \$40. In fact the lamb itself used in the dish, cost very little over \$20. Very Careful

George Dewey, executive secretary of the Farm Bureau, and master of ceremonies at the dinner, explained that the hosts had been very careful not to "let out" what the visitors were to eat. It was only after every bit of food was gone and one beef raising senator from eastern Oregon had asked for the recipe, that Dewey announced that it was lamb.

By that time he also explained that the "company" was there not to talk about legislative bills but to be introduced to farm grown foods which need assistance in reducing surpluses. Lamb was one of these.

Wheat, Too

A second such food was wheat. Dewey said as he explained that what the diners were eating under the impression that it was rice, was actually Bulgar Wheat in Pilaf. Bulgar wheat, it was explained, is the modern version of a wheat food eaten since the beginning of time. Bulgar, in fact, is wheat transformed by cooking, drying, pearling and cracking, and with nearly all the nutritional values of the grain retained. Pilaf is the manner in which it is prepared—an Armenian recipe. Quite a few bushels of wheat were eaten by the group Wednesday night.

Eggs Not Disguised

The third farm product needing immediate assistance in consumption offered Wednesday night, was eggs. These were not disguised. They were accepted happily in the hard boiled state from the hands of attractive Gail Watson, senior in the South Salem High School. Miss Watson was garbed in checked gingham and straw hat and had the eggs in a basket.

To go with the promotional products were homemade cakes, pies, and salads, prepared for the entire group by the women members of the Farm Bureaus of Marion, Polk and Clackamas counties.

Reports Given

During the brief period of introductions, Rep. Eddie Ahrens, a member of the Oregon Wool Growers lamb promotion committee, told about the spring lamb festival; Senator Lowell Steen told about the Pilaf and what its use would do for wheat, and Larry Brownell talked on January Egg month, reporting that in 1954, the per capita consumption of eggs in the United States was 415.

Special entertainment was furnished by Vi Ward, who gave a song number accompanied by Wendell Perry; Ronald Medel, Corvallis, in a reading, and novelty dance by Miriam Flook and Lynn Pyle.

Ben Robinson, La Grande, president of the Oregon Farm Bureau, introduced key men and women of his organization.

HOW TRUE!

HARTFORD, Conn.—(UP)—The newly elected secretary of state, Mrs. Edward N. Allen, told a Republican gathering that "it's awfully hard to talk in front of one's husband." Allen, the retiring lieutenant governor, smiled and said, "You don't have any trouble at home."

ACORNS FROM THE

Oak Room

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Say—I got a cute letter back in December. Thought I might pass it on to you!

"December 2, '54"

"Dear Sir:

"I wonder if you could help a maiden in distress?

"My husband does quite a bit of traveling for the company he works for—U.S. Rubber Co. Not long ago he was in Salem and enjoyed a wonderful dinner at the Oak Room in your hotel.

"Well, we haven't been married too long and my cooking, believe me, isn't the best in the world. All I hear about is your baked potatoes. They must be out of this world.

"Do you think you could possibly send me the recipe for the sauce you put on your baked potatoes? My husband brags about it every time I put a potato in front of him.

"I do hope you'll come to my aid. Otherwise I'll have to stop serving potatoes. I can't take much more talk about the sauce 'I had in Salem.'

"I hope some day soon I'll be able to enjoy one of your wonderful dinners."

Sincerely,

Mrs. Daniel Sieges

31 Clipper Street,

San Francisco, Calif."

P.S. I sent her the sauce! But you can have the same right here in Salem!

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Gail Watson, South Salem High School senior (at right) garbed in a gingham checked shirt and jeans, proved popular with her basket of hard boiled eggs Wednesday night at the Oregon Farm Bureau dinner for state officials and legislators. Miss Watson passed out more than 300 eggs during the buffet dinner at the American Legion Hall. (Statesman Farm Photo)

OSEA Asks Road Worker Hospital Plan

(Story also on Page 1, Sec. 1.)

PORTLAND (AP)—Lincoln Pfeiffer, Salem, director of the Oregon State Employees Association, Wednesday asked the State Highway Commission to approve payroll deductions for group insurance and medical coverage for Highway Department workers.

The commissioners said they would agree to a system of deductions provided an employee were not required to belong to the association in order to get medical coverage.

Among jobs awarded by the commission were the following:

Coos County—Myrtle Point-Powers rock production project, Carl P. Tallon, Roseburg, \$26,730.

Curry—Frankport viaduct and Eucure Creek bridge, Tom Lillebo, Reedsport, \$149,014.

Jackson—Eagle Point-Lake Creek rock production project on Little Butte Highway, J. C. Compton, McMinnville, \$15,100.

Lane—South unit, Hayden Bridge-Donna section of the Eugene-Marcola road northeast of Springfield, Allum Bros., Eugene, \$126,179.50.

Three structures, girder viaduct on London Road, re-inforced concrete bridge over Martin Creek and viaduct at Martin Creek on new alignment of Pacific Highway, all on Coast Fork of the Willamette River-Divide unit, W.H. Shields, Eugene, \$140,187.

Coyote Creek Bridge, Territorial Highway, H. C. Werner, Inc., Eugene, \$35,303.

Linn—Bilyeu Creek Bridge on county road 831 east of Scio, joint bidders, Frank Watt and S. D. Construction companies, Portland, \$11,800.

McDowell Creek Bridge on county road north of Sweet Home, Lind & Marr Construction Co., Portland, \$10,565.

Marion—Ilalhe undercrossing on Pacific Highway East, south of Salem, Tom Lillebo, Reedsport, \$29,952.

Hayesville School-Battle Creek Junction section of Portland-Salem Expressway on Salem bypass east of Salem, road improvement, Knight-Pearcy, Salem, \$11,422.

Yamhill—East unit, Carlton Junction-Newberg section of Yamhill-Newberg Highway, C. C. Meisel, McMinnville, \$146,040.90.

Bank Vault, Cut

Open by Burglars

In Washington

WASHOUGAL, Wash.—(UP)—When the Bank of Washougal was opened Wednesday morning employees found that burglars had cut open the main vault with an acetylene torch and taken some bags of coins.

At first it was believed the loss was small but after checking, H. Leonard Lundstrom, cashier-manager, estimated that they got about \$4,700.

The burglars were unable to get into a 1½-ton safe containing the bank's currency.

Man, Found

Unconscious,

Reported Fair

Charles D. Witter, 79, who was discovered in his home Tuesday after lying helpless on the floor for more than 24 hours, spent "a fair day" in Salem General Hospital Wednesday, hospital attendants reported.

Witter, whose doctor said he had suffered a stroke, was found by city police who had been summoned by a mail carrier. He lives alone at 1545 Ferry St.

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Fashion Tailor Tired of 'Plain Charcoal Grey' Suits for Men

By ALFRED LEECH
United Press Staff Correspondent

CHICAGO (UP)—Custom tailor Lawrence Pucci, Jr., is a man of impeccable taste and creative talent. And he's a trifle tired of charcoal grey suits.

It's getting so you can't tell a

gay young blade from an under-

taker, he said.

Pucci and his father operate one of Chicago's foremost custom clothing establishments on swank Michigan Avenue. They were among the first to advertise charcoal grey.

"The dark tones have a lot in their favor," Pucci said. "But let's face it."

"Charcoal grey has become the uniform of the day."

He said the somber-hued suits have put the men's clothing business into a straitjacket.

"We're supposed to change with the seasons," he said, "but now it's charcoal grey the year round."

Pucci hopes to revive stripes. His own suit was a dignified grey number with a fine stripe.

Despite the charcoal craze, Pucci said, dark blue remains the "basic suit" in the average man's wardrobe.

Men are as fashion-conscious as women, he said, but they are "apprehensive about arousing comment."

"Men have an innate feeling for fashion," he said, "but it's often suppressed by the conventions of business life."

In other words, a man wouldn't wear walking shorts to work on a hot day for fear of being fired.

Nevertheless, Pucci said, men have come a long way toward the "emancipation" women claim to have achieved.

They have shed their vests, he said, and they are wearing fewer bulky double-breasted suits.

Fashion must be functional, Pucci said.

And a man in a double-breasted suit trying to drive a car can be neither fashionable nor functional.

Boots Taken

By Burglar

A burglar with the instincts of a pack-rat stole a new pair of engineer's boots from his unfinished house at 2675 S. 12th St. Vince Furlott told state police Wednesday afternoon.

Furlott said the thief left an old, muddy pair of boots in place of the pair he stole. Power tools and other equipment in the house were undisturbed, he told police.

Suit Filed in

Wage Dispute

A woman filed suit in Marion County circuit court Wednesday for \$5,881 from an insurance agency, which she alleges underpaid while she was working for the firm and which, she claims, violated the Fair Labor Standards Act by doing so.

Mary Grubb said she worked for the Federal-Oregon Agency over a period of 100 weeks, 51 hours per week. She alleges that for these services the firm should have paid her \$3,825, but that it only paid her \$1,000.

Named as defendants in the suit are George E. Johnson and Oscar N. Enger, doing business as the insurance agency.

Woman's Error

Costly for Man

WALLACE, Idaho (UP)—A suitcase switch and a woman's curiosity combined Wednesday to have Daniel Vacario, 28, removed to Eugene, Ore., to face a burglary charge.

A woman mistakenly picked up Vacario's suitcase at the bus depot and when she opened it, found 14 diamond rings and two guns. Police were notified and Vacario arrested when he called for his luggage.

Vacario, accused of stealing the rings from a Eugene jewelry store last week, waived extradition.

Forest Industries

Schedule Meeting

The Benton County section of Western Forest Industries Association has scheduled a meeting with the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service representatives at the Benton-Lincoln Electric Co-op auditorium, Corvallis, for Feb. 2, 8 p.m.

The timber sale programs for the agencies will be presented at this time.

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Military Home Proposed for Port Townsend

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash.—(UP)—Port Townsend, which gained national fame but no lasting benefits with a highly publicized appeal to President Eisenhower to save it from economic extinction, now has hopes the Veterans Administration will establish a national military home here.

The town and Ft. Worden, closed by the Eisenhower Administration as an economy measure in 1953, were given a once-over Tuesday by a delegation of VA officials headed by Marvin Chapman, director of homes for the VA.

Chapman admitted the group was investigating the suitability of the post and town for a military home but said he could not "make any comment at all on what we have seen and learned."

T. Otis Black, area information chief for the VA, said the survey had been ordered in response to a request from Rep. Westland (R-Wash.). He said it included a study of the former military post, the town, its housing, schools, hospitals and other things "which would be required for a decent living in event the VA establishes a facility here."

National attention was directed to the town in February, 1954, when Mrs. Carl Foster wrote President Eisenhower a 5-page letter telling of the town's economic plight after Ft. Worden and nearby Ft. Flager were closed.

The President responded with a letter to Mrs. Foster and then sent the assistant director of Defense Mobilization for Manpower to Port Townsend to see what could be done.

Nothing further ever came of this, however, and Tuesday's appearance was the first evidence of continued interest. The town's leaders have joined in a concerted effort to sell the VA on use of the military post for a military home and have received backing from a number of veterans organizations.

Iraq Premier

To Skip Arab

Conference

CAIRO, Egypt (UP)—Iraqi Prime Minister Nuri Said, who aroused bitter criticism in some Arab states by agreeing to an Iraqi-Turkish defense pact, will skip the Arab League prime ministers conference here on Saturday, Egypt called the meeting to discuss the pact.

The Iraqi ambassador to Egypt, Naguib el Rawi, told newsmen Wednesday Nuri "is sick and will not be able to travel to Cairo."

Most Arab diplomats here assumed Nuri's decision was motivated by "diplomatic illness."

His decision was seen as additional evidence of the sharp split which may destroy the Arab League over the question of aligning with the West in a Middle East defense pact.

Reports from Baghdad said Iraqi leaders were angry at Egyptian attacks on the Iraqi-Turkish alliance, and it was predicted in Cairo that either Egypt or Iraq might drop out of the eight-member Arab League.

Egypt, usually acknowledged as leader of the Arab League, has insisted that Arab states should rely solely on the Arab mutual defense pact.

Iraqi has replied it was the closest Arab state to Soviet Russia and it was folly to think the weak Arab states at the present time can defend themselves in case of Communist aggression.

Ruling Favors

Timber Firm

A timber firm won its fight Wednesday to oust its president. A decree handed down by Judge Val Sloper in Marion County Circuit Court prevents P. O. Leitherer from operating or managing the property of Chips & Stripes, Inc., at Mill City.

The firm's board of directors filed a complaint earlier this month which asked that Leitherer be enjoined from operating the plant. The directors said they had voted to terminate Leitherer's salary but that he would not leave his position.

At The Theaters Today

EL SINORE

"SIGN OF THE PAGAN" with Jeff Chandler and Jack Palance

"THIS IS YOUR ARMY" with The U. S. Army on Parade

CAPITOL

"TWIST OF FATE" with Ginger Rogers

"HYPER RIFLES" with Richard Egan and Dawn Addams

GRAND

"LIVING IT UP" with Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis

"THREE HOURS TO KILL" with Donna Reed and Diane Foster

HOLLYWOOD

"SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS" with Jane Powell and Howard Keel

"THE SEA AROUND US"

Accident Call

Proves False

A second false alarm in less than a week sent a state police car and an ambulance racing early Thursday to the scene of a reported traffic accident near the north end of the Salem bypass.

State police said they received a call about 12:15 a.m. reporting an accident at the intersection of Portland Road and Kapphan Avenue. The caller said one person had been injured in the crash.

A police car and a Willamette Ambulance crew arrived at the scene to learn there had been no accident.

Police said the caller's voice appeared to be that of a middle-aged woman. An earlier false alarm, telephoned to Willamette Ambulance Service last Friday night, was also reportedly made by a woman's voice. The first alarm resulted in an ambulance being dispatched to Aumsville.

Grabenhorst

Heads Hospital

Control Board

Coburn L. Grabenhorst was elected president of the Board of Control of Salem General Hospital at a meeting of the board Wednesday night.

Other officers are Werner Brown, vice president, and Linn Smith, secretary. W. L. Phillips, retiring president, was named treasurer.

In other actions the board accepted the resignation of Milton L. Meyers, who has served for the past 15 years as chairman of the board. Upon recommendation of a citizen's committee, re-elected to the board for a three-year term Ralph Skopli, Elizabeth Putnam and Asel C. Eoff, and upon recommendation of the hospital medical staff re-elected Coburn Grabenhorst, M. J. Raschko and Conrad Paulus. Gerald Frank was named to the board for a one-year term replacing Dr. Paul Poling.

Change Made

In Registration

Of Motorboats

The Marine Inspection office, Portland, has been directed by U.S. Coast Guard headquarters to destroy all files concerning ownership, construction and registration of outboard motorboats not exceeding 16 feet in length.

Such action will be taken Feb. 19. Owners of such boats who have registered them with the office must claim their records by then or they will be destroyed.

Owners of vessels exceeding 16 feet in length, to and including 65 feet, must register their vessels with the Coast Guard, the office warns.

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Legislative Plans Okehed By City League

Two committees of the League of Oregon Cities Wednesday voted final approval of the league's legislative proposals for the 1955 Oregon Legislature.

In an all-day meeting in the Salem City Hall, the organization's legislative and executive committees considered drafts of proposed laws which will affect the incorporated communities of the state.

One of the bills approved by the league would make municipal court warrants valid throughout the state. Raymond C. Coulter, Eugene, field consultant for the organization, said present legislation makes it impossible to enforce present municipal court warrants outside the city in which they are issued.

Warrants for parking violations would not come under the proposed new law, Coulter said.

Among the other legislative measures proposed by the League of Oregon Cities are:

A bill which would require motorists to file accident reports with city police offices for accidents occurring within cities. Present laws permit filing reports with any law-enforcement office, regardless of where the accident takes place.

A bill which would create a state census board to take an annual census of every incorporated community in the state. Figures from the census would be used in allocating state funds. League officials said the use of a state organization for the census would save cities the expense of having special studies made by the U. S. Census Bureau.

A law which would replace Oregon's "basic rule" with definite speed limits in cities.

A bill to establish the legality of using radar to catch motorists traveling at excessive speeds.

RELATIVITY

HASTINGS, Neb.—(UP)—Two

tots were discussing what they would do if they found a million dollars: "Would you try to find the owner and give the money back?"

Said the second youngster: "Well, if he turned out to be a poor person, I sure would."

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