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Local Help for Onion Growers

The entire valley area extends its sympathy to the Labish Center onion growers who lost their crop for the third consecutive year-this time to the flood waters of the Pudding River. Everyone in this community has a stake in the success or failure of any major crop here, and when the onion farmers lose, we all lose. Potatoes and some other crops also have been damaged, to the regret of all of us.

The possibility that the onion growers may qualify for low interest government loans on next year's crop is the only apparent bright spot in the soggy picture of \$1,000,000 worth of damage. If the Federal Farm Home Administration decides that the onion crop loss does not amount to a "disaster" by its definition, 'the fact still remains that the loss is a disaster for the 175 farmers who suffered it. In that case, the local banks might consider extending lowinterest loans to local farmers. This way the area's business community can share the farmers' plight as concretely as it shares their good fortune in the increased buying power of the growers.

There's been considerable discussion lately about federal-local "partnership" in large development projects. If partnership is a good thing per se, maybe it would be a good thing on a small scale, with local business and local farmers acting in effect as partners to solve a local problem. If it succeeds it might set an example for the rest of the country in cases of "little" disasters that cannot be called a national problem.

(M.W.W.)

Opportunity for Salem Women

An unprecedented and ambitious program for volunteer service in the state institutions announced this week by the Salem United Church Women presents all women of Salem a splendid opportunity to practice Christian charity in the fullest sense of that term.

Many organizations and individuals are often at a loss to "do something" of real help for those who need it most. The rehabilitation program, outlined with the help and approval of institution heads, offers just that chance to be of direct and personal service. Unlike some other philanthropic or community service projects, this program enables the volunteers to see and take part in the immediate results of their good works. It is more than the sending of a check or the making an of a bundle of old clothes to ship off somewhere to some unknown person or organization-much as that type of charity is needed and appreciated. But this is for real, as the teenagers say; it is human beings helping human beings-the work for which women seem so well qualified and conditioned. For the Oregon State Hospital, 50 women are needed to serve in any number of capacities, with or without direct patient contact. The School for the Blind welcomes individuals who would be a friend or sponsor for each child, taking the child to Sunday School or other outings. Hillcrest School needs women who would be friends for the girls there, taking a personal interest in one girl. The Fairview Home needs women who would tell stories or sing songs for the children there. The TB hospital needs volunteers to help cheer the patients. The United Church Women's rehabilitation committee is prepared to recruit and

train any volunteer for any of these programs, and wants an opportunity to explain its mission to other women's groups in the area. We hope that the response to this challenge will be as gratifying as is the fact that this volunteer service program has been made available.

Adenauer's Illness

News that Chancellor Adenauer of Germany lies ill with pneumonia received pagebottom play in the newspapers but his incapacitation may have almost as great significance as President Eisenhower's, which rated big headlines around the world.

"Der Alte" is 79. The prognosis in his case most likely is not good. His death would be a serious blow to U.S.-West German relations. Adenauer has been a staunch ally in the struggle to keep West Germany committed to the Western Alliance, and he has fought down strong opposition from members of his government who have urged unilateral dealing with Moscow for German reunification.

The U.S., Britain and France have given West Germany about all they have to give: A place in the family of free nations as a sovereign power, generous help with the rehabilitation of German civil and military organization and industry, guarantees of aid in case Germany is attacked by the Soviets. The Allies have, in a word, put Germany back on its feet as a strong and independent nation. In exchange for this, Adenauer, together with his foreign minister, Heinrich von Brentano, has kept his country in the Western power bloc.

But there are two major German desires which the West cannot satisfy: The return of lost German territory now held by Poland, and reunification of Eastern Germany with Western Germany. Adenauer's political opponents, mainly the Socialists, have harped continually against West Germany rearmament and for reunification at almost any price. Adenauer also favors reunification but he has been unwilling to pay the price Russia would ask, i.e. "neutralization"; of a united Germany in the world power balance.

The reason that Adenauer's illness could be even more damaging to the status quo than Eisenhower's illness is that Adenauer has no such "team" as Eisenhower does to insure that his policies will be continued even though he is unable to remain at the helm. The German coalition government depends much more on a strong man for actual administration than does our government.

Should Adenauer lose his grip to his opponents, the Western hold in Europe inevitably will be weakened. Meanwhile, the West will watch closely the jockeying for position around von Brentano.

Editorial Comment

MALIGNANT TREND

Five years ago Kent Cooper, former execusurvey of the trends in America toward censor- a sort of Halloween effect ship and suppression of news by governmental bodies.



... And now, is playing glorious new coexistence symphony I am composing . . . is also good for marching song in case policy is changing . . ."

In the second second



Oregon's Forestry department, which only Tuesday was busy helping locate two lost Salem hunters, apparently was in trouble itself Wednesday morning. The U.S. flag on the

> pole in front of the forestry headquarters building was flying upside down-the universal signal for distress. Railbirds were wondering if the forestry office wasn't sinking beneath the wave of scented socks sent in by deer-stalking sportsmen. . . .

A number of Salem school parent groups are getting up a petition asking KLOR-TV to the kids up too late and precipitates too many go-to-bed

The man who complained about parking meter fine envelopes tasting like sulphur on muggy days, now has a tive director of the Associated Press, wrote a new gripe. Seems that in this damp weather the orange book entitled "The Right to Know". It was a dye on the envelopes runs, and gives his ink-stained fingers

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Robert Wiener of the National Labor Relations Board reported at Portland Wednesday.

than is received gives insurance automobile agencies the union is ing damage one to their bumper that the capital will accumulate picketing. Others are the Douglas to be handed down when its pres- McKay agency and Loder Bros. ent owners pass on. This is how-Milo Holt, of Salem, business ever a slow process compared representative of the Machinist with the increment from capital Union, said Wednesday night his employed in an expanding econ- union would continue to picket omy. Valley Motor.

We went over to Dorset Playhouse for the performance of Court Rejects Bernard Shaw. The company was the Caravan Theatre which has been coming to Dorset for sev. Grant Water eral seasons of summer and fall "stock." They put on a good show, the leads being quite well Rights Ruling done.

The playhouse is another of the Decision of the Grant County "barns" such as the Pentacle Circuit Court in a suit for an in- Friday to prepare a questionnaire Players use on the Dallas road. junction involving rights to use to send out to growers. Farmers This one was built from a pair waters from two springs located are to list the amounts of their of old barns which were torn upon lands owned by William W. losses. These reports will be down, and the lumber moved by Gardner and his wife, Jessie Gard- compiled and sent to the federal sled in wintertime. In the recon- ner, was reversed by the state Farmers Home Administration. struction the weathered side of Supreme Court Wednesday. the siding was turned in, which The lower court had held for the certainly gives the interior an defendants including C. W. Dollina Scott, director of federal Agriculaged appearance as do the hewn and Chester I. Elliott and W. C. timbers which frame the struc- Elliott, Circuit Judge Charles H. ture. The seating arrangement Combs presided at the trial in the is conventional, and good lighting lower court.

has been provided. The question involved was whe-Coffee and cookies are served ther the springs were sources of losses occur because of natural entre acts, a la Pentacle. In a certain creeks from which the de. causes and disasters and create sideroom open during the inter- fendants were entitled to draw need for credit not otherwise ludes is a showing of paintings, water. The springs drained into a available." this being something of an art ditch constructed in 1864 and not center.

into creeks.

A good local weekly is published here and of course I paid two springs were headwaters of itor, G. S. Bennett. It serves the with construction of the Hillis Jobless Pay country between Bennington and Ditch, they were entirely severed Rutland.

I took a closer look at the war no other channel or outlet for a ued at low levels established in memorial on the village green. period of approximately 90 years. mid-August, the State Unemi loy-It is built of tough Vermont gran- In the absence of proof of actual ment Compensation Commission ite, a round column standing on damages resulting from the tres- reported Wednesday. top of a square base. The figure pass of the defendants the court Claims for compensation lave is not a Green Mountain boy - said the Gardners would be en- remained below 7,000 for seven there is one of him at Rutland - titled to nominal damages, and weeks which almost equals low but a conventional figure of a awarded them \$100. soldier of the Revolutionary war.

Your EYES

are at

The monument was erected in LEGION STAG PLANNED 1905, and bears bronze plaques with names of men serving in the have an "Early Bird Stag" for elevations, the number of claimwars through the Civil war. On Legionnaires and guests Nov. 10, ants is expected to rise, officials the plaque for the Revolution the eve of Veterans Day, it was an. said. there were 124 names, for the there were 124 names, for the War of 1812, 37, only a few for will participate in the Veterans suitable jobs dropped last month tween numbers for the Revolu- the parade, tion and the Civil War is interest-

ing. Surely there was a growth in population between the two, but perhaps 'the enrollment for the former embraced a larger area. At any rate the manpower here surely responded on the call to arms in both wars.

Salem Workmen Labish Onion Reject Union as Bargaining Agent Men Survey Shop department employes of the Valley Motor Co., have voted 26-5 against having the AFL Machinists Union as their bargaining agent.

Statesman News Service

LABISH CENTER - As flood waters partially receded Wednesand the instinct for spending less The firm is one of three Salem day onion growers were surveycrop by the high water and recent 1 vy rains.

> "Some growers, whose fields were not flooded, are taking the onions in from the field and are topping and storing them," said one grower Wednesday night.

> "Whether the rain has damaged these beyond salvage remains to be seen. But where fields were flooded, salvage is practically impossible."

> Meanwhile plans moved ahead to survey the farmers' financial loss, preparatory to an attempt to secure government financial aid. A growers committee will meet

> Meanwhile, in reply to a query ture Credit Bureau, said Wednesday that emergency creait may be provided farmers in areas in which "substantial production

from the creek and thereafter had Insured unemployment contin-

marks set during the summer of 1952 and well under later years. With the beginning of cold and wet American Legion Post 136 will weather, particularly in the higher

the Mexican war, and 125 for the Day parade and has been placed to \$476,516, the lowest since July, Civil War. The comparison be-in charge of obtaining bands for 1952, and more than 57 per cent under September, 1954.



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reschedule its Wednesday night Disneyland series, now on at 8 o'clock, to an earlier time. Says it keeps

arguments. The only laggards on the petition band-wagon are dads who promise to start a battle of their own if the re-scheduling interferes with the Wednesday night fights. Boxing, that is Speaking of TV, why doesn't somebody petition the wheels on \$64,000 Question to lay off some of those time-consuming commercials? Tuesday night's show was fine as far as it went. But a lot of viewers were disappointed when time ran out on Paddy Keough, but seemed to go on forever for commercials, announcements, credit lines and shots of the stage.

Cooper withheld publication of his book, hop-ing that the pendulum would swing toward freedom of information. He has surrendered that hope and his book will be published early next year.

Instead of a reversal, says Cooper, the situation is in some respects slowly "pressing toward the totalitarian pattern of procedure in the sup-. without pression of news. It is doing so . . realizing that it was the antithesis of this practice which helped to make this nation great. Since governments throughout the world, including our own, are now engaging in suppression of news and the use of news as propaganda, the patriotic motive in stressing attention thereto is based upon a conviction that such government practices are malignant."

It cannot be denied that the twin diseases of government secrecy and propaganda are spreading in the local, state and national units. This seems to evoke no great public interest. Citizens may become concerned if the time arrives when reports or governmental operations consist entirely of handouts and the reporting agencies are mere clacques for self-perpetuating politicians. -(McMinnville Daily News-Register)

The four-year struggle to get a homeless Italian girl into this country for adoption by the Franco Cosco family of Salem has behind it the determination and love of Cosco's mother in Italy. Mrs. Cosco senior took the abandoned baby at three months and nursed her through pneumonia. And when Mrs. Cosco the younger visited her mother-in-law in Italy recently she found her to be just the kind of woman to make love and affection pay off. Mamma Cosco has raised four children and a number of nieces and nephews and always had a houseful of people.

One day, during her visit, the American Mrs. Cosco knowledge as an author on firefound her mother-in-law taking a tiny wren, which had arms been plucked featherless by street boys. When daughter-

in-law tried to explain that the bird would never survive consisted of a Colt's Officers while caged with the family canary. Mamma merely replied: "In my home all things thrive." Sure enough, by the time the young Coscos were ready to return to the U.S., the wren was growing new feathers and eating well. The from across the stage and break Coscos, who already have two children of their own, point a candy wafer with his first shot. out there are a lot more homeless, motherless wrens these Other trick shooting in his days in Europe in need of feathers and food program included splitting a bullet on a knife so that each half

School Reporter

Appearing at both North and South Salem high schools Tuesday was trick pistol shot Ed Damon, who is a field representative of a national association of school principals. He demonstrated his skill with a revolver and

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GOP Politicians to Urge Eisenhower Pick Successor if He Bows Out as Candidate



Time Flies: 40 Years Ago

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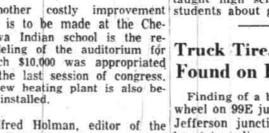
different object.

Included in Damon's program was a complete display of his

collection of shotgun shells. As

he presented each of his collec-

tion of over 20 gauges he gave a



of the projectile would break a

