

# Peanut Crop Too Extensive

Dallas, June 13 (AP)—Are American farmers growing too many peanuts?

Yes, says Bill Seals, President of the National Peanut Association, "they have a certain market—the Federal government." Seals, who lives in Washington, D. C., was here for the Southwestern Peanut Shellers association's annual convention.

He said the Federal government guarantees the peanut growers \$211 to \$236 a ton. Peanut shellers or manufacturers must meet that price or the farmer will sell to the government, Seals said.

Seals said a "certain market" with the government had encouraged farmers to increase production.

Last year, an estimated two million tons of peanuts were grown in the country. This year, the government has ordered the growers to reduce their acreage by 20 per cent.

"Farmers must reduce their acreage to be eligible for government-supported prices, but that will not necessarily reduce the number of tons grown," Seals said.

He said farmers who scattered peanut seeds loosely in the past, may plant more carefully; that careful growing can produce a larger yield per acre.

# Hartman Family Holds Reunion at Sublimity

Sublimity—The Hartman relationship had a picnic in the Hartman grove Sunday, June 1 in honor of five in the relation who graduated from high school and from the eighth grade. Those present were Mrs. Frances Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartman, Angeline, Melvin and Darrel, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hartman, Robert, Geraldine, Leland, Linda, Sandra and Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hartman, Marlene, Kathleen and Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bradley, David, Duane, Dwight, Douglas and Deanna, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Harkens, Rose Elaine, Marveline and Ronald.



In Word Battle—C. B. Baldwin (left), secretary of the Progressive party, and Sen. James O. Eastland (D. Miss.), right, chairman of the senate judiciary subcommittee, waged a duel of insults during an open hearing of the subcommittee in Washington. Sen. Eastland called Baldwin a "S.O.B." Baldwin called the senator a "narrow-minded bigot." Baldwin's refusal to state whether he is a communist kicked off the duel. The subcommittee is holding hearings on the Mundt-Nixon communist control bill. (Acme Telephoto)

# Vesta Is Now Making One Of Near Earth Approaches

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Nowadays almost any eighth grader can readily call the roll of the nine larger planets. In order of diameter downward they are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Earth, Pluto (probably), Venus, Mars and Mercury.

But who recognizes the names of the next four even should they be recited to him? As a refresher, here they are: Ceres, Pallas, Vesta and Juno. The largest of the "big nine" has a diameter of 87,000 miles; the smallest, 3,100 miles. The "secondary four" boast diameters of 480, 300, 240 and 120 miles. All four revolve in the space between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter, and were discovered in the years from 1801 to 1807.

This week Vesta makes one of its closer approaches to the earth, a so-called opposition. This indicates that Vesta and our world are on the same side of the sun and that since we are between them, we see old Sol and this little planet in opposite directions.

Of the quartet of minor planets just mentioned, Vesta is the only one that ever becomes faintly visible to the unaided eye. This seems surprising since two others excel it in size, Ceres con-

which are marked right ascensions and declinations, can easily find and follow Vesta for a few weeks from the figures given below, rearranged from Dr. Hugh Rice's regular Asteroid Notes in Popular Astronomy for May, 1949. Interpolations for dates between can easily be made.

On the first night of observation Vesta cannot likely be distinguished from various stars in the same field of view. Make a diagram of the arrangement of the brighter objects. By the next night, one will be out of place somewhat. This is Vesta. Its rate of motion is thus determined and its position for the following evening is easily predicted. The positions in right ascension and declination are:

June 12, 17h 26.0m, minus 18.1 degrees; June 20, 17h 13.9m, minus 18.4 degrees; June 28, 17h 2.7m, minus 18.6 degrees.

# Ladies Attend State Home Extension Meet

Central Howell — Marion county home extension committee members attending state council meeting recently in Corvallis included Mrs. Frank Way, chairman; Mrs. Ralph Mercer, vice chairman; Mrs. Richard Chittenden, treasurer; Mrs. Roland Seegar, Mrs. Grace Cramer, Mrs. James Keyes, Mrs. Josephine Fox, Miss Eleanor Trindle, H.D.A., and Miss Anne Bergholz, 4-H county leader. At the elections held on the last day Mrs. Josephine Fox was seated as first vice president of the state council.

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# 10 Salem Men To Be Honored

Ten members of the Salem Underwriters association will be honored June 17 at a luncheon meeting of the association to be held at the Senator hotel.

Chairman of the luncheon is Burton C. Selberg of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States. The awards will be presented by Gus Moore, secretary of the Salem Y.M.C.A. The 10 life underwriters will be given the National Quality Award in recognition of their

high standards of professional achievement in providing quality service to the insuring public. The Life Insurance Agency Management association and the National Association of Life Underwriters are the sponsors of the award, which was granted to more than 8000 life underwriters in the United States and Canada in 1948.

James M. Clark, Bankers Life of Iowa, and vice president of the Salem Association will preside at the meeting.

# Hubbard Legion Post Names New Officers

Hubbard—The American Legion post 166 elected new offi-

cers at their Wednesday night meeting, the last until fall. New officers are Veri Hershberger, commander; James Loop, vice commander; Duane Hatcher, adjutant and treasurer; A. O. Soderholm, chaplain; executive committee, Fred Strubhar, Soderholm, Forest Loop and John Stauffer. Delegates elected to the convention at Salem August 4, 5 and 6 are Hershberger, Hatcher and Levi Miller.

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