

East Salem Acreage Sold; Residents Welcome Visitors

East Salem, Aug. 15—One of the larger East Salem acreages sold this past week was that of Earl Wood on Lancaster drive, which includes the filbert orchard, the large new home and several acres to the north and east. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Capps of Salem are the new owners, and the Wood family moved to 1573 N. 19th street in Salem to a home which they bought some time ago.

Hop Harvest Given Start

Independence, Aug. 15—The 1949 hop harvest got under way in the Independence district this week with several of the smaller yards starting to pick the early varieties. Most of the larger yards will start on the earliest next week.

One of the three picking machines of Hop Harvester, Inc., located at the McLaughlin ranch was started Tuesday and the other two machines went into use Thursday. It was reported that the hop picking machines at A. J. Heaner ranch would be started Monday.

From all indications there will be plenty of work for several thousand pickers the next month in this district. With the added acreage of beans, (over 100 acres) which are just now reaching full picking, work will be plentiful.

The harvesting of the early crop should be completed within the next two weeks and will be followed by the late varieties which will be ready for harvest the later part of this month and the first of September. From all indications the late varieties will be better this year than the earlier.

The picking price for hops this year has been set at three cents a pound and harvesters should be able to earn some good money this year.

Most of the Independence merchants are taking hop tickets in trade again this year and pickers can readily buy their needs by cashing the tickets. Local stores are planning to keep longer hours and will be open on Sundays starting August 21.

Amity Judging Team Prepares for Season

Amity—Prof. Jesse G. Cronin, agriculture instructor, Amity high school, has completed a two week term of summer school at Oregon State college, and is preparing his stock judging team for competition at county fairs, Tillamook and Gresham. Seven members of the 11-man team from last year will participate this year. He will also draw some of this year's freshmen class to enter judging teams.

Woodburn Highway Mart Opening Soon

Woodburn—J. M. Hays and John Vigus, owners of the new Highway Market on the Pacific highway at Woodburn, expect to open their new place of business next weekend. They are also operators of the Canby Highway Market.

The new building adjoins the Bank of Oregon on the north and will have 6,000 square feet of floor space plus parking areas on all four sides of the store. Equipment and stock is now being placed in the store preparatory to the opening.

Baby Called Veteran Swimmer At Only Seven Months of Age

Los Angeles, Aug. 15 (AP)—Little Robin Leigh Whitford is a veteran swimmer—at the age of seven months.

If you think that's unusual, listen: She started learning by paddling in her bathinette, when she was but four days old! Robin put on a demonstration for photographers at the Ambassador hotel pool yesterday. Her swim coach, Mrs. Crystal Scarborough, tossed her in the pool.

Robin sank and a photographer started peeling off his coat. But the infant emerged without a splutter and swam to the edge of the pool, using a junior version of the Australian crawl.

Her mother, Mrs. Marie Whitford, said Robin can't yet crawl on a floor. But she's been swimming for three months. If placed on her back in the water, Robin will swim that way. She can travel about 30 feet.



Testimony from Hunt's Secretary—Mildred Ortmeier, secretary to James V. Hunt, watches William Rogers, chief counsel for senate investigating committee, check a point (Aug. 12) in a transcript of testimony she gave July 7 to committee and army investigators. Rogers read the transcript at the "five percent" probe session. Miss Ortmeier said she delivered to the office of Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughan, presidential aide, in the White House last spring a memorandum from Maj. Gen. Alden H. Waitt on the fitness of certain army officers to succeed Waitt as army chemical corps chief. (AP Wire-photo.)

State Fair Is Year-round Job

Production of the 84th annual Oregon State Fair in Salem, September 5 to 11, is a year around task for seven days full of geared activity. However, if years of experience mean a great performance, the 1949 exposition should be the best of them all.

Manager Leo Spitzbart first took over as fair head in 1935 although he had been associated with the State Fair for over a decade before assuming the top job. This will be his 14th year as fair manager.

His able assistant, Mrs. Ella Wilson, has been directly connected with the fair since 1915 and numbers thousands of Oregonian exhibitors and patrons among her friends. In the late 1920's, Mrs. Wilson served as secretary before the exposition became a part of the agricultural department.

John Graber, long time Salem resident, has been in charge of the fair's many miles of plumbing on the 167 acres of fairgrounds, since 1916. Damon Fleener who supervises the fair's electrical outlets first came on the fair scene in 1946 as did Joe Cook, who is the caretaker and overseer for all new fair construction. Art Keene, in charge of ground and building maintenance, also is a comparative newcomer, having first been employed in 1946.

Division heads, all of whom are veterans in their fair departments, include Joe Simeral, ticket sales manager, and Charles A. Evans, who heads the horse racing programs. Ben

RADIO BROADCASTS UNDER WATER

Portland Bathers Swim In Gallons of Danny Kaye

Portland, Ore., Aug. 15 (AP)—Bathers sat on the brink of the pool, paddling barefooted in 500,000 gallons of Danny Kaye today.

Sammy Taylor, a former navy sonar man and now a disc jockey (at Portland radio station KWJJ), put the name bands and vocalists of the nation totally under water when he installed amplifiers in the Jantzen beach park swimming pool.

The broadcast is audible to anybody with his head in the tank. Sun bathers can't hear a thing.

The amusement park operators found their convoys of summer swimmers increased 30 per cent, that life-saving lessons could be given to sub-surface bathers and that the deaf could swim and listen to radio.

Taylor insisted a nine-year-old went scampering off once with a pail full of Betty Hutton for his mother.

Still restless with the scheme, Taylor immersed the "mellow-larks" quartet and broadcast a song from the bottom of the pool. The mellow-larks wore diving helmets. One of them said that everytime he took a breath, water rose to his chin. Taylor failed with a submarine guitar strummer.

He said he got the idea while



Dental and Health Checkups Urged

Portland, Aug. 15 (AP)—The state health officer urged parents today to give youngsters medical and dental checkups before school starts.

Dr. Harold M. Erickson said children should be immunized against smallpox and diphtheria—or have booster shots if the immunization was done earlier.

stethoscope. Though the intensity can be built up to a point four feet above the water, it would damage a swimmer's eardrums.

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Physical examinations are particularly important for children entering the first grade, he said.

Eagle Contest Winners
Detroit, Aug. 15 (AP)—Results in contests held at the national convention of the Fraternal Order of Eagles announced today included: National quartet: first, Lorain, O.; second, Aurora, Ind.; third, Klamath Falls, Ore.

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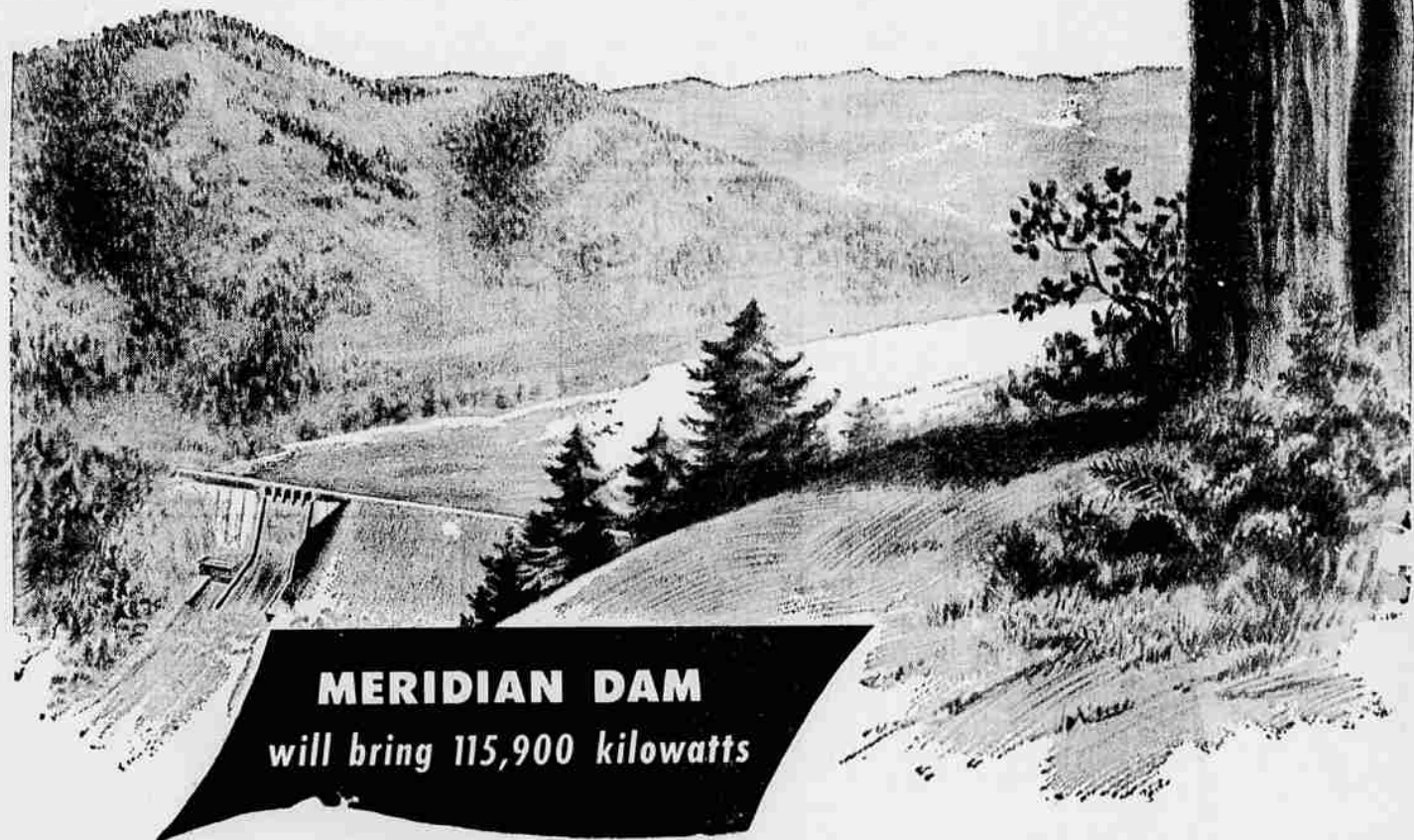
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In addition to the huge power dams being planned and built here in the Northwest, there are many smaller dams primarily designed for flood control and irrigation purposes. But these, too, have a valuable power potential. Such a one is Meridian Dam, which will be located on the Willamette River's middle fork, 22 miles southeast of Eugene in Lane County. Ultimately it will add 115,900 kilowatts for use in the Northwest Power Pool.

Under direction of the Army Engineers, railroad and highway relocation work is under way preparatory to actual construction of the

dam in 1950-51. Primarily a flood control dam of earth and gravel fill with concrete spillways, Meridian ultimately will have three main power units in operation.

Even these and other power sources proposed for development in the Pacific Northwest (a total of 10 million kilowatts) do not mean an immediate end to our need for more electricity. Big plans take time, and the next several winters—like the last one—may call for sparing use of electric power. However, as the great dams are built, adding new power little by little, the demand will be met.

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