



**Oil Is Taken From Shale Rock**—With scores of specially designed machines like this big, mobile drill, the U. S. bureau of mines believes it has licked the cost problem which has blocked the way to effective conversion of oil shale rock into usable oil. Improved mining methods and better extraction processes developed in experimental work here are thought to have insured the nation's gasoline supply for centuries to come, regardless of what may happen to the liquid petroleum reserves. This machine is in operation at Rifle, Colo. (AP Wirephoto)

### Infant's Death Brings Demand

Lebanon, Sept. 16—Petitions were being widely circulated in Lebanon Thursday requesting the mayor, council and police department to enforce all existing powers of the city to compel the fencing of mill ponds and other "attractive nuisances" within the city limits.

The move grew out of the drowning last night of 28-month old Dana Clifford Jensen, who wandered from his home and fell into a mill pond close by. A general alarm was sounded shortly after 8 p.m. Wednesday when the child had been missing for about two hours. Besides the police and fire departments, approximately 2000 people from the Lebanon area and Sweet Home joined in the search.

Parents of the child, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jensen are both employed and the child was being cared for in the home by a young girl.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. next Monday at the Howe-Huston chapel.

Other survivors beside the parents are the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Jensen of Utah, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Peterson of Nebraska, and a great grandfather, H. E. Linger of Nebraska.

### NEW PLAN BEING TESTED Farm Wages Vary With Prices in Sugar Cane Belt

By OVID A. MARTIN  
(Associated Press Farm Writer)

Washington, Sept. 16 (AP)—A plan under which hired workers share with their employers the ups and downs of farm product prices is taking hold in one segment of American agriculture.

The plan will be used the second successive season this year in setting the wage pattern for workers harvesting the Louisiana sugar cane crop.

If the sugar cane farm operator gets above a certain price for his raw sugar his workers get a bonus above set wage scales. If sugar prices drop below a specified level, workers take a wage cut.

The wage scheme was set up last year by the agriculture department under authority of sugar control legislation. Under this legislation the government pays subsidies to domestic producers, aimed primarily at helping them compete with lower-cost producing areas.

In return for this financial help, the sugar producer is required to pay workers not less than a minimum wage set by the department. The theory is that government benefits should be shared between the producer and his workers.

When the government first entered the sugar industry back in the depression of the early '30's, it set more or less rigid wage scales for sugar workers. These scales were based in large measure on prices and earnings of the previous season.

Often changing conditions caused wage rates to be out of line with producer earnings. Sometimes they worked to the advantage of the producer, sometimes to that of the worker.

Last year the department hit upon the idea of the adjustable wage scale. Reports indicate that it worked out satisfactorily. Anyway it will be used again this year.

Here is how the plan works: If the price of raw sugar is between \$5.60 and \$6 for 100 pounds, the worker gets the so-called "base" wage rate. That rate is \$3.50 a day, plus housing, medical attention, garden and similar requisites, for cane cutters.

For each full 10 cents that the price of raw sugar is above \$6 or below \$5.60, wage rates will increase or decrease 6.5 cents a day.

If the price of sugar averaged \$6.60 for 100 pounds, the day wage rate for cutters would be increased 39 cents above the base rate, to \$3.89.

Officials believe that this flexible wage principle could add to agricultural stability if used more extensively. But they do not have authority to set it up elsewhere.

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### Jury Returns 11 Indictments

The Marion county grand jury Thursday afternoon returned 11 indictments, three of them not true bills. All the accused in true bills are either on bail or in jail. Named in the indictments were:

William Hamilton, charged with assault with intent to commit rape; Cecil Gold, charged with rape; S. G. Bud Sheridan, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses; Percy Eugene McCarthy, Willard Pollard and David Masseur, all charged with larceny of tool boxes; Cecil Bradley, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses, and Oddie Oxford, indicted in connection with the attempted theft of a car.

Released on not true bills were Albert Brookhaver and Robert R. Wells who had been charged in connection with an attempted car theft and Noel Marion Cumbey who had been charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

### Save-Boeing Move Backed by McKay

Olympia, Wash., Sept. 16 (AP)—Seattle's save-Boeing move has the full support of Gov. Douglas McKay and people of Oregon, Gov. Langlie says.

Langlie was in Portland yesterday for a meeting of Columbia basin inter-agency committee. He said Oregon and Washington officials would join the federal government in a survey of power and flood control management of the river.

Turning to other matters, Langlie said Governor Luther Youngdahl of Minnesota had promised him two tickets for the University of Washington contest with the Gophers a week



### Sharon Lee Langdon, OSC, Football Queen

Berkeley, Calif., Sept. 15 (AP)—Sharon Lee Langdon, 19, Oregon State college coed, was elected football queen tonight in a University of California campus contest open to candidates from all far west schools.

Named at a coronation ball attended by nine candidates from as many western universities, she will lead Berkeley's annual football festival parade tomorrow night.

She also will reign over the opening football game Saturday between California and the University of Santa Clara.

**Tuna Prices Drop**  
Newport, Ore., Sept. 16 (AP)—Tuna prices are at new postwar

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### East Salem Club Members Are Resuming Activities

East Salem, Sept. 16—Only a few of the East Salem social groups are having their first fall meeting in September. The Amite club of Middle Grove community held their first fall meeting in the home of Mrs. William Scharf. A short business meeting was conducted by the new president, Mrs. Wilbur Wilson.

Serving on the entertainment committee were Mrs. Paul Smith and Mrs. Peterson. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Harry Scharf, Mrs. Emory Goode and Mrs. Lena Bartruff. Guests were Mrs. William Massey, Mrs. Vent, Mrs. Clement, mother of Mrs. Norman Fletcher, who is visiting here from the state of Maine; and Yvonne Goode. Other members present were Mrs. John Anglin, Mrs. Theo Kuenzi, Mrs. Mildred Hammer, Mrs. Harris Ault, Mrs. Lewis Patterson, Mrs. John VanLaanen, Mrs. Fletcher and Mrs. Lee Dow.

Auburn—Mrs. Bernard Kenney was hostess for the meeting of the Monroe Sewing club held at her home Wednesday afternoon. In attendance were Mrs. Glenn Moody, Mrs. Wilfred Wilber, Mrs. John Meier, Mrs. Arthur Stowell, Mrs. Stewart Johns, Mrs. Henry Hanson, a guest, Mrs. Edwin Saddle and son Wayne. Birthday honors were presented to Mrs. Roy Fowler, Mrs. Hugh Williams, Mrs. Glenn Moody and Mrs. Loran Richey.

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