

Women from Over County At Home Makers Festival

By MARIAN LOWRY FISCHER

More than 700 women were on hand by noon Saturday for the 8th annual Marion county Homemakers' Festival conducted in Salem senior high school, with others coming in for the luncheon served in the cafeteria.

Strike Ties Up Detroit Traffic

Detroit, April 24 (AP)—A surprise walkout of bus and streetcar drivers today tied up all municipal transportation in Detroit.

Mayor Albert E. Cobo called it "a strike against the public." He acted at once to invoke a state law that forbids strikes by public servants and permits their dismissal as a penalty.

"Detroit will meet this crisis and beat it as Detroit has met such conditions in the past," the mayor declared.

The walkout shortly before 4 a.m. (EST) climaxed a dispute over wages.

Strikers are members of the AFL's Streetcar and Bus Operators union. First to walk off the job were night crews among the 3,700 drivers. They were called off the job as buses and street cars rolled into the big barns.

Thousands of workers on night shifts were left stranded. Motorists immediately started a share-the-ride program.

The full impact on defense and auto production in this strategic industrial center of 1,600,000 people, however, would not be felt until Monday.

The bus and street car operators voted Tuesday by a 4-1 margin to authorize a strike of the municipally owned system.

Radio's Rochester Has Horse Trouble

Hollywood, April 21 (AP)—Eddie Anderson, Rochester of the Jack Benny radio show, had horse trouble today on top of his woes with his Boss Maxwell. The Walnut Acres Thoroughbred Farms, Inc., filed suit against the Negro comedian yesterday for \$3,591. The farms charged Anderson failed to pay the feed bill for some of his race horses.

If a living body were taken above 55,000 feet altitude without protection, the water vapor in it would boil.

TEENAGE TROUBLE

Survey Shows TV Pushes Kids from Books, Movies

By PAUL F. ELLIS

(United Press Science Editor)

New York, April 21 (AP)—A new survey showed today that teen-age youths are reading less and skipping more movies—all because of television.

The survey, conducted by Dr. Paul Witty, Northwestern university professor of education, also showed that boys and girls become less enthusiastic about television as they grow older.

Witty's results were based on a study of boys and girls in Oak Park and River Forest, Ill., two Chicago suburbs. He found that 44 per cent of the teen-agers now attend movies less frequently than before television. He also found that one-third of the students read less, although those who do read are reading better material.

He said the most ardent television fans are those in the sophomore group and that some of the enthusiasm wears off as the students reach the junior and senior classes.

"Among the 64 per cent whose families own television sets," he said, "it was found that the average sophomore views TV about 18 hours a week, juniors 14 hours and seniors, 12 hours."

Witty said the survey showed only about 30 per cent of the parents maintain regular viewing schedules in the home. Many students, he said, are permitted to view the programs irregularly, during any hours which are otherwise unoccupied. Fifty per cent were encouraged to view TV programs only after completion of school home work.

Witty also asked teachers about television and found most of the instructors admitted educational possibilities of television. They recommended that viewings should be guided and supervised.

winners in the table centerpiece contest. There were 30 units setting up centerpieces that were used to deck the tables for the luncheon.

Sidney-Talbot entry won first place in this contest. One of the requirements for the contest was to feature home community interests and industries in the theme. The Sidney-Talbot one featured the mint grown in that section. In the center was a large striped peppermint candy stick, representing the candle for the centerpiece. At either side was a low arrangement of a silvered heart-shaped container filled with mint leaves and brodered with blue flowers to represent the mint in flower.

Turner took second place in the centerpiece contest; Labish Center, third; Stayton, fourth; Pringle, fifth with Lansing Neighbors and Four Corners given honorable mention.

A program was given during the morning in the school auditorium, featuring greetings from Miss Lucy Lane, extension clothing specialist, Oregon State college; a talk on "Letting Out the Seams of Our Thinking," by Mrs. Edgar F. Leming of Cornelius, state president of the Oregon Home Economics Extension council, who reported on the conference of Associated Country Women of the World which she attended in Copenhagen, Denmark. Dr. A. L. Strand, president of Oregon State college, was slated to speak in the afternoon, discussing family life in the Philippines. He and Mrs. Strand were guests at the luncheon as were County Judge Rex Hartley and County Commissioners Roy Rice and E. L. Rogers.

Set up in the entrance hallway at the building were various displays from extension units. Especially popular among the exhibits was the elaborate one set up by Pratum-Macleay presenting ideas on gift wrapping. Another drawing much comment was the North Howell display, "Accessories for the Home," a living room scene being set up to show use of furniture and knick-knacks. Several food and cooking exhibits also were shown, as well as some on sewing—Roberts unit presenting one of the latter on tailored garments, the Marion unit one on glove making.

Representatives from 35 home extension units in the county were at the festival.

Non-Manual Workers Condemn Argentine

Brussels, Belgium, April 21 (AP)—The world congress of non-manual workers adopted today a resolution condemning recent actions against the press in Argentina and Spain "as a major menace to the peace and freedom of all the people of the world."

The resolution specially was aimed at the Argentine government's seizure of La Prensa and the Spanish government's withdrawal of reporting privileges from Sam Pope Brewer of the New York Times. It was introduced by Harry Martin, president of the American Newspaper Guild, and Arnold S. Zander of the American federation of state, county and municipal employes.

Other chairmen named by Sims were: A. J. Wilson, berry exhibit; Oliver Larson, publicity program; Tom Anderson, street dance; Ken Sims, decoration; Elmer Fitzgerald, construction; Chief Ben Scheele, police; Kenneth Fuller, streets; Virgil Reeves, machinery exhibit; Paul Southworth, industrial; Mrs. Ivan Ayers, flower show.

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Gen. Ridgway Inspects 40th Division—Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway (second from left) accompanied by Asst. Secretary of Army Earl D. Johnson, inspects personnel of the newly-arrived 40th division from California at Sendai, Japan. It was the general's first inspection trip in Japan since he succeeded General Douglas MacArthur. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Tokyo)

Strawberry Festival Plans Outlined at Kickoff Dinner

Lebanon—Kick-off dinner for the 39th Strawberry festival recently drew the largest attendance of committee chairmen and co-chairmen in local fair history, according to Kenneth Sims, president of the fair board.

Lebanon's traditional festival, now one of the oldest in Oregon, will be held June 8-9. Activities will center on W. Sherman street between Main and Third, thus providing normal flow of through traffic on both one-way streets.

"Planning this year is far ahead of schedule," said L. E. Arnold, manager of the Lebanon fair for the past 12 years. "The energy and initiative displayed by committee heads indicates that the 39th will be the most successful in the fair's long history."

An introduction that drew much applause was that of J. C. Mayer, board treasurer. He has been an active promoter of the annual affair since its initial year in 1909.

The traditional attraction at Lebanon is the 5000-pound short-cake, which is served free to all comers on the first day at noon. Clarence Shimanek, local baker who originated the mammoth delicacy, stated that fresh berries and soft ice cream will be served with the cake.

Queen's Ball June 1
Wendell Gronso, heading the Jaycee queen's committee, set the queen's ball date for Friday, June 1, at the Roll-A-Rena, with tickets going on sale April 21. At this annual event, final choice for queen will be made between the ten princesses.

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Minister Sandor Zold Replaced by Hazi

Budapest, Hungary, April 21

(AP)—Minister of the Interior Sandor Zold was released from his post and replaced by Arpad Hazi, 43, president of the state control office, newspapers reported this morning.

The brief announcement did not say why Zold was dismissed. He is a member of the politburo, highest policy-making body of Hungary's communist party. Hazi the new minister, is a member of the party's central leadership.

registered Holstein dairy herd at the death of his father, Walter Brog, who had built the herd up until it was outstanding in Oregon. Mrs. Freda Brog assumed the leadership of the Thrifty Livestock club when her

Brog Returns to OSC

Lincoln—The 4-H Thrifty Livestock club lost a leader

when FFA Member Jerry Brog resigned recently to return to Oregon State college to continue his studies which were interrupted when he came home to take full responsibility of the

ADD FILM FABLES

Advisor Says Hollywood Distorts Foreign Legion

By BOB THOMAS

Hollywood, April 21 (AP)—Lately I've found that technical advisors are more interesting than actors.

I hope the Screen Actors guild doesn't get mad at me for saying that, but I must confess it's true. You'll see what I mean when I introduce you to the latest technical advisor I've met—Lt. Louis Van den Ecker.

He is a man with a rugged face and a European accent (he's a native of Alsace). He advises on all kinds of historical pictures, from "The Life of Emil Zola" to "Anna and the King of Siam." But his specialty is the French Foreign Legion. He was a member of the legion from 1908 to 1915 and he says that it's not quite the same as it is presented in the movies.

"The films often show the legion as full of renegades and criminals," he observed. "That isn't true. If a criminal tried to gain entrance into the legion, he wouldn't be allowed in. Or if he did get in, he would soon be dismissed, and two gendarmes would be waiting to arrest him outside the gate."

"The Foreign Legion gets most of its men because of world conditions. They are mostly men seeking escape for political reasons. By studying the nationalities in the legion over the years, you can see the history of the world. For instance, after the Russian revolution, many Russians joined. After Germany was defeated in the first war, it was the Germans.

"Generally, the Germans make up 64 percent of the legion. There have been very few British or Americans, despite what you see in the movies. During my time, I knew of only one man from the Americas, and he was an Argentine."

Van den Ecker often hears from would-be actors who want to get into Foreign Legion films. They say they are Frenchmen

and have served in the legion. He dismisses them immediately. "There are no Frenchmen in the Foreign Legion," he explained, "although a few might get in by claiming they are Swiss."

"The legion is not run by beatings," he said. "It is more likely that a soldier would hit an officer than vice versa. The officers do not gain obedience by their fists, but by engendering a camaraderie. I try to have fight scenes in which the soldier and officer take off their uniforms and settle their differences on an even basis."

Van den Ecker has been advisor on 70 films, from the original "Beau Geste" to the recent "Abbott and Costello in the Foreign Legion." "About all I did on that one was show the soldiers how to line up," he admitted. "They weren't too interested in accuracy." I asked him why the movies have dwelt so much on the legion.

"I guess because there seems to be a lot of glamor about it," he opined. "And also there is dramatic value in throwing so many nationalities together."

He often hears from legionnaires who have criticisms of his movies. One sharp-eyed observer complained that a film showed troops riding two-humped camels, native to Asia.

"We tried to hide the other hump," Van de Ecker explained. "We couldn't get enough dromedaries."

Group Watches Defense Costs

Washington, April 21 (AP)—A powerful new seven-man "watchdog" subcommittee has been set up to keep an eye on the way the armed forces spend their billions.

Chairman Vinson (D., Ga.), of the house armed services committee announced the move and said the group will have authority to investigate all phases of procurement by the army, navy, air force and marines.

This subcommittee, headed by Rep. Herbert (D., La.), is comparable to the Truman senate committee of World War II days, President Truman, then a senator, headed that committee. It made headlines checking into military buying.

The new house subcommittee has subpoena powers and the authority to put witnesses under oath. An investigation staff headed by John J. Courtney, attorney formerly with the department of justice, will aid in its work.

Herbert said the subcommittee's main objective will be to "keep the horse in the stable" rather than investigating after something has gone wrong. Herbert declined to discuss, ahead of the organization meeting, what inquiries will be tackled first.

Park at Dallas Open Saturday

Dallas—The city park will be opened to the public by the week-end, according to J. R. Allgood, chairman of the park board, who reported to the council meeting this week.

He said that rest rooms have been remodeled, and all facilities are in good shape to accommodate the public with the exception of the swimming pool, which underwent irreparable damage by Rickreall creek during the winter.

The park has been a major attraction to Dallas during summer months for many years.

Wallace Cobine's appointment to the city police force to fill a vacancy was confirmed by the council. Cobine is taking an evening shift and has already started his duties.

Mayor Hollis Smith announced the appointment of Otto Adolf, J. M. Leitch and C. F. Dunn to the city budget committee. Adolf and Leitch succeed themselves and Dunn replaces Clark S. Enz, who has moved away.

Wanda Hendrix Gets Final Divorce Decree

Hollywood, April 21 (AP)—Pefite Film Star Wanda Hendrix pocketed her final divorce decree today, clearing the way just in time for her former husband, Audie Murphy, to marry Airline Hostess Pamela Archer.

Murphy, 26, most decorated hero of World War II, plans to remarry Monday in Dallas, Tex. Miss Hendrix, won an interlocutory divorce decree April 14, 1950, on testimony that he criticized her in public and even took exception to "the expression on my face."

The couple was married in January, 1949.

While Mac Speaks at Capitol Nichols Strolls Through Zoo

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Disrespectful as it may seem, I went out to the Washington zoo on MacArthur day in the capitol. (The general apparent didn't mind.)

I talked with the birds and the bees and with my old friend Doc Bill Mann, the head keeper. We made the rounds.

First we visited "Amvet," a two-year-old lion which was donated to the zoo by the veterans of World War II. "Amvet" was found a-snooze, blissfully ignorant of the fact that a five-star general was speaking before the congress and collecting the acclaim of a million people in a parade down famed Pennsylvania avenue.

\$207 Million for Reclamation

Washington, April 21 (AP)—The house appropriations committee today recommended \$207,190,000 for reclamation construction and rehabilitation work in the year starting July 1.

This was a cut of \$16,500,000 below the president's budget request of \$223,690,000 and some \$85,000,000 less than was originally voted for this year.

The committee recommended a total of \$233,575,000 for the reclamation bureau, compared with a request for \$252,075,000. A total of \$268,544,000 was made available for the bureau this year, after economy cutbacks Congress originally voted \$325,494,000.

Oak wilt, a fungus disease has killed oak trees in 11 U.S. states.

Lee, the orangutan, gave off a lot of gibberish as we approached his cage. Lee and the doc are fast friends since Mann hand-fed him when he was a baby.

Lee had no comment, either. The pigmy hippo, Gumdorf the 12th, was too tired and disinterested in the affairs of the world event to grunt as we passed by his waterhole.

There was a happy fellow. No loans due, no lend-lease to worry about. No family to support.

Jenny, the firsage, had her neck over the wire fence looking for a tree to chew on. Finding none within reach, she backed onto her haunches and chawed what she had in her mouth.

Ashok, one of the few male elephants in the country, had only one thing on his mind. Water-squirting. He did a pretty good job on Doc and me.

From there Doc Mann and I visited the camels, the llamas, and snakes.

For a sultry day and with big things going on downtown, the attendance was pretty good. As many small fry as you'll find on any week-day were on hand.

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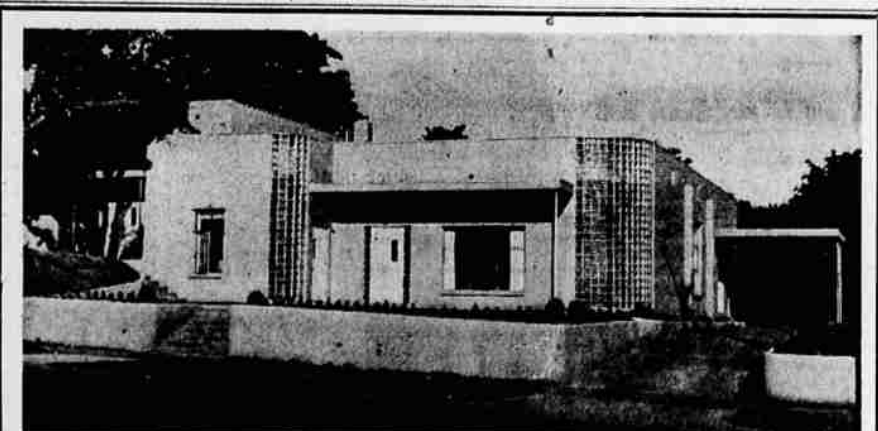
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