

Sidelights of The Trip To Youth Conference

(Continued from last week)

There were approximately 13,000 people at this conference. This filled the huge auditorium on the main floor where we heard the speakers of the conference. Every morning there was rising at 10:15 a worship service, a talk, then reports from the delegates to Oslo, then another speaker took his place to close the meeting. On the last morning we had our commitment service where Dr. E. Stanley Jones spoke. In the evening the play, "The Mighty Dream," in which a future of good will between nations and races was the main point, was presented. After the play there was an informal reception in the Exhibit Hall where everyone met everyone and sang songs, then went back to the auditorium for our watch night service, where the elements of communion were passed and at 12:00 o'clock everyone took communion at the same time. I don't know how to describe 13,000 people sitting in silent meditation.

Thursday evening we were privileged to hear the great Negro Tenor, Roland Hayes. This was one of the most important sessions of the whole conference. Everyone was thrilled and the great Auditorium was hushed. If you have ever heard Roland Hayes, you will know what I mean when I say it was wonderful. The commitment service brought a new outlook to the lives of many. Decisions were made and I believe that they will be kept. We have come home to do a big job, to help others begin.

Our afternoons were taken up by various classes. We found many things to bring back to our local groups to help them along. The inspiration that we received there, I believe, will mean much progress not only in our local communities, and our nation; but in the world as well.

At the conference there were many nationals. Some came in native dress. A few of the countries represented were Korea, Cuba, India, The Philippines, China, The Indies, Sweden and others.

On the way home we summed it up as one of the greatest fellowships, it had ever been our privilege to be a part of. We said that the relationship between the white and negro delegate were wonderful. We had

friends of all races, it did not matter if your skin was a different color. We were there for one purpose, "Christ Above All." Anyone who reads this "Motto," will have to stop and think. It's going to be a great and wonderful job to follow it.

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Annual Conservation Education Award

An award for outstanding service in behalf of conservation education will be made by the National Association of Conservation Education and Publicity it is announced by C. A. Lockwood, state game supervisor.

Details of this annual award, the first one of which is to be made in 1948, have just been made public by a special committee representing the National Education and Publicity organization which comprises practically all of the Conservation and Fish and Game Departments in the nation. Any North American individual or organization is eligible for the award, which will cover services rendered in furtherance of conservation education for a period of twelve months prior to June 1, 1948, on which date nominations will close.

Three of the nation's leading conservation leaders will serve as judges. The award winner will be announced and will be presented with an appropriate plaque at the annual convention of the National Association of Conservation Education and Publicity to be held in September in the State of Ohio.

The awards committee who will receive the nomination include Isaac J. Chapman, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Department, chairman; William W. Weeks, Florida Game

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Nitrogen Still Scarce; Prompt Orders advised

A less plentiful supply of nitrogen fertilizer this year than any time during the past three years is predicted by Arthur S. King, soils specialist of the O.S.C. extension service, even though production is greater than ever before and there is no longer any diversion for war purposes.

"Farmers are using more fertilizer and available supplies are falling far short of demand," King explains. "The shortage of fertilizer is not confined to any one section of this country. It is world wide."

As to straight nitrogen fertilizers, however, the northwest is in a more favorable position than any other section of the country, according to King. The government-owned fertilizer plant at Salem, now operated under lease by the Columbia Metals corporation, has been a big factor in maintaining a nitrogen supply in this area.

To assist the plant at Salem in planning production schedules and

for protection to themselves, growers and dealers will be wise in ordering fertilizer supplies this year well in advance of actual need, King states.

Originally the production of this plant was earmarked by the government for use by farmers in the three northwest states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. This limitation no longer exists, King states, but company officials have indicated a desire to supply local needs first.

While ammonium sulfate has been available in substantial quantities in this area through the Salem plant, in the south and east the only nitrogen available to farmers has been in the form of complete fertilizers. Where only nitrogen is needed, the cost of complete fertilizers is several times that of straight nitrogen alone.

Burns by Jackson To Be Featured Soon in Sat. Post

Oregon State College—The little city of Burns, Ore., will break into the national spotlight in the pages of the January 31 issue of Saturday Evening Post as the result of the successful effort of E. R. Jackman, O.S.C. extension farm crops specialist, to get a "break" for American's small towns.

Jackman, who has worked in rural

Oregon for close to 28 years, offered Editor Ben Hibbs of the Post a story of Burns as a part of the series on American cities that magazine has been running for the past year or so.

"Even a hasty survey of our literature and art seems to indicate that if we have any truly national culture it stems from the small town and the nearby farm," says Jackson. "There individuality grows, flowers and bears strange fruit—sometimes just odd, other times laughable, but always interesting."

The article, to be well illustrated, consists mostly of anecdotes that Jackman has accumulated around Burns and elsewhere which he recounts in illustrating various phases of everyday life in this part of rural Oregon.



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