

Director Tells of Anderson's Work at Niger, Africa, Post

Work planned for Nels C. Anderson in Niger, West Africa, is explained by Dr. Delmer J. Dooly, executive director of the Near East Foundation, in a release to the Gazette-Times.

The Andersons now have arrived in Niger where he will be team leader of the foundation's technicians assigned to the agricultural project in that country.

Anderson, an agricultural expert for two decades, will advise and assist in developing agricultural extension services in rural areas, where the agents will work with farmers to help solve their specific local problems. Crops and methods must be suited to a very light rainfall, since most of Niger lies in the Sahara Desert. Anderson's headquarters will be in Niamey, the capital.

A second Foundation technician, Fred R. Weber of Boise, Idaho, is already in Niger working with a reforestation program. Niger has been heavily deforested and is especially short of firewood, which is badly needed in towns.

Gives Technical Aid
Near East Foundation, America's oldest private organization in technical assistance and rural development, helps people of emerging nations learn to manage a home, breed better animals, cultivate crops suited to peculiar conditions, plant trees for income and erosion control,

drill wells for uncontaminated water, develop teacher-training schools and agricultural colleges and establish local industries for slack periods.

Anderson began his career in 1942 as an agricultural extension agent in Fort Yates, N. Dak. In 1943, he worked on his father's farm in Englevale, N. D., and later that year took up extension work again in Amidon and Bowman, both in North Dakota. In 1946, Anderson transferred to Morrow county, where he worked as an agricultural

Report from Africa Slated Next Week

Interesting reports from both Nels and Esther Anderson have arrived at the Gazette-Times, telling of their adventures and first experiences in Niger, Africa. Because of lack of space and time, they cannot be printed this week, but will be in next week's paper.

extension agent until this year. Anderson, 47, was born in Englevale, N. D., and was graduated from Elliott High school in Elliott, N. D. He received his B. S. degree from the North Dakota State College of Agriculture and has attended two summer sessions in his field at Colorado State University.

Anderson's wife, Esther Barbara, originally of Elliott, N. D., and four of the couple's seven children, Richard, 8, Nelson, 15, and twins Douglas and David, 18, are with Anderson in Niger. Three other children, Jerry, 21, Connie (Mrs. Gary Linton of Randon), 23, and Carole (Mrs. Michael Rogers of Orem, Utah), 24, will stay in the United States.

Near East Foundation, by contract with AID, began work last year in six former French colonies or trusts, including Niger. The others are Cameroon, Central African Republic, Dahomey, Malagasy Republic (formerly Madagascar), and Upper Volta.

Celebrates Anniversary
Near East Foundation, celebrating its 50th anniversary, has its roots in the Armenian Committee, which was launched on September 16, 1915, to meet the emergency wartime needs of Southeast Europe and the Near East. The United States Congress chartered the organization as Near East Relief in 1919. Dr. Dooly said.

"By the late 1920's, when the crisis in the Near East was subsiding, the program had collected \$118 million and had rescued and rehabilitated hundreds of thousands of refugees," he added. By that time it was being suggested that the greater need for all the people of the Near East was for a long-range program of teaching trades and skills which could be applied immediately to rural development. A study team sent to the field recommended a sharp departure in policy: that dollars formerly spent on relief now be invested in highly trained technicians who would offer nothing but the gift of knowledge. "To reflect the change in poli-

cy, the Board of Directors incorporated Near East Foundation and adopted a motto now familiar to almost everyone: 'Helping People to Help Themselves.' The Foundation was to become the blueprint for later programs of self-help foreign aid, including the technical services of the United Nations and the United States Peace Corps."

Governments Request Aid
Near East Foundation is sending technicians overseas only at the request of governments, only when the governments provide most of the men and materials, and only when the governments are ready to assume full responsibility for the projects once the Foundation finishes its job of training local leaders, the director pointed out.

The value of such assistance is seen not so much in what happens in the village or few villages in which Near East Foundation works, as in what takes place in hundreds of villages which follow the example once the success of the pilot project is observed and the word gets out.

"President Truman himself paid tribute to Near East Foundation's pioneering work in foreign aid during his June, 1950, speech calling for a massive program of Point Four Aid. The President lauded both the Foundation's concept of self-help, and Near East with a minimum of the vast changes wrought in the Foundation assistance," Dr. Dooly said.

"Today Near East Foundation is busier than ever, but requests for assistance continue to exceed resources. The Foundation depends almost entirely on annual contributions and legacies from almost 20,000 Americans. "In 50 years the Foundation has helped 23 countries in Europe, Asia, and Africa. Its largest current projects are in Jordan and Iran."

New Club Wheat, Due for Release

Good news for both wheat growers and millers in the Pacific Northwest is the planned release of a new white club winter wheat that is resistant to stripe rust.

The new wheat, named Moro, was developed by the Oregon State University Agricultural Experiment Station in cooperation with the Agricultural Research Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. It is being released jointly by OSU, Washington State University and USDA.

Chief advantage of the new club wheat over Omar, the variety of white club that has been generally known in Eastern Oregon, is its resistance to stripe rust disease, according to Acting Dean and Director of the OSU Experiment Station, Wilbur T. Cooney. Moro is also resistant to both dwarf and common bunt. It gives a high yield of flour which produces good pastry products.

BOWLING

Commercial		
Name of Team	W	L
St. Patrick's Church	6	2
Bank of EO	5	3
A. L. Daggett, Dist.	5	3
IOOF	5	3
First Nat'l Bank	3	5
Willow Creek Country Club	3	5
Heppner Studs	3	5
Gardner's Men's Wear	2	6
High Team Series—A. L. Daggett, Dist. 2909; High Ind. Series—Dave Eckman, 568; High Team Game, A. L. Daggett, Dist. 1009; High Ind. Game—Bill Stewart, 215.		

City		
Name of Team	W	L
Heppner Nor Gas	13	3
Morgan Elevator	12 1/2	3 1/2
Highlanders	10 1/2	5 1/2
Groves Const.	9	7
Piesta Bowl	6	10
Masons	5 1/2	10 1/2
Helikers	4 1/2	11 1/2
Farley Motor	3	13
High Ind. Game—Larry Prock, 203; High Ind. Series—Art Dyck, 555; High Team Game—Morgan Elevator, 973; High Team Series—Morgan Elevator, 2882.		

Pin Spinners		
Name of Team	W	L
Peterson Jewelry	10	2
Bank of EO	7	5
Dels Market	7	5
Jack's Chevron	6 1/2	5 1/2
No. 8	5	7
Bristow's	5	7
Elma's Apparel	5	7
Elks	2	10
High Ind. Game—JoAnn Dyck, 185; High Ind. Series—JoAnn Dyck, 469; High Team Game—Bristow's Market, 839; High Team Series—Peterson Jewelry, 2480.		

Commercial League		
Team	W	L
St. Patrick's	10	2
Bank of EO	8	4
First National Bank	7	5
IOOF	6	6
A. L. Daggett	5	7
Willow Creek Club	5	7
Heppner Studs	5	7
Gardner's Men's Wear	2	10
High Ind. Game—Bill Scrivner, 199; High Ind. Series—Bill Johnson, 526; High Team Game—Bank of Eastern Oregon, 1028; High Team Series—Bank of Eastern Oregon, 2831.		

Pin Spinners		
Team	W	L
Bank of EO	11	5
Del's Market	11	5
Peterson's Jewelry	10	6
Jack's Chevron	9 1/2	6 1/2
Elma's Apparel	8	8
Bristow's	6	10
No. 8	6	10
Elks	2 1/2	13 1/2
High Ind. Game—JoAnn Dyck, 176; High Ind. Series—Mabel Heath, 462; High Team Game—Bank of Eastern Oregon, 904; High Team Series—Bank of Eastern Oregon, 2513.		

Ex-lone Pastor, Publisher Dies On September 16

William Wilkie Head, who at one time was pastor of the Congregational church at Ione for eight years and during which time he published the Ione Independent, died September 16 at the age of 98 at Cathlamet, Wn.

Funeral services were in the Cathlamet Congregational church Monday, September 20, with Dr. Archie Hook, president of the Northwest Congregational conference from Seattle, officiating.

A pioneer minister and teacher, he was born December 21, 1866, at Jacksonville, eldest of nine children. His father was John A. Head who migrated from Ohio to participate in the Sterling Strike near Jacksonville, and his mother was Mathilda Middaugh Paige, a young teacher who came around the Horn from Indiana for their marriage in 1865.

Head's early education was at Puget Sound Academy at Coupeville, Wn., where he was a member of the first graduating class of this institution. During his young manhood he engaged in logging and then embarked on a teaching career. He became principal of schools in South Seattle and later in Kent, Wn., where he met and married, in 1899, Eliza De Pree Flier, also a teacher who had come west from Gibon, Neb., in 1890.

He continued in the education profession over a period of 40 years. In 1906 he became an ordained minister and held his first pastorate in Malby, Wn. He accepted the Cathlamet pastorate in 1910 where he had served earlier as school principal. He also held various Wahkiakum county offices, including clerk, school superintendent and treasurer.

While at Ione he was featured in Ripley's "Believe It Or Not" column as the "One Man Town" for his work in many civic positions there. Following these years he accepted a pastorate at Granite Falls, Wn., and after two years returned to the Cathlamet pastorate in 1936, continuing there until his retirement in 1947.

Surviving are the wife, Eliza Head; three sons, James V. Head, Portland, and David F. Head, and William D. Head, both of The Dalles; three daughters, Mrs. Mildred H. Laughlin of Kelso, Wn., Mrs. Alice H. Linn and Mrs. Mary E. Borigo, both of The Dalles; seven grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Good Squad Out In Cross Country

Nine Heppner High school athletes are out for cross country this fall as the school swings into its first full-scale emphasis on the sport. Coach Don McClure reports.

Seven meets are scheduled, with the first coming on Friday, October 1, at Pendleton with Pendleton and Walla Walla. A meet with Pendleton and Wah-tonka is scheduled October 14, and one with Pendleton and Kennewick October 19. District meet will be at Pendleton October 29. Meets with The Dalles, Hermiston and Burns are also on tap but dates have not been set, Coach McClure said. In the cases of the larger schools, Heppner's varsity will be competing with their jayvees.

Tim Smith, junior, leads the Heppner squad as a fine cross country runner who already has one victory this year behind him. Other juniors out are Lennie Hanna, Allyn Witherrite, Steve Baker and Mac Hoskins. Three sophomores are participating, including Bill McLeod, Jim Sherman and Randy Stillman. One freshman, Rick Witherrite, is also on the squad.

Early meets will be run over a "hill and dale" course of 1.8 miles, but later meets will cover 2.5 miles, the coach said. Those who score sufficient points during the season will receive letters in the sport. Coach McClure is handling the sport in addition to his other duties because of his interest in it, and is not being paid for it.

Boys and girls from 9 to 19 years of age are invited to join a 4-H Club during National 4-H Club Week, Sept. 25 through Oct. 2.

Girls to Sell Bulbs To Aid Blind School

Rainbow Girls of Ione will sell flower bulbs in Bristow's store, Ione, Saturday in a project to aid the State School for the Blind. Included in the sale will be hyacinths, daffodils, crocuses and tulips.

They also plan a door-to-door sale there. All proceeds will go to the school. Bulbs will be sold at \$1 per box.

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