

## Sampling of Farmers Shows Two-Thirds In Favor of Benson

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Farm Management magazine said today first returns of its poll of 50,000 western farmers indicates that nearly two-thirds think Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson is doing a good job.

The vote was strictly along party lines, with 65 per cent of the 4,000 first returns declaring the Republican Party this year, showing 64.5 per cent for Benson, against 34 per cent for the

Democratic Party with 35.5 opposing Benson.

**Favor Soil Bank**  
The magazine, which is aimed at the "big" farmer rather than the small individual, said the survey showed most western farmers take a dim view of price supports, favor soil bank restriction and divide on the question of restricting federal payments to farmers with certain annual income levels.

The continuing compilation of returns beyond the first 4,000 show no significant changes in percentage figures, the magazine said.

Survey questionnaires were mailed to 212,437 "commercial" farms with incomes of \$1,200 a year or better in the seven western states—Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

**More Questionnaires Due**  
A magazine spokesman said another 50,000 questionnaires on the same subject will be mailed out this week to give nearly 50 per cent sampling.

The questionnaire asked "do you think the secretary of agriculture 1—is doing a good job? 2—is not doing a good job?" A random sample of 300 questionnaires from among the 4,000, separated by political party preference, gave this breakdown:

Democrat: Opposed to Benson 87½ per cent; pro-Benson 12¼ per cent.

Republican: Pro-Benson 89 per cent; opposed to Benson 11 per cent.

### Grange

**Shady Cove Grange**

A potluck supper preceded the Shady Cove Grange social meeting Feb. 22. Master Elsie and Reuben Cook of the Illinois Valley Grange were guests.

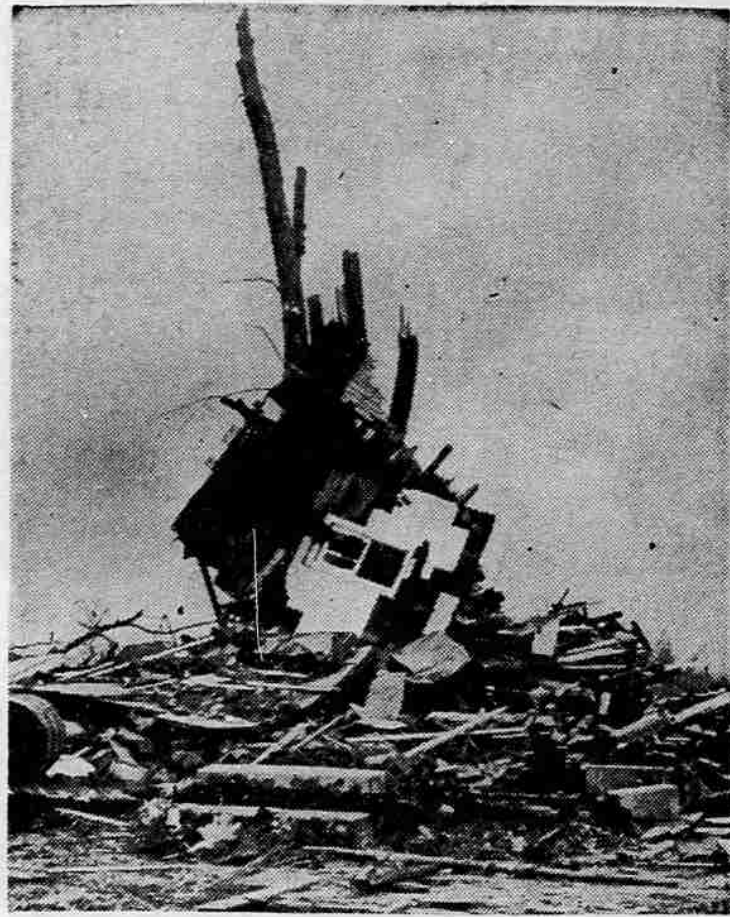
Master Cecil Kee conducted a short business meeting. Most of the lecture hour was taken up by officers' practice. Little Cecilia Kee entertained with dance numbers and Group singing was enjoyed by all the members.

The Grange was represented at the Friendship Follies held in Medford recently by the Travis Littlefields.

Mrs. Ed Houston and Mrs. Phil Motchenbacher niece reported ill.

Several of the HEC ladies spent the day Feb. 20 at the Littlefield home making new pillows and quilts to have ready for emergency use in case of fire or flood disaster.

The next regular HEC meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Lewis Dusenberry March 13. A desert luncheon will be served at 1 p.m.



**MIDWEST HIT BY TORNADOES**—This house was ripped apart and blown up against a tree at Summerfield, Ill. The winds killed six in Illinois' St. Clair County. At least a score were injured and property damage ran into "millions of dollars."

## Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

London—Prime Minister Anthony Eden on atomic warfare: "I observe that Soviet leaders sometimes say that the use of the hydrogen bomb would mean the end of capitalism but not of Communism. I think that is a fantastic illusion."

United Nations, N.Y.—Secretary Dag Hammarskjold on the Middle East crisis: "I do not see any reason for panicky reactions."

London — Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd on Soviet arms shipments to the Middle East: "Since the invasion of Korea no other single action has done more to bring nearer the danger of war."

Milwaukee, Wis.—Boyce Brown, alto saxophone jazzman, on his physical preparation as a lay brother of the Servite Fathers, Order of the Servants of Mary:

"I began taking jobbing dates, so that I could get used to sleeping nights. We get up at 5:20 a.m. here. That used to be when I was getting in."

Hollywood—Jack Webb, the Joe Friday of Dragnet fame, on withdrawing from the nominations for television's Emmy award: "I am so terribly confused by the academy's method of nominations and choice of categories, the only solution is to withdraw."

Aurora, Ill.—Mayor Paul Egan, who suggests that American mayors visit Russia, as quoted by Mrs. Ernest Van Auken whom he fired because of a row over the city's Leap Year observation: "Who the hell do you think you are, the mayor? You've been getting your name in the papers and I get no mention, and I thought up the Leap Year day celebration."

Orlando, Fla. — Manager Charley Dressen of the Washington Senators, in praising rookie pitcher John Valmas: "His fast ball really moves. Why, he could be another Pedro Ramos." (Ramos' record last year: Five wins, 11 losses.)

### Diphtheria Outbreak Reported in Indiana

Michigan City, Ind. — (U.P.) — Michigan City's school children lined up for immunization shots today to protect them against a mysterious outbreak of diphtheria.

There have been 21 cases of the choking disease in the last few weeks in Michigan City and a surrounding area which includes 40,000 persons. Thirteen of the cases were reported during the week-end and all but one of those stricken are children.

Modern diphtheria serums have made the disease a rarity in modern America and there were only 28 cases in all of Indiana last year.

None of the diphtheria victims here has died or is in critical condition and most of the cases are localized to an area on the west side of Michigan City and in nearby Coolspring township.

### Former Jazz King To Enter Monastery

Milwaukee, Wis. — (U.P.) — Boyce Brown, once rated the nation's hottest man on an alto sax, gave up the world of jazz today for a lifetime in a Catholic monastery.

The 45-year-old jazzman was scheduled to take his vows as a lay brother of the Servite Fathers, order of the Servants of St. Mary, at the monastery near Granville, Wis.

He looked forward with happiness to a lifetime of religious contemplation, menial labor, and possible missionary work. He will play his alto sax only on feast days.

Brown, who has been a novice in the order for a year and a day, said the explanation for his new life is simple.

"It isn't a gloomy life," he said. "To me, it's more exciting than music was."

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### Man Seeks Drumming Endurance Record

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Rogers, 26, a professional drummer who works for an engineering firm during the day, expects to beat the mark of 67 hours, 11 minutes and 47 seconds set by Sam Ulano, a Bronx, N.Y. drum teacher and free lance drummer.

Before Ulano came to a stop, crowds of curious had snarled up traffic in Times Square.

To set a new mark, the 5-foot 7-inch 240-pound Rogers must keep his drum sticks going until 7:12 a.m. Thursday and he can't pause more than one second between strokes according to American Drummer Assn. rules. He began at noon yesterday.

### Rites Thursday for Sweetheart of AEF

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Private funeral rites for Elsie Janis, Sweetheart of the AEF during World War I, will be held at nearby Forest Lawn Memorial Park Thursday without "fuss or flow-ers."

The retired vaudeville star, considered an outstanding mimic in show business during her heyday, died Sunday at her Beverly Hills home where she had lived in seclusion in recent years. She was 66.

Her death was not disclosed until Monday. Friends had hoped her passing would receive as little notice as her life had in recent years, during which she shunned publicity.

### Communist China Orders Planes, Guns From Czechs

Tapei, Formosa — (U.P.) — Communist China has ordered huge supplies of planes, tanks and guns from Czechoslovakia and Poland for delivery this year, the Nationalist Chinese Taitao news agency reported today.

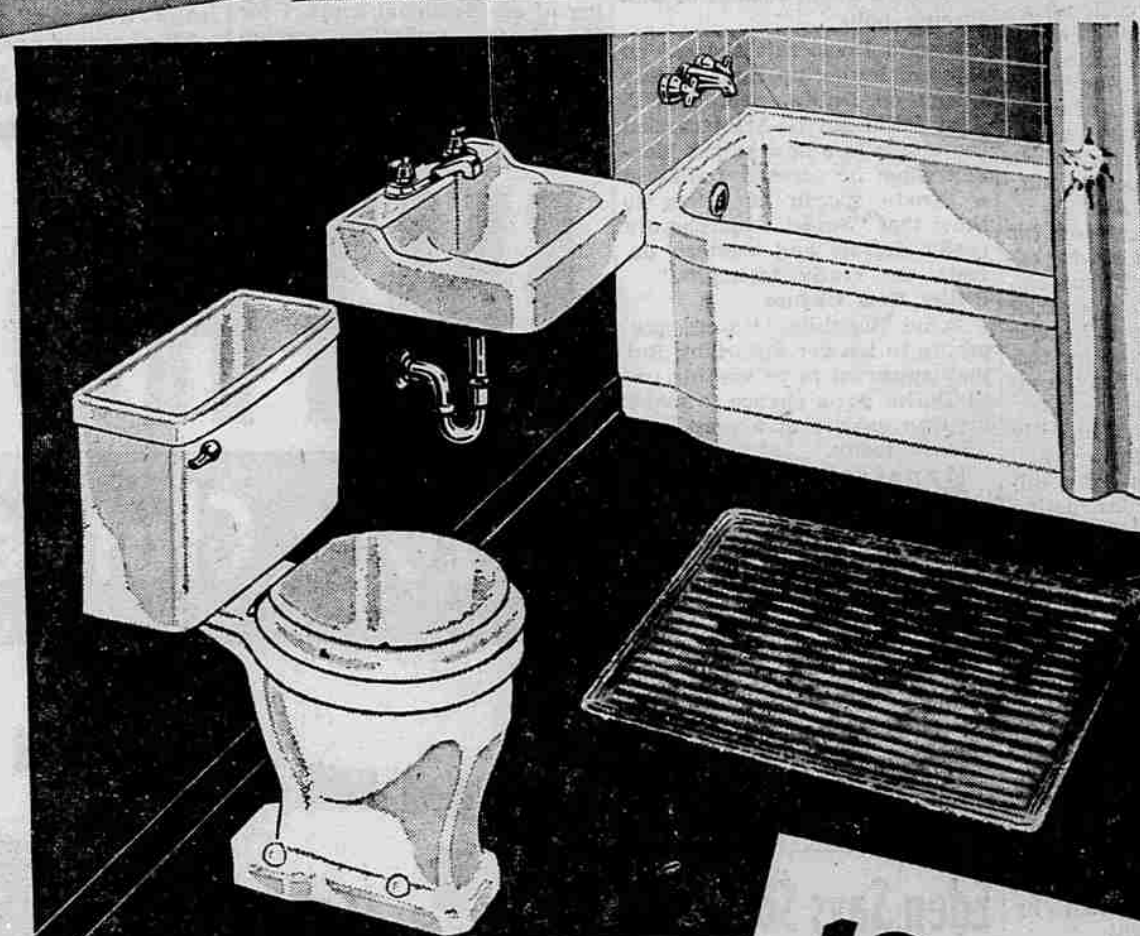
The agency said orders placed with Soviet satellites included 150 MIG fighters, 50 transport planes, 300 heavy and light tanks, and 300,000 rifles.

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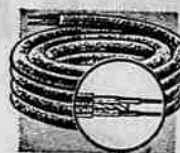
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