

# Many Americans Inquiring About Making Stock Market Investments

New York—(U.P.)—Six thousand Americans looked at their wallets, or the cash tucked away on the pantry shelf last week. Then they sat down and wrote letters saying: "Tell me more about the stock market."

The letters came from an engineer in Gary, Ind., a retired businessman in Cedar Falls, Ia., a widow in New York, a lawyer in Williamstown, Mass., a clerk in Houston, Tex., a schoolteacher in Tallahassee, Fla.

**Average Income**

Some were wealthy, a few had recent financial windfalls, most of them had average incomes—well below \$10,000 a year.

The financial community was concerned. It got out to find why so few Americans were stockholders. Financiers learned some startling facts in a poll conducted by Alfred Politz Research, Inc. The survey showed: Only 23 percent of the adult population could define common stock adequately. Only 24 percent could describe the function of the New York Stock Exchange. Only half the adult population knew where they would find a stock broker.

But the exchange learned also

that American men and women, with no stock buying know-how and with limited guidance, are a surprisingly enterprising lot.

"The mail that began to deluge stock exchanges and investment houses showed many people who had never invested before didn't understand stocks," a stock exchange officer said. "Some of the letters showed a little fear even."

But as Americans they knew they had the right to find out—and they did. A high percentage of those who asked about stocks eventually bought them.

## GOLD HILL Zoo At Cafe Partially Open

By MRS. SAM ELLIOTT

Gold Hill—Mr. and Mrs. Rich L. Cummings have partially opened their zoo at the Red Shutters. Animal cages now house the reptiles, and will until he finishes the reptile house in June. By that time the South American animals will have arrived.

He now has a fer-de-lance, American cobra or coral snake, a scarlet king, copperhead, cottonmouth, coach whip, Florida king and a common king, a boa constrictor, a tree boa, a giant chameleon which changes color dramatically, a Chinese dragon, and he will receive more before long.

Mrs. George Dorman has just returned from several weeks' visit with her daughter-in-law and son, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dorman of Astoria. They made many side trips along the Oregon and Washington coast. They saw the dredge, Esaysons, which is between 500 and 600 feet long. They were invited to tour the ship, which is cleaning out and widening the mouth of the Columbia.

They watched fishing boats as they disgorged frozen tuna and stacked it like cord wood on trucks. Mrs. Dorman returned home for the occasion of her grandson, Garry Dusenberry's graduation from the eighth grade in Sam's Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. George Henry of Coos Bay, and Mrs. George Boussum of Mooroo Bay, Calif., spent the last week at the home of the Jack Bennys. Mrs. George Boussum and Mrs. George Boussum-Jack Bennys. Mrs. George Boussum.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Doherty of San Francisco have left to return home after spending a week with their daughter, Mrs. Wayne Talbot and family.

The Gold Hill Methodist farewell dinner given in honor of the Rev. Mr. Bowers was a success and showed how the people have enjoyed his sermons.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Emmans spent last week end in Gold Beach where they visited with friends and business associates.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Conn of Santa Ana, Calif., spent the last week at the home of Mrs. Conn's sister, Mrs. Joseph Morgan. While they were here the Morgans and Conns toured the Oregon coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Olav Lokkan have returned from a trip to Washington.

Mrs. James Eldred was detained in the hospital in Canyonville overnight and one day for observation and laboratory tests.

## GOP May Reduce Convention Time

San Francisco—(U.P.)—The San Francisco Chronicle said today the Republicans are considering cutting their National Convention from four days to three.

The convention is scheduled to meet in the Cow Palace here Aug. 20.

According to the Chronicle, the problem of holding TV interest in the convention "is worrying GOP leaders" now that the renomination of President Eisenhower and Vice President Richard M. Nixon is a foregone conclusion.

GOP leaders believe adoption of the platform, routine business, the renominations and finally the personal appearance of the Republican standard bearers could be streamlined into three days, the Chronicle said.

The convention arrangements committee, headed by GOP National Chairman Leonard W. Hall will meet June 21-22, either in Chicago or Washington, to pick a keynote speaker, permanent chairman and other convention officials.

The Chronicle said the committee would presumably decide whether to shorten the convention at that meeting.

## Salem Squirrel Picks Wrong Place for Nuts

Salem—(U.P.)—A squirrel went looking for nuts yesterday but picked the wrong kind.

The squirrel left the capitol grounds and ventured four blocks down busy Court street, entered a hardware store and stopped in front of a bin filled with bolts and nuts. The city dog control officer captured it and returned it to the capitol grounds.

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## Man Pleads Guilty To Manslaughter Charge

Portland—(U.P.)—Thomas J. Henderson, 51, yesterday pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of manslaughter and was placed on probation for two years in connection with the knife slaying last February of Arlo Rhoten, 42, in a hotel room. A jury earlier failed to reach a decision when Henderson was being tried for murder. Henderson pleaded self-defense.

## Americans Getting Better Treatment In Chinese Jails

Hong Kong—(U.P.)—The seven Americans jailed in Shanghai have been receiving vastly improved treatment from the Chinese Communists during recent months, it was reported today.

Ernest Gottschalk, a German who was released from Red China last month, has told U. S. officials here that the Americans and other foreigners in Ward Road Prison are getting better food, more exercise and better sleeping equipment.

**Five Years in Prison**

Gottschalk spent five years in a Communist prison. Up until late last summer he was in a cell with Hugh Redmond, an American businessman from Yonkers, N. Y., arrested in 1951 and subsequently sentenced to life for "espionage."

The other six Americans are Catholic Priests John W. Clifford, San Francisco; John H. Houle, Glendale, Calif.; Charles J. McCarthy, San Francisco; Joseph P. McCormick, New York; Thomas L. Phillips, San Francisco, and Cyril Wagner, Pittsburgh.

## Graduation at OTI Scheduled Sunday

Klamath Falls—A total of 363 men and women, the largest graduating class at Oregon Technical Institute here, will receive diplomas at commencement exercises Sunday, June 3, in the field house here.

State Senator Warren A. McMinnee of Tillamook will deliver the commencement address. Also participating in exercises will be Fred Dalls, who will provide special music, and Mrs. Arthur Denison at the organ. The Rev. John M. Recher of Hope Lutheran church will give the invocation, and the Rev. E. M. Causey of the First Baptist church will give the benediction.

The Rev. Dale Hewitt of the First Presbyterian church will deliver the baccalaureate address at 9 a.m. Sunday. Special music will be by the First Presbyterian church choir with Mrs. Marvin Nerseith and Gail Nerseith as soloists, and Mrs. Albert Herringshaw at the organ.

Those from Jackson county receiving degrees include:

Robert Eugene Aldredge, James Paul Brown, Arthur G. Cleveland, Lois Jeanette Crawley, Lee Roy Douglas, Harold Fisher, Manuel Aguan Flores, Richard Winslow Leibbrand, Steve Arthur Lindgren, Joseph Morgan Marshall, Herbert Jay Masterson Jr., Clayton Reed Peterson, Robert G. Peterson, Gerald Burton Sherman, Edward F. L. Stone, Charles Richard Svensen, Richard Gene Vance, all of Medford.

Lena Castle, Richard Dale Clark, Roy N. Lyda, Adelaide Fullerton, Donald J. Gresham, all of Ashland.

Harold Leroy Arnold, Donald Eugene Brown, William Albert Hartle, all of Butte Falls.

Carl Anderson, Goddard, Talent; Donald William Gordon, Lindora Mae Starkwith, Jacksonville; Robert Allen King, Jesse C. Littlefield, Gordon Kenneth Mekvold, Central Point; and Walter Abraham Oliver, Trail.

## Crater FFA Members Purchase New Mower

Central Point—Members of Crater chapter, Future Farmers of America, announced this week that they have purchased a new mower from the Deaver Tractor and Implement company.

John Deaver, owner of the company, made a liberal donation to the group toward the purchase of the mower. The mower replaces an older model owned by boys of the chapter. Richard Morris and Clifford Bigham, members of the chapter, have also purchased a tractor and mower.

At the chapter's recent meeting Bob Eldon was elected president for next year. Other officers include Clifford Bigham, vice-president; Noel Moore, secretary; Lyle Bigham, treasurer; David Mack, reporter; and Ralph Simon, sentinel.

Crater Future Farmers are preparing for a summer field trip and are making a display board of photographs showing members of the chapter and their projects.

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## State of Emergency Declared in Kalama

Kalama, Wash.—(U.P.)—A state of emergency was called here last night as floodwaters of the Columbia river rose to new heights.

Frank Boatman, town marshal, said there was no water in the city now, but the emergency state was declared as a precautionary measure after a meeting of the mayor, fire chief, marshal and representatives of the corps of engineers.

Boatman issued a call for volunteers for 9 a.m. today to start sandbagging operations.

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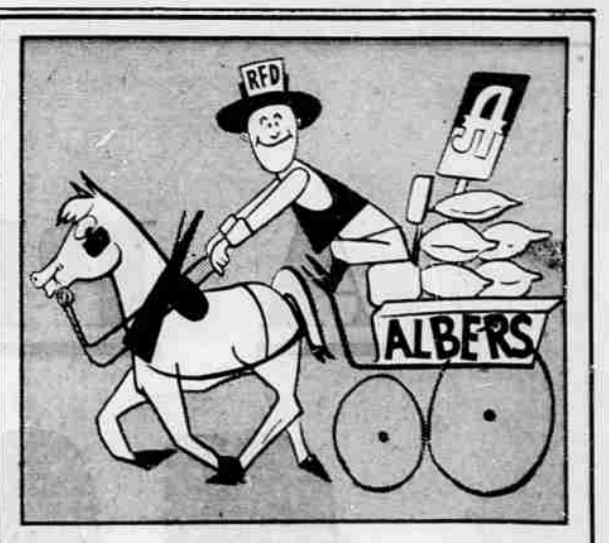
## GIVE KIDS A 'BRAKE'

Montgomery, Ala.—(U.P.)—"Give the kids a brake" day will be observed by the Alabama Highway Patrol Saturday. Officers will man checkpoints throughout the state to remind motorists that school is out and "children are everywhere," and to distribute 100,000 pamphlets bearing the slogan "give the kids a brake."

## New Daily Flight In Service by United

A new daily flight to Portland and Seattle-Tacoma, was placed in service by United Air Lines today.

The northbound trip leaves Medford at 4:25 p.m., making possible quicker connections at Portland with United service to Denver, Omaha, Chicago and other major eastern points, according to K. W. Cook, station manager.



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