

## Sanitation Problem In Berrydale Area Reported 'Serious'

There is a "very serious" sanitation situation in the Berrydale district, Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health officer, said last night at a meeting of residents at the Howard school.

Dr. Merkel warned that unless it is corrected soon, it could easily lead to the spread of such diseases as typhoid fever, hepatitis, amoebic dysentery and other communicable illnesses. He declared the situation will have to be cleared up soon for the safety of the residents and other citizens of the Medford area, and that those living there are the only ones who can do it.

The meeting was the first in a series planned under the sponsorship of the Berrydale Sanitation committee, formed last week following defeat of an annexation proposal for the district.

**Opposed to Annexation**  
Many of the 60 or 65 people attending were opposed to annexation, or were "on the fence," according to Nick Gier, chairman of the committee, who presided.

Other speakers were Charles Clark and Orrie Moore, of the county health department, who explained that not only is disease a threat because of the sanitation problem, but that mosquitoes are uncontrollable in the area for much the same reason.

Al McKivold, county superintendent of schools, said that no change in school district boundaries, or in high school attendance, would be caused by annexation. Such changes could be effected only by the county board acting on petition, or by state legislation, he said.

There was considerable discussion of the various phases of the problem, Gier said, and steps taken since 1948 to clear up sanitation, and what the area now faces, were considered. Another similar meeting, to deal with other aspects of the problem, has been tentatively scheduled for Dec. 3 or 11.

## Turkey Consumption To Cost Americans About Half Billion Dollars This Year

New York—(U.P.)—Americans will spend about half a billion dollars this year for turkeys, most of it at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Millions of gobblers have gone to the guillotine in the past few months and those that survived the annual Thanksgiving slaughter face a gloomy future. Another purge is planned before Christmas.

The 1956 turkey crop is a big one—76,349,000 birds or about 1 1/4 for each American family. Back in 1930 there were only

17,419,000 gobblers, or about half a bird for each family.

**Peak in October**  
The Department of Agriculture estimated that about 75 per cent of the turkey crop will have been killed and processed by the end of November. The peak slaughtering period is October, a spokesman said.

The banner turkey crop bears lower price tags this year than last, according to the DOA. The department estimated that turkey prices at retail are running anywhere from six to 10 cents

a pound below 1955, depending on the size of the bird you buy.

**Long-Time Favorite**  
Turkeys have been the overwhelming favorite at the Thanksgiving table ever since 1621.

Turkey consumption in the U.S., the country that made the gobbler famous (it has been suggested as the national emblem to replace the eagle), has been rising steadily through the years.

This year, according to the Department of Agriculture, turkey consumption will average 5.4 pounds for every man, woman and child in the country. That compares with 3.2 last year and 2.1 pounds in the years prior to World War II.

Actually, the turkeys you'll eat this year are a far cry from the long-legged, scrawny, tough old birds the Pilgrims chomped on back in the 17th century. They don't even look alike.

The fact that gobblers are better tasting today than ever before is no accident.

**More Eating**  
Experimentation in the breeding and feeding of turkeys has resulted in birds with shorter and thicker legs, heavier and meatier breasts and better flavor. Turkeys today are milk fed and often receive a diet fortified with vitamins.

Greatly improved methods of processing now are opening up a year-round market. Turkeys killed now can be kept frozen and sold six or nine months later.

Turkeys, in a sense, are frauds. They got their names as a result of a misunderstanding. The birds at first were confused with the guinea fowl, a delicacy imported from Africa into Europe through Turkey. Thus the name.

## Cold Snap Chills Much of Country

**By UNITED PRESS**

A cold snap chilled the western two thirds of the nation today and followed a snowstorm that dumped four to eight inches of snow on many of the hard hit drought states of the Midwest.

Meanwhile, weathermen advised that Thanksgiving day should be generally fair but unseasonably cold across much of the nation.

Mild, rainy weather was expected from Alabama and Georgia into the mid-Atlantic states Thursday while snow flurries were forecast for the Great Lakes region and the central and northern Appalachians. Light snow also was the prospect for parts of the lower Missouri valley.

A more wintry forecast caused heavy snow warnings to be issued for Wisconsin, Minnesota and upper Michigan.

Bad highway conditions posed dangers for Thanksgiving holiday travelers. Most states, however, hoped to have highways cleared before the bulk of the turkey day traffic began.

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## Friends of Morse Spend \$37,477 in Election Campaign

Salem—(U.P.)—The Friends of Wayne Morse organization spent \$37,477 on the Democratic senator's successful election campaign, the secretary of state's office revealed today.

So far, Morse's reported expenditures have amounted to \$242,000 compared with \$188,000 reported by his opponent, Douglas McKay.

A committee for Al Ullman spent \$17,804 electing its candidate from the second congressional district while Jason Lee's committee spent \$9,045 in the first district. Lee was defeated.

**Ullman Expenditures Told**  
Republican Sig Ullman's committee recorded expenditures of \$15,091 in the state treasurer race while Democrat Robert Y. Thornton's committee spent \$4,797 re-electing him at attorney general.

Other expenditure statements released today:

Central Oregon Citizens Committee supporting Democratic candidates, \$442; Democratic National Committee of Oregon supporting Democratic candidates for national offices, \$4,912; Josephine County Democratic Central Committee in support of Democratic candidate, \$1,122; Marion County Democratic Central Committee in support of Democratic candidates, \$2,090; Multnomah County Democratic Central Committee, \$2,477; Save Our Resources Committee in support of Democratic candidates, \$7,608; and Marion County Republican Central Committee in support of Republican candidates, \$3,457.

## CHICKEN SOUP MENU

Dayton, Ohio—(U.P.)—Inmates at the Montgomery county jail will apparently have more to be thankful for on Thanksgiving than prisoners in the nearby city jail. County inmates get turkey with all the trimmings. Over at city they are serving chicken noodle soup, bread and coffee.

## United States Shrugs Off Soviet Anti-West Tirades

Washington—(U.P.)—The United States is shrugging off Soviet Communist boss Nikita Khrushchev's latest anti-Western tirades at Moscow receptions.

The bitter words are being credited by U. S. officials to merely a combined attack of vodka and frustration over Soviet reverses in Eastern Europe.

**Walked out of Range**  
Khrushchev gave out last week end with one anti-Western tirade at a reception honoring Polish officials at the Kremlin and another at a reception at the Polish Embassy.

U. S. Ambassador Charles E. Bohlen and other Western diplomats walked out of range as Khrushchev stormed about "intrigues of imperialists" in the Middle East and Hungary.

The walkout let the Russians know the Western diplomats felt. But the State Department doesn't think the incident worth carrying any further.

**No Longer Cuts Deep**  
That is what World War II and the cold war have done to international diplomacy. Harsh and insulting language no longer cuts as deep as it once did.

In years not far back the reaction would have been sharper. Old style diplomacy probably would have called for a protest, envoys would have been ordered home for "consultation" and diplomatic relations might have been cut.

But the United States today regards the keeping open of diplomatic relations an important way to watch for trouble and possibly to prevent it.

## January Draft Call Issued for 17,000 Men

Washington—(U.P.)—The Defense Department today announced a draft call of 17,000 men for January. All the draftees will go to the Army.

The draft call is the same set for the preceding three months. It will bring to 2,152,430 the number of men drafted since the outbreak of the Korean war.

## Four Oregon Schools Receive Esso Grants

Portland—(U.P.)—Four Oregon schools were among the 397 in the nation to receive grants from the Esso Education foundation, it was announced yesterday. Amount of the grants was not revealed.

Oregon schools sharing in the awards were Linfield, Lewis and Clark and Reed colleges and Willamette.

The foundation was set up in 1955 for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

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## Small Army Fights California Fire; One Man Killed

San Bernardino, Calif.—(U.P.)—A small army of firefighters massed forces today to battle a wind whipped brush fire which has gutted more than 7,000 acres, claimed one life and burned seven other persons.

Gusty winds fanned the blaze into an inferno along two fronts but the more than 1,000 firefighters hoped to contain the western front some time today. The eastern flank was burning out of control in nearly inaccessible terrain.

**Two Critically Burned**  
Two firefighters were critically burned Tuesday when leaping flames broke through lines in the Plunge creek area. Three others also suffered burns in separate mishaps.

Edwin D. Bass, 27, Riverside, Calif., a bulldozer operator, died early Tuesday of burns suffered Monday night. Two companions also were hospitalized with burns suffered when they became trapped by a sudden wind shift.

Dick Johnson, fire prevention officer for the San Bernardino National forest, said if the fire continued advancing in its northeasterly direction on the eastern flank it could threaten the mountain resort of Running Springs. But he said the resort and its 500 permanent residents were about three miles away and such a threat was only "a remote possibility at this time."

**DOUBLE DUTY WAVE**  
Aberdeen, Scotland—(U.P.)—A huge wave washed deckhand John Craig overboard from the trawler Doriteen Tuesday. But shortly afterwards another equally large wave washed him back on board while skipper John Watson was out in a lifeboat looking for him.

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## Pickin' Pears

**News and Notes From Camp White**

**BY BILL HURN**  
Thursday afternoon Ila Evans, VA librarian, introduced Mrs. Frank Fairweather, Medford, who presented a travelogue of her recent trip to Sicily with color slides. She was assisted by Mrs. Marie Rehling of Red Cross field staff. Coffee and cookies were served to the large group attending.

Friday afternoon at recreation center, Grants Pass VFW auxiliary 2302, under Helen Lusk, hospital chairman of Medford, conducted a games session. Martin Bishop, Grants Pass, chairman, Mary Hale, Bessie Aldrich, Gladys and Jewel Fagen assisted. Candy was distributed at the tables.

Friday evening entertainment at Camp White by the Elks was headed by Emil Kroeger, state hospital chairman for the association and service commission. Ashland BPOE 944 assisted. Introduced were Ashland Elks E. E. McLaughlin, and Jerry Girard, and Ladies of Elks, Mable Hamilton, Minnie Barron, Ann Kroeger and Lillian Mell. Rogue valley ballroom orchestra, The Melody Wranglers, (Bob Roberts, Duke Pathier, Kenny Jacks, Tommy Lewis and Jack Albright) and Patsy and Diane Ryan, Jackie Johnson, and Shirley Thomas, featured the show, which was mainly request numbers.

Mrs. A. W. Lindaas of Red Cross VAWS Gray Ladies has returned from a tour of northern states to Minnesota and the return via the southern route.

William Rotherback, area field supervisor for VA Canteen service spent two days at Camp White with Canteen Officer Clarence Bryan on an official visit.

VFW auxiliary, department of Oregon, under Lelia Birch of Shady Cove, state hospital chair-

## Icy Spots Sanded On Main Highways

Salem—(U.P.)—Skies were generally clear throughout Oregon today as highway department maintenance crews went into action to sand down icy spots on main routes in northern, central and eastern Oregon.

Coldest temperature readings reported this morning included 10 degrees at Chemult and Bly, 14 at Lapine, 15 at Ochoco summit and 16 degrees at Meacham.

In southern Oregon, Roseburg reported ground fog with an 8 a.m. temperature of 29.

Roadside snow measured 4 1/2 inches at Timberline and seven on Willamette pass.

Other below freezing temperatures around the state included: Eugene, 28; Grants Pass, 28; Medford, 28; The Dalles, 25; Bend, 28; Lakeview, 18; LaGrande, 24; Baker, 24 and Ontario, 26.

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