

# Bumper Harvest Defying Benson, Federal Controls

Washington - (UPI) - Good weather and a technological revolution in American agriculture have combined to triumph over expensive federal efforts to control production through acreage allotments and the soil bank program.

## Friday's Toll; Autos Kill Four, Boy, 5, Drowns

United Press International  
Four persons lost their lives in Oregon traffic accidents Friday and a five-year-old boy was drowned near Portland.

Michael Ridenour, Klamath Falls, was drowned in the Sauvies island slough just north of Portland Friday afternoon after he disappeared from a houseboat where he was visiting an aunt.

Another child died in a traffic mishap at Winston south of Roseburg. David Ray Dunn, 4, was killed when he apparently released the emergency brake on his parents' parked car. The vehicle rolled backward for 114 feet before the child fell from the car and was struck by the wheels.

Two men were killed in a one-car accident seven miles south of Coos Bay. The victims were Melvin D. Prow, 24, and Ardith Roland Smith, 42, both of North Bend. Three others were injured.

Police said the car went out of control, flipped end over end and skidded several hundred feet before catching fire. All five men were thrown out.

A two-vehicle collision three miles north of Hillsboro late Friday resulted in death to Carl J. Christensen, 62, Hillsboro. Floyd A. Rude-sill, 76, Seaside, and his wife, Lena, 72, suffered minor injuries.

### Rogue Valley Bank Buys Butte Falls Bonds

Rogue Valley State Bank, Medford, has purchased \$5,000 worth of bonds recently sold by the city of Butte Falls for city hall purposes.

### Buckhorn Mineral Springs

Ashland, Ore. Enjoy health, rest, comfort, and hospitality amidst pleasant surroundings.

Statistics released Friday showed that crop prospects improved again last month under the impetus of almost perfect growing weather, assuring a 1958 harvest far surpassing any previous year.

Farmers are raising more corn, wheat, grain sorghums, soybeans and other items that can be used at home or exported, the report indicated. The surplus will go to the government under price support programs, boosting support costs and pinching storage facilities.

### Bulging Surplus

The bulging farm surplus represented a victory for the American farmer in his battle against the elements, but it represented a setback for the administration - and Benson - in efforts to reduce farm output by acreage allotments and the soil bank plan.

Ironically, the bumper harvest was grown on the smallest planted acreage in 40 years.

### Corn Leads

The corn crop led a parade of individual crops headed toward new records with an estimated production of 3,686,218,000 bushels. This compared with 3,402,832,000 bushels in 1957 and the 10-year average of 3,144,304,000.

The prospective hour of plenty also could mean price concessions on some items. The department's all-crop index stood at a record high of 117 per cent of the 1947-49 average on Oct. 1, a rise of one index point over September. The previous record of 106 was set in 1948 and equaled in 1956 and 1957.

The yield per acre index registered an even more dramatic rise of 12 per cent to a record 142. The previous high mark of 127 was set last year.

## Extension Class To Start Monday

Ashland - Alcohol studies in school curriculum, offering 3 hours of undergraduate or graduate college credit, will be held in the Medford High school starting Monday evening, Oct. 13, Raymond E. Petey, regional representative of general extension division, state system of higher education, has announced.

The class will be in a session from 7 to 9:45 p.m., once a week for 10 weeks. The fee for those who wish to register is the same as all state system courses on or off campus, \$9 per credit hour. This fee applies to both credit and non-credit students.

Dr. Kenneth W. Ferrier, educational director of the Oregon Alcohol Education committee and associate professor of education with the general extension division, will teach the course.

Study will center around the incorporation of scientific information about alcohol in the school curriculum; physiological, psychological, sociological, and legal aspects of alcoholism.

All interested persons or groups are urged to attend the first session of the class since insufficient enrollment at the first meeting may cause the class to be cancelled.



ARRESTED—Three division chairmen of the United Medford Crusade were "arrested" last week, charged by District Attorney Thomas Reeder (right), and released on their own recognizance. Police Captain Clyde Fichtner, in rear, is shown after he handcuffed Division Chairman Jim Ragland, Fred Robinson and Ray Mencke. Charges concerned collecting small amounts in the Crusade campaign. They will be "sentenced" at Monday's noon luncheon report of the UMC in Medford YMCA.

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HAND MADE - The leather purses being displayed above by Mrs. Alto Pruitt of Mann's department store, Medford, are the work of handicapped veterans of Camp White. Mann's recently put in a stock of the purses, as well as other smaller hand-tooled leather articles, made by veterans. According to Mrs. Pruitt, the leather articles are proving very popular because of good construction and the beautiful hand-tooled designs. Prices range from 65 cents for small coin purses to \$35 for the most elaborately decorated hand bags. Other items include men's wallets and key cases. The men also do custom leather work. Orders can be placed by contacting Frank Glonning, chief of special services, Veteran's Administration domiciliary, Camp White.

# Industrials Pierce Market 'Stratosphere'

New York - (UPI) - Industrial stocks zoomed into uncharted territory in the stratosphere during the week on active volume that taxed the high-speed, electric stock exchange tickers.

Utilities reached their best level for more than 28 years but rails closed the week a small fraction under their high for more than a year made on Tuesday.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed the week at 543.36, up 9.63 points from the previous week and the best gain since the week ending July 25. The figure was up more than 100 points from the 1957 close. It was the eighth successive weekly gain dating back to Aug. 15.

The railroad average closed at 147.36 up 1.65 points; utility 82.18, up 1.46, and a new high since Sept. 23, 1930; and the 65 stocks in the three averages, 187.56, up 3.06 points.

Trading zoomed to 4,610,000 shares in the Friday session, the best since 5,070,000 shares turned over on Dec. 31, 1957.

Sales for the week totaled 19,104,940 shares, a daily average of 3,820,988 shares. These figures compared with 19,227,870 shares for the previous week, a daily average of 3,845,574 shares.

So far this year sales have reached 532,171,966 shares, best since 1933. If the current pace continues the year's total will reach the best level since 1930, the third best year in stock exchange history from a sales standpoint.

Roscoe Roberts, insurance agent for the northwest district, reported they have a new building in Seattle, with new electronic equipment. He also reported farmer not able to maintain the average family farm any more, something will have to be done, as the farmer is receiving less and the consumer is paying more.

Master Sims read a resolution to help promote the Oregon Centennial.

Mrs. Bruce Moffatt, lecturer, had a program on Pomona. A tableau of fall fruits and vegetables. Mrs. Paul Dalton read an essay on Pomono, a contest on flower arranging won by Orrie Moore and Melvin Lattie.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Bruce Moffatt, Mrs. Paul Dalton and Mrs. Wilma VanGordon.

# Federal Inspection Set for NG Units

Headquarters and headquarters company, Medford National Guard units, will be inspected by Sixth Army Inspector Lt. Col. B. G. Ansel Nov. 3, Capt. S. J. Fagone, commanding officer, has announced.

Dates for drills during the rest of the year also have been announced. They include two eight-hour drills on Oct. 26 and Nov. 2, Captain Fagone said.

Other drills will be held at the Armory and will all be two hours each. They will be Oct. 20 and 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 11, Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec. 8, and Dec. 15. Captain Fagone pointed out they are tentative drill dates.

Last year headquarters company received an excellent rating during the federal inspection.

Captain Fagone said the dates for drills have been scheduled to conform with monies appropriated for the remainder of the 1958-59 fiscal year. The government allows eight Sunday, or eight 8-hour drills during the fiscal year. There have been three 8-hour drills since July 1, and the other five will be scattered out throughout the rest of the year, he said.

The strength of the unit at present, he said, is 71 enlisted men and three officers. New enlistments for the month of September were Fred Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker; John Smeltz, son of O. H. Smeltz, both of Medford; Pvt. Loyld Miles, Curtis Mason, Robert Sevick, Darrel Greb, Don Mekvold have reported to Ft. Ord, Calif., for six months basic training.

The authorized strength of the unit is 81 enlisted men and 11 officers, Captain Fagone said. The unit can take 10 more enlistments to fill vacancies now available in the unit.

### WON'T BE LONG

Vancouver, B.C. - (UPI) - The first major snowstorm of the season struck the British Columbia interior Friday.

# JACKSONVILLE Candidates Are Listed

By BETTE HOSKINS  
Jacksonville-City Recorder  
Mrs. Jean Hewlett reported that all petitions for candidates for city offices have been filed. Officers will be elected in the Nov. 4 general election.

E. O. (Curley) Graham and J. O. Morgan are candidates for mayor. Candidates for the three council positions are incumbents Arthur Davies and Everett Ravenor, Frances Guirdy, Harvey Parrott and John Caird.

Present mayor is John F. Keaveny, who is retiring.

Clair Ewart announced last week that he has traded the Jacksonville cold storage plant for a ranch near Ashland. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hein, who owned the ranch, will take over the cold storage plant here Oct. 20. Ewart will assist them for a week or so. The Hein's will soon be residents here and have purchased the Robert J. Morlon home. They have a daughter who is a high school freshman.

Ewart reports that 15 deer were brought into the plant by local hunters the first week of hunting.

Ted Goettingling left by air last Sunday for Bowdle, S. D., because of the death of his father, G. Goettingling.

John R. Jones plans to leave Monday for Portland where he will spend some time in the Veterans hospital there. Mrs. Jones will continue to run the Pet Shop. Last week she moved to the new location, the former Arnold Feed store on California st. She is planning a removal sale of all puppies except poodles this week. As well as pets and supplies, the shop will carry stock feed, hay and seeds. Mrs. Jones said she is planning to start a wood yard at the old pet shop location across the street.

Mrs. Jones also reported that last Sunday's excitement over the escaped monkeys has subsided and the three culprits, all expectant mothers, are back in their cages. A large maple tree in back of the shop will henceforth be known, by all the children in the neighborhood, as "the monkey tree" as it was the favorite hideout of the three escapees.

Walt McGuire of the Jacksonville Myrtlewood shop reported a busy summer season, with a surprising number of visitors from all over the world taking home Oregon myrtlewood souvenirs from his shop.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Crenshaw of Lebanon, Ore., were last week end visitors at the home of Mrs. Crenshaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens.

Mrs. Earl Stevens celebrated her birthday Monday with family and friends. Mrs. Tom Neeley and her son, Ronnie, were birthday visitors from Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wall became grandparents to a new grandson Sept. 29. The baby was born to Walls' son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wall, of Medford.

A turnout of more than 100 people attended the first Parent-Teachers association meeting last Wednesday at the school, with about 100 per cent of them joining the P.T.A. Teachers and school board members were introduced, with a Girl Scout troop presenting the flag. Coach Deal-son Cox gave a talk on the safety features of the new football uniforms. Refreshments were served. Residents were reminded that each month the Wednesday P.T.A. meeting is held is also visiting day at school, while classes are in session. Anyone is welcome to visit.

Washington - (UPI) - For the first time in this century we are growing timber faster in the U. S. than we are removing it from forests, according to John B. Veach, president of American Forest Products Industries. The AFPI is sponsoring a "Busy Acres" program to assist farmers in putting their idle lands to work growing trees to accelerate tree growth in the nation.

# Omaha Youth Admits Killing, Burying Parents

Omaha, Neb. - (UPI) - The bodies of a middle-aged Omaha couple were uncovered yesterday in their back yard flower garden where their 16-year-old son admitted burying them after killing them Sept. 27.

The victims were identified as Mr. and Mrs. William Arnold.

Held for their murders was Leslie Arnold, 16, a junior student at Omaha's Central High school.

Police said young Arnold admitted the shooting first of his mother and then of his father with a .32-caliber pistol during an argument over the use of the newer of the family's two cars.

Neighbors said that Leslie and his parents had "always been fighting" over the autos and over the boy's girlfriends.

The Arnold's only other child, a 13-year-old son, was ushering at a rodeo the night his parents were killed. When he returned home, he said Leslie told him their mother and father had gone visiting.

Clark said bid calls would be issued by the Portland, Walla Walla, Seattle and Alaska districts on 54 major civil works projects costing \$100,000 or more each, and involving an expenditure of more than 35 million dollars between now and the end of the fiscal year.

### Officers Elected for Parents' Organization

Mrs. C. S. Whiteman has been elected president of a group of parents who have taken steps to provide preschool education and training for mentally-retarded children.

Other officers elected are Mrs. W. S. Scalberg, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. W. L. Chapman, publicity.

Mrs. Whiteman said a classroom has been made available at the Friends church.

### Sen. Morse Links Mark Hatfield With Power Head

Albany, Ore. - (UPI) - Sen. Wayne L. Morse (D-Ore.) Friday linked Republican gubernatorial candidate Mark Hatfield with Paul McKee, chairman of the board of Pacific Power & Light company, and said they would like to create the impression there is no power issue in Oregon.

Morse, in a speech prepared for delivery at Albany parish hall, said McKee was "one of the chief backers of Hatfield in the race for governor."

He said that "McKee and Hatfield would certainly like to create this false impression in this campaign. However, the power issue is still one of the two or three most vital issues from the standpoint of future economy of our state."

Morse said the time has come "to smoke Hatfield out on the power issue."

He charged that the "reactionary monopolistic power policies of McKee for the last 20 years have stifled maximum industrial growth in Oregon."

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