

Armstrong Asks for Trumpet; Recovery Believed Certain

Spoleto, Italy (AP) — Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, well on the way to recovery after an attack of pneumonia, is already reaching for the golden trumpet which made him famous.

"Hey, man, when are you gonna give me my trumpet back?" the Jazz King asked his doctor Friday night.

A nurse at Spoleto Hospital said Armstrong had a restful night Friday. She said he slept well.

"Not for awhile, pops," the doctor replied. "We want



RECEIVES PIN—Air Traffic Control Specialist B. Seeberger, Medford, (left) was the recipient this week of a 15-year service award from Federal Aviation agency. He is employed in the agency's combined station tower at the Medford airport. Seeberger is shown above getting the pin and certificate from Grant Bourquin, chief of the combined station tower here, who was acting on behalf of Regional Administrator Walter Plett. Seeberger was employed at stations in Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Oakland and Los Angeles before coming to Medford Nov. 20, 1954. He had previously spent the last eight months of his service with the Air Force at the Medford station as a radio operator.

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Population Seen As Poultry Boost

Corvallis — Oregon poultrymen sought minor relief from present woes here, June 18-19, in counting a few chicks before they hatch.

Expected human population increases in Oregon in the next 15 years held forth a few bright spots on the industry horizon at the annual meeting of the Oregon Poultry and Hatchery Association.

Oregon reckons its present population at about 1 1/4 million but sees slightly more than 2 million by 1965 and about 2 1/2 million by 1975.

Oregon's per capita egg production in 1958 was 350 — identical to the U. S. per capita egg consumption. Neighboring states of California and Washington also found local production and consumption in close balance, reported association secretary Noel Bennion, Oregon State college extension poultry specialist.

Over the long pull, most poultry products including market eggs, broilers and turkeys will be produced in the area where they are consumed, Bennion stated. Rapid West Coast population increases offered some hope to the 150 association members on hand for their 39th annual meeting.

Population Beats Production

W. T. Cooney, associate dean of agriculture and former poultry department staff member, pointed out that Oregon population has increased more rapidly, percentage-wise, in recent years than has egg production. But he warned that Oregon poultrymen can look ahead to such market opportunities only if they stay competitive.

The chicken business is here to stay but it will have to be operated like a business, the speaker emphasized. He urged producers to set up careful records to measure net returns, citing a recent OSC study of poultry records in Yamhill county.

Dollar returns per hour of labor varied from a low of 50 cents per hour to \$2.39 among the sampling of Yamhill poultrymen in 1958. A study of 10 farms in the county in 1957 showed a range of 35 cents to \$2.31 return per hour of labor. Average egg production per hen in the 1957 study was 241, compared to a state average of 218 that year. Eggs sold for an average of 38 cents per dozen.

Cooney emphasized that only careful records of production, culling, feed, labor, and other items will keep poultrymen on a businesslike plane for stiffening competition.

Two long-time leaders of the Oregon poultry industry were honored at the association banquet. Ambrose Brownell and Fred Cockell, both of Milwaukie and both charter members of the 39-year-old organization, received scrolls of recognition for their contributions to the industry.

Both men are past presidents of the Oregon association and of the American Poultry and Hatchery Federation.

Newberg Man President

OPHA elected Henry Stenbakken, Newberg, president for the coming year; Lewis Clark, Eugene, vice president; and Bennion was re-elected secretary. New directors are Ben Mitchell, Beaverton, immediate past president; Earl Ryals, Newberg; Jim Howells, Milwaukie; and Walter Schmidt, Hubbard.

L. D. Sanborn, University of California poultry marketing technologist, said the two most important basic changes in the commercial egg business are the development of new methods for determining egg quality and use of new egg quality control programs.

Adoption of these methods and programs in place of hand candling, rated at less than 50 per cent accurate, will lower handling costs and improve consumer acceptance, the speaker added.

Vern F. Steckley, Kendallville, Ind., president of the American Poultry and Hatchery Federation, stressed the importance of a "single commodity interest" organization for egg producers, embodied in the formation last fall of the National Egg Council.

Steckley explained that the NEC would serve in all normal trade association activities excepting consumer education and promotion which would continue as a function of the poultry and egg national board.

It is not the intention of the Council to affiliate with the national organization of farm commodities, Steckley emphasized.

He emphasized that the council "should concern itself purely and simply with the problems of the egg industry. It will find plenty to do."

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Soviet Economy Said Challenge

Portland (AP)—Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, Francis O. Wilcox, said here Friday night that the Soviet economic rise is a challenge to the Free world.

Speaking before the Oregon Association for the United Nations, Wilcox said that Khrushchev "confidently looks forward to the day when the economy of the Soviet Union will surpass that of the United States."

The assistant secretary pointed out a Russian advantage in the swift movement of a totalitarian state, but emphasized "that free societies have invariably proved more resilient, creative and enduring than those under the deadening hand of dictatorship."

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Milk Snake Named for Erroneous Belief

The milk snake is named for the erroneous belief that it milks cows. Though it frequents barns, it is attracted by mice, not cows.

ated the Berlin "crisis."

"I hardly need stress that pending the unification of Germany, the continued presence of Western troops is the one certain guarantee of continued freedom for the 2.25 million Germans living there," he said.

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