

Commercial Vice Consul From West Germany Tells Of Economic Cooperation

West Germany's trade with the Pacific Northwest has passed the little acorn stage and should continue to grow toward the stature of a great oak, a Bonn government spokesman said here Monday.

Dr. Herwig Effenberg, commercial vice consul with the West German consulate in Seattle, discussed his trade in relation to the federal republic's over-all economic recovery since World War II.

He told an audience at the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce weekly roundtable luncheon that thanks to U. S. economic aid and advice the

production level in West Germany and other free European nations as well is "much higher than before the war."

Fair a Success
Dr. Effenberg described the current 23-nation international trade fair in Portland as "a real success for your state."

He reported that the fair represented West Germany's first appearance in such an event on the West Coast in which it boasted a pavilion of its own specially designed for the occasion.

The pavilion exhibits, he said, are intended to present "an idea of typical German consumer items."

He described the jointly-occupied main structure as marking "the first time in history that several European nations have joined in one big exhibition, working together economically."

Economic cooperation was a major theme of Dr. Effenberg's roundtable talk. He discussed the European Common Market and further free-trade possibilities in the future as well as trade between his country and the United States.

Among products being sold by this country to his mentioned airplanes and great quantities of food, including poultry and canned fruits. From the Pacific Northwest specifically, he said, West Germany buys lumber, pulp, grain, ores and electronic equipment.

After Monday's roundtable luncheon, Dr. and Mrs. Effenberg spent a considerable part of the afternoon at Bear Creek Orchards. They planned to visit Ashland Tuesday to see the new Shakespeare Festival theatre. Prior to arriving in the Rogue Valley, they stopped at Klamath Falls and at Crater Lake. They expect to visit Grants Pass after Ashland.

Immunization Meaningless
In their study the Russian scientists made the following points:

1. Radiation sickness that follows the introduction of radioactive substances into the body, destroys the body's antibody production. This means that any protective program of immunization, such as might be set up by a nation's public health service, against biological warfare would be meaningless.

2. Ordinary microorganisms normally found in the body can be turned into deadly killers, using the combined forms of warfare discussed in the article.

3. The body's normal barriers to "germs" can be torn down, destroyed by chemicals alone or in combination with radioactive substances.

4. Disease-causing microorganisms can be made to penetrate the body's defenses much faster. They can be combined with chemicals, radioactive substances or other microorganisms so that scientists will not be able to diagnose and treat the resulting disease.

New Game Helps To Cut Accidents

Los Angeles—UPI—A game which is a cross between Bingo and safety is helping to cut industrial accidents at a large manufacturing plant here.

The game is called SAFGO. Each month every person in the B. F. Goodrich Co. plant is issued a SAFGO card. There are 24 numbers on each card, and every day one number is drawn. The first employee whose numbers chosen in the drawing form a green cross representing safety wins a \$100 U. S. Savings bond—unless he has had an injury during the month which resulted in loss of time.

"Interest in the game is mounting," said J. M. Robbins, plant manager. "We expect this interest and the safety idea printed on the SAFGO card to help measurably in keeping accidents from happening at our plant."

Gout Linked To High Intelligence

Washington—(Science Service)—Proof of some truth in the belief that intelligent people are more frequently afflicted with gout is reported here by two scientists.

They found a low level of positive correlation between the I.Q.s and the level of uric acid in the blood of 817 G.I.s.

A high level of uric acid is usually present in the blood of persons suffering from the painful disease that strikes the joints and big toes of its victims. Many scientists, in studying the case histories of gout patients, have noticed that the relatively rare disease occurred most frequently among prominent and successful people.

It may well be that highly successful people eat richer foods than does the average man, or that a defect in the manner in which the body burns up this food may activate the brain. Drs. DeWitt Stetten Jr., and John Z. Heaton, National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases, Bethesda, Md., explained.

Repellent Keeps Rabbits Away

Ithaca, N.Y. — (UPI) — Cornell scientists say they have come up with an effective repellent to keep rabbits from nibbling away at expensive plants and shrubs during the winter.

Mix seven pounds of powdered resin in one gallon of ethyl alcohol and let it stand in a warm place for a day or two. Then paint it on the dry bark before snow sets in.

A gallon of this mixture will treat about 100 small trees and last all winter.

But if only a few trees or shrubs are involved, the scientists suggest using chicken wire for "tried and true protection."

California Issues 34 Types of Plates

San Francisco—UPI—California issues 34 types of automobile registration plates.

Included are special tags for U. S. Senators, Congressmen, state legislators, members of the insular corps, officials of public institutions, federal, state, county and city governments, and disabled veterans.

However, plates are not issued very often. Current prison-made tags were stamped in 1956 and are updated with annual stickers.

Natural Fluorides Found in Water Of 1,903 Cities

Washington—(Science Service)—Water supplies of 1,903 cities and towns in the United States contain enough fluoride naturally to prevent two out of three dental cavities.

The combined population of these cities and towns, about 7,000,000, added to about 35,000,000 people living in 1,800 communities practicing controlled fluoridation, indicates that one of every three people in the country using central water supplies now drinks fluoridated water.

These figures were contained in a report published here by the U. S. Public Health Service based on data compiled by the dental directors of all state health agencies.

In 43 States

The 1,903 communities with naturally occurring fluoride are distributed throughout 43 states. The community populations range from less than 50 to more than 500,000, with 35 per cent having more than 50,000 inhabitants. Thirty-eight per cent have populations from 5,000 to 50,000, and 27 per cent have less than 1,000 inhabitants.

Texas, the state with the most natural fluoridation, has 2,700,000 persons in 356 towns using naturally fluoridated water. New Mexico has 465,000 people, or 68 per cent of the total population, living in communities with naturally fluoridated water.

Other States

Each of 12 other states—Illinois, Iowa, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin—has at least 100,000 people served by water with natural fluoridation.

The fluoride found naturally is identical in its dental effect to the fluoride used in controlled fluoridation, the PHS reported.

BETTER MOTTO?

Los Angeles—UPI—The Let's Have Better Mottos association selected as its motto of the month: "I must have had help. I couldn't be that stupid myself."

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New Golf Ball Glistens in Light

Cleveland, Ohio—UPI—A duffer's dream, a golf ball that's almost impossible to lose, has now come true.

The new ball, invented by Franklin Veatch of Cleveland, calls for coating the dimples with a mirror-like metal that glistens in any light.

Veatch, a Standard Oil of Ohio research supervisor, says the coated ball is easily seen in flight and more easily spotted in the rough.

More is spent by music lovers in the U. S. to hear concerts than by sports fans to see pro baseball.

Independence Plans Wagon Days Parade

Local organizations are invited to enter a float, band or unit in the Covered Wagon Days parade scheduled for Aug. 15 in Independence, Ore.

The parade is part of activities planned to welcome the arrival of the On to Oregon Cavalcade covered wagon train from Independence, Mo.

Among the festivities planned will be an end of the trail square dance jamboree with 800 participants, official

transfer of the overland philatelic mail, old timers' celebration, children's parade, water show, and a fly-in with private aircraft.

Groups interested in participating in the parade are to send the name of the organization, street address, city, name of person in charge and the type of entry, such as band, march unit, mounted unit and the number of persons in the entry as well as number of horses to Ernie Hood, coordinator for the Jackson County Centennial association, 1959 Oregon ave. or telephone SPing 3-2059.

The information should also include whether the float is for a commercial, civic or fraternal organization and include a brief description.

The information should be mailed not later than July 30.

RYE BREAD THEFT

London—UPI—Matthias Cantner, 31, was sent to jail for two months Monday for stealing a loaf of bread in a London district called Peckham Rye.

New Tape Recorder Rugged Instrument

Palo Alto, Calif.—UPI—A new tape recorder is reported so rugged it will survive a jet plane crash at 1,100 miles an hour into a concrete wall.

The Lockheed Aircraft Corp. developed the eight-pound recorder for moon shots and interplanetary space travel. It can record up to three million items of scientific data as it sails through outer space, the company said, and can then divulge the information six times faster than it had recorded it.

SAC Plane Crashes; Seven Persons Hurt

Shreveport, La.—UPI—A U. S. Air Force Strategic Air Command transport plane, carrying unarmed nuclear weapons and a high explosive, crashed and burned one mile from Barksdale Air Force Base Monday afternoon. All seven crew members were injured, none seriously.

Maj. George T. Faye, base information officer, said the C-124 Globemaster broke in two because of rough terrain in the crash. Faye estimated the craft had been only 50 feet in the air when it apparently suffered a partial power failure.

"There was no explosion. There is no danger of radiation," the Air Force announced after the accident.

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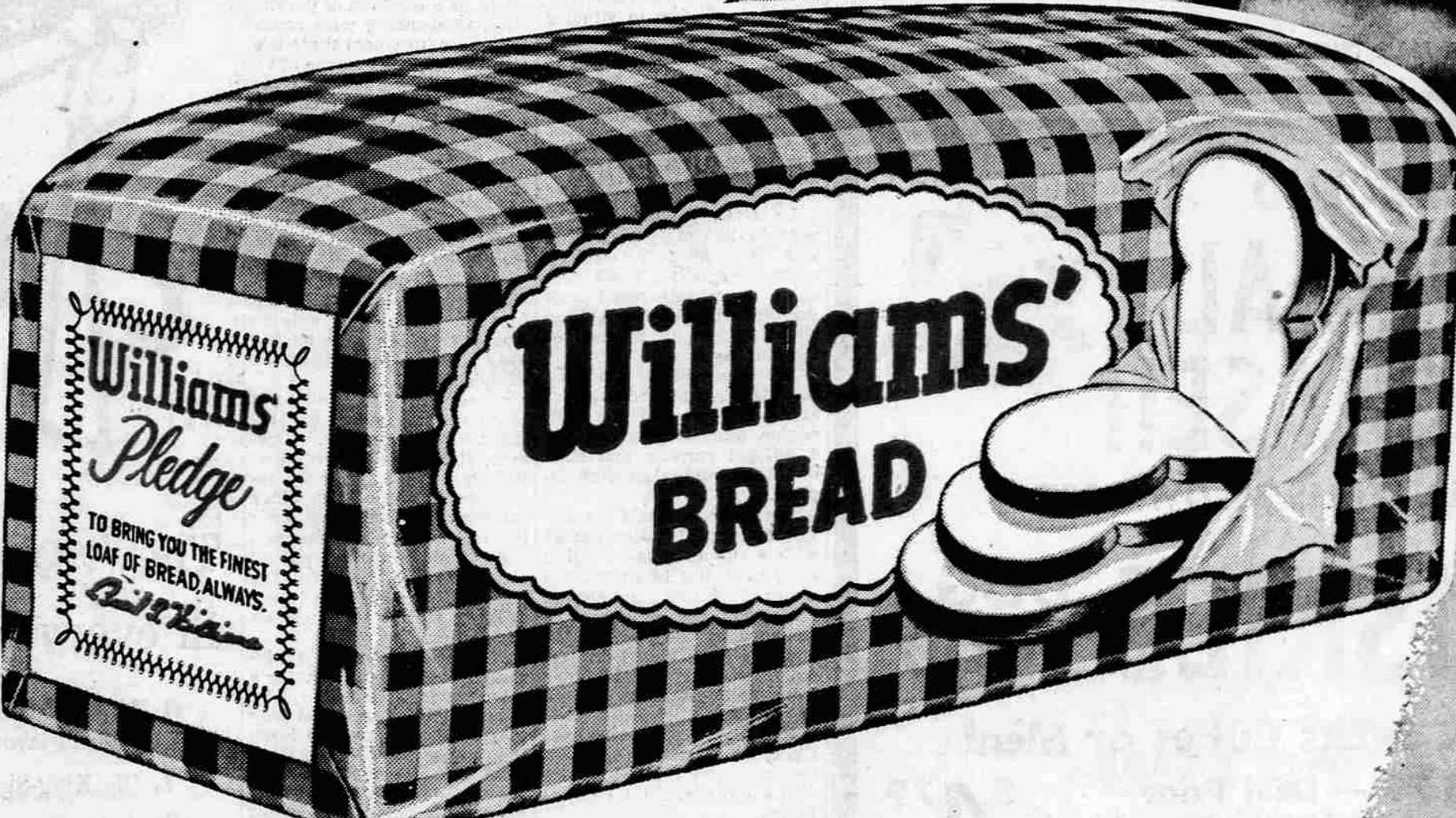
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