

Germans Protesting Marlene Dietrich's Slated Appearances

Hamburg, Germany - (UP) - Marlene Dietrich, the German actress whose support of the Allied cause in World War II won her the French "Croix de Guerre" and friends almost everywhere outside Germany, soon will perform in Germany for the first time in 30 years.

She is scheduled to appear at least twice in Berlin April 30 and Hamburg May 7.

But already Germans, accusing the blonde grandmother with the husky voice of being anti-German, are firing off angry letters to her Hamburg manager protesting her return.

Said Kurt Collien, Hamburg concert agent who arranged Miss Dietrich's comeback in the country she left when the Nazis fought for power:

"An increasing number of letters come in protesting Miss Dietrich's return.

"Her appearance in Germany, no doubt, will stir up a controversy."

One of the letters protesting Miss Dietrich's return said in part, "She's coming back now to earn hard German marks," the manager said.

West Germany's largest Sunday newspaper "Bild Am Sonntag" listed seven points in a two-page article discussing what it called the favorable and unfavorable aspects.

The newspaper listed as "favorable" that Miss Dietrich, daughter of a Prussian army officer, left Germany purely for her political convictions.

It said Miss Dietrich "did not, like others, announce her despatch of the Hitler regime from Hollywood, but donned a uniform and performed before Allied troops. She dared to go even into the most forward front lines and almost was captured in 1944 in Luxembourg."

The paper listed as unfavorable Miss Dietrich's record after the war. It said, "While her actions can be understood during the Hitler regime and especially during

the war, it is incomprehensible why she refused to change her mind after the war. Instead of making a difference between Nazis and non-Nazis, Marlene, until recently, blamed the entire German people for the atrocities of the Hitler Reich."

On the other hand, the paper said, Miss Dietrich repeatedly showed that her utterances were not her innermost conviction.

German artists, said the paper, particularly actress Hildegard Neff, received unselfish help from Miss Dietrich in Hollywood.

It said, "If her actions are weighed against each other a confusing, but nevertheless human picture of a woman appears. It shows here... as real German, honest, but politically confused, radical but sentimental, intelligent, but thoughtless."

Thornton To Attend Crime Conference

Salem - (UP) - A Curry county crime prevention conference in Gold Beach Thursday will attract Attorney General Robert Thornton and other officials.

The county-wide meeting is an outgrowth of the state crime conference here Feb. 16.

Others from Salem who will attend are the superintendents of the State Correctional Institution and Hillcrest School for Girls, and State Police Captain Lyle Harrell.

The meeting was called by Curry County District Attorney Ed Ackley.

RAILROADS SPEND
Washington - (UP) - Despite their return of only 2.8 percent on net investments - about one-third the profit rate in manufacturing - railroads managed to spend about \$830 million for capital improvements of plant and equipment in 1959, according to the Association of American Railroads. The total included some 800 diesel electric locomotives and more than 40,000 new freight cars.



MARLENE'S RETURN PROTESTED - Marlene Dietrich, shown enjoying a stroll with Italian star Faf Vallone, is planning to return to Germany. Miss Dietrich, whose support of the Allied cause in World War II won her the French "Croix de Guerre" and friends almost everywhere outside Germany, soon will perform in Germany for the first time in 30 years. She is scheduled to appear at least twice - in Berlin April 30 and Hamburg May 7. But already many Germans, accusing the blonde grandmother of being anti-German, are protesting her return.

Cop Gets Brothers In Twin Troubles

Clarksville, Tex. - Leo Tona made an illegal right turn while driving his twin brother, Clint, one day.

An officer approached the car. Leo, whose driver's license had been suspended, grabbed his brother's license. But the officer spotted him.

So Leo got a \$85 fine, a 30-day suspended sentence and one year's probation. Brother Clint was fined \$25 for letting Leo use his license. The brothers, identical twins, are 26 years old.

Body Found to Be Capable of Fighting Tumors

Louisville, Ky. (Science Service) - The body appears capable of producing some resistance to tumors, but the exact manner in which this is done eludes scientists, an authority said here today.

There is little doubt that immunological responses to human tumors do occur, Dr. George E. Moore of Roswell Park Institute, Buffalo, N.Y., told science writers attending a seminar here sponsored by the American Cancer Society. On the subject of cancer immunity, Dr. Moore said observations of many different cases of cancer support the view that some humans are capable, for as yet unknown reasons, of resisting their own cancer growths. He cited the following examples:

1. There are a few cases where the tumors stopped growing or even disappeared without benefit of treatment.
2. Many patients have survived for a long period despite incomplete removal of their malignancy.
3. Numerous tumors have spread to other parts of the body after the original tumor was successfully treated, but they succeeded in many years later. Scientists suspect that these newly spread tumors gained their foothold only when some natural defense mechanism broke down.
4. Thousands of tumor cells spill into the blood stream and lymphatic system but each of these cells does not result in another new tumor.
5. Antibodies that attack tumors have been found in a small number of cancer cases. **Should Be Possible**
6. Very few patients have been able to accept a transplant of their own tumor tissue to another place on the body, which should normally be possible unless some unknown is fighting this switch.

Abnormal cells in the human may be produced by a wide variety of chemical and physical agents such as X-rays, abnormal nutrition and possible viruses, all of which can result in cancer.

Tumors may range from those that are capable of surviving only because their cells are much like their neighboring normal cells to those that are radically different from normal cells. These can grow so rapidly that they are able to survive despite any natural resistance the body can muster against them.

Any vaccine that might be developed in the near future would probably control only the rapidly growing tumors, Dr. Moore predicted.

FARM EXPORTS LOWER
Washington - (UP) - U. S. exports of farm products in 1959 were the sixth highest in value and the third highest in quantity, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The total of \$3.7 billion in exports compared with \$4 billion in 1957. Exports last year were slightly under the 1955-58 average but about one-sixth above the 1950-54 average.

Health, Vigor of Plants Is Measure for Ability

Corvallis - The health and vigor of the plants grown in your yard are a measure of your gardening ability. And the place to start in keeping plants healthy is with the soil, says an Oregon State college landscape architect.

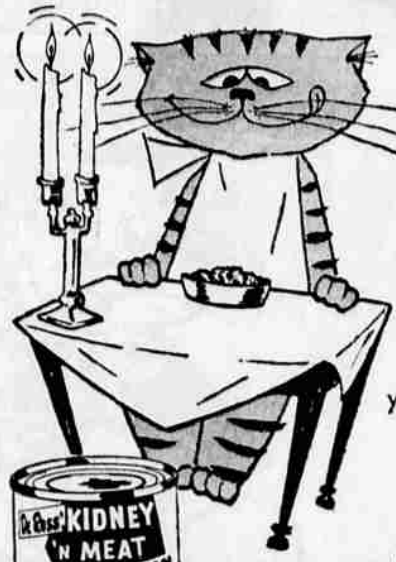
Before planting any shrubs or trees or seeding new lawn, the soil should be worked to a depth equal to or greater than the root systems, according to George Fredeen. This means at least 6 inches deep for lawns, 18 inches for shrubs, and 2 feet for trees.

Fertility of the soil can, and in most cases should, be improved by addition of manures, straw, compost, sawdust, peat moss, or leaves. These organic materials provide food for the soil microorganisms, increase the water-holding capacity of the soil, and stimulate plant root development. Fredeen explained. The plants, in turn, respond by good strong, vigorous growth and with an increased immunity toward certain diseases.

Commercial Fertilizers
At times, it may be advisable to add some commercial fertilizers to the organic matter, the landscape architect noted. These add supplemental food for the plants and are usually good to help break

Fredeen pointed out, by adding percentage of nitrogen. To lime, a particular delight to acid-type fertilizer with a neutralize the soil pH, use wood ashes or agricultural

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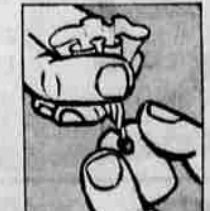
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