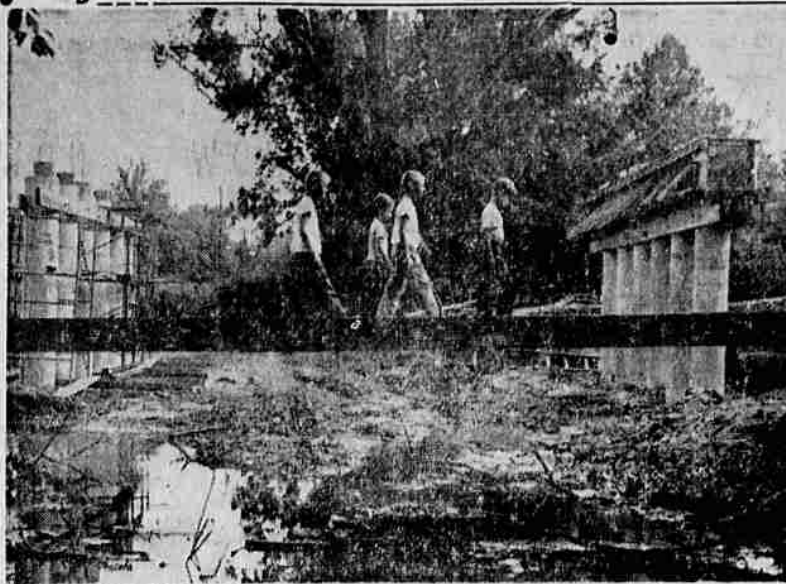




SUBSTITUTE BRIDGE—Delays in starting a new bridge over Little Buck creek at Indianapolis, Ind., would have left pupils in the area stranded from their schools. The contractor for the new bridge, shown at rear, constructed a temporary foot bridge for pupils so they may arrive in class with their shoes dry. (UPI Telephoto)

Manpower Potential Could Up Goods, Services by 50 Per Cent

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New York (UPI)—This nation's manpower potential is great enough, with an improving technology, to boost the production of goods and services by about 50 per cent during the 1960s.



This would mean the gross national product rising from about \$500 billion to \$750 billion by 1970, accompanied by a further improvement in the standard of living.

But, according to the editor of Standard & Poor's Outlook, this growth depends heavily upon the degree of success achieved in utilizing the projected vast increase in manpower.

By the end of this decade more than 13 million workers will have been added to our present labor force of 73 mil-

lion, the largest increase ever for any previous 10-year period, and 50 per cent more than in the 1950's.

Shifting Age Levels

This large increase, Bernard T. Frevert stated, will be accompanied by major changes in composition of the manpower reserve—the result of the very low birth rate in the 1930s, followed by the big upturn in births in the 1940s.

Nearly half the gain will be in workers under 25 years of age, with another 20 per cent in the 45 years and over group. The 25-34 age bracket will increase only about 12 per cent, and in the 35-44 group, from which normally is drawn a substantial proportion of higher level personnel, a slight decrease is indicated.

This outlook for the last group has already been a serious topic of discussion among management consultants, who point out that already there are too few men

who possess the experience and abilities necessary to be effective managers.

Greatest Source

They estimate that the shrinkage of the number of workers between the ages of 25 and 45 will amount to two million people by 1965. Yet this age group represents the greatest source of management personnel for the next 10 years and nearly the only source for the subsequent decade.

Frevert said other trends foreseen for the 1960s are a 25 per cent increase in the number of women workers as against 15 per cent for men; and a 30 per cent rise in the number of part-time workers, principally young people still at school and adult women with some responsibilities.

Frevert said the big question is will the economy be able to absorb this huge addition to the labor supply, or do we face a chronic unemployment rate well in excess of the present 5.5 per cent figure.

More Jobs Foreseen

He added that the prospects generally are reassuring as growth of the economy will create additional job opportunities. Employment is expected to increase faster in service industries than in production fields. And, as in the past decade, professional, office and sales jobs will grow the fastest, particularly in occupations requiring the most education and training.

Among manual occupations, the need for skilled craftsmen is expected to increase, with the number of unskilled jobs staying about the same. A further drop in farm employment also is foreseen.

Intelligent Planning

But, Frevert stressed that the situation will also call for intelligent planning on the part of industry, federal and local governments, and the youngsters who will enter the work force.

Business will have to revise its personnel policies to allow for a larger proportion of young and inexperienced workers, as well as for more women and part-time employees.

And, the S&P editor declared, in view of the prospect that two out of five workers during the 1960s will be 45 years or older, a more enlightened attitude with respect to the employment of older workers will be required.

Bids Called for Tulake Work

Invitations have been issued by the bureau of reclamation for bids for the construction of 8.4 miles of earth-lined laterals, 12.6 miles of new drains, deepening of 9.2 miles of existing drain plus construction of minor structures.

The work will be done about two miles south of Tulake, Calif., in Modoc and Siskiyou counties.

This construction is part of a four-year program to provide facilities for improved irrigation and drainage on 17,000 acres of Tulake bottom lands.

The land has been reclaimed by the Klamath Federal Reclamation project by diking and by diversion and pumping of inflow from Lost river.

The soils in this area are among the most productive in the Klamath Basin, according to J. S. Hamilton, project manager. The improved facilities are needed to maintain this high productivity by permitting more efficient irrigation and drainage practices.

Bids will be opened Sept. 22.

There are 13,000 department stores in this country, or one store for every 12,500 people.

Grange News

Upper Rogue Grange

The Upper Rogue Grange will meet Thursday, Sept. 15, for a social gathering. A potluck dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Entertainment is planned.

Same Valley Grange

Same Valley Grange will meet Saturday, Sept. 10, at 8 p.m. in the Grange Hall for a regular business meeting. Hosts will be Mr. and Mrs. Al Straus and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pleasant. The program will include a "watermelon feed."

Griffin Creek Grange

Griffin Creek Grange held its regular meeting Thursday, Sept. 8, with Master Herman Kamping presiding. Roll call of officers present was noted, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

HEC Chairman Marge Mero reported that the next meeting of the HEC will be held at the home of Mary Bierma Wednesday, Sept. 21. Dessert luncheon will be served at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Mero also reported that Mrs. Winifred Reich has planned an open house to celebrate the Reichs' 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Sept. 25, between 2 and 5 p.m.

The Grange approved use of the hall by the extension unit, which will resume its meetings soon.

Bill Darby also reported on the price of turkeys, in anticipation of the turkey dinner planned by the Grange Nov. 6.

HEC chairman announced that the next Grange meeting would be held Thursday, Sept. 22, and will be a potluck dinner meeting.

Refreshments were served by Virgil and Helen Wilkes.

Shady Cove Grange

The regular meeting of the Shady Cove Grange was held Sept. 3 in the Shady Cove school gym with Master Cecil Kee presiding.

Committees reporting included agriculture, legislature, roads, ways and means, fire department, school and insurance.

HEC chairman, Mrs. Bert Clark, stated the next meeting would be a potluck picnic dinner at the Reed McKay home on Rogue river, Tuesday, Sept. 13.

Obligations were given to the following candidates: Mr. and Mrs. D. Deidrickson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. R. McDaniels, Mrs. Mildred Ramsey, and Dean and Kenny Weitman.

Seattle Shaken By Sharp Quake

Seattle, Wash. — (UPI) — One of the sharpest earthquakes in several years shook the Puget Sound area at 7:06 a.m. Saturday but no damage was reported.

Prof. Frank Neumann, University of Washington seismologist, said the tremor registered five on the Mercalli scale of seven. He said an intensity of six would cause "moderate damage."

Neumann said the quake was centered within 25 miles of Seattle but he could not say in which direction. Neumann explained the first shock knocked his instruments off scale.

Seattle's last serious earthquake was on April 13, 1949. That quake caused an estimated \$50 million damage and killed several persons.

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at their regular meeting Friday, Sept. 2. White, superintendent of the Southern Oregon Experiment station, explained the work of the station. Through the use of colored slides he explained the many projects being carried on by the station. Mrs. White was a guest for the evening.

Important dates of events to come for members to remember are the rummage sale by the HEC ladies Sept. 21 in the Grange hall. The Grange booster night will be on Sept. 23 starting with a potluck supper.

Serving committee included Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gebhard, and Mrs. Mallory.

Turkish Officials To Visit Portland

Portland — (UPI) — Three officials of the government of Turkey will spend a six-day visit here later this month in connection with studies of employment security and related activities.

The officials are Mrs. Neriman Kirli, director of Insurance Service of the Laborers Insurance Association; Faruk M. Ozata, assistant chief of the Vocational Training Section of the Turkish Employment Service; and Nahit Belgin, a lawyer in charge of General Management of Labor

Tito To Attend General Assembly

Belgrade, Yugoslavia — (UPI) — President Tito of Yugoslavia will lead his country's delegation to the United Nations General Assembly this month, the Yugoslav News Agency Tanjug announced Saturday.

Charlottesville, Va. — (UPI) — Henry N. Taylor, Scripps-Howard reporter killed Sept. 4 while covering riots in the Congo, was buried Saturday a few miles from his boyhood home at Charlottesville.

Insurance. They are scheduled to be here from Sept. 14-30.

Gearhart, Ore. — (UPI) — Attorneys and judges from throughout Oregon are scheduled to meet here Sept. 21-24 for the 26th annual Oregon State Bar association meeting.

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