



FARM BUILDINGS WRECKED - The Wilber Crandon farm buildings looked like this after a tornado cut a one-mile swath west of Gilman, Iowa. These two barns, a garage, the family car and their home were destroyed by the twister. Five members of the Crandon family were treated for cuts and bruises at a hospital. (UPI)

University Selected For Hay Institute

Eugene—Sixty-two high school teachers and administrators from throughout the United States have been selected to participate in the John Hay summer institute at the University of Oregon, the first state university chosen to participate in the John Hay program.

Sponsored by the John Hay Fellows Program, the university institute will be one of four in the U.S. this summer. It will begin June 30 and continue for four weeks.

The John Hay Fellows Program stresses humanities study for public high school teachers and administrators. It was established in 1951 by the John Hay Whitney Foundation. The program has expanded through grants from the Ford Foundation of \$1,400,000 in 1958 and \$4,815,000 in 1960.

Charles R. Keller, director of the program, will direct the institute at the University of Oregon. Each year he directs one of the summer institutes.

Washington—(UPI)—President Roberto F. Chiari of Panama, who has accepted President Kennedy's invitation to visit the United States, will arrive in Miami June 11 and come to Washington June 12 for two days.



LEAVING RED CHINA - Mrs. Mary Downey of New Britain, Conn., and her son, William, cross back into Hong Kong at Lowu border station after visiting her son, John 32, one of four Americans held prisoner in Communist China. Her son, a civilian employee of the U. S. Army, was captured in 1952 and imprisoned on an espionage charge. (UPI)

National Debate Office To Open at University

Eugene—The National Office of Discussion and Debate, a center for high school speech leagues throughout the country, will be established at the University of Oregon, Dr. Bower Aly, professor of speech at the university, has announced.

Dr. Aly has been executive secretary of the committee on discussion and debate for 28 years, and will be the director of the new national office. The new office will establish a central control for work which has previously been done by volunteer workers at nine different institutions.

Dr. Aly said Dr. C. A. Leister of Oberlin college will be associate director of the national office, which will be located in the Erb Memorial Student Union. Dr. Leister also will be an associate professor of speech at the University of Oregon. His appointment is subject to the approval of the Oregon state board of higher education.

The national office was formed by means of a grant of \$17,663 from a private foundation and matching funds from the members and affiliates of the committee on discussion and debate materials. Additional contributions from the University of Oregon raised the office's budget to more than \$20,000.

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Engineering Graduates Find Good Opportunities

Corvallis—Engineering graduates from Oregon State university this June will find job opportunities the best in years and starting salaries up considerably, according to a report compiled by the school of engineering.

Average starting salary for graduates in all departments—general, chemical, agricultural, civil, electrical, mechanical and industrial—will be \$376 a month this year compared to \$331 a year ago, Marvin R. Haith, engineering placement officer reported.

Electrical engineers, however, will start at \$602 a month on the average this June. They top the "wanted" list this year by industry, research agencies and government. One electrical engineer will start at \$780 a month, high for the 250 engineering graduates surveyed.

Four Still Looking

Only 4 of the 250 are still looking for jobs, Haith said. The others are already signed for work, are headed for military service, 44, or plan to go on for advanced degrees, 32.

Engineers with master's and doctor's degrees are in big demand and the added training means larger salaries, Haith noted. Doctor's degree gradu-

ates will start about \$1,000 a month.

The average June bachelor's degree graduate in engineering has taken 6½ job interviews this school year, Haith said. A total of 167 companies visited the campus to interview students this year. This is the largest total since 1957 with many companies represented again this year after an absence of a year or two.

The interview schedule for next winter is already more than half filled, indicating that the demand for engineering graduates is going to be even greater in the future, Haith stated.

Go Into Industry

About three-fourths of this year's OSU engineering grads will go into industry and about half of them will be taking jobs in California, Haith indicated.

Engineering enrollments have dropped off across the country in recent years but started to make a comeback this year as the public became aware again of the tremendous need for trained engineers.

OSU's engineering enrollment was up 2 per cent this year over 1961 and bigger

gains are seen by Haith for out of every 6 students at OSU is enrolled in engineering.

Reluctant Authority Considers Making Left-Handed Pan

By ROBERT MUSEL

United Press International London—(UPI)—Thomas Wood, a reluctant authority, was wondering today whether to proceed with an idea for a left-handed saucepan for busy housewives.

Wood, a Birmingham manufacturer of machine tools, innocently named one of his companies "Left Handed Limited," because in some engineering processes tool must have a left-handed rotation.

Ever since, he said, he has been fighting off efforts to get him to produce such items as fountain pens with left-handed nibs, left-handed check books, left-handed cash registers (with the ruled columns on the opposite side) and left-handed potato peelers.

Unofficial Census

Wood was puzzled by the deluge until he discovered that the Swiss, who are methodical about such matters, had taken an unofficial census which revealed that 22 per cent of the world's people are southpaws—750 million potential customers.

The Swiss have even produced a left-handed watch—it is designed for the right wrist and has the winding stem on the reverse side.

"We finally made a few

tools for left-handed people," according to Wood, who believes his company is the only one in the world which does so. "And that brought up the question of the left-handed saucepan."

"Now, suppose a right-handed housewife wants to make a custard or a blanc mange, she stirs it with her right hand and at the same time she wants to pour in more fluid while she is doing so. But most saucepans have a lip which is designed for pouring with the right hand.

"Obviously what she needs is a left-handed saucepan."

Has Monkey Wrench

Wood can actually supply a left-handed monkey wrench, joking aside. In sawing in the steel industry the wrench must have a thumb position, hence it loses its ambidextrousness.

There also is a right-handed trowel for southpaw bricklayers. It has the right-handed edge hardened for chipping bricks or levelling off mortar instead of the other side used by right-handed bricklayers.

"Once you give in to this sort of thing there is no end of ideas—left-handed cricket bats and left-handed golf clubs," Wood sighed. "Practically everything used by a right-hander can be reversed."

But Wood has no intention of moving any further to the left hand.

"I'm thinking of changing the name of the company," he said.

Tourists Pass Through 'Torii'

Tokyo—(UPI)—The thousands of tourists coming to Japan each year don't know it, but they've been passing through a "bewitched" Shinto gateway whose "evil spell" has cowed construction workers, Japanese bureaucrats and the U. S. Air Force.

So say officials at Tokyo International airport.

The officials want to remove the gateway. It's obstructing the construction of a new, badly needed, parking lot. But they're having a tough time finding someone who will defy the evil powers of the Shinto gateway ("Torii").

Workers constructing the new parking lot refused to have anything to do with tearing down the Torii.

The officials said they did not want to do it, recalling an attempt years ago by American air men to remove the Torii.

"We are not superstitious," one official said. "But it's a question of who is going to place a bell on a cat's tail." The way the officials tell the story, some American air men tried to take away the Torii when the airport was used as an American air base in occupation days.

The U. S. Air Force authorities, airport officials said, thought the gateway was "ugly" and that it was ridiculous to keep it.

But they reckoned without the "fox's divine power," the Japanese officials said.

Burglar-Arsonist Blamed for Fire

Portland—(UPI)—Firemen said today a burglar-arsonist was believed responsible for a \$30,000 blaze early Wednesday at the Hillsdale Medical Dental Clinic in the southwest Portland area.

At the same time firemen sought cause of a blaze which caused \$44,000 damage to the Hawthorne Bowl and adjoining offices in southeast Portland, also early Wednesday.

Firemen said three car firms in Washington county, where the medical clinic fire occurred, had been similarly burglarized and burned in recent weeks. In each case the incidents occurred Tuesday nights and early Wednesdays.

Mohair Is Produced By 4 Million Goats

Washington—(UPI)—More than four million goats were given haircuts last year to produce something over 26 million pounds of mohair for clothing, upholstery and rugs.

Most of the goats, according to the United States Department of Agriculture's Statistical Reporting Service, were in Texas.

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