

FFA Proves To Be Big Operation

SALEM, July 2 (AP)—The 2133 members of Oregon future farmers are running a big business, with \$476,907 invested in their farming operations, the state department of vocational education said today.

Thirty of the 48 chapters own \$52,000 worth of farm machinery and equipment cooperatively, with 10 chapters manage a total of 253 acres in farms owned and operated by the chapters.

The FFA boys bought \$50,905 worth of Victory bonds in the past 12 months, and canned 6333 cans of food for relief. They also turned in 2924 pounds of waste fat.

The boys canned 380,114 cans of food, raised 562 gardens totaling 330 acres, and 1256 boys made their farm homes more beautiful.

The FFA members borrowed \$17,005 from their local banks.

In their farm shop program, they built 1725 pieces of farm machinery and repaired 2296 farm machines.

Radio Sale Ruling Made

WASHINGTON, July 2 (AP)—In a tentative ruling, the communications commission said today that if Mrs. W. J. Virgin wants to sell radio station KMED at Medford, Ore., the buyer should be Medford Radio Corporation rather than Gibson Broadcasting of Vallejo, Calif.

A 20-day appeal period is allowed. If the decision stands, it will be the first time the commission has set aside a private sale and made an award to a competitive bidder.

Mrs. Virgin originally entered into an agreement to sell the station to Gibson Broadcasting, then when public notice of sale was given as required, Medford Radio corporation offered to match the Gibson offer of \$250,000 cash and \$20,900 in stock.

The commission ruling said that the Medford corporation, as a home city enterprise, was more likely to serve local interests.

Glen L. Jackson, Medford, is head of the corporation.

Moose Lodge Slates Meet

A pre-conference meeting of the Moose lodge will be held tonight, starting Wednesday, with a banquet at 6:30, at the lodge hall on Pine, preparatory to a state conference which will be held here July 10-12.

Klamath Falls lodge is well on its way toward making its goal of 100 candidates for initiation as a conference class, and all outstanding applications must be turned in by Wednesday night, July 10, for this class.

The initiation will be in honor of Moose Governor Brick Leach. The banquet tonight will be put on by the Ladies of Sports association. Clubrooms of the lodge have been enlarged.

COURT RECESS
SALEM, July 2 (AP)—The state supreme court began its summer recess today. It will reconvene September 2.

He's "Mr. America Of 1947"



Jackie Hattan (left), Helen Strickland (right) and Toni Karan, all of Chicago, cast admiring glances at Steve Reeves of Oakland, Calif., as he displays his muscles after being named "Mr. America of 1947" in the ninth annual Mr. America contest, an event held at the close of the national AAU weight lifting championships in Chicago.

Store Starts New System

A new method of meat distribution has been inaugurated at the Palace Grocery and Meat market, 524 Main. The meat is now being cut and packaged in cellophane at the Johnson Packing company and then sent to the market where it is placed in self-service cabinets. C. A. Johnson, owner, believes that the new method will revolutionize the meat retail business as it is not only cheaper and more sanitary but permits the housewife to shop leisurely. Congestion at the meat counters has been eliminated with the removal of the usual butcher departments.

The Palace market is the first store in Klamath Falls to prepare meat ready for sale at the packing house so that the housewife can shop for it in the store as she does her canned goods or fresh vegetables. Johnson stated that large eastern packers, using the system, have polled housewives and five out of six of them prefer to shop for themselves.

Meats are packaged in varying sizes so that the housewife can still obtain the amount that she wishes. Johnson said special cuts can be purchased by shoppers as two meat cutters are employed at the store. New fixtures have also been added in the remodeling of the store. Self service containers for frozen foods and vegetables have been installed along with a U-shaped counter. The store has been owned by Johnson since 1911. Manager is Bob Postep.

Cain Progressing In Steel Probe

LOS ANGELES, July 2 (AP)—Sen. Harry P. Cain (R-Wash.) said he expected to finish today the Los Angeles phase of a subcommittee inquiry into the so-called steel "gray market," then to proceed to Seattle for further investigation.

He said evidence obtained here showed that some firms, particularly smaller concerns, had been forced to pay as much as \$600 a ton for steel for which the normal eastern mill price is only around \$150 a ton.

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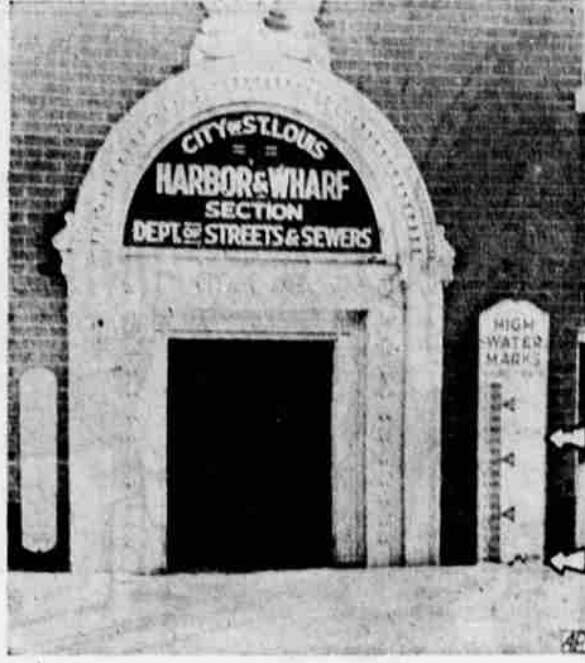
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Turlock Man Buys Paper

YREKA, Calif., July 2 (AP)—E. Glenn Drake, former Turlock politician, has bought the 50 per cent interest of William G. Bailey in the Siskiyou Publishing company which publishes the Siskiyou Daily News and the weekly Yreka Journal.

Albert Wedin, co-publisher, retains his interest. Drake will become editor and Robert H. Garrett, former Turlock newspaperman, managing editor of both papers.

To "flat out" in Britain is to drive an automobile at top speed.

FUND GAINING
SALEM, July 2 (AP)—The Judges retirement fund now contains \$40,022, a gain of \$11,000 over a year ago.

The fund was created by the 1945 legislature for retirement of circuit and supreme court judges.

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