

# Pilot Canning May Spark New Spud Offerings



**ASSEMBLY LINE**—Cannery operator Al Towne fills cans in local cannery plant, while Ed Burkholder (left) caps the cans. This operation is for salmon, a custom job. Towne, though, puts up potato chowder for commercial sale, and has ideas about canning other spud preparations. Spudmen are looking for new market outlets and this could well be one.



**JOB DONE**—Al Towne looks over salmon-canning chore—something which could easily be potato canning instead.

## Purdy Pl Beef Judge

**NORTH PORTLAND** — Herman R. Purdy, in charge of beef cattle at the Ohio State University will be the official judge of Herefords and Shorthorns at the 1952 Pacific International Livestock Exposition, Oct. 4-11, according to Walter A. Holt, General Manager.

Rated as one of the most successful beef cattle judges in the nation, Purdy was selected last year to judge the 1952 National Western Hereford Show at Denver. Other major shows that Purdy has judged in recent years include the Grand National at San Francisco, the American Royal at Kansas City, the Southwestern Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth, the International Livestock Show at Chicago and the Eastern National in Maryland. In addition to the major shows, Purdy has also judged state fairs in twelve different states in recent years and numerous smaller shows. Ohio State livestock judging teams coached by Mr. Purdy have been very successful in national and regional contests throughout the nation. Major winnings by Purdy's teams include first at the International Livestock Show in Chicago and the Eastern National Livestock Show in Maryland.

Purdy has been associated with registered Hereford Cattle for many years. At the present time his father and two brothers are managers of top flight Hereford herds.

Jack Turner, Secretary of the American Hereford Association, and Paul Swaffar, Assistant Secretary, will attend this year's national show and sale at Portland. The schedule of Hereford events in this year's national show is as follows: 9 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, judging sale cattle; 10 a.m., open class; after judging, 9 a.m. Oct. 6, judging Hereford breeding classes; 6:30 p.m. Monday Oct. 6 Hereford banquet; 9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, continue Hereford breeding classes 1 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 7 Hereford sale.

The night show this year will be returning to the Horse Show Rodeo and as a special attraction the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will be appearing at each of the eleven performances. Entries for all livestock classes at the P-I will close September 20th at the stock show office in North Portland.

**IT'S ADLAI ISENHOWER**  
DALTON, Ga. (AP) — Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Isehower have christened their newly-born son Adlai Stevenson.

By MALCOLM EPLEY JR.

The seed of something that could be big—mighty big—for Klamath economics has been planted in a one-time second floor car storage garage in Klamath Falls.

In operation in the Commercial Arts Building on 11th Street is a small cannery which has begun packing both for commercial and custom sales, and which has begun a program of preserving one of Klamath's own products for a new type offer to consumers—potato chowder.

Al Towne, who runs a delicatessen on Main Street, used to watch dump trucks full of potatoes tramping off to the dump grounds to drain off a surplus of spuds.

"That always fascinated me," Towne says. So when he was able, he decided to try to find new outlets for potatoes. He came up with potato chowder. . . for one, He's got lots of other ideas about preserving spuds, but hasn't found too many farmers willing to cooperate.

Last December Towne set up his cannery plant, and now works eight-hour shifts. Ed Burkholder is the plant foreman, handling the outside people hired when business warrants it.

On hand, too, is 11-year-old Peter Towne, who runs "Peter's Popery" on the side in the plant.

Al Towne calls his operation a pilot plant now, and foresees tremendous possibilities.

He uses a steam offshoot from Consumer's Heating Company, a fact that has confused inspectors looking for the boiler room. The cannery pays so much per can for the steam used.

Potatoes actually aren't prime in today's cannery market, but Towne's interest is intensive. Right now, though, he's looking forward to the hunting season to build up his account in the plant.

The cannery can custom pack not only home-grown vegetables and fruits, but can also handle venison.

### MASS FOR EVA PERON

**LONDON (AP)** — Requiem Masses were held in cities and capitals in many parts of the world Monday for Eva Peron, wife of the Argentine president. She died just a month ago.

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ducks and geese. With a special new "dipping and stripping" process that speeds up picking of wild-fowl, Towne reports.

To show the versatility of canning, Towne noted recently his plant canned a heater for a Bonanza woman, and some Klamath Poultry Company roosters canned by Towne came out as tender as young fryers.

"We're seriously counting on the venison and game birds," he says. He noted that by canning, legal aspects are apparently overcome in the possession limit of wild game as stated by law.

"Canning," he says, "is the same as getting rid of it."

Right now the plant is producing, besides potato chowder, clam and Navy bean soups for commercial sale. It will go on sale later this year in Oregon markets.

As set up, Towne can can at a 5,000-can capacity during an eight-hour shift, hiring six to eight helpers at the same time.

"In custom canning," he notes, "we sometimes wait until several women get together all at once with, say, salmon. Then we get things going and do a big job cheaper."



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The U.S. department of agriculture, Salt Lake City office, predicts the crop yield in Nevada generally up over last year's increases by crop over 1951 are predicted as follows: Wheat, up 1,470 tons; corn silage and oats the same as last year at 36,000 tons and 5,120 tons respectively; barley, up 516 tons to 20,400; potatoes, up 1,081 tons to 12,012; onions, the same at 6,750 tons; Alfalfa hay, up 25,000 tons to 314,000 tons; wild hay, up 17,000 tons to 227,000; and all hay listed at 630,000 tons total, an increase of 45,000 tons.

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