

Harvey Says Fair Queens Are 'Dollar Dinner' Girls

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.

SALEM (AP) — The queens of the Oregon State Fair are the 4-H Club girls who take part in the Dollar Dinner contest.

The girls used to be allowed to spend only a dollar for their four-person dinner, but inflation has forced them to spend more than that. Still, they can do better than many housewives when it comes to serving good food cheaply.

The two girls who win the contest, which closes Saturday, will be the outstanding cooks of the statewide 4-H Club program.

Only the county champions take part, and there are two divisions. One is for girls under 15 years old, and the other for girls 15 or older.

It's an acid test for a girl. The county champions are top cooks, but it's a job for them to come here and cook in a strange kitchen, under the eagle eye of a judge and spectators.

A pretty 16-year-old Parkrose girl, Ann Stewart, who said she started helping her mother cook when she was only 6 years old, showed me how it's done.

Like other contestants, Ann, the Multnomah County champion, had a four-hour schedule when she did her stint Wednesday. She entered the kitchen with her food at 10 a.m. and finished cleaning up at 2 p.m. Every stage of the meal is scheduled on her time sheet.

Ann served pineapple juice, lamb with celery sauce, peas, carrots, baked potatoes, tomato and cucumber salad, homemade

rolls, jam, ginger cake and coffee. She spent only \$1.50 on the whole meal. The four persons who ate it, including Ann, had plenty to eat.

The girls who compete in the older age group eat with their guests. They have to take part in the conversation and are scored on it. The junior girls don't eat with their guests.

Ann is a junior at Parkrose High School. Her parents are Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Stewart, and the family came from Camas, Wash., only a year ago. It didn't take her long to get near the top rung of the 4-H ladder.

The dollar dinner contest was originated in Oregon, and now it is held in many states. Ann's guests were Mrs. Nellie Klump, her proud 4-H instructor at Parkrose; Miss Virginia Weiser, Deschutes County home demonstration agent who was Ann's judge; and me.

When Ann cooked her dinner, her parents were at home. Ann said they were probably eating roast beef, as she fed them an awful lot of lamb while practicing her dinner.

She said she fed her parents and only brother the lamb dinner about six times before the Multnomah County Fair, and several more times before the State Fair. She plans to go to Linfield College and take home economics. She likes to sew best, regarding cooking and cleaning house as chores.

Bette Davis Soon Stars In New Broadway Musical

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Bette Davis was in a slightly combative mood, and that's when she produces the best copy.

Miss Davis is leaving next week for New York, where she will begin rehearsals in a revue, "Two Is Company." It will be her first Broadway show since she came to Hollywood for a distinguished career that has lasted more than two decades. It is also her first stage musical. I asked her if she were nervous.

"Of course I'm nervous," said the actress, who generally speaks with exclamation marks. "Who wouldn't be nervous? But I'm not worried. It's a fun show and I'll do my best to help make it a hit. Ogden Nash has written some wonderful material."

Will she sing in the show? "Certainly I'll sing! It's a musical, isn't it?"

Is she practicing a time step for the dance numbers? "Now, really. How long has it been since you've seen a time step in a revue? Jerome Robbins is

doing the choreography, and he's the best in his field."

Is she concerned about facing a live audience after all these years in movies? "Of course not! Oh, the first night in New York may be tense. But there's no difference in the mediums. If you're an actor, you're an actor! It doesn't matter whether it's stage, pictures, television or radio. You're still acting."

Miss Davis added that she will stay with the show as long as she is needed. That could mean two years, if it's a hit. Is she worried about being off the screen that long?

"Not in the least! The only way to get good things done in this business is to take chances. That's the trouble with Hollywood—it forgets how to take chances. That's how it got in such bad shape."

"You've got to take chances if you want to achieve anything in the arts. You can't play it safe! I'll say one thing for Bette (that about all the opportunity I'd get), she's a girl who takes chances. She has gambled at many turns in her career. After playing ingenues, she took a flyer on the unattractive role of Mildred in "Of Human Bondage." It started her on the road to being the screen's top dramatic actress."

She chanced a secondary role in "The Man Who Came to Dinner" because she felt she needed a comedy. While most other top names shunned television, she did a comedy show with Jimmy Durante and even helped out on the commercials. She also gambled by playing a 20-minute part in "Phone Call From a Stranger" last year.

"And where would I be if I had never left Warner's?" she asked. "I could have stayed there another 15 years and kept my security!"

Right now she's finishing up "The Star," which is another example of her taking chances. It's a bitter story of Hollywood star who hits the downward trail. No connection with Bette Davis.

CHICAGO (AP) — Mrs. Mary McClelland of San Pablo, Calif., and Mrs. Catherine Moroney met face-to-face Thursday but neither could say for sure whether the latter was the mother and the other her daughter who was kidnapped 22 years ago.

Mrs. McClelland, an attractive 24-year-old brunette, said: "I probably will never know" if she is Mary Ames Moroney, who was abducted at the age of two in 1930.

Evidence compiled by two newspapers, the Chicago Daily News and the Oakland (Calif.) Tribune, had shown that Mrs. McClelland could be the long-missing Mary Ames Moroney.

The evidence was based on blood tests, similarities in tooth structures and other factors in Mrs. McClelland's background.

Mrs. McClelland said: "I just don't know. I think it has gone about as far as it can go. They have done about all they can do, and I probably will never know for sure."

Mrs. Moroney, a thin, worn woman of 40, has borne seven other children, concurred.

Local Skywatch About Complete

All but two of Klamath County's ground observer posts are operating at least on a part-time basis, according to Director Wallace Reed. Only Chemult and Crescent Lake have not yet established spotting posts in the program to report flying aircraft to defense centers.

However, organizing principals reported today progress has been made in good in the short time the local observation program has been in effect.

All the posts are in need of volunteers, and persons interested are asked to contact Reed.

At Keno, Boy Scouts, residents and a night-watchman are collaborating to cover the area on a full 24-hour basis. At Malin a post is being planned for the Malin Park swimming pool where adequate shelter is available for winter time operations.

The observer corps has been given a secondary mission recently—the reporting of all unusual aircraft in the sky such as reporting flying saucers and other objects. The Air Force hasn't admitted anything, but wants to report to the public what is seen by competent spotters and what strange objects are.

CEYLON FOOD COSTS UP

COLOMBO, Ceylon (AP) — Parliamentary opposition members called on the government Thursday to summon an emergency session of parliament to deal with sharply increased food costs.

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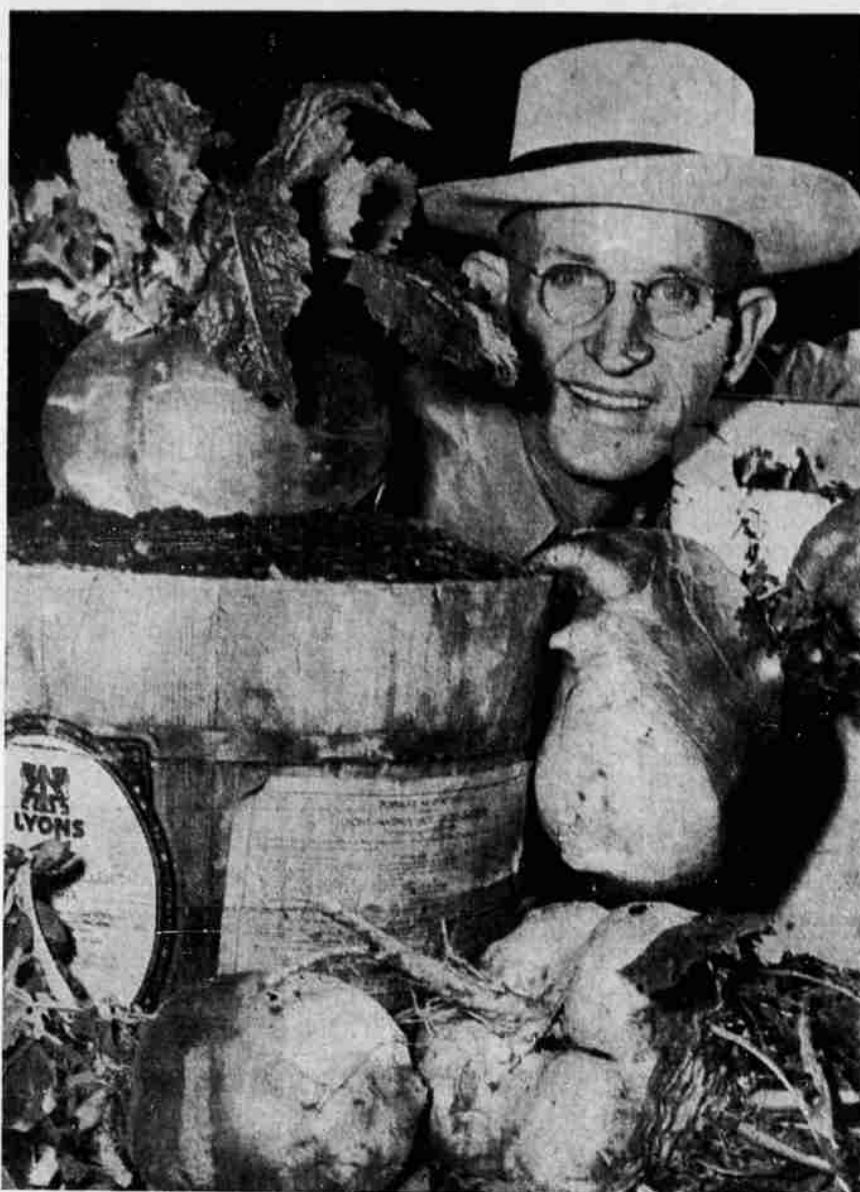
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Britain's Scientists Reveal Secrets About Mice, Sailors, Parthenogenesis

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Britain's scientists told her all sorts of interesting things Thursday about the nation's life, past and present. Such as —

—Only 15 per cent of the Navy's sailors shave before noon unless they happen to be on a flagship.

—Britons are regularly swallowing mouse hairs and chalk, also chemicals that may cause diarrhea. They're getting them in their favorite cookies, bread and ice cream.

—Women without husbands in the future may give birth to fatherless children.

These were among items told to various sections of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, holding its 114th annual meeting here.

Prof. William Wardlaw told the chemistry group that flour from a reasonably clean new crop of wheat contains up to 18 mouse hairs per pound. In good quality old crop wheat the count jumps to 180 per pound.

The millers themselves add the chalk to the flour—14 ounces to every sack—to supply calcium needed by the human body but refined out by modern milling methods.

And such chemicals as polychlorinated biphenyls and glyceryl monostearate are going into a lot of cakes, ice cream and other foods.

The first, said Wardlaw, in large doses "may give rise to diarrhea" and the latter "seems non-poisonous but no one has made quite sure."

Wardlaw warned the chemists not to go too far with their assault on home cooking. They should stop before "eating has lost much of its pleasure and nearly all of its taste."

The psychological section heard about sailors' habits, the findings of civilian experts called in by the Admiralty for time and motion studies of the British tar.

Because they learned that sailors don't all shave at the same time, warships now can have a new scale of bathroom equipment.

The investigators said their studies over the past five years also had helped to cut the loading time for a six-inch gun by 23 per cent.

And about these fatherless babies, Prof. A. D. Peacock told the zoology section scientists have made big strides in bringing about artificial parthenogenesis—the development of offspring from unfertilized females—in lower animals.

Continuance of their work, he explained, might lead even to such a way of reproduction by the higher type animals—even humans.

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Democratic Strategists Said Trying To Drive Wedge Between Ike and Taft

By JACK BELL

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP)—Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson's supporters tried today to drive a wedge between Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio in the Republican ranks.

They cited the defection of Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune, as an asset in their effort to capture the vital Midwest in the presidential race.

McCormick has advised Republicans to ignore both presidential nominees and concentrate on electing selected GOP members of Congress in preparation for a third party presidential effort in 1956.

A Stevenson aide told this reporter he regards this as a "major break" for the Democratic nominee in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Iowa, where the Tribune circulates widely. These four states form the heartland of a Midwest area where President Truman won his unexpected victory in 1948.

The Stevenson aide said he believes McCormick's views will affect many Republicans who supported Taft for the nomination, and still are angry that Eisenhower won in Chicago on the issue that

Taft's backers had "stolen" delegates in Southern states.

The Stevenson camp apparently believes that McCormick's views won't affect many Democrats but will cut deeply into Republican ranks. The Democratic nominee's followers said they don't expect to harvest many Republican votes but they do hope that many GOP members will stay away from the polls in November.

In this connection, it was disclosed that representatives of the Illinois governor had made careful canvasses of the situation in Ohio and returned here with optimistic reports.

Ohio's Democratic Gov. Frank Lausche, a proved vote-getter, is running for re-election and is opposed by Republican Charles Taft, brother of the senator.

Although Sen. John Bricker has announced the Sen. Taft will make speeches for the ticket in the state, the senator did not support his brother for the gubernatorial nomination and there still is some doubt how far Robert Taft will go in urging Eisenhower's election.

Democrats obviously hope to capitalize on this situation in bidding for Ohio's 23 vital electoral votes. They believe many supporters of Sen. Taft will stay home on election day.

Taft himself is expected to meet with Eisenhower some time next week to determine the amount of campaigning he will do before November.

In the meantime, Stevenson, pre-

paring for the start of a Western trip, surrounded by mystery the topics he will discuss on his initial tour appearance at Denver tomorrow. Aides said they could not comment on reports he will answer at that time Republican assertions that it is time for a change in Washington.

One associate said the governor was being so tight-lipped about advance copies of his speech that he wouldn't even let Wilson Wyatt, his personal campaign manager, have an advance peek.

Stevenson gave an indirect answer yesterday to charges by Eisenhower in a New York City Labor Day speech that attempts had been made to coerce federal employees into contributing to the Democratic campaign.

Eisenhower and Sen. Frank Carlson of Kansas said that Kenneth T. Anderson, Kansas Democratic national committeeman, had written postal employees in the state suggesting that they join a "Century Club" of \$100 contributors to the Democratic war chest.

Stevenson said in a letter to Beardsley Ruml, chairman of the Democratic Finance Committee, that he wants only contributions "that will be without promise and without threat."

"I like the idea of a drive for contributions that will be without promise and without threats, and, of course, make it successful," Stevenson said in a letter read to a party Finance Committee meeting in Washington.

Ruml said that while the letter implied that threats had been made in the past, he believed "they have been made in every party — through an excess of zeal."

Ruml said the Democrats thus far have raised and spent less than a million dollars in the campaign.

Arms Output Sets Record

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government reported Thursday that deliveries of planes, tanks, guns, and ammunition for defense reached a new peak in July.

Without giving a figure, Acting Defense Mobilizer John R. Steelman said total deliveries of military hardware during July represented a slight increase over the two billion dollars worth produced in June.

He said this comparison covered 140 major and "problem" items, the heart of the military program. Steelman made public portions of his latest secret monthly report to President Truman.

In it Steelman suggested the rate of climb in production might have been greater except for the 56-day steel strike.

He said steel production now has been restored to the point that pipelines for turning out military, atomic energy and machine tool items are again being filled.

Steelman added, however, that the effects of the steel strike will be felt for months to come and will be reflected in slower acceleration in production.

The two billion dollar production figure for June was understood to be around 70 to 75 per cent of the rate the government aims for by

Steelman said deliveries of aircraft in July were substantially above 800 units, with deliveries of 23 aircraft types.

Among the items showing a marked jump was the Thunderbolt fighter-bomber being built primarily for U.S. allies of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Call Made For Polio Nurses

A call for registered nurses qualified to treat polio cases has been put out from the Midwest epidemic areas, the local Red Cross office has announced.

Exec. Secy. Virginia Dixon said a call for 132 nurses has gone out, asking any qualified persons to contact her office. They are needed in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Chicago areas immediately.

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