

NEWS OF FARM LIFE



eration, said in welcoming Red Cross cooperation in a rural safety movement, is a more dangerous place than many persons realize. O'Neal cited national safety council figures for 1934 showing 4,400 fatal accidents on farms. He said that number compared with 3,800 in the travel and service trades, 2,300 in construction, and 2,900 in the manufacturing industry. O'Neal proposed an educational campaign aimed directly at the farmer to lessen accidents. He said a study of 744 accidents in Kansas showed. Dobbin was blamed for 23 per cent of the total, against eight per cent for tractors, he said.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Regular meeting American Legion Auxiliary Tuesday, May 19th, at 7:30 o'clock at armory. Nomination of officers.—Adv.

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SPECIAL FARM LOAN CONFERENCE CALLED

Association Members To Attend Meeting Dated in Roseburg.

All national farm loan association members of Douglas county are invited to attend a special stockholders' meeting at Roseburg, May 29, it is announced by R. L. Irving, secretary-treasurer of NFILA group set-up at Roseburg, who is making local arrangements. The meeting will open at 1:30 in the armory.

This informal assembly will be of vital interest to all farmers who own NFILA voting capital stock and who thereby have an indirect ownership interest in the land bank of Spokane," Mr. Irving pointed out.

The purpose is to give local stockholders member-borrowers a full explanation of the program for decentralizing the district land bank's operations, rebuilding this cooperative mortgage system around the local associations and revitalizing the principle of farm ownership and farmer control.

Officials of the bank will be present to discuss this program fully and give members complete information about current operations. It is hoped that all members will attend and take an active part in the meeting, because this is a splendid opportunity to get questions answered and develop a bond of better understanding between the local associations and the district bank. A good part of the session will be devoted to informal round-table discussion.

A representative of the production credit division of the farm credit administration will also be present to explain how seasonal crop and livestock loans are made through the local cooperative production credit associations. All farmers and others interested in the cooperative method of farm financing are invited to "sit in" at the meeting.

FOUR-H CLUB ACTIVITIES

A new kind of 4-H club was organized in Douglas county during the past week. The club has been named the "Ringneck." It is a China pheasant raising club and is operating under the instructions of the Oregon State Game commission.

Hoskitt Baker, who has had considerable experience in the raising and handling of game birds, has been selected as leader. James Nichols of Riddle is president of the club, Elsie Davis of Days Creek vice-president, and Bertram Shoemaker of Roseburg secretary. Other members include Marjorie Wright and Ed Wright, Days Creek; Charles Church, Winchester; and Lucia Britton, Melrose route, Roseburg.

Dexter Rice, chairman of the state game commission, has promised to make at least two or three visits to the home of each one of these members to view their projects and thereby get first hand information on this new project.

The following news item was sent in by the Sutherland Sewing club:

Our club, the Sutherland Sewing club, met on May 2, at the home of our local leader, Miss Lillian E. Lindhe.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mary Jane Austin. All members present joined in with the club pledge.

Old business included a discussion of the play dramatized.

A very successful demonstration was given on mending by Dorothy Chamberlain, after which the meeting was adjourned for the social hour. Games were played and the hosts served tea cream and cake.

The Board's Dairyman cow judging national contest was participated in by 40 4-H livestock club members of Douglas county. Announcements regarding the national winners are not yet ready, but as soon as the official placings were received by E. A. Britton, county club agent, he scored each of the 40 boys from Douglas county. The local contest is known as the A. C. Margaters cow judging contest. Mr. Margaters sends the winner of the contest to the 4-H club summer school each year.

Jack Moore of Loon Lake took first place with 82 points, Leonard Gustafson of Loon Lake and Clare Meredith of Lookingglass tied for second place with 79 points, Billie Walker of Loon Lake, Everett Krebs of Loon Lake, Walter Ritchie of Garden Valley, Labri Marks of Riverdale, and Bernard Bever of

MORE FARMS COME IN NEW AAA SCOPE

Fruit growers, dairymen and poultrymen have come in for special attention in connection with the new agricultural conservation act, according to word from the regional and national AAA headquarters received by the state college extension service.

The recently appointed state committee of four farmers is still awaiting definite rulings on county and state production factors, details of soil building practices and their rates per acre of class II payments and similar specific information. In a general way, however, it appears certain that more types of farming can come under the benefits of the act than at first appeared probable.

A late official news release from Triple A headquarters states that land devoted to orchards, vineyards, small fruits and nut trees regardless of age will be classified as soil depleting or soil conserving, according to the extent it is interplanted. Clean cultivated fruit is still included in the neutral classification.

If an orchardist changes from clean cultivation to some soil building practice, he can qualify for class II payments. If soil depleting crops were formerly interplanted, he may qualify for class I payments by changing to soil conserving inter-crops, if other requirements as to total acreage of soil conserving crops are met.

Indications are, also, that approved programs of improving dairy pastures will be included in the soil building practices, while poultrymen are being encouraged to study the provisions of the act to see if they cannot profitably obtain help in establishing or improving ranges essential to rearing healthy pullets. It is believed that some poultrymen will find it to their advantage to grow fewer acres of grain or other soil depleting crops and increase plantings of soil conserving crops which will provide better rearing conditions for their young stock.

N. E. Dodu of Haines has been chosen chairman of the state committee of four farmers which will head the program in Oregon. William J. Eschwege of Hillsboro is vice-chairman. Other members are Will Steen of Milton and John Shepherd of Seio.

This week include a silver tea given by the high school girls' clubs of Oakland for their mothers and friends, set at 4:30 today. The Glide P.T. A. is holding an achievement program at the Glide school Saturday evening the Edenhower school will hold an entertainment in that connection in connection with the 4-H club achievement program and the 4-H Club Entertainers will assist in that program.

FRUIT SHIPMENT PROTECTION ASKED

HOOD RIVER, May 17 — (AP) — The Hood River Traffic association has asked railroads to provide an all-exclusive service on fruit shipments.

The effect would be to put upon the lines the responsibility for providing heat or refrigeration on shipments immediately upon delivery of bills of lading. Shippers bear this responsibility under present conditions.

The association said shippers frequently do not know of weather conditions through the territory being traversed by the shipments and cannot properly protect the fruit.

A request also was made that the freight rate on pears be reduced to a parity with apples. Shippers said that improved methods of packing and handling have reduced the shipment risk.

FARMERS BUY MORE HARVESTING NEEDS

NEW YORK, May 17 — (AP) — Sydney G. McAllister, president of International Harvester Co., told stockholders at the annual meeting "business is considerably better than a year ago."

"We find," he said, "as fast as the farmer has the funds, he is very attentive to his obligations."

McAllister said "the farmers are still in an optimistic frame of mind. They run very low on equipment in the depression years, and in their present frame of mind they are buying more."

NEW AAA ATTRACTS MORE FARMERS

WASHINGTON, May 17 — (AP) — Secretary Wallace says reports compiled by AAA officials indicate from 4,500,000 to 5,000,000 farmers would participate in the soil conservation program this year.

The maximum number who signed the old AAA adjustment contracts in any one year was between 2,000,000 and 3,500,000.

Wallace said he believed AAA officials were too optimistic and that his private estimate would be about 500,000 less than theirs.

The secretary said he could not understate the large increase indicated in the AAA reports, although he could see a greater appeal of the soil conservation program in many areas.

FARM FUNDS FOUND BETTER IN OREGON

Farm debt adjustment is well in hand in the state of Oregon, with the job largely accomplished and with indications that the volume of work will become negligible before the end of 1936, according to the annual report of the agricultural advisory council, composed of volunteer citizens appointed by the governor.

The annual report, as prepared by L. R. Breithaupt of the Oregon State college extension service and executive secretary of the organization, is for the calendar year 1935, during which period 312 cases were formally considered by the various county committees, of which 142 were adjusted. Approximately 250 cases had been carried over from the peak year of 1934, while only 71 were continued into 1935. At the date the report was released the cases had been reduced to less than half of those on hand January 1.

"Statistics show that for more than two years Oregon has led all states in the union in percentage of voluntary farm transfers, and has had the lowest percentage of forced transfers of any northwestern state," said O. M. Plummer, chairman of the advisory council, in submitting the annual report to Governor Martin.

"Much of this enviable record can be attributed, no doubt, to the very effective work of the volunteer farm debt adjustment committees appointed by yourself to assist farm debtors and their creditors in making debt adjustment and refinancing arrangements," he said.

KATAHDIN POTATOES GAINING IN FAVOR

DALLAS — Katahdin potatoes, a new variety rapidly becoming

SUSTAINED YIELD GOAL OF FORESTRY

SALEM, May 18.—(AP)—Sustained yield is the goal of the Oregon forestry department, and during the quarter century Ferguson stated Oregon has led the nation with some of the "finest forestry legislation." Examples cited were the forest patrol law, reforestation law, provisions for snag falling, closures of forest areas during the hazardous seasons and the operators' permit law.

The report also traced the development of forest protection from the creation of the first protective associations in Klamath and Coos counties in 1909 and 1910 until the present time when 18 associations have been formed with state cooperation. Every acre of forest land is under protection.

Under what he termed an ambitious but necessary program for forest work in the future, Ferguson reported the need for a proper balance of land ownership between the state, private owners and federal government; additional federal legislation which will assure cooperation between all inter-

RURAL HAZARDS ARE CITED BY O'NEAL

CHICAGO, May 17 — (AP)—The farm, Edward O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau Fed-

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

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All of the following property will be offered for sale at A. V. NEWPORT FARM located 2 miles north of Dixonville or 7 miles northeast of Roseburg in Douglas County, Oregon, commencing at 10 A. M. Beer and weiner lunch at noon (bring your own cups—buckets barred).

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Consisting of 8 sows, 60 shoats and 32 pigs.

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Consisting of 4 mares, 2 geldings, 4 colts, 1 and 2 years.

150 GOATS:
Just goats.

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Consisting of tractor, plows, harrows, discs, wagons, cultivators, hay baler, tractor mower, pulverizer, drag saw, circle saw, shearing plant, brooders, incubators, harness, saddles, miscellaneous tools and equipment.

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