

Agriculture Conservation Program Can Aid Farmers

How the Agricultural Conservation Program can help farmers with the problem of what to do with acres taken out of allotment crops is one of the real challenges for 1951, says E. Harvey Miller, Chairman of the Oregon State PMA Committee, in announcing that it is time for the farmers to submit their recommendations for the 1951 program.

Miller said that already steps are being taken to develop the ACP for 1951 and soon the county committee will be asked to submit recommendations. Farmers must get their suggestions in without delay if they are to receive full consideration.

Some of the questions farmers are asked to consider are:

1. Is the program as it is administered at present making the best possible use of funds provided by Congress in obtaining soil and water conservation?

2. Would farmers carry out some of the conservation practices to the extent they do now if assistance were not provided?

3. Should more attention be concentrated on "the most serious conservation problem in the community" with priority given on the use of funds for meeting this problem?

4. Should assistance be used to emphasize a combination of practices instead of assistance for each part? For example:

At present assistance is provided for the application of lime and for superphosphate and for seeding in the establishment of a pasture. If

approved, a practice may include all these in one practice. The assistance could be provided for a practice—establishment of a permanent, or rotation, pasture. The seeding, the liming and the superphosphate would all be a part of the practice.

5. Should assistance be reduced on practices which are becoming established as a part of the farmers' usual operation?

Miller said that farmers and committeemen must keep in mind that the Agricultural Conservation Program is a "consumer's program" as well as a "farmer's program." Its purpose is adequate food and fiber supplies to consumers as well as protection of the soil and water resources on the nation's farms. Farmers who cooperate in the program are helping protect and improve the general welfare of all the people as well as to protect and improve their own farms.

Upper Olalla, Tenmile School Merger Viewed

Legal voters in the Upper Olalla and Tenmile school districts will go to the polls March 20 to determine whether or not the two districts should be consolidated. The voters in district 7 (Tenmile) and district 107 (Olalla) must give mutual consent to the proposed merger.

Voters may vote from 8 to 9 p.m. in their respective districts. The Tenmile district recently voted to join Tenmile district, merging districts 42 and 7.

Interested persons in the Tenmile district attended a budget hearing at the Tenmile school Tuesday night, H. L. Northcraft, clerk, announced. Board members Virgil Vance, chairman, Rex Stackhouse, W. H. Northcraft, and three members of the special budget committee participated in the discussion.

KLAMATH DEMOS TO MEET
PORTLAND. — (P) — John Kerbow, leader of the Klamath county Young Democrat delegation, will keynote the organization's convention here March 25. All three of the Democratic candidates for governor—Austin Flegel, Lew Wallace, and Walter J. Pearson—will address the convention.

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We Just Don't Know Anything For Certain, But Consider The Latest 'Flying Saucer' Report

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK. — (P) — Slip the rumor to me, junior. Did you see a bird flying backward? You say a lion stopped you in the street and wanted to know what subway to take to the Bronx zoo?

How's that? You just trapped three men from Mars in the basement and winged 'em with your atom gun?

Do I believe you, son? Well, let me put it to you this way—I don't disbelieve you. I no longer disbelieve anybody or anything.

The age of smug certainty is gone. Wonder has piled upon wonder so fast in our lifetime that few of us have any foolish left. It takes a brave or foolhardy man indeed today to say "that's impossible." Tomorrow he may be proved wrong and a doltish oaf.

Mankind seems to have lost its anchors and is drifting helter-skelter before capricious winds of change and uncertainty. About all a man can be sure of it that if he steps aboard a certain bus he'll end up home. But how about that bus driver a few years back who started out on his regular route here and ended up in Florida?

Know Nothing For Certain

Nope, you just can't know nothing for certain. There is no basket left you can put your dozen eggs

into and count on getting all twelve back again.

Take that story by the dynamite salesman about the wreckage of a space ship being found in Mexico piloted by a gent only 23 inches tall. The Air Force says, "there is no evidence to support the existence of any interplanetary machines."

But you will note that the Air Force doesn't rule out the possibility. It can't—it may have to fight space ships some day. So may the Navy.

As a matter of fact, the rumor of an interplanetary space ship having crashed on the North American continent has been floating around Manhattan for months. Ac-

cording to the version I heard, it hit in the Southwest and the bodies of 34 "things" about three feet high were found. The "things" were supposed to have been living beings, but without skin, flesh, scales or feathers.

A reporter asked a well-known atomic scientist if he believed the rumor, and he replied:

"I wouldn't say I disbelieved it. Anything is possible."

Can the H-bomb destroy the world? One eminent group of scientists says, "Yes." Another says, "Pooh!"

Is a murder defendant crazy or sane? One psychiatrist testifies he's a bluebeard and a second psychiatrist says he's batty as a belfry.

Will anti-histamines cure the common cold? There're experts on both sides.

That's the trouble nowadays. The world has gone beyond the understanding of the common man, and whom can he trust when the experts quarrel among themselves?

So, junior, I won't deny you saw

Actions On Hoover Report Spell Big Savings In Taxes

WASHINGTON, March 13 — (P) — The federal reorganization proposals of the Hoover commission, now 20 percent in force, will be almost half completed if today's new plans are accepted, President Truman told congress.

The reorganization commission, headed by former president Herbert Hoover, recommended 318 individual steps to modernize the government.

Actions taken to date represent potential savings to the taxpayers of about \$1,200,000,000 a year, officials estimate.

Savings of another \$3,000,000,000 or more are predicted through further action, but today's plans do not include many of the major money-saving proposals.

Last year congress accepted six out of seven reorganization plans issued by Mr. Truman, and passed three major laws of its own based on the Hoover report of a year ago.

Some additional changes, not requiring legislation, have been ordered into effect by the president.

Nearly 200 bills, many of them conflicting but all based in one way or another on the Hoover report, are pending in congress. More will be offered this session, including some "official" administration proposals.

The granting of supreme authority in their departments to the cabinet members was a prime goal of the year-old Hoover report.

All subordinate chiefs of offices and bureaus, under the new plans,

the backward-flying bird, the lion on the street, or shot the three men from Mars. I won't disbelieve anything. But just don't ask me to get excited about your marvels. The old man is worn out with marvels he can't comprehend. It might be a good idea to have a five-year moratorium on them till we can all catch up.

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would lose the authority which some now possess to by-pass their department heads and report directly to Congress or the White House.

Would End Confusion
The Hoover report held that the boards are hampered in their executive duties by being "multi-headed"; all members of each board have equal voice in hiring, firing and directing the help.

It is in line with this call for centralized authority, Mr. Truman said, that he proposes to wipe out the semi-independent office of the NLRB general counsel, Chairman Paul M. Herzog would become the administrative boss.

"This plan will bring to an end the confusion (in NLRB) which has resulted from divided responsibility," the president told Congress.

The other agencies affected are the interstate commerce, federal trade, federal power, securities and exchange, and federal communications commissions, and the civil aeronautics board.

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Sen. Morse Warns Soviet Relations Getting Worse

PORTLAND, March 14 — (P) — Relations between the United States and Russia are getting worse, and the public should be told about it.

So said Sen. Wayne L. Morse here in one of a series of speeches in a week's campaign tour.

He criticized the administration for keeping the public uninformed. "Some things have to be kept secret, but the administration could tell more than it is telling. It is fostering a national psychology of perplexity," he said.

Morse added his belief that Russia does not want war now. Her hope is that American economy will collapse, Morse said.

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