

Farm Price Sag Is Behind Us, Says Sec. Benson

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Agriculture Benson said Thursday that the long sag in farm income "is largely behind us" and called on Congress to adopt President Eisenhower's middle-of-the-road farm program.

Benson told the Senate House Committee, which is exploring measures to avert recession, that greater consumption of farm products under price supports would bolster farmers' income.

"The road to economic growth is through expanded production — production that finds its way into consumption and not into warehouses," Benson declared. "The President's proposals on the agricultural programs will help economic growth in this nation."

Even though the price support level for basic crops under the administration proposals would be governed by supply, rather than by high and rigid government supports, the support price would be close to present levels, Benson predicted.

This would be true, he said, because adoption of Eisenhower's plan to set aside, or "freeze" from commercial channels, 2½ billion dollars worth of government-held stocks would relieve the market of

much of the overhanging surplus which now depresses the market. "The Congress should not return to the philosophy of scarcity that was tried and found wanting in the 1930's," Benson said, "to be prosperous, the farmer must produce."

Riversdale People Advised Of Meeting

By BEVERLY J. CHRISTIAN

There will be an important meeting at the Riversdale Grange Hall at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 10 on flood control and water conservation.

The main speaker of the evening will be Gen. Curtis Beecher. All residents in the Riversdale and Garden Valley areas are urged to attend and anyone else who is interested is invited.

Weekend At Medford

Mr. and Mrs. Pay Holley and Karen and Marsha spent last weekend in Medford.

The plasterers have been working on the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Kruse.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Emmitt spent three days this week in eastern Oregon.

Mrs. W. E. Ott and Mrs. R. L. Lark, co-chairmen of the chili supper sponsored by the Riversdale Community Club report about \$50 was turned over to the March of Dimes.

DOWN WITH COFFEE

NAPA, Calif. (AP) — The Napa Business and Professional Women's Club, 35 strong, solemnly pledged not to buy, serve or drink coffee again, "until the price comes down." By unanimous consent, however, the ladies voted a six-hour delay on their pledge when they were informed coffee had already been ordered for the evening's festivities.

Engineer Defends Big Dam With Respect To Irrigation

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government engineer insisted at the Hells Canyon hearing Wednesday that the proposed power dams in the Snake River would not interfere with irrigation.

Milton S. Sachs, Bonneville Power Administration hydraulic engineer, testified at a power commission hearing on applications by Idaho Power Co. to build three dams in the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon.

He said he considered a prediction that 734,000 acres of Idaho land would be placed under irrigation in the next 50 years is "adequate and conservative."

Lucien Hilmer, attorney for groups favoring the proposed federal Hells Canyon Dam asked if Sachs believed 1,196,000 acres of land could be irrigated during the same period.

Idaho Power engineers have estimated irrigation in Idaho will expand by 1,196,000 acres and con-

tend there wouldn't be enough water in the Snake River to supply irrigators and keep the proposed federal Hells Canyon Reservoir full.

Sachs said he did not believe irrigation expansion would be that rapid. He said the expansion rate in the future will be slower because the best land has been taken and much of the water has been appropriated.

Sachs, of Portland, was chairman of a task force of the Colum-

bia Basin Interagency Committee which predicted irrigation expansion would be 734,000 acres.



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Johnsons, Smiths Break Even In Telephone Book

The Johnsons and Smiths broke even in the number of listings in Roseburg's 1954 telephone book. Each has 68 on the Roseburg circuit.

Distribution of the new books by Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. to each telephone owner started Thursday, reports Manager Jack McGuire. He said that all owners in the city would receive their books directly from people hired on independent contract. Owners will be asked to exchange their 1953 directories for the new one. McGuire warned all owners to thumb through their old books to make certain no valuable papers or money were hidden between the pages.

The book this year is a prime indication of growth in the Roseburg area, which includes Glide, Sutherlin and Camas Valley. It contains 16 more pages than in 1953 and 1,000 more listings. Listings this year total 9,600.

As noted before, the Johnsons and Smiths were far and away the leaders in the number of listings. The Andersons rated third with 31, and the Joneses were close behind with 30. Others with more than 25 listings were: Brown 28, Clark 26, Davis 26, Nelson 26, Moore 25 and White 25.

At Camas Valley, the most repeated name was Standley with nine listings. Smiths led at Glide and Sutherlin. In Glide, five were listed and in Sutherlin, 17.

A-1 Electric rated as the first listing in the book. Fred Aamot was the first person. Roseburg's listings ended with Elton Zuver.

Appeal Filed In Suit Over Lincoln Location

SALEM (AP) — An appeal in the suit to block removal of the Lincoln County seat from Toledo to Newport was filed in Supreme Court Wednesday by John D. Kosydar.

Kosydar brought the suit, and lost in Lincoln County Circuit Court, which dismissed his case. The county seat was moved Jan. 1 to Newport. Kosydar's action is an effort to take it back to Toledo.



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