

PURPOSES OF FARM BUREAU

Has for Its Object Promotion of Economic and Social Interests of Agriculture—Open to Both Men and Women on Equal Terms.

The county Farm Bureau is a voluntary organization of people engaged in farming and has for its object the promotion of the economic and social interests of agriculture. It is non-sectarian, non-partisan, and non-commercial and it is its policy as an organization not to engage in commercial activities. It is open to both men and women on equal terms. While it may engage in other activities it is greatly interested in the promotion of the cooperative extension work in agriculture and home economics organized by the state agricultural colleges and the United States department of agriculture under the Smith-Lever Extension act and related federal and state laws. It may, therefore, cooperate with the extension service of the state agricultural college and the department by contributing of its funds towards the maintenance of one or more extension agents in the county and joining in the work of the extension service through its committees and otherwise under agreements with the state extension director. The Farm Bureau is organized with a president, secretary, treasurer and executive committee who will themselves or through other representatives of the Farm Bureau solicit memberships, collect dues, handle its funds and in general manage its affairs.

The Extension Service.

The cooperative extension service of the state agricultural college and the United States department of agriculture is organized as a division of the college to conduct extension work defined in the Smith-Lever Extension act as follows:

Sec. 2. That cooperative agricultural extension work shall consist of the giving of instruction and practical demonstrations in agriculture and home economics to persons not attending or resident in said colleges in the several communities, and imparting to such persons information on said subjects through field demonstrations, publications, and otherwise, and this work shall be carried on in such manner as may be mutually agreed upon by the secretary of agriculture and the state agricultural college or colleges receiving the benefits of this act.

This extension work will deal not only with agricultural production but also with economic problems, including marketing and cooperative associations and with the interests of the farm home and the rural community. The extension service, including the county agent, is as much interested in the marketing, distribution and utilization of farm products as it is in production, and it may properly give information and help in all of these lines.

The extension service in each state is under the administrative management of an extension director, who is the joint representative of the college and the department. Under the director are the state agents or leaders, the extension specialists and the county agricultural agents, home demonstration agents and club agents or leaders. The extension direc-

tors are authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with county officials and farm bureaus or like organizations with reference to financial support for the maintenance of extension work in the county and the plans for the use of cooperative funds in the extension work within the county.

Basis of Cooperation.

The general basis of cooperation between the county farm bureau and the extension service will be as follows:

The county agricultural agents, home demonstration agents and club agents cooperatively employed will be members of the extension service of the state agricultural college and under the administrative direction of the extension director, and will carry on such lines of extension work as may be mutually agreed upon by representatives of the agricultural college and the farm bureaus or other like organizations.

Since these county extension agents are part of a public service as defined in the Smith-Lever act, and receive some part of their salary from public funds, they are to perform service for the benefit of all the farming people of the county whether members of the farm bureau or not, and are to confine their activities to such as are appropriate for public officials to perform under the terms of the Smith-Lever act. The county agents will aid the farming people in a broad way with reference to problems of production, marketing and formation of farm bureaus or similar organizations, conduct membership campaigns, solicit memberships, receive dues, handle farm bureau funds, edit and manage the farm bureau publications, manage the business of the farm bureau, engage in commercial activities or take part in other farm bureau activities which are outside their duties as extension agents.

The county agents and other extension agents will cooperate with the farm bureaus or other like organizations interested in extension work in the formulation of county and community plans of cooperative extension work. It will then be the duty of the county agents under general direction of the extension director to take charge of the carrying out of such plans and to cooperate with officers, committees and members of the farm bureaus and with other organizations and residents of the county in the prompt and efficient execution of these plans.

Terminology.

In order to do away as far as possible with the confusion now existing in the public mind regarding the organization and work of the farm bureau as related to the county agents and the extension service generally, it is recommended that hereafter in publications and otherwise the cooperative extension service shall be differentiated from the farm bureau work. That is, the farm bureau will have its relations with the extension service (consisting of the county agents, extension committees, demonstrations, etc.) as one of its departments. Other departments might be a publicity department which would prepare and publish a periodical (Farm Bureau News), press articles and notices, announcements of meetings, etc., department of relations with marketing and other cooperative associations, etc.

The work which centers in the county agents would be designated as the cooperative extension service and the miscellaneous enterprises of the farm bureau as farm bureau work.

Farm Bureau Federation.

The county farm bureaus have

their state and national (American) farm bureau federations which are working on economic and legislative matters and are also promoting the extension service and agricultural education and research. These federations are, however, not directly connected with the Extension service and do not enter into cooperative agreements with the state colleges and the department of agriculture involving the use of federation funds and the employment of extension agents, and the college and the department are not responsible for the activities of the farm bureau federations. There is, however, much advisory consultation between representatives of the farm bureau federations and officers of the colleges and the department with reference to plans for advancing the agricultural interests of the states and the nation.

Food packages sent into Russia by the American Red Cross saved the lives of American prisoners in Moscow, according to Capt. Merion C. Cooper, of Jacksonville, Fla., the American aviator with the Kosciuszko Squadron who escaped from Russia recently, according to advices received here. The clothing the aviator received from the American Red Cross enabled him to barter for food during his flight, he said. "And one day last fall," says Capt. Carter, "when our hopes were lowest, we received food packages from the American Red Cross which virtually saved our lives."

WEATHER REPORT FOR MAY, 1921

Max. temp., 78 degrees on 29th; min. 32 degrees on 8th; mean max. temp., 63.1 degrees; mean min. 49.6 degrees; mean monthly temp., 51.3 degrees, which is normal; light frost on 8th; rain, 1.88 inches, which is one inch below the average prevailing wind NW. Aurora borealis on 13th. There were 13 clear, 11 partly cloudy and 7 cloudy days, while measurable rain fell on nine days. All the rain fell from the 1st to 29th, after which it cleared up. During the first half of the month the nights were unseasonably cold, regarding the growth of all vegetation. The latter half was favorable and crops look promising. The prune and pear crop will be short.

Jon Hackenberg, Observer

PREFERENCE RIGHTS TO BE EXTENDED

WASHINGTON.—Soldiers, sailors and marines of the world war will have from February 14 next a continuation of the preference rights for the selection and settlement of lands. The original bill passed February 14, 1920, and gave the soldiers, sailors and marines sixty-day preference for two years from that date. This original bill will expire next February.

Representative Stunnett of Oregon introduced the bill to make the preference period ninety days and extend

the time eight years from next February, making ten years in all. As chairman of the public lands committee he made a favorable report on this bill, and succeeded in getting it through the house.

It will pass the senate promptly and undoubtedly will receive the signature of the president.

State to have new fish hatchery near Dee. Buildings to be of temporary nature for handling of 750,000 rainbow trout this season. Location may prove so desirable that permanent hatchery will be built.

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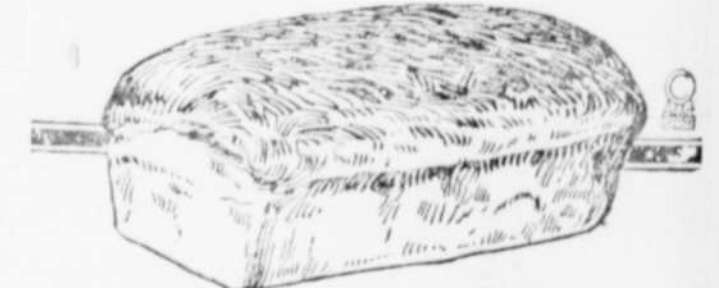
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