

Increased Needs For Certain Food Changes Outlook

The new program for increasing the output of certain concentrated foods as a defense measure materially brightens the prospect for American farmers, except those engaged exclusively in wheat and cotton production, believes N. E. Dodd, western regional director of the AAA, who was in Oregon the last week in April conferring with state agricultural adjustment officials at Corvallis.

Even the wheat farmers will find more demand developing for wheat as feed, he believes, but this will not compensate for the enormous surpluses which have piled up, hence the hope of the wheat farmer to maintain reasonable prices will be in supporting the wheat marketing quotas practically sure to be proclaimed as soon as the next crop report is out May 10.

No prospect exists, according to Dodd, for any material improvement in the export market for wheat in the near future, because Canada already has enough wheat on hand to supply England's needs for three years, even if no more were raised. Some progress is being made, however, by means of hemisphere agreements which will make it possible for Canadian, Argentine, and American wheat to be moved into whatever markets exist in an orderly manner rather than in competition. Hence the long-time outlook for wheat is not as dark as it was previously, Dodd points out.

The immediate drive is for increased production of pork, dairy products, eggs, chickens, certain canner crops, particularly tomatoes, and some other concentrated foods including dried beans. By means of a fund of more than a billion dollars from the lend-lease bill appropriations, the department of agriculture will be the chief purchasing agent for the embattled democracies which need these foods.

In addition, the department of agriculture has been authorized to guarantee the maintenance of profitable prices on these products for the next two years, thereby insuring producers against loss in case the war situation should change radically in the near future.

FIBER FLAX ACREAGE IN OREGON AT RECORD HIGH.

With fiber flax acreage estimated at a record high of around 1200 acres in Oregon this year, and with high prices prevailing, maximum yields will be sought by growers this year. As an aid to these growers a new station circular of information has just been issued by the O.S.C. experiment station, entitled "Soil, Nutrient, and Irrigation Requirements of Fiber Flax."

The circular is written by Dr. W. L. Powers, head of the soils department, who has been carrying on considerable research in this field. He reports that legume residues supplying potassium and nitrogen constitute probably the best fertilizer for wide use. About six inches of supplemental water applied in two irrigations have materially increased the height and yield of fiber flax, especially when used with fertilizers.

Fond of Diamonds

Ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is so fond of precious stones that he carries around a lot of them in his vest pocket.

200 Iris Species

Throughout the north temperate zone may be found 200 species of iris. North America contains about 20 varieties.

It's a Sequel



Statue of Leonardo Da Vinci, which millions of Golden Gate Exposition visitors saw being created by Frederick Olmsted in the WPA art project "Art in Action," is literally "nosed" into place for keeps. It's now adorning a building of San Francisco Junior College.

RECORD NUMBER ATTENDS STATE FFA CONVENTION.

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Dan Rowland, Independence, was chosen state president of the Future Farmers of America, succeeding Glen Kobow of Lebanon, at the thirteenth annual convention held here. Other officers chosen were Richard Baum, Union, vice president; William Hudson, Forest Grove, secretary; Harry Thones, Eugene, treasurer, and Keith Seales, enterprise, reporter. The faculty advisers are Harold Bennett, Independence; Bill Holloway, Lakeview, and Bob Sawyer, Nyssa.

Of more than 500 boys from 53 Oregon chapters attending the convention, 36 were selected to receive the State Farmer's degree and 21 of the chapters met the requirements for the designation of "Keystone chapter."

For the first time in history an FFA band of 26 pieces was made up of individual players from 10 different chapters, which played at the convention under the direction of Capt. Harry L. Beard, veteran state college band leader.

HOW MANY BUFFALOES?

How many buffaloes there were before the white man began a rapid reduction of the animals, no one knows. It is known, however, that the number was almost beyond the imagination. For instance, Col. Dodge, of the United States Army, reported that in three years from 1872, four million buffalo were killed for their hides alone. It has been estimated that in thirteen years \$1,500,000 was paid in the state of Kansas for buffalo hides. This represents the skeletons of 31,000,000 animals. A conservative estimate originally in the United States places the figure at 60,000,000. Today, there are 4,000 left.—Forests and Outdoors.

DRAFT HITS BACHELOR

The effects of war abroad will be felt earlier than expected by many bachelors in the teaching field over here. Because of the Selective Service Act, eligible unmarried men are finding it increasingly hard to obtain teaching positions. United States high schools are expected to load up with women teachers next fall as a result of the draft law.—Scottish Rite News.

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Reedsport Seiners Ponder Problem

Reedsport fishermen and dealers are unable to account for the strangely immature conditions of eggs in chinook salmon being caught during the present season. Fair catches of fish are being made, and those caught are of excellent quality, but the spawn are not nearly as mature as common. Fish commission representatives have been unable to account for the condition.

Good catches of trout are being made recently at Loon Lake and on Smith River, although early-season catches were rather small. Salmon trolling in the Scottsburg vicinity has been better than usual in the past few days, with many fishermen displaying large chinooks caught in that district.

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Saginaw

The Friendly Neighbors club met with Mrs. Helen Russell Thursday afternoon with fifteen members present. After the business meeting was over a guessing contest was given. Mrs. Pearl Fisher won the prize for having the most answers correct. The next meeting will be May 8th with Mrs. Mildred Sharon for an all day meeting with a pot-luck dinner at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Benston and son were dinner guests Friday evening at the Marvin Harpole home in Cottage Grove honoring Mr. Harpole and Mr. Benston on their birthday anniversary which was April 24th and 25th. They have celebrated their birthdays together every year for the past eleven years.

Visitors last week at the Frank Chapman home were Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fulton, parents of Mrs. Chapman of North Bend, and Robert Fulton, brother of Mrs. Chapman, of San Diego, California.

Lenora Johnston is somewhat improved after being very ill the past week.

J. J. Korstjens has gone to Nevada where he is employed. His family will follow as soon as school is out.

Mrs. L. Crandall of Eugene spent Sunday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Benston of Eugene and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krebser of Cottage Grove were supper guests at the Lowell Benston home Thursday evening.

Mrs. Myrtle Pollock spent several days last week at Yakima and Seattle, Washington, on business. She also visited her sister while in Seattle.

The Jim Fox family moved to Cottage Grove last week and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krebser of Cottage Grove moved into the house vacated by the Fox family.

White House First
The White House was the first public building erected in Washington.

LONDON 4-H MOTHERS MEET.

The London 4-H Mother's club met at the home of Mrs. Lynch Curran on April 23rd.

A business meeting was held and a report given on the last district leaders meeting at Cottage Grove. Parts of the April issue of the State Leaders Bulletin were read. Club study for the afternoon was on May Achievement Day.

A social hour was enjoyed with members learning hemstitching stitches. Refreshments were served by the hostess at the tea hour.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Doran Ritter on May 14th, when crepe paper crafts and party favors will be worked on. Members were asked to bring colored crepe paper, scissors, paste and boxes to cover.

\$250,000 FOR ACCIDENT FUND.

Approximately \$250,000 will go into the newly-created "motor vehicle accident fund" during the coming two years when Oregon

drivers contribute 50 cents each as they obtain their driver's licenses for the 1941-1943 license period.

The fund is set up by the law enacted by the 1941 legislative assembly taxing each operator a fee of 50 cents in addition to the regular fee of one dollar for his driver's license.

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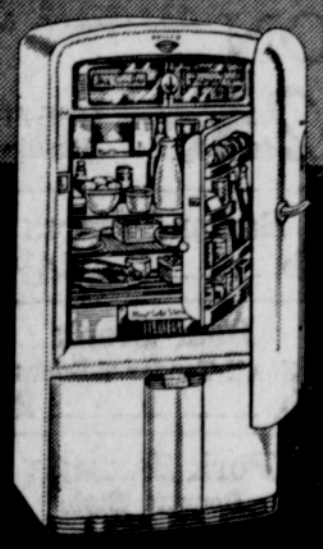
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