

# Cottage Grove Sentinel



Where's Our Hospital?

## Farmers Can Sign for AAA Program Here Feb. 14, 15

Farmers of the Cottage Grove community will have an opportunity to sign up in the 1947 Agricultural Conservation Program at the Cottage Grove City Hall on Friday and Saturday, February 14 and 15. The meetings for the two days will run from 9:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m. each day and one of the community committees will be on hand to assist in preparing the farm plan.

Lane county's Conservation Handbook for 1947 has been mailed to all previously signed farm operators of the Cottage Grove community and includes a special local soil building practice for which payment assistance will be made to farmers adopting the practice in 1947 says Ernest E. Schrenk, county committee chairman. The special practice, H-5, Application of Nitrogen, was selected by the county AAA committee because of its importance in meeting the county's conservation needs. Nitrogen will qualify for payment when applied in connection with the establishment of new permanent pastures, and green manure and cover crops. Payment will be limited to 20 pounds of available nitrogen per acre. To new pasture seedings the nitrogen must be applied at or near seeding time and only to those new seedings made in accordance with the regular pasture seeding practice. To green manure and cover crops, the nitrogen must be applied at seeding time. The rate of payment will be 6 cents per pound of available nitrogen.

Eighteen other soil and water conserving practices are available to county farmers this year, including the application of lime to any crop or pasture land, application of phosphate on various legumes and grasses, permanent pasture, legume green manure crops and cover crops in orchard, application of sulphur and land plaster on any cropland, mulching green manure crops, sod waterways, construction or enlargement of drainage ditches, tile drainage, reorganization of the farm irrigation system, preparing land for irrigation, dikes, riprap construction, seeding or reseeding permanent pasture, grazing land and mountain meadow land, construction of fire breaks, planting forest trees, improving land for pasture, and weed control by chemicals and clean cultivation.

## Lane Co. Grange Conference Held at Eugene Feb. 5th

A conference of Lane county Grange lecturers was held at the fair grounds February 5. Mrs. Claude Arne, Pomona lecturer, was in charge.

Those Granges being represented were Four Oaks, Franklin, Irving, Long Tom, Junction City, Santa Clara, Mohawk McKenzie, Hebron, Waterville, Creswell, Dorena, Spencer Creek, Lowell, Thurston, Willakenzie, Lorane and Elmira.

Plans for a play festival to be held in April were made. The Granges wishing to participate are to notify the Pomona lecturer before February 28 so that the schedule can be made.

A play writing contest was discussed. Mrs. Ed Young, Irving; Mr. John Akerson, Franklin; and Mrs. Helena Overgaard, Hebron Grange are to work on the planning committee with Mrs. Arne.

It was also decided that a music festival will be held during the latter part of the year.

Future plans for another lecturer's meeting will be announced at the next Pomona Grange meeting at Lowell.

## PARSONAGE BEING PURCHASED

In behalf of the First Baptist church, the trustees and parsonage committee are proceeding to purchase a house owned by Dr. David Scholl, on 400 Madison St. The church has never owned a parsonage, and this new addition will be a great asset for the local church. The "parson" is reported to have said: "Don't worry, we are not going to solicit funds for the down payment. You will have to give because you personally desire to do so."

## METCALF TO ASSIST YOUNG MEN

Harry Metcalf announced yesterday that he would be glad to assist young men age 18, who have become subject to the provisions of the selective service act. This assistance will save a trip to Eugene to see the selective service board.

## Aeronautics Club of High School Is First of Its Kind



The Aeronautics club of the Cottage Grove high school is among the first, if not the first, organizations of its kind in the nation. Aeronautics in the high schools is a new subject but is being added to the curriculum of the larger schools of the country in increasing numbers.

Another school is now considering the Cottage Grove organization as a plan for a similar activity in its student body.

The members of the local organization have adopted the Air Youth of America as a name for the organization.

Officers have been elected to serve the various posts as follows:

president, Melvin Kerr; vice president, Ben Campbell; secretary, Colleen McCoy; treasurer, Mark Morgan; reporter, Lester Porter.

A standard of proficiency has been adopted which will encourage each member to develop into a high type student. Students who, in the future, meet the standard of proficiency will have the privilege of wearing the Air Youth wing. The wing was designed by Don Dilbeck, a member, and is being made up by the Master Engravers of Portland, Oregon.

The aeronautics group: Front row, left to right—Gerald Coynier, Bill Boyce, Harold Bachelder, Ralph Long, W. C. Martin, Jr., Charles Whitlock, Bruce Johnson, Melvin Kerr, Franklin Greville, Paul Fryer, Chas. Sharron, Sandy Weise, Don Dilbeck, Richard Warren, Bill Sheet, Mark Morgan, Ronald Kenady, and Richard Graham. Middle row—E. L. Clark, Supt. H. B. Ferrin, Janet Jenkins, Vera Bridwell, Leon Brown, Sarah Jenkins, Mary Montgomery, Gaylord Davies, Peggy Odom, Maxine Arp, Colleen McCoy. Back row—Joe Getty, Eddie Myers, Ben Campbell, Tracy Arnold, and Eldon Hudgins. Two students not present are: Marna Rynearson and Lester Porter.

## Surplus Spuds in Oregon Available to Stock Feeders

Livestock feeders have taken about 340 carloads of the surplus Oregon potatoes acquired by the government in supporting prices to producers at the 90 per cent of parity required by law, according to a report from E. H. Miller, chairman of the state PMA committee.

"The response to the feed potato offer has meant that no surplus Oregon potatoes as yet have been totally wasted," Miller said. "The only potatoes dumped have been lots that were deteriorating and out of condition."

The PMA committee has no outlets in sight other than sale for use as livestock feed for an additional 600 carloads of potatoes, Miller added. Any not taken by feeders probably will have to be dumped and will be wasted.

Dairymen, stockmen and hog growers have been buying the feed potatoes, Miller said, indicating that the surplus potatoes which otherwise would have been wasted, will be marketed in the form of milk, butter, beef and pork.

County Triple A committees take orders for the feed potatoes at prices depending upon where the potatoes are in storage. On sales to feeders within the county where the surplus potatoes are located, the price is 20 cents a hundred pounds, with the buyer taking delivery at the producer's farm. On sales involving shipment to another county, the price is one cent a hundredweight, with the buyer paying all freight charges.

Producers with potatoes under price support loans are encouraged to grade out and market only the select No. 1 grade potatoes, so that those sold for feed usually will consist of "fringe" No. 1 grade, No. 2's, and culls. They are in sound condition and contain not more than 2 per cent soft rot.

## Valuation of Ore Property Is Told

According to the State Tax Commission, Oregon has assessed valuations of taxable property totaling \$1,120,333,779, largest in 16 years and only \$5,000,000 less than the high mark in 1930.

The principal weakness of the property tax said the commission "is that assessed valuations frequently become crystallized and continue in the same amounts for several, or many years despite wide changes in the earning power or in selling prices or opportunities for sale of particular properties."

The commission recommended a thorough, systematic reappraisal of all taxable properties to promote equalization of assessments.

Property tax delinquency last year totaled \$11,770,000. Only a fourth of the amount in 1935.

## Four Demonstrations for Control of Cattle Grubs to Be February 17 and 18

Four demonstrations on the control of cattle grubs will be conducted in Lane county next Monday and Tuesday, February 17 and 18, according to County Agent O. S. Fletcher. Spraying of cattle with an insecticide will be demonstrated and other methods of control will be discussed by R. W. Every, extension entomologist of the Oregon State College. The schedule for the demonstrations is as follows:

Monday, February 17, 10:00 a. m., Clyde Wright farm, three miles south of Creswell on the old highway on the east side of the railway track. 2:00 p. m., LeRoy Chase farm, about four miles northeast of Springfield on the High Banks road.

Tuesday, February 18, 10:00 a. m., Bert Denham farm, about one mile east of Trent on the Willamette highway.

2:00 p. m., A. G. Johnson farm, about one mile north of Cheshire on the Territorial road.

The county agent says that these demonstrations have been arranged in cooperation with the livestock and dairy project committees of the Lane County Agricultural council and that all interested people are invited to attend.

The schedule provides for a minimum of \$2500 per year for one with a college degree with annual increases of \$100 for ten years. Teachers with higher degrees will receive approximately \$100 more.

The new schedule is in keeping with the proposals of the Lane County Teachers Association and will amount to an average increase of \$700 per teacher. The board also voted an increase of 15 per cent for other personnel including bus drivers, janitors, and clerical help.

The increase for all personnel will amount to approximately \$18,000 including an additional teacher on account of increased enrollment. If the legislature adopts the proposed method of distribution for the basic state school fund, this increase will amount to an estimated 1 1/2 to 2 mill additional levy, depending upon the new assessed valuation of the district.

Open to the public between 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. the units will give the public an opportunity to see navy radar in action, which until recently was classified as secret. Also on exhibit is a 12 foot lucite model of the Commencement Bay type CVE carrier 105 class. This model is constructed on a true scale of 1/4 inch to one foot. It was built in Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, Wn.

In command of the unit will be Lt. Cmdr. Walter C. Lunsford, and he is assisted by Ensign Donald O'Neil. Ensign O'Neil was a student at the University of Oregon before the war, and is well known among the people of Eugene.

The band and chorus of the Jefferson and Adams grade schools will give a music program in the Jefferson gymnasium February 21 at 8 p. m.

During the past week several rural mail boxes have been torn from their posts. Some have been found several miles away from their original places, and some have not been found.

Heavy penalties will be imposed on guilty parties. Anyone knowing of any clue which might help in finding the guilty parties, please see me personally, N. J. Nelson, Postmaster.

Mrs. and Mrs. A. H. Beagle, accompanied by R. B. Kirchner, were business visitors in Eugene Monday.

## UNIVERSITY BAND GIVES PROGRAM

The University Band gave a musical program Friday night, Feb. 7th. The whole program was excellent and was arranged quite well. It was quite an unusual selection, for when a band performs, they usually play all marches, but this program was unique in the fact that the band brought in some good classical music which was familiar to most of those attending.

They had three solos, but with an unbiased opinion, most persons enjoyed the songs of June Johnson, soprano, who sang Husetta's Waltz Song, from La Boheme and the Italian Street Song. Given an encore, she sang the Italian Street Song again which went over as big as it did the first time.

The band was given an encore and played the Ravel "Bolero" again. It was the best known classic on the program and was greeted with enthusiasm both times it was played.

All in all it was the best rounded outside band concert that has been given in Cottage Grove for a long time.

The total amount received for the program was about \$280.00, which will boost our March of Dimes quota quite a bit. We wish to thank all those who helped put the program over and to make it a success.

## Hope Is Held for An Airport Here

Press dispatches released Monday gave some hope that Cottage Grove may be one of the ten localities in this section of the Willamette valley which may get an airport. According to the report the Civil Aeronautics administration at Washington has recommended that 104 airports in the state be constructed or improved within the next three years and listed 10 cities in line for the airports which were: Crescent Lake, Cottage Grove, Diamond Lake, Florence, McKenzie Bridge, Oakridge, Westfir, Reedsport, Springfield and Eugene. Eight of the cities mentioned have no airports. Cottage Grove has two airports but neither meet the class one requirements, it was stated.

In commenting on the report, officials of the Cottage Grove Flying Club pointed out that the city does not own the land in which the airports are located and unless the land is owned and not leased, there can be no CAA aid unless the regulations are changed. Class one airports must have landing strips or runways from 1800 to 2700 feet.

Class four airports are those having paved runways or landing strips from 4500 to 5500 feet, which is the size of the present Eugene airport. If money were available for that city, it would be used to improve the existing facilities.

## 90 ATTEND SOUTH LANE DISTRICT SCOUT MEET HERE LAST NIGHT

Ninety scouts, scouters and friends of Boy Scouts attended the district meeting of the South Lane district last night. The program was preceded by a pot luck dinner.

Highlighting the program was the Eagle Scout award presented to Lester Porter Jr. Also an unusual incident was the presentation of nine training certificates to officials of the Row River Scout troop, making the training course a 100 per cent event so far as the Row River officials were concerned.

Also of interest was a radar equipment display presented by den 5 of the local cub pack under the direction of Mrs. Clyde Lechner.

Lance Naish, who has been very active in scout work here was presented with three scouters seals, one for camping, one for first aid and a course leader's certificate.

It was reported that Eldon Grable, acting scout master of troop 60 here and an employee of the Latham Electric was badly burned yesterday when he came into contact with a 20,000 volt electric wire. He received burns about the arm and leg.

LIONS EAT SALMON NORTH BEND, Ore.—Salmon runs on coastal streams are being destroyed by sea lions, the North Bend chapter of the Southwestern Oregon Sportsmen's Association said Tuesday.

The chapter asked repeal of legislation protecting the sea lions.

## Red Cross Kickoff Dinner Is Set for Friday, Feb. 14th

The county divisions of the Lane County Red Cross fund drive will attend a kick-off dinner Friday at 6:30 p. m. at the Eugene Hotel according to Allen P. Wheeler, county chairman of the campaign.

All division chairmen and their volunteer workers have been invited to attend the event, which will feature the Rev. Hugh McCann as speaker, and music and entertainment. No reservations are needed, Wheeler said. Supplies and directions will be given workers at this time.

Chairman for several of the county districts have been announced by Wheeler as follows: District 2—Cottage Grove, Floyd Githens; district 5—Jasper, Fall Creek and Lowell, Mrs. Ira Hake; district 7—Marcola and Mabel, Jerry Medcalf; district 9—Springfield, Glenwood, Thurston, William Kerppa; district 10—Lorane, Mrs. Lottie Mitchell; district 11—Noti, Elmira, Veneta, Wolf Creek, Crow, Richardson, Walton, Ray Oglesby; district 13—Wentworth, Harold Savage; district 14—Oakridge, Leonard A. Wilson; district 15—North and South Creswell, Ralph Rogers; district 17—Junction City, Max Nielsen; district 19—Willaglespie, Coburg, Armitage, and Willakenzie, Mrs. George Saunders; district 20—River Road, Irving, Lone Pine, Alvarado, Zumwalt, Bethel, Santa Clara, North and South Davis, Mrs. Roy Woodruff.

## Naval Air Unit to Be Established Soon in Eugene

Lt. Cmdr. Walter C. Lunsford, Officer in Charge of Naval Reserve recruiting in the 13th Naval District while in Eugene on Monday of this week announced that plans are underway for establishing auxiliary Naval Air Reserve training units in Eugene and Corvallis. Commander L. M. Melson, Executive Officer, Naval Reserve, Naval Air Station in Seattle, Washington gave this information to Lt. Cmdr. Lunsford and said that an Aviation Unit is now being formed in Portland, Oregon and is under the command of Lt. Cmdr. C. C. Burke, 7445 S. E. 32nd St., Portland, Oregon.

All Naval Aviators and men who held aviation rates upon discharge from the Navy who are interested in having a Naval Aviation Unit in this community should write immediately to Lt. Cmdr. Burke in Portland, Oregon or to Cmdr. Melson, in care of Naval Reserve, Naval Air Station at Seattle, Washington.

A strong interest here as evidenced by letters to either of the above named officers will bring about quick action in the establishment of the Aviation Unit here. Lt. Cmdr. Lunsford stated that further information will be forthcoming as the requests are received for this training unit.

## Forestry Meetings at OSC Feb. 22nd

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—More than 400 men connected with forestry and the lumber industry in four western states will gather on the O. S. C. campus Saturday, February 22, for a series of three meetings ending with the annual "fernhopper" banquet, the first since 1941.

The first meeting, sponsored by the Columbia River section of the Society of American Foresters will be in the afternoon when the research program of the Oregon Forest Products laboratory will be explained and inspected. After this graduates of the school of forestry will meet to organize an alumni association.

H. V. Simpson, Portland, executive vice-president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, will give the main address at the evening banquet at which Dr. George W. Peavy, dean emeritus of the school and president emeritus of the college, will preside.

The State Game Commission announced that a new game district is being established in the southwest coastal area, with headquarters at Coquille.

Leslie Zumwalt will be assigned to Coquille as senior biologist. The district extends from Cape Perpetua in Northwest Lane County to the California line and east to the Coast Range crest.

This is the 12th district set up in Oregon as part of the plan to assign field staff personnel to different areas for management of game resources.

## Dan Andriesian Gets Boots, Wings at Ft. Benning, Ga.



Pvt. Daniel Richard Andriesian, son of Elsie M. Andriesian of Leona Rt., Drain, Oregon, has earned the right to wear the "Boots and Wings" of the United States Army Airborne Troops. He has completed six weeks of combined Parachute and Glider training at The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, during which time he made five parachute jumps, requiring assembly and small unit problems after landing. In the glider course, a special glider flight was made to orient him on glider warfare.

## Market Report on Labor Indicates A Surplus Here

The labor market report prepared by the Cottage Grove employment office shows a labor surplus probably due to weather conditions. The summary for January 1947 is as follows:

**Weather Slows Labor**  
There has been a surplus of labor in this area all month, due partially to weather conditions, and cessation of construction work on all lines.

The claims load increased over last month considerably due to the logging operations being down on account of snow. Most of the claimants qualified for their waiting week, and then went back to work. That made a heavy load on the claims taker but no monetary benefits were forthcoming.

**Some Migration**  
Very little in-migration, although there were many in the office who had come from other parts of the state and were seeking employment here. They hoped to find more favorable weather and working conditions in this locality.

Very few openings as of December 31, 1946. Two stenographers, a head loader and a hook-tender (both experienced).

**Employment Outlook Slow**  
Employment for this next month will be slow. The publicity being given the Dorena Dam construction is bound to bring an influx of labor, but no definite jobs can be listed as yet, as the contracts have not been awarded.

The housing situation is really serious here, and will continue to get worse before it can get better. The price of building materials, especially lumber, is making private contractors hesitant about going ahead with new contracts.

## Deere to Remain at Ft. Lewis Until His Wife Returns

Fears of Pvt. Donald D. Deere that his wife sailed for Italy to join him within 48 hours after he himself arrived in America from Italy were confirmed by an Army message received at Fort Lewis Friday.

The 27-year-old veteran arrived in New York harbor January 23 en route to his home at Cottage Grove. Friday Fort Hamilton, N. Y., informed Fort Lewis authorities that Deere's wife, Mary Louise, sailed from New York for Italy on Jan. 25.

It's a wonder we didn't pass each other on the dock," the woe-filled private said.

The mixup occurred when Deere sent for his wife to join him, and when her departure was delayed, hopped a ship for home.

Deere, brought to Fort Lewis for discharge after service with the 351st paratroopers in Panama, Africa and Sicily, said he would stay there until the Army finds Mary Louise and heads her toward home.

## Guy E. Leonard Tells of Need for Active Chamber

Guy E. Leonard, field secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States of Washington D. C., was the guest speaker at the noon luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday and gave some interesting information on the westward trend of population of the United States as well as some of the functions of the average chamber of commerce and how the western chamber of commerce could be of assistance in the present population trend.

In the five year period from 1940 to 1945 there was a seven per cent increase in the population of the nation, he said bringing the total population to approximately 141,000,000 people. Studies made by the United States Chamber of Commerce reveal that during the five year period there was five per cent decrease of population on the Atlantic seaboard, a five per cent decrease in population in the central states and a one per cent decrease in population in the south. During this time the west coast has had a thirty per cent increase in population.

Mr. Leonard said studies of industry had also revealed another trend and this was to the effect that large manufacturers were attempting to get away from the population centers. And further he said studies of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce had led officials to believe that the west coast population would double within the next decade.

The increase in population has also brought about problems. Mr. Leonard cited what has happened in Los Angeles county as an example. This county has had a tremendous increase in population during the war period. Now eighty per cent of all taxes collected go for relief. All Pacific coast cities experienced a big boost in population from the war and the ghost towns, you hear so much about a few years ago have not materialized, the speaker asserted.

Mr. Leonard in addition to calling attention to the problems brought about by increased population, said that ninety per cent of the community problems were on a common level, which would require the services of an organization similar to the Chamber of Commerce. The Cottage Grove community has reached a point in its growth and development where the services of an active chamber of commerce are needed.

The speaker advocated the employment of a full time manager and suggested ways and means of financing an increased program.

Allen Wheeler, county commissioner, was also a guest of the chamber and spoke briefly of the troubles of the county in keeping the county roads in condition. The January cold spell did considerable damage to county roads, he said, which made maintenance difficult.

## Unemployment Claims Drop Over Million for Jan'y

Payments to Oregon's unemployed covered workers decreased more than a million dollars in January as compared with the same month of 1946. The monthly report of the State Unemployment Compensation Commission shows January benefits of \$801,936, a reduction of 57 per cent from last year's \$1,859,802.

New claims also registered a considerable reduction, dropping from 48,998 at this period last year to 31,013 on file at the end of January. With many claims non-valid because of insufficient earnings in the base year starting October 1, 1945, more than one third of the out-of-state claimants failed to qualify for 1947 benefits.

Workers with principal earnings in the shipyards drew about 23 per cent of this year's checks as compared with 70 per cent in January, 1946. Although the claims load has been rising slightly because of seasonal unemployment, officials see little chance of increases that would equal the record payments of early months last year.

Almost half of January's unemployment was accounted for by seasonal letdowns in lumbering, construction, food processing and other manufacturing. The remaining 27 per cent came from trade, financial and service lines.

Visitors at the Roy Kennedy home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Niehaus and children of Harvey road, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Barry of Springfield, Jack Bradford of Knox Hill, Joe Watson and R. Hathaway of Cottage Grove.