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About The Farm ---

By John J. Inskeep, County Agent

Interesting Notes on Variations of Eating Customs Throughout Nation

Farm operators desiring to come under social security are advised to take two important steps.

1. Secure an application card, fill it out and return it to the place designated on the card. This card may be obtained at any post office or, if you are a Clackamas county resident, from the Internal Revenue office in the basement of the post office building, Oregon City or from the County Extension office also in the basement of the post office building, Oregon City. After the application is properly screened the applicant will be given a social security card.

2. Secure a copy of social security 'Facts for Farm Families'. These pamphlets may be obtained from the Internal Revenue office or extension office, post office or Federal building, 5th & Main, Oregon City. This pamphlet explains provisions of the act.

Additional questions should be directed to Miss Carmen A. Caster, field representative, c/o Internal Revenue office, Federal building, Oregon City. Miss Caster's main office is in Portland but she spends each Wednesday in the Oregon City office.

Miss Caster advises that her bureau will be glad to send a representative to explain provisions of the farm portion of the social security act to farm groups. A motion picture on the subject is also available.

Farm operators, who choose to come under the social security program, whose net income is over \$1800 a year are required to submit three per cent of the net each year when paying federal income taxes beginning with the 1955 year.

Blanks Available

State income tax blanks for farmers may also be obtained at the county extension office, basement of the Federal Building, Oregon City. But, please do not ask us how to fill them out, we hire someone to do our own.

Eat More Eggs

January is "Eat More Eggs Month". Many of the drives and slogans, which appear at regular intervals, leave us lukewarm. But this eat more eggs idea has good sense behind it. Its good for the consumer in two ways. 1. Egg prices have dropped 31 percent under last years prices. This means a very low price to the consumer. Eggs are a real good buy. 2. Egg producers are fighting a battle for economic existence. If too many are liquidated, unreasonably high prices will result before another year rolls around. It pays the consumer to keep his producer in business.

Eat more eggs this month and next and guarantee continuing satisfactory prices.

Scrapie

It is interesting to note how greatly eating customs vary from one part of the country to the other. In the Pennsylvania Dutch country you eat scrapie for breakfast. Our office dictionary defines scrapie as an article of food made by boiling together seasoned, chopped meat, usually pork, and corn meal or flour; served in fried slices. (Yep, and the pork is usually from the critter's head.)

Syrup or Catsup?

At Lancaster, Pennsylvania, two years ago, the girl officiating behind the counter asked, "Do you want syrup or catsup on your scrapie?" "Syrup" we replied—and lived to regret it.

Breakfast Grits

In the deep south you get grits for breakfast. Our dictionary says of grits—grain, as oats, wheat, or corn, hulled and sometimes ground into a coarse meal. Alright for the dictionary, but for our money grits is made of white ground corn meal. (The question here is this: Is grits an is or an are?)

No matter—when you order breakfast down south you get grits whether you like it—or them—or not.

Turkey and Chicken

We have no quarrel with the folks who like scrapie and grits. We like these foods, in a way, and we like the people who use them as a steady diet. But we like two other items served as a matter of routine in the mid-west, east and south but known only slightly here. They are nothing but fried chicken and roast turkey. To our taste these items rank right along with good beef, pork and mutton. Moreover, they are products of the area. But, somehow, even while our chicken and turkey growers are in economic distress and prices low, these two delicacies are served erratically and at relatively high prices.

During the Christmas vacation, for instance, we stopped at a restaurant in northern California where prices were reasonable and food good and plentiful. That's where the truck drivers eat.

The menu was fairly varied but chicken and turkey meat were conspicuous by their ab-

sence. "How come," we asked her, "you don't serve chicken or turkey?" "Oh, we do" she replied, "but only as Sunday specials."

Seems like somebody has a selling job to do.

Grass Seed Prices

Here is some new information about grass and legume seed prices—hot off the griddle.

Every country in the world excepting the U. S. and Canada had short production of forage crop seeds this past summer. We are exporting at a tremendous rate and prices of certain items have advanced sharply since harvest.

Annuals, biennials and short lived perennials will be in exceedingly short supply, the world over, this coming year.

Perennial ryegrass is now selling at about 30 cents a pound f.o.b. Oregon or 3 cents above the present price of chewing fescue. The commodity credits supply of alsike clover, red clover, bought at distress prices or taken over on unpaid loans, has disappeared. Alfalfa and crimson clover seed supplies have almost disappeared. Alta fescue and ladino clover supplies have almost disappeared. Alta fescue and ladino clover supplies held by the government have been greatly reduced.

Red Clover seed is selling at around 60 cents f.o.b. Oregon. "This is a terrific price," but Ray Teal, marketing economist, Oregon State college, points out: "Because of the high price of red clover seed, midwest growers may substitute alfalfa for planting this spring and save more red clover for seed next summer."

Chewings fescue seed is lagging at about 26 cents f.o.b. Oregon. That means cleaned, sacked and "on board the car". Seed packages may substitute more chewing for perennial ryegrass, but U. S. bluegrass harvest estimates are up from 13.5 million pounds in November to 19.5 million the first of January. Everybody has an eye cocked toward the large Canadian crop of creeping red. This means that the trade has mixed feeling toward fine fescue prices.

It looks now like our growers who have stayed with Alta fescue through adverse years are in mighty fine position. For a time southern grassmen turned from the tall fescues. "Not palatable enough," they said. Then came the drought of the past two years. Tall fescues remained green while others became dormant or sickened and died. Now the swing is back toward alta.

Kentucky and Tennessee tall fescue seed crops have been short because of dry weather—and besides many growers were short of feed and used their fields for forage instead of seed. Germination of seed long in storage, may also affect the situation. We still have a carryover of the tall fescues, including alta, but the surplus is dwindling. Prices may strengthen this fall and by another year we could have a very satisfactory price situation.

Our tip to prospective growers is to grab the small supplies of foundation alta seed while there is some to grab. New plantings will be certified on a regeneration basis. Measuring that the grower who plants with certification in mind must plant foundation or registered seed from now on. The supply of foundation seed is quite limited.

Anyway you look at it, production is down, use is up and the supply is dwindling.

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Welches Team Scores 1st League Win 43-28 In Game With Barton

Welches school basketball team, the Wildcats, won their first league game held at Welches school on Friday, Jan. 14 by a score of 43 to 28, against last year's league champions, Bolton. Half time score was 13 to 23. The second string scored 6 quick points to open the second half. LaVerne Lawhead lead the Wildcat scoring by piling up 13 points. Gene Landis center, and Joe Darr, guard, shared honors for second place with 8 points apiece. Others scoring were Edward Stocklen, 6 points; Ted Goldthorpe, 4; Bill Perry, 2; and Louis Flynn, 2.

First string players for Welches are Charles Lake and LaVerne Lawhead, forwards; Gene Landis, center; Joe Darr and Pat Bryant, guards. Substitutes are John Lake, Bill Perry, Louis Flynn, forwards; Buzz Nuxoll, Ted Goldthorpe, centers; Edward Stocklen, John Bradshaw, guards.

While Welches boys were handily winning their game, the girls volley ball team lost a close one to the Bolton girls, 21 to 23. Welches girls were ahead at the half, 11 to 9.

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