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**President Sees Danger to Nation in Condition of American Farmers**

No where in public life is the situation of the American farmer more appreciated than in the White House and by no one of the leaders in American public life has the situation in which the nation finds itself been more clearly set forth than in the last message which President Harding presented to Congress when in part he said:

**Situation Serious One**  
"It is rather shocking to be told and to have the statement strongly supported, that 9,000,000 bales of cotton, raised on American plantations in a given year actually will be worth more to the producers than 13,000,000 bales would have been. Equally shocking is the statement that 700,000,000 bushels of wheat raised by American farmers would bring them more money than 1,000,000,000 bushels. Yet these are not exaggerated statements. In a world where there are tens of millions who need food and clothing, which they cannot get such a condition is sure to indict the social system which makes it possible.

In the main the remedy lies in distribution and marketing. Every proper encouragement should be given to cooperative marketing programmes. These have proved very helpful to the cooperating communities in Europe. In Russia the cooperative community has become a recognized bulwark of law and order, and saved individualism from engulfment in social paralysis. Ultimately they will be accredited with the salvation of the Russian state.

There is the appeal for this experiment. Why not try it? None challenges the right of the farmer to a larger share of the consumers' pay for his product, no one can dispute that we cannot live without the farmer. He is justified in rebelling against the transportation cost. Given a fair return for his labor, he will have less occasion to appeal for financial aid, and given assurance that his labor shall not be in vain, we reassure all the people of a production sufficient to meet our national requirements, and

guard against disaster.

**Drift to Cities Perilous**

"The base of the pyramid of civilization which rests upon the soil is shrinking through the drift of population from farm to city. For a generation we have been expressing more or less concern about this tendency. Economists have warned and statesmen have deplored. We thought for a time that modern conveniences and the more intimate contact would halt the movement, but it has gone steadily on. Perhaps on a grim necessity will correct it, but we ought to find a less drastic measure.

"The existing scheme of adjusting freight rates has been favoring the basing points, until the industries are attracted to some centers and repelled from others. A great volume of uneconomic and wasteful transportation has attended, and the cost increased accordingly. The grain-milling and meat-packing industries afford ample illustration, and the attending concentration is readily apparent. The menaces in concentration are not limited to the retarding influences on agriculture. Manifestly the conditions and terms of railway transportation ought not to be permitted to increase the undesirable tendency.

"We have a just pride in our great cities, but we find a greater pride in the nation which has a larger distribution of its population into the country, where comparatively self-sufficient smaller communities may blend agricultural and manufacturing interests in harmonious helpfulness and enhanced good fortune. Such a movement contemplates no destruction of things wrought of investments made, or wealth involved. It only looks to a general policy of transportation, of distributed industry and of highway construction to encourage the spread of our population and restore the proper balance between city and country. The problem may well have your earnest attention."

**Tangible Results of Boys' and Girls' Clubs Demonstration Work Shown**

By H. R. WELLMAN County Club Leader

Boys' and Girls' Club work is no longer in the experimental stage. That its results are far reaching and important is not denied among educators, business men and farmers today. The boy and girl of today will be the man and woman of tomorrow and the training that they receive now will to a larger extent determine their usefulness when they take their place in the world.

From a selfish point of view Malheur County cannot afford to neglect the training of the farm boy and girl. The fact that upon the prosperity of the farmers depends the prosperity of the merchants and business men of Ontario, Vale, Nyssa, and the smaller towns throughout the county can not be doubted. There are no manufacturing companies, sawmills or the like to furnish labor to a large group of employees and a corresponding pay-roll to be spent in the business houses.

Any effort toward improvement of practices must necessarily be an effort toward improving the people.

Corn	4	23	21	\$1,888.00	\$ 511.69	\$1,376.31
Potato	2	2	13	90.00	25.00	65.00
Garden	1	13	13	233.99	75.90	158.09
Pig	8	52	47	1,434.93	841.96	592.97
Calf	1	1	1	35.00	27.50	7.50
Poultry	5	43	42	502.70	310.22	192.48
Canning	2	7	6	175.26	42.21	133.05
Cooking	3	17	16	207.50	110.02	96.88
Sewing	10	91	51	390.24	225.00	165.24
Rabbit		1	1	38.10	18.00	20.00
Totals	33	250	200	4,998.62	2,987.85	2,910.77

Two hundred boys and girls in various sections of the county have availed themselves of the opportunity offered. Their gross returns were \$4,998.62. The aggregate net returns after deducting all expenses as cost, rent of land, labor, feed, etc. was \$2,910.77. The club members raised 1,426 bushels of corn, 99 bushels of potatoes, \$233.99 worth of vegetables, 61 pigs 13 of which were purebreds, 1 calf, 455 purebred chickens and 24 rabbits. In canning the girls put in 222 quarts of fruit, 169 quarts of vegetables and made 10 jars of jelly. In cooking 415 dishes were served to a total of 1758 persons. The sewing club girls made a total of 276 articles.

At the Pacific International, County and State Fairs, the club members won \$700.00 in prizes, \$400.00 of which goes to pay the expenses of 3 boys and girls to the summer school at Corvallis next June.

During the summer 14 demonstrations were put on by club teams with a total attendance of 940 people. There were three sewing demonstrations, 3 canning demonstrations, three poultry demonstrations, four stock judging demonstrations and one demonstration on storing seed corn.

Between March 8 and November 1, the Club Leader organized 27 clubs, made 247 visits to the clubs and homes of club members, attended 96 club meetings, conducted 12 club tours, talked on club work at 56 meetings with a total attendance of

In all extension work during the past year it has been recognized that permanent progress toward better agriculture and home making is directly dependent upon the kind and amount of leadership developed—that better farming is important only in that it makes possible a better standard of living.

Boys and girls club work is a simple yet efficient system for molding rural young people into leaders that will take care of future agriculture and home making. First, it interests the boys and girls thru a community program of work. Then it helps to carry out the program. This results in their serving the community. The quality of service is improved by providing special means of encouraging and rewarding initiative. Training, information and a knowledge of sources of information necessary to lead intelligently are requisite parts of the system.

Following is an itemized statement of the various projects carried on in the county this year.

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The M. M. Greeing family and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hickox were dinner guests at the Yates home on the Orchard tract Sunday.

Mr. Gruver has been taking advantage of these beautiful winter days, as any one may see, by the large wood pile of sage in his back yard.

Frank Doyle attended the base ball game, which was played between the school boys and men and boys from outside.

Mrs. McCreary was visiting at the Bert Nicklos home in Kingman Colony Thursday.

Mr. Neely of Caldwell, shipped a carload of hogs from Adrian Friday. He bought the hogs from various farmers.

Mrs. Susie Pomeroy received word from her daughter, Mrs. Cooley, who is teaching school near Harper, Ore., that she has been very ill, but is now much better.

Greeing's have decided to live a little higher in life, having moved their house from under the hill to their land on top of the hill.

Some one is going to have great joy. A whole carload of furniture being shipped into the city Monday.

Mr. Suell of Vale, passed through Adrian Monday. He was looking for some calves which had strayed from a pasture on the Owyhee.

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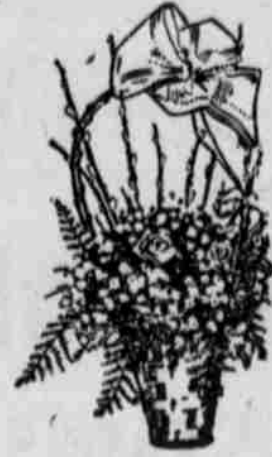
**UNIQUE COSTUMES AND OLD FASHIONED GAMES FEATURE**

Through an oversight adequate mention was not made of the entertainment of The Ontario Music Club which was held at the S. D. Dorman home last week.

The affair was unique in as much as it was an old fashioned musicale and costume party and several of the costumes worn were of our great Grandmother's days, ranging from 50 to 100 years in age—that is the costumes were that old.

Those taking part in the musicale program were the Mesdames Quast, Cox, Peterson, Van Potten, Gramse, Clemo, Dorman Harrison, Graham and Ryan, the Misses Lee, Rollins, Dunstone, Husted, Callin, and Randall and the Messrs Lathrop, Turner and Boucher.

Dainty refreshments were served by the committee after which games and dances of olden days were indulged in and much merriment was caused by the acrobatic stunt and its encore by one of the members.



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- Cyclamen in bloom all colors \$1.00 to \$2.50
- Primroses 50c to \$2.00
- Godfrey Calla Lilies in bud \$1.00 to \$1.75
- Palms, Ferns, Fushias, Geraniums, Primrose, Begonias, Pepper Plants, Pepper Trees, Colus, Oxalis, etc. at popular prices.

We are also showing a number of Holly Wreaths, Holly Baskets and Holly by the pound. In CUT FLOWERS we have choice Carnations, Snap Dragons and Chrysanthums. In our Green Houses we are showing a most complete line of potted Plants and cutflowers. We are also prepared to furnish all desired designs and pieces, and will be pleased to deliver at any time to any place. We are also soliciting your mail orders. They will be given our most careful and prompt attention.

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**ADRIAN NEWS**

Geo. and Mrs. Susie Pomeroy were dinner guests at the McCreary home Sunday.

Adrian was well represented at the Kingman Colony school house last Tuesday evening. Slides of Alaska were shown by use of a magic lantern.