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Effect of European War on Farm Prices is Study for Committees

(By W. F. Cyrus, County Agent)

"Putting the house in order" might be taken as the slogan for the agriculture economic conference in Washington county which was started recently. The committee members who attended were for the most part, the same as those who made up the 1933 agricultural economic conference report.

How to meet changing market demands brought about by the European war situation and the national preparedness program in this county is the particular purpose of this conference. In every other war period there has been a large amount of war stimulated agricultural expansion, usually on a credit basis. This has always meant that the obligations assumed during these periods of relatively high prices had to be met during periods of relatively low prices.

Remedy Sought

That condition has been one of the serious causes of agricultural disaster in other years. The consensus among these Washington county farmers and housewives meeting here was that if any sort of a program could be developed that would lessen or control this tendency toward expansion it would be well worthwhile.

Considerations of this kind involve questions for which there are no answers. Conditions at this time point to the fact that in all probability prices of farm products will soar as high as they have in other war periods but that we may expect some pick-up in agricultural prices, particularly in some lines.

Other Goods Considered

This may not seem any improvement of the farmers' condition because there is every likelihood of manufactured goods the farmer needs increasing in price out of all proportion to the increase in farm products.

These committees have divided the economic study among four committees—on home and rural life, land use, farm crops, and general livestock. As a follow-up to this first meeting, each of these committee groups will bring their 1938 report up to date with such additions or modifications as they think present conditions dictate and their reports will then be presented to the entire group at another conference on January 28.

Former Resident Of Bethany Dies

BETHANY-CECILIA MILL—Mrs. Sam Kunz of Portland, sister of Mrs. Mary Saunders and L. G. Boie, passed away at the Portland Sanitarium Thursday morning. Mrs. Kunz was reared in Bethany and she and her husband, Sam Kunz, kept the post office at Bethany before the rural routes were established. She then moved to Orenco and later to Portland.

Miss Peck Honored

Miss Deborah Peck, bride-elect of Hubert May, was honored with a shower at the home of Mrs. Sam Walters Friday night. A mock wedding was held by a group of guests. There were 37 present. Many beautiful presents were received.

Mrs. Leu Hostess

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Ben Leu last Wednesday afternoon. There were 23 present. Mrs. Ben Faber and Mrs. Herman Schindler of Hillsboro sang a duet.

Mrs. Johnson Hostess

Mrs. N. P. Johnson was hostess for the home demonstration unit of Cedar Mill Wednesday. Mrs. O. Schulz and Mrs. Arthur Schulz were project leaders and demonstrated and baked various kinds of fancy breads, oils, coffee cakes, snails, etc. A bag lunch was enjoyed by the women while the hostess supplied coffee and a salad. There were 21 present. Mrs. Otto Schulz lead the singing.

Cedar Mill Community club met January 22 at the Cedar Mill school where there was a program and refreshments.

P. T. A. Meets Today

Cedar Mill Parent-Teachers' association will meet at the school house this afternoon, January 23, at 2:30 p. m. All parents are urged to attend.

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Local Editor on Idaho Program

W. V. McKINLEY, local newspaper editor, returned Sunday from Boise, Idaho, where he was one of the principal speakers on the Idaho State Editorial association winter convention program. He spoke on weekly newspaper problems, national advertising and the home town newspaper and also the National Editorial association of which he is a director. The invitation came to the local editor as a result of the Hillsboro Argus being selected as the "nation's best weekly newspaper" in 1940.

Other speakers were Harold Say, director of the travel and information department of the Oregon State Highway commission, and Ray Andrews, Portland advertising agency executive, who discussed the Oregon state advertising program. Also on this part of the program McKINLEY told of the part played in it by Oregon newspapers.

Several former local residents were seen during the stay in Boise. S. C. Sherrill, who taught in Washington county schools early in the century, inquired of many old families throughout the county. Among county schools taught by him were Gaston in 1900, Cornelius 1905, 1906 and Phillips and Bethany. In recent years he has been in adult education work in Boise. He asked to be remembered to old friends here.

Alby Theriault, who attended schools here about 25 years ago, is in the electric business at Boise and Dr. Glenn Taylor is a successful optometrist in the Idaho capital.

Circle at Orenco Meets Wednesday

ORENCO—The Friendly Circle will hold its monthly meeting at the church, Wednesday, January 23. It will be a pot-luck luncheon.

Mrs. Arnold Noreen is home from the hospital with her new son. Annual Missionary birthday was celebrated with a luncheon. Mrs. W. J. Enschede sang a solo. Mrs. L. Harrington gave a talk on China. Hostesses were Mrs. Bess Mitchell, Mrs. W. J. Enschede, Mrs. Ashford Mitchell, Betty Persons and Frances Goodman.

Mrs. Glen Knox of Boise, Idaho, arrived Sunday for an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Howard Belzer.

Miss Elizabeth Carlyle has been in Portland, where she spoke at a meeting for the Deaconess association at Flanders street.

Women's Circle will give a Chinese tea Thursday afternoon at the church. Miss Carlyle will give a talk on China and show some pictures. The hostesses will be Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Hunter and Miss Carlyle.

Mrs. A. C. Parks is home from Lyle, Wash., where she has been visiting her brother, J. Quinton, formerly of Orenco.

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Extension Unit Meets Friday

SHADY BROOK—A home extension meeting was held last Friday at the home of Mrs. Alvah Logan with 17 ladies present. Miss Kathleen McCrae, home demonstration leader, gave a demonstration, and led discussion on the topic "Yeast Bread." A pot luck dinner was served at noon.

Next meeting will be held Friday, February 21, at 10:30 a. m. at the home of Mrs. Ted Dewey on Pumpkin Ridge with the topic "Meat Cookery," to be demonstrated. Anyone interested is invited to attend. The recent rains have brought on high water. McKay creek has broken over its banks and flooded a large part of the low lands. Ira Staune came home from college Saturday and spent the weekend here.

Farmers' Union Invites Unit

McKINLEY - ELMONICA—The Farmers' Union local met last Tuesday night. It was decided to invite the Kansas City local to join with them at the meeting in the Barnes school. A full attendance of local members is desired. Nels Johnson was elected delegate to the state convention in February at Salem, J. P. Meunier alternate.

Celebrate Birthday. The 4-H club of West Union met with Tom Courtwright Monday night, the occasion being Tom's birthday.

No Water at 300 Feet. The well being drilled in the Emil Trachsel place has reached a depth of 300 feet without reaching water. Nels Johnson has been ill.

New Club Formed At Cipole School

CIPOLE—Palmer Torvond, 4-H club leader, visited the school Friday and started a 4-H woodworking club.

Mother Dies. Mrs. Elizabeth Bailey, mother of Mrs. J. M. Hopkins and grandmother of Melva Hopkins of Cipole, passed away at her home at Linton last Monday.

Many of the pupils of Cipole school were absent during the week due to illness.

"Is this Champagne?" asked a diner in a restaurant, who couldn't tell whether he were in Champaign or Urbana, Ill. "That's root beer," replied the waiter.

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Community "Evening of Fun" Set At North Plains This Friday

NORTH PLAINS—The new date for the community "evening of fun" sponsored by the Junior Women's club is Friday evening, January 24. Admission is free and a short program is being planned. Refreshments will be on sale. Everyone is invited.

At the regular meeting of the club January 14 at the home of Mrs. Stigum the roll call was answered with a New Year's resolution from each member. Madge Ross was elected by unanimous ballot as new treasurer.

Next regular meeting of the club

will be a valentine party at the Chris Langue home. Valentines will be exchanged and all members must come in costumes. Hostesses for the evening are Mrs. Langue and Mrs. Thies. Guests at the last meeting were Mrs. Fernite and Mrs. Dillinger, both from Portland.

Sunday dinner party guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Reynolds were Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Beatty of Wilamina and Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Reynolds of Rock Creek.

S. Kurrin of Portland was a

week-end guest at the Tom Stigum home.

Mrs. James H. Davis spent the week-end at Portland at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Hanna Jr.

Mrs. William Kettle of Portland was a week-end guest at the Henry Cypher home.

Mrs. Arthur Davis and son Dickie of Astoria are visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sandford, while Mr. Davis is working at Clatskanie.

Mr. and Mrs. Rita Fair of Newport are visiting relatives here this week.

Carl White was ill the past week with the flu.

Pianist Appointed. Friendship Temple No. 8 held in-

North Plains PTA Sets Meeting; Travel Talk Due

NORTH PLAINS—North Plains Parent-Teacher association will meet Tuesday, January 28. Miss Alice Robins, who toured Europe as a member of the "Youth Hostellers," will talk on seeing Europe on a bicycle. Miss Robins is counting Friday night for Sandford Will. The flower committee appointed for the year were Mattie Joos, Mabel Williams, and Blanca Stigum. Miss Eugenie Cypher Jr. was appointed pianist.

ty nurse whose territory is eastern Washington county.

New Resident Here. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hiefs moved to North Plains recently from Newberg. Their son Howard has been enrolled in the second grade.

The women's gym class has purchased a basketball, and basketball and volleyball have been added to the list of activities.

Examiner Due Jan. 29

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be in Hillsboro Wednesday, January 29, at the court house, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. All those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

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