BETTER FARMING

Many Problems at Stanfield Meeting

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A report of the last meeting of the

Oregon Dairymen's Cooperative league

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War on Rodents

Placer, Or., Feb. 19.-Eradication of

he gray digger and other pests is to be

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MARKETING BILL **VICTORY IS BOOST** FOR COOPERATION

less you go after it. The producer gone after anything until recently, but since he has started working with his neighbor, he has found that he can get what

he wants The bill before the legislature last week which defines and regulates cooperative marketing associations is the result of the popular demand of the Producers are working to gether, as they have never worked fore. They are showing a new spirit, a spirit developed perhaps by acute conditions caused by the lowering of prices for farm products and the unchanged high prices at which the producer mus buy his necessities.

With only four votes opposed, the senate placed its stamp of approval upon senate bill 284, which commits the state of Oregon, in a definitely stated policy, to the encouragement of cooperative marketing and places the teeth in the marketing associations which will withundermining efforts of the foes of the cooperative movement. STRONG OPPOSITION

victory for the producers' organizations of the state. It not only places the state government's approval upon cooperative marketing, but it gives the association the right to use a contract which cannot be broken by any member at the instigation of the enemies of cooper-

This bill has been fought, as has every other movement designed to improve farm marketing. It has been fought by firms and corporations that have been using all means in their power to secure farm produce at the lowest pos-sible figure, thus holding up the produce until a high figure could be seured from the consumer.

It is a notable fact that representafrom the Nestle's Food company, firm which has fought the Oregon Milk Producers' Cooperation in every stage of its development, were on hand o speak before the senate and to lobby against the passage of this bill. Other interests are working against cooperative marketing, but are doing it in get to proof of the fact. The opposi-tion may be expected to continue as lective marketing.

AFTER MIDDLEMEN One of the opponents of the bill opposed it upon the ground that it would tie a member of a cooperative association hand and foot and leave him entirely at the mercy of the association. But what is the association? Is the farmer apt to work an injustice upon

to say that a man will work a hardship upon himself? Senator Hare countered the attack of the opponents of this bill. declaring that the producer was enticooperative government, as made possi-

ble under the provisions of this bill. The issue presented to the senate, according to Senator Dennis, was how to eliminate the tremendous profts which attach to the products of the farm and ranch between the time it leaves its place of origin and the time it gets into the hands of the ultimate consumer.

Demnis called attention to the fact that there are fewer farmers in Oregon today than there were 10 years ago, due to the fact that the farmer, because of lack of adequate protection, had been unable to make both ends meet and had been forced to enter other fields of endeavor. This bill, he insisted, was designed to correct this situation through the elimination of needless middlemen, assuring to the producer reasonable return on his product and at the same time protecting the ultimate consumer from exhorbitant profits. JOINING OPTIONAL

Senator Joseph called attention to the no one was compelled to enter the assoof the other members, every member once in should be compelled to respect his contract in spite of efforts to disrupt the association through the extension of tempting offers by independent

Everybody, according to Senator Eddy, is organized for mutual protection except the original producer, which condition this bill sought to correct. The time has come, he insisted, that unless the men who feed the world are afforded a reasonable measure of protection, production would be still further discouraged and the world would face the prospect of

The producer, he declared, is now the first to feel the effect of every adverse condition. This bill, he concluded, made it possible for him to realize a reasonable return on his efforts through cooperative marketing of his products, yet afforded the consumer adequate protection through the elimination of the profiteering middleman.

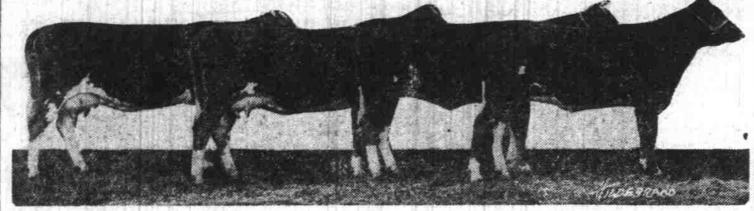
Cooperative marketing is solving the problems of the producer. It has come to stay and may be expected to include all farm commodities of any importance in the near future.

Farmers Cemented By Bureau System

Sandy, Feb. 19.—Calvin Ingalls, state organizer for the Farm Bureau federation, addressed 50 farmers here recently on the object and workings of the bureau. Ingalls says he is "an honest to God dirt farmer himself," and knows that the farmer has to be "hog tied" to that the farmer has to be "hog tied" to make him stick, seeming to think the Dgirymen's league is on the right tack in its compulsory contracts, as "the farmer will not protect his own interests "unless compelled to." "Heretofore farmers' organizations have had nothing to bind them together, and have been standing out like sore thumbs, but this movement is trying to gather them up into one body, because individually they cannot accomplish much," said the speaker. Next week Ed. Hart, local "captain," and five helpers will make a drive out here for memberships, assisted by one of the county organizers.

No matter how much money a man earns, if he can't make both ends meet he is worse off than the man on a slender salary who has a little left over

RAISE GOOD COWS ON LOWER COLUMBIA



An outstanding young Guernsey herd which attracted much attention at the Pacific International Livestock exposition, and carried off the blue ribbon in this class, was the entry of A. L. Gile of Chinook, Wash., shown above. Gile has one of the largest high class Guernsey herds in the Northwest and his farm, located in Pacific county, Washington, has been the source of supply of Guernsey breeding stock for a number of years for Guernsey enthusiasts throughout the Northwest.

membership agreements of cooperative war on the digger squirrel and other ruary 12. rodent pests in the agricultural sections of Multnomah county by Coun-The passing of this bill is a complete commander in chief of the loyal forces against the invaders and dep-

digger or ground squirrel is not found Geckeler of Eigin. north of the Columbia river, but of late in the hills of Multnomah county and is costly guest, a persistent enemy and a most industrious home builder. Directions are being issued by Hall

and studied by the farmers. It is estimated that every digger or California squirrel in Multnomah county costs an average of 60 cents to maintain, while some do damage amounting to hundreds of dollars. A single squirrel family will levy at market rates last year from grain field not less than \$7 under favor able circumstances-to the squirrel. And able circumstances—to the squirrel. And Sheepmen Arrested if fate and the indifferent farmers are more underhand way and it is hard to kind there will be at least five families increase for next year.

county is singularly fre long as these firms see any chance from the California gopher which is not whatever of killing the effect of col- found north of the Clackamas and east of the Willamette rivers. It is a serious pest in many parts of the Willamette

Owing to the fall in the prices paid for has fallen off, and in the drive to be equal pussy for mouse warfare.

Bridgeport Poultry Ranch Stands 7th

port community of Polk county, took counties, but armed with the notices of work will be actively pushed. seventh place in production for Decem- the time the stock feed in Malheur coun-12.3 eggs.

According to the Hoisington report for January, which has just been filed with the college officials, the flock made an average of over 16 eggs per bird for the month, netting a very neat profit to the owners. Arthur Hoisington stated recently that the concern's hens were laying no less than twice what they ever had before; due largely to improved feeding methods as outlined by H. E. Cosby, poultry specialist of the college. W. J. Garner of the Smithfield section fact that the cooperative marketing idea also is cooperating in this manner. Garcontemplated the control of the associ- ner is the farm bureau poultry project ation by the producer himself and that leader and when not engaged in bureau work in other counties, devotes considerciation, but declared, for the protection able time to poultry improvement work n Polk.

> Extension Specialist Is Visitor Kelso, Wash., Feb. 19 .- Mrs. M. Suthrland, extension specialist, with the pounds, and the hens weigh six and gruder, dairy and feed specialist with Washington State college, is spending seven pounds. everal days in Cowlitz county in order to instruct the club leader of this coun- Gray also raises six different kinds of ty in nutrition work. She is being as- geese. Some of them are imported dairy cattle feeding. He made ad-sisted by Miss Nora Kelly, county club from the Eastern states, but all of dresses at Castle Rock, Eufaula, Monoleader.

Union County Farm Elects Its Officers At Annual Meeting

La Grande, Feb. 19 .- Officers of the Union county farm bureau were elected The word has been given to begin at the close of the annual meeting Feb. Frank McKennon of Alicel, president, succeeds Albert Hunter, who asked to be relieved because of his many other interests, making it impossible to give his time to the farm bureau work Edward Reynolds of La Grande succeeds H. McGoldrick of Imbler as vice president, J. F. T. Galloway succeeds Frank McKennon as secretary treasurer. of the following: H. H. Weatherspoon of ing the state agricultural colleges and ley as urged by the bureau of biological

ears he has emigrated and multiplied new executive board that the possibility of securing an adequate supply of enbe the first topic to be given consideration by the board. A thorough investigation into the various possible supplies is to be made and hope is held out that the problem can be solved be-fore the pressure of spring work taxes panies in Eastern Oregon.

of Imbler, William Glenn of Imbler,

For Violating Law Upon Stock Herding

Vale, Feb. 19 .- The first gun of a var on non-resident livestock men who nole skins the onslaught on this pest herd their stock into Malheur county for made the mole is to be included. Rats feeding purposes without properly notihave multiplied of recent years and in- fying county officials so that the county vaded farm buildings where never known before. Mice have been on the increase, these herds was fired this week by Dishimself, merely by agreeing to work before. Mice have been on the increase, these herds was fired this week by Diswith his fellow producers, when all of also. Many dairymen eliminated cats to trict Attorney Robert D. Lytle, who has this association is gov- a large percentage when the price of had a warrant issued for the arrest of

"Malheur county has been holding Dalles. Feb. 19,-Of the 27 poultry | The law provides that notice must be

ber, with an average yield per hen of ty, this county can then collect its share of the taxes from the other counties. Sheep Men Are in

Muscovy Ducks Are

Mrs. Gray says that Muscovy ducks ire unlike other ducks. They are black and white in color and have the flavor wild ducks. The drakes weigh 15

In addition to raising ducks, Mrs. staff, spent the past few days in Cowthem are of registered pedigreed stock. han and Bunker Hill.

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coming to have a growing appreciation digger squirrels, Gabrielson went into The new executive board is composed for the work of county agents representontinue until March 15, and no inter- Elgin, C. M. Stackland of Cove, Lloyd the United States department of agricul- survey. national agreements limiting the means Carters of Cove, G. W. Delay of Union, ture. They recognize the vital necessity J. F. Hutchinson of Union, H. H. Huron of the maintenance of educational work through the state extension services, traps, shooting-anything goes. The Fred Zaugg of La Grande and James which leads to a more economical production and a more economical system Announcement has been made by the of marketing farm produce. The county agricultural agent already has more to the best advantage. He should him- other grain. These conclusions are not self guard carefully any tendency on his part to become a business or organization agent for the county farm bureau. The county farm bureau, on the other hand, should never expect or permit a county agent to jeopardize the educational work by becoming absorbed in the farm bureau were attributed to imthe other activities of the farm bureau. The active program in marketing and in securing beneficial legislation should be scattered out on the surface, about a entirely in the hands of farm bureau officers, county, state and national."

Holstein-Friesian Breeders Advised to Heed Stock Judging

g of the Lewis County Holstein-Fries- Oak Grove. Breeders' association held in the Nathan Hamilton and M. P. Frame, sive work during March and the fore as a senior 2-year-old.

Alternates—Chris Henrichsen, George J. part of April with regular follow-up duridgeport Poultry
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Sack and other counties collecting the taxes for some time," said District Attorney Lytle. "We have always taken care of our own stock feeding in other counties, but have been rather lax on checking up on non-resident stock feeding in this county. I want to issue a warning to all non-resident stockmen that from now on they must give the proper notification or face arrest."

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Mrs. James Gray, one of the best-known poultry raisers of Troutdale, states that Muscovy ducks are the most satisfactory to raise, since they are unusually good layers, and also raise and hatch their young better than a hen. This year Mrs. Gray has won prizes for her ducks at the Gresham fair, at the Puriland poultry show and fair, at the Puriland poultry show and fair, at the Puriland poultry show and fair. fair, at the Fortland poultry show and grower in the county will have an op-also at the Sherwood fair. organization.

Feed Specialist Speaks Kelso, Wash., Feb. 19 .- Don S. Mathe Washington State college extension litz county instructing dairymen in

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Gabrielson is employed by the federal bureau of biological survey and has for his district the state of Oregon, where control measures for such animals as moles, rats and mice.

only are counties being organized to a secretary-treasure. man for the complete destruction of the In discussing the relationship of the county agricultural agent to the unison for their control. The Oregon Sorghum Industry state farm bureau has gone so far as to secure the cooperation of the border counties of California to the end that poisoning may go on simultaneously on both sides of the line.

Since poisoned wheat has been used "The farmers of the United States are almost exclusively heretofore for killing some detail relative to the use of bar-Four reasons were mentioned, namely, the lesser cost of barley, the danger to song and other beneficial birds being minimized, the rough coat of the barley affording a better surface for carrying the poison coating, and lastly, the fact that taking the season through and over the entire Willamette valley squirrels prefer the barley to any the result of opinion, but are based upon 10 years of intensive and costly experimental work on the part of the government. Failures with the poison prepared by

the county agent and distributed through proper placing of the grain. The poison should not be placed in the holes, but tablespoonful in a place well scattered out wherever the animals are accuscomed to feed or to play.

The farm bureau was commended for the vigorous manner in which it is at-tacking the digger problem and the prediction was made that three years of ntensive organized effort would put an end to the pest. Among the communities reached were Gold Beach, Harmony, Buell, Ballston,

Chehalis, Wash., Feb. 19.—At a meet-dee, Antioch, Guthrie, Salt Creek and

Hartman-Nathan hali Thursday after-noon the following delegates to the agent is now preparing the poison ac-

Farm Bureau Meetings Dayton, Wash., Feb. 19 .- Farm bureau neetings began in Columbia county today and will continue throughout the remainder of the month with one occurring in a different district each day. The local meeting will be held in Day ton at the Commercial club the teenth and a general county meeting will take place here February 26, when R. C. Pollock of the National Farm bureau will address the gathering.

Sandy Man Buys Sows

Sandy, Or., Feb. 19 .- William Jocelyn Session in Roseburg is back from Salem, where he bought four fine big-type Poland-China sows from Fox & Lowe, Jocelyn bought a from Fox & Lowe. Jocelyn bought a herd boar of the same type a short time ago and may decide to stop dairy-Found Profitable Roseburg. Or., Feb. 19.—C. J. Hurd, assistant state leader of county agents, is in the city this week meeting with the sheepmen in the interest of the



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Northwest Canners Association Opens 7th Annual Session

The seventh annual meeting of the Northwest Canners' association opened Dallas, Or., Feb. 19.-The busi- Friday at the Central library. J. O. nesslike manner in which the Holt of Eugene, president, gave the open-

interests of the fruit and vegetable Malheur county. canners was given by J. A. Jardine of Oregon Agricultural college. W. R. which little organized Scott of Albany spoke on closer coopera-The child labor law was disvalley. cussed by C. J. Pugh of Falls City.

Professor E. H. Wiegand of Oregon Agricultural college spoke on inspecion in Oregon and Washington. An EXAMPLES PROVE CLAIM election of officers closed the meeting for the afternoon The evening session was held in the

he is responsible for puwing forward ballroom of the Multnomah hotel, precontrol measures for such animals as ceded by a banquet given by F. S diggers and other squirrels, gophers, Kandall and W. S. Dirker of the American Can company. In each of the 15 meetings held it At the election held yesterday W. G.

was pointed out that diggers were eas- Allen of Salem was chosen president ily poisoned on individual farms, but and W. S. Pride of Bellingham, Wash., eventual control is contingent upon was chosen vice president. C. D. Minton organized effort over large areas. Not of Portland was reelected to the post of

Appears Promising be had be had

and which was attended by every man n the community, to determine what of the county, taking market facilities into consideration, it was decided to go in for the raising of sorghum on an ducted last season by J. Horton, who tion, proved the feasibility of raising this crop to good advantage. It has been figured that sorghum can be raised at Ringold at a cost not to exceed 70 cents per gallon of syrup, and a letter from the Hill Syrup company of Seattle has guaranteed to take all the syrup that can be delivered to it by the Ringold farmers at 90 cents per gallo

High Producing Cows

A fine bunch of young Guernseys is on its way from Ohio to a new home in Oregon. The Western Sales and Pedigree company has purchased 38 of Ohio's best and will soon have them feeding in Oregon pastures. That the quality is of the best is

a large percentage when the price of the state association is governed by himself and others in the same of business?

a large percentage when the price of the state association in Seconding to the government formula and two Basque sheepmen who have been feeding three bands of sheep in the provender mounted a few years ago, and the rats and mice increased to some expenses the ratio of the state association in Second to the government formula and two Basque sheepmen who have been at the south the feeding three bands of sheep in the should be a world record cow, Katherine's Trixie, the rats and mice increased to some expenses the ratio of the state association in Second to the state association in S



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ing address. The secretary's report was the Oregon Agricultural college, 11, Robert Withycomb of the Eastern An interesting address on what Ore- series of short courses on irrigation gon Agricultural college is doing in the and drainage for the farmers of results of feeding alfalfa, corn and sunflowers to cattle, sheep and hogs, Withy-

> actual experiments made at the station brush lands of the West, under proper irrigation and drainage and intensively ultivated, will produce more to the acre of Portland was read, and the ranchers than any other known soil on earth, and were urged to go in for dairying. It was that it requires a less area of these lands | found to be apparent that the cooperative league has come nearer to solving to support a family

> Professor Powers cited as an example other organization yet formed, and su he Yakima project, originally idle, areas cess to the dairymen means a market which cost \$15,000,000 to develop, and for hay, the aifalfa growers' problem. which produced \$42,000,000 worth of products last year. He is not merely a theorist on these matters, but has been successful farmer in various parts of the United States.

In speaking of Malheur county, in particular, Powers said: "If I were to own an irrigated farm in the West, there is no locality I know of-that would suit me better than your own irrigated section. The elevation and climate is right for a long growing season and with good water rights, and proper irrigation and drainage systems, there is no better to PHOSPHATE PLENTIFUL

"There is twice the phosphate in your ands that there is in most of the lands

of the Columbia river basin,' by quite a number of farmers of the y, as is evidenced by the action of the county and many of them said that they was as essential to the success of irrigated projects as was irrigation itself. The farmers of the county are interested in having a soil expert make extensive experiments in the county this year, o determine the most feasible plan for reclaiming the lands which have too much water or alkali and several organzations of the county have requested the egislature to continue the appropriations this year for experiment work It has been pointed out that there are

thousands of acres of greasewood and saltgrass lands in Oregon and that reclato the tax roll of the state.



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