MARKETING BILL

By R. C. Stewart Many measures were passed by the Oregon legislature in its session

just completed which are of special

interest to farmers. None of them

can compare in value to farmers in

general with senate bill 284, which

regulates cooperative marketing. At

the time of this writing, the gover-

nor has not yet fixed his signature

but since this bill passed the house

and senate almost unanimously,

there can be but little doubt as to

Hereafter, as provided by this bill, no

one will be able to question the legality

of truly cooperative marketing agree-

ments among producers in Oregon. This

bill makes marketing agreements legal

and above question and provides for

injunctions and court proceedings to

hold in check any movements started by

enemies of cooperative marketing to in-

duce members of associations to break

This bill. legalizing cooperative asso-

ciations and their contracts, was intro-

duced in the senate by the committee

on agriculture and forestry. It passed

the senate with only four dissenting

In the house strong opposition was

encountered and the bill was referred

mittee finally decided to return it to

and other corporations outside the state

Although California canning interests

the house without recommendation.

straining order against a member.

mlawful or in restraint of trade

ould not make their voices heard. Since

ive associations and especially since

to work together under the Farm Bureau

ure legislation which is beneficial to

So far in Oregon, a comparatively

the producer is able to

the organization of successful coopera-

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for for a long time

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were strongly opposed to the bill, after sharp debate of two hours in the small percentage of the farmers are house it again was passed with but four The majority which especially members of the cooperative associations, were aware of the strong corporate interests opposed to the bill get behind the farm but the state to corporate interests opposed to the bill get behind the farm bureau movement nd bad been in communication with and cooperative associations in order to secure the greatest benefits from

these movements. COSTS LITTLE: RESULTS BIG

It is provided in the bill that it is the The cost of joining the farm bureau policy of Oregon to encourage the is small. Ninely per cent of the memproduction of agricultural products, to bership fee is used in the home county. stabilize marketing conditions and to eliminate speculation. And to this end it shall be lawful for members of a And to this end the state and American federations. The operative bovine tuberculosis eradicacounty portion of the fee is used for educational work, projects and other "Bovine tuberculosis" cooperative association to unite or con-solidate all their business activities. Provision is also made that should any farmers of the counties. The other 10 to the cattle owners of the country, but member of such an association break per cent is used to secure beneficial leg- it is likewise a question in which the islation, promote cooperative and other public has a decided interest. It behis contract, the association shall be entitled to an injunction to prevent furfavorable movements, to hold hearings hooves the public, therefore, to appro-on matters of interest to the producer priate money to reimburse breeders who ther breach of contract. And pending the adjudication of a suit, the associa-Jion shall be entitled to a temporary reers' interest throughout the state and and diseased animals destroyed. The

It is also provided that no association The same spirit which has prompted complying with the terms and purposes producers to enter collective marketing ernment and the state government and of this bill shall be deemed a combinaassociations is inducing them to work the owners of condemned cattle. tion in unlawful restraint of trade or together in forming the farm bureau. an unlawful monopoly, or an attempt It is this spirit which has prompted them arbitrarily to lessen competition or fix to work together in securing the legistracts or agreements between the asso-ciation and its members be considered producers of the state.

Huge Calf Arrives

This bill finally places the state stamp wned by H. F. Stevenson, on the Powell view to being accredited. The bureau of of approval upon collective marketing. Valley road, measured five feet two is an indorsement of the principles nches from head to tail, was nine which the producer has been fighting inches across the hips, and two feet eight inches high. Neighbors declare In past years, producers were working that it was the largest calf they had for this and other constructive legislation as individuals or small bodies who

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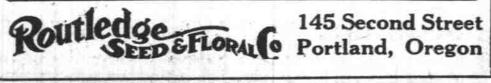


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its meeting in Kansas City, is ready

Representatives of the National Wheat Growers' association, who developed, last week at Chicago, a marketing plan. appeared and asked indorsement of that plan, which is a commodity plan rather than collective selling.

Subcommittees have been appointed interest the investing public in

BARUCH LIKES CREDIT IDEA Baruch said that the farmers needed foreign markets more than credit. With the war over, the world has the opporunity to buy the surplus production of

He agreed that the farmers must conrol their own credit and was enthusiastic over the idea of a \$100,000,000 inmanned by experts. In his estimation, to difficulty could be seen to make the ntire marketing scheme successful.

Speaker for Bureau Predicts Big Things

ounty leader of the poultry project, recently closed a three weeks' tour through

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farmers' grain marketing Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, committee of 17, which is holding Feb. 19,-John Backman, a senior from Marshfield, majoring in poultry husto announce its marketing plan as which is the newest organization to apsoon as the details of financing have pear on the campus. Miss Bertha

SEEK TO INTEREST GROWERS and are attempting to work out cooperative agreements with the National Wheat Growers' association. Bernard M. Baruch, who has lately been actively studying cooperative marketing. appeared before the committee and advocated licensed warehouses and national grading and a financing corporabuying farm notes secured by warehouse

titution being owned by farmers and

Dallas, Or., Feb. 26.-W. J. Garner Linn, Benton and Douglas counties where he addressed farm bureaus. Gar ner reports that the bureau idea has a grip on people that means "big things"

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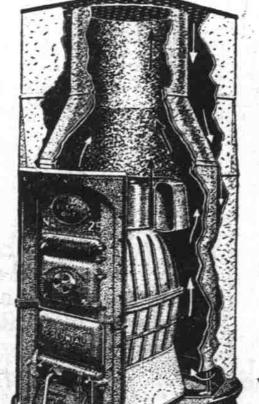
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