

Extensive Progress in Agriculture Recorded

Recent Trend Aids Farmers

Economic Study Featured During Past Winter; Changes Recorded

In the 85 years that The Statesman has been published in Oregon, farming conditions have changed and improved greatly. The early influx of pioneers into the Willamette valley, attracted by the ideal location of this region as a farming and marketing center, was but the beginning of a great agricultural era.

Among the leading developments of the past winter were the agricultural economic conferences held in various counties of the Willamette valley. Here farmers gathered to discuss common problems and to consider the outlook for the future. The one held in Marion county last January was a notable example of the success of such an enterprise.

Flax, a product raised by Willamette valley farmers in pioneer days, has again come to the front as a product that farmers raise profitably. The establishment of the Mt. Angel cooperative plant has assured farmers of that district of an adequate market for their product.

Farming Simple Then In the frontier days, it was not an uncommon thing for a valley farmer to load the wheat he had grown during a season of difficult hand labor onto his wagon and transport it over roads that were little better than trails to the grist mills at Oregon City, where The Statesman was first founded, where it was ground into flour. Later developments brought a number of mills to Salem, notable of which were the woolen mills, which have ever been an active center for marketing Willamette valley wool.

The Willamette valley continues to produce a high grade of wool, which commands a favorable price in comparison with lower quality grades. Present prices are firm. The outlook in the livestock industry generally is good. The lighter winters of the valley, as contrasted to eastern Oregon and the mid-west states, has been noticed during the past year, have made raising livestock a much easier task here than elsewhere. Although cattle feeding was necessary in the valley during the coldest weeks and in brief periods of snow, and while the winter, even here, has been harder than usual this past season, the hardships were not nearly as great as in other livestock raising regions where cold snaps took great tolls.

Transportation Problem The development of agriculture in the Willamette valley and throughout Oregon was closely related to the accessibility of markets. The real agricultural growth of the state dates from the opening of ample transportation facilities for railroad transportation. With railroads connecting with the east, the west found that it could transport agriculture freight in the bulk to eastern markets, thus being able to compete with the farms of the prairie states.

By 1930, Oregon had 35,337 farms averaging 381 acres apiece, and Washington had 33,202 farms, while 10 years later, the total number of holdings in the two states had risen to 101,694.

By 1930, Oregon had increased its number of farms to 55,152. Oregon's farm acreage had increased from 11,685,110 in 1910 to 16,548,678 acres, land in farms, in 1930.

The Willamette valley farms have the fundamental advantages of living represented by the modern home, with its water and garden. Irrigation systems equal to those of the towns, clubs, lodges, churches, convenient stores, and nearby recreation centers.

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Salem Markets

Grade B raw 4 per cent milk, Salem basic pool price \$1.97 per hundred. Co-op butterfat price, F. O. B. Salem, 30 1/4. (Milk based on semi-monthly contract average.) Distributor price \$2.34. A grade butterfat—Delivered, 30 1/4; B grade delivered, 29c. A grade prints, 31 1/4; B grade, 30 1/4.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Calif. fresh dates, Pineapple, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, Strawberries, etc.

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Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Walnuts, Filberts, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Clusters, Faggles, Mohair, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Extras, Medium extras, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Spring lambs, Ewes, Hogs, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Wheat, Barley, Oats, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Spinach, Carrots, Beans, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Parsley, Lettuce, Tomatoes, etc.

Wage Offer Accepted PORTLAND, Ore., March 28.—(P)—N. C. Lindsey, president of the Portland S. W. Mill and Timber Workers' union, announced today 2,000 employees voted approximately 10 to 1 to accept employers' compromise wage increase ranging from 5 to 15 per cent, effective April 1.

Grains Higher; Change Sudden

Minneapolis Market Gets Limelight; Reverses Recent Direction

CHICAGO, March 28.—(P)—Spectacular action of the Minneapolis market in jumping 2 1/2 cents a bushel from a seasonal low price record today dominated the entire wheat trade.

Traders here kept sharp watch of the course of values at Minneapolis that suddenly reversed the trend of the last few days there, and were inclined to see as a reason an outlook that imports of Canadian wheat into the United States have been definitely checked by recent severe downturns of Minneapolis cash quotations.

Wheat in Chicago closed firm at about the day's top, 1/4% over yesterday's finish, May 96 1/4%, July 94 1/4%, corn also 1/4% up, May 59 1/4%, oats 1/4% advanced, and provisions varying from 2 cents decline to 5 cents gain.

Reports coming from eastern Oregon and Washington indicate that some mills have called in their buyers, indicative of the present quietness in the industry. Ranch clips that sold in a small way for around 31 to 33 cents per pound in Southern Idaho a few weeks ago are now receiving only 30 cents per pound.

Complete commercial fertilizers for a gardener are sold under various trade or brand names. While these are useful in identifying the source of the material, the grower should observe chiefly the analysis as shown on the tag on the sack.

Sulfate of ammonia is not only a good vegetable fertilizer to help stimulate the growth of early garden vegetables but it is also useful in killing moss on lawns.

General Markets

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Portland, Ore., March 28.—(AP)—dove exchange net prices.

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Gasoline Dealers' Safety Pledge



In line with the Gilmore Oil Company's adoption of the Clarence S. Beesemyer plan which bans the sale of gasoline to intoxicated drivers, some 2500 Gilmore Independent Dealers on the Pacific Coast recently pledged their allegiance to this safety move.

Spring Garden Tips

The slimy slug or snail, early garden pest, is repelled from plants that are lightly covered with copper-lime dust or dry Bordeaux. The poison brass mash used for controlling cutworms is also useful in killing slugs.

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Delegates Named To Farmer Meet

CLOVERDALE, March 28.—The Farmers' union meeting at the school house Wednesday evening was well attended. President Potts presided over the report on his trip to Washington in the interest of the farmers.

Stocks and Bonds

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like STOCK AVERAGES, Bond Averages, etc.

European Gold Crisis Nearing

Wall Street Looks on and Avoids Transactions But Without Panic

NEW YORK, March 28.—(P)—Faced with a new European gold price crisis, the stock market today maintained a calm, stand-off attitude.

The equities list experienced its dullist Saturday session since Sept. 28. Transfers totaled only 656,780 shares. The Associated Press average of 60 stocks managed to recover .1 of a point at 62.

K. C. Banquet to Be Held Tonight

A Knights of Columbus banquet in honor of Father T. J. Bernard's class will be held at St. Joseph's parish hall here tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

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Dance For Flood Aid Fund Planned

SILVERTON, March 28.—A move designed to aid in the relief of sufferers in the eastern flood area, started by the American Legion civic and fraternal groups will be centered in a benefit dance scheduled for Thursday night at the armory.

Mary Bingham to Be Buried Monday

MONMOUTH, March 28.—Mrs. Mary Bingham, 83, died yesterday at her home in Monmouth. She was born October 19, 1846, in Ohio, and moved to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, with her parents.

Louis Burgess Is Granted Diploma

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(P)—Twenty-seven graduates of the federal bureau of investigation's second police training school received their diplomas today from J. Edgar Hoover, director of federal agents.

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WPA Strikers Invited MARSFIELD, Ore., March 28.—(P)—The 200 WPA strikers in the Coos Bay area received invitations to two meetings today—one called by a faction for \$60 a month and the other favoring return to work.

Masonic District Meeting Planned The annual meeting of Masonic lodge district No. 6, consisting chiefly of Marion and Polk counties, will be held in the Masonic temple here Wednesday night, starting at 7:30 o'clock with Rev. C. C. Cragg, district deputy, of Salem, in the chair.