

US Income in Ratio to Farm Prosperity Declares Eckleman

The national income of the United States rises and falls in the same ratio as does the farm income, Charles Eckleman, prominent Oregon dairyman, told the Salem Lions club Thursday noon. The speaker maintained this might be taken as proof that agriculture is still the basis of the national economy.

Because this country will be left at the close of the war with a heavy national debt, it will be bankrupt should the national income drop within the next lifetime of this generation to the low point of 1932, Eckleson believes.

"The only way to remain solvent as a nation is to retain a high national income," he declared, pointing out that a fair income to agricultural labor and fair returns to holders of farm property should thus be considered vital to all citizens. Agriculture provides 24 1/2 per cent of the nation's employment, 65 per cent of its raw material, he said.

There was no agricultural surplus in 1932, but there was underconsumption, according to Eckleman. Selective service examinations have revealed the results of years of under-nourishment for some of the country's youth, according to the owner and operator of Portland's Riverview farms.

Features of the Lions luncheon were the "arrest and conviction" of a allegedly masquerading as Talltwater Leo Reimann and the presentation of civilian defense service ribbons to five club members in recognition of "500 hours in bondage." Jesse Gard, club member and Marion county finance committee chairman, delivered the ribbons to A. W. Smither, R. W. "Joe" Land, Douglas Yeater, Francis Smith and William Talbot, all of whom have worked in at least three bond drives.

Bothel Mayor Worries Over Dog Problem

BOTHELL, Wash., April 20.—(AP)—Mayor-elect Joe Ryan is a dog-lover of long-standing but he also is a man concerned with war-caused municipal problems such as the continuous juxtaposition of dogs and fireplugs.

Since rationing, Bothel has had more than its rightful quota of dogs, due to the fact, its citizens say, that city people were abandoning their pets outside Seattle because they hadn't enough meat to feed them.

Mayor-elect Ryan said he definitely felt that such congregating around fireplugs constituted an affront to the civic dignity of Bothell, a town of about 1,500 a few miles north of Seattle.

So today the mayor-elect, after considerable mulling over the problem, arrived at the conclusion that, inasmuch as fireplugs play only a passive part in the situation, the obvious thing to do was to re-educate the dogs.

Equipped with a bucket of white paint, brushes, dressed in a cow-boy suit and ten-gallon hat, and mounted on his finest horse (the mayor-elect is also the richest man in town), Ryan proceeded to paint the town's fireplugs white instead of their customary yellow.

This, said the mayor-elect, would throw all canine visitors into the utmost confusion. He said that being a student of canine psychology he was positive that the barkers want no part of anything white.

Results of his first municipal work is being awaited.

Bothel may be a small town, but it's not going to be dull with the new mayor in office.

Elected without opposition, Ryan ran on a platform of "I stand for everything."

Prof. Knight Heads For Coos Bay Area

Prof. John L. Knight, counselor on religious life at Willamette university, will speak this weekend in the Coos Bay area. He will preach at the North Bend and Coquille churches while there.

Knight returned to the campus this week after a trip to southern Oregon on which he spoke at youth rallies and churches in Roseburg, Grants Pass and Ashland. Speaking engagements during May include high school commencement and baccalaureate exercises and before Portland groups.

Jury Awards Pomeroy \$8437 in Damage Suit

A circuit court jury late Thursday awarded Ralph D. Pomeroy \$7500 damages and \$937.57 in hospital costs, stemming from a personal damage action instituted by him against I. R. Clark and A. V. Logsdon, log truck operators.

Pomeroy, in his complaint, contended that the defendants' negligence resulted in an accident involving a car driven by him and the defendants' logging truck on the East Turner road September 29, 1943. The plaintiff further maintained that he suffered disabling personal injuries in the accident.



M. P.—Military police trainees at Ft. Benning, Ga., voted they'd like to be pinched by actress Vivian Austin (above).



TO WED — Flight Officer Jacqueline Leigh Mallory, WAAF (above), daughter of the Allied invasion air chief, is engaged to be married to Flight Officer W. E. Doherty of Hammondsport, N. Y.

Hutchins Will Leave Salem For New Job

Appointment of Dr. H. C. Hutchins, professor of education at Willamette university for four years, to the staff of the National Recreation association will appear in the April issue of the association publication, Recreation. Hutchins will assume his duties in the position July 1 after completing the present semester at Willamette.

Hutchins' resignation will leave a vacancy in the education department to be filled by action of the board of trustees. The vacancy has been referred to the board according to Dr. Chester F. Luther, dean of the college of liberal arts.

Research upon questions sent to the association, a privately supported consultative agency for public recreation organizations and problems fundamental to the field of recreation will be the chief work of Hutchins in his new position. Reports of his findings will appear as separate publications of the association and will also be printed in the periodical and other magazines.

Before coming to Willamette Hutchins was engaged in similar investigation with the National Education association. The position will require considerable traveling from his headquarters in New York City. The Hutchins family expects to locate in Bronxville, Westchester county, N.Y.

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