

State Board Makes U. O. Appointments

Action of the state board of higher education at Portland Tuesday, according to the Associated Press, included the following University of Oregon personnel appointments:

Dr. Thomas E. LaFargue, visiting associate history professor; Dr. E. B. Ebbinghausen, associate physics professor; Arno H. Nehecke, assistant law professor. Resignations included Dr. Delbert R. French, associate economics professor; W. P. Riddiesburger, associate business administration professor; and Dr. E. Hobart Collins, associate physics professor. Fee schedule increases will be effected throughout the system for part-time students taking six credit hours or less. Dormitory charges at the university will be increased \$2 per person per month to meet higher food, labor and maintenance costs.

Prospects for greatly increased summer session enrollments brought a revision of budgets to guarantee larger fee income and permit hiring staff members in advance. Many veterans plan to continue right through the summer or start that quarter, it was reported.

The board also took under advisement a report on needs of the state radio station, KOAC, and appropriated additional funds to install better transmission facilities from the university studio in Eugene.

The university was authorized

Unemployment Peak Believed Passed

With somewhat fewer callers at the Eugene office of the United States employment service last week, office personnel feel that the peak of unemployment caused by the flood in this area has been reached and passed, according to Donald E. Mattson, manager.

Many of the operations which were closed by the flood have been reopened, and many gradually are being put back to work, Mattson said.

During the week of Jan. 7, about 260 people were in the office, as contrasted with about 17 in the Dec. 24 week. Before that time, increased office traffic reflected the effect of the lumber strike.

'Mac's' Spokesman Hits Red News Agency

TOKYO, Jan. 23 (AP) — A spokesman at General MacArthur's headquarters said today an assertion by Tass, official Soviet news agency, that the U. S. military command in southern Korea was inspiring "reactionary" protests against the Moscow conference is part of "a definite program to discredit General MacArthur and force further changes in the present occupation policies and command."

While southern Korea is under direct command of Lt. Gen. John P. Hodge, it is included in MacArthur's command. The Russians control Korea north of the 38th parallel.

Tass assailed "the reactionary press" of southern Korea for allegedly carrying on a anti-Soviet propaganda campaign and for attacking the decision reached at Moscow recently by the United States, Britain and Russia to set up a five year trusteeship for Korea.

"It is known that orders have gone out to all opposition forces, including the so called communist party members in Japan to do their utmost to discredit MacArthur," his spokesman said.

"It is a deplorable condition when some dissident press of the world continues to incite and foment international mistrust. Now more than ever every effort should be bent toward understanding and agreement."

The first of a series of large air shipments of printed matter recently left La Guardia Field for Chicago, comprising 50,000 copies of a publication delivered in 20 air shipments, according to Railway Express.

to proceed with preliminary plans for a building and one unit of a women's dormitory. The state college will plan similarly for a new physical plant shop building. Gifts of \$500 to the university also were acknowledged.



GREEK CHILDREN—A UNRRA doctor examines Greek children. He found some signs of malnutrition.

Willamette Valley Educators Meet

More than 75 representatives from schools as far east as The Dalles, north to Portland and south to Grants Pass and Klamath Falls attended the recent meeting of the Willamette Valley Vocational association held in Eugene.

State Superintendent of Schools Rex Putnam addressed the group on the subject of surplus commodities. Dr. Tom Larfargue, professor of far-eastern history at the University of Oregon, discussed "What Will Be America's Foreign Policy in the Far East?" Other speakers included George Cox, head of the industrial arts department at Oregon State college; O. I. Paulson, Salem, state director of vocational education; and Robert Graham, teacher at Roosevelt junior high school here.

LeRoy Erdmann, director of the Eugene vocational school, was general chairman in charge of arrangements for the meeting, with Odine Nickelson chairman of arrangements for the dinner and Art Clough in charge of publicity and decorations.

A table full of exhibits representing ideas and hobbies of those attending the meeting was featured, and is to be included as a regular part of the association's meetings. Next session will be in Albany, date to be announced.

Lane Farmers—

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temple listening to leading agriculturalists summarizes 10 committee reports. The prepared documents gave them a kaleidoscopic view of Lane county agriculture, past, present and future. Lane county farmers, back in 1924, held the first such planning conference in the entire U. S. and have watched them spread in favor, as they have staged repeats in 1928, 1936, 1938 and 1941.

The state college man also reassured the delegates by telling them in 1944 their expenses were more than their income for the 1934-39 era.

As prices begin their downward spiral, Teutsch warned, costs follow, but more slowly, necessitating a check on farm efficiency. For Oregon, in 1944, farmers realized a 248 per cent gain over their 1939 income. As for the future, Teutsch declared the financial picture is the best in history, with mortgages cut down to the 1915 level. Important decisions must be faced, he said, naming prices, foreign trade, money and exchange policies and labor relations.

Lane People Praised
The visiting speaker warmly complimented the people of Lane for their presentation of agricultural information under the direction of President Fred G. Knox and County Agent O. S. Fletcher. He found particular promise, he said, in finding no pessimism in spite of the many problems.

Just before adjourning, the representatives asked Fletcher to seek to publish the 10 committee reports for general distribution. They also requested a delegation to seek from the county court the purchase of spraying and cultivat-

ing machinery to combat weed problems. This would add Lane to Umatilla, Malheur, Jackson and Union counties, where centralization is said to have aided control. Another county predatory animal hunter will also be requested of the court, to combat an increase in the number of the pests. The agriculturists also voted to send to Oregon congressmen the flood control portion of the land use committee report, in order to acquaint Washington with the importance of completing and expanding the Willamette basin project.

Earlier in the day, in opening the session, President Knox told the farmers the war-to-peace transition was creating new variations of such problems as subsidies, tariffs, the expected foreign trade shift to the Pacific, development in transportation and refrigeration.

"When a hop rancher talks of spending \$20,000 for a mechanical picker," he predicted, "we will never go back to the two-cent-a-pound days. There is really no such thing as the much-talked 'return to normalcy.'"

Besides the flood problem, Knox listed rural electrical expansion as a major farm need. A county or state with available power is richer than one without it, he said, in calling for development.

Lane's contribution to wartime agriculture did not generally deplete the soil, County Agent Fletcher disclosed. In 1939 some 49 per cent of crop lands was planted with soil-depleting crops, whereas in 1944 it had dropped to just over 44 per cent. He listed small grains, corn, potatoes and truck garden crops as those which draw most productive capacity from soils.

There was a slight increase in livestock between 1940 and 1945, Fletcher said. Five years ago there were 41,100 animal units in the county, compared with an estimated 42,400 now. Beef cows increased from 2350 to 4000 and milk cows from 13,000 to 14,500, while sheep population was stationary at 38,000 head. Hog numbers decreased from 13,000 to 7500. Chickens dropped slightly from 425,000 to 400,000, while turkeys showed a sensational jump from 125,000 to 115,000.

Variety Stressed
Agriculture was not particularly disrupted by war, he declared, and needs no changes after meeting its goals during the crisis. Diversification is still the Lane county thesis, linked to the growing of produce which doesn't compete with other products in the region.

Labor shortage during the season's harvest will be just as acute in 1946 as it was last year, and strikes leave the machinery and truck shortage acute, he said. Continued soil improvement is also an ever-present problem.

Assistance and guidance for returning inexperienced veterans and newcomers presents Lane county agriculture with a real opportunity, it was held. Improvements in homes and other farm buildings will also help "to keep Lane county the kind of county which makes boys come from all over the U. S. to settle here," Fletcher asserted.

Another guest speaker was Miss Frances Clinton, assistant state home demonstration leader from OSC. She reminded her listeners of the possibilities of realizing wartime dreams of all farm families and recommended an action program to keep the peace.

Big Housing Need
The U. S. needs 38 to 40 million new houses to fill out the present shortage, she said. Eight million homes are not fit for habitation and 4,600,000 more need repairs to make them livable, Miss Clinton held.

Seventy per cent of the farmers who are prepared to build only want to spend \$2,000 for their homes, the college woman revealed, calling for functional homes built so every dollar will have purchased full value.

Dow-Jones

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (U.P.)—Dow-Jones closing bond averages: 40 bonds, 109.05, up 0.15. 10 higher grade rails, 117.60, up 0.08. 10 second grade rails, 102.06, up 0.37. 10 public utilities, 110.04, up 0.18. 10 industrials, 106.53 off, 0.03.

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Calvin Smith—

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of "America." Rev. Hugh McCallum gave the invocation and James Cornett sang two numbers. Members of the Junior Red Cross assisted with table decorations, under the direction of Mrs. Kenneth Moore, chairman of the Junior Red Cross committee.

James P. Layton, American Red Cross field director who spent three years overseas, talked on "What Our Red Cross Does Overseas." Layton outlined his trip from Camp Adair, where he was serving as a field director, to Persia, and then to the southwest Pacific area.

Work began for the 40 Red Cross workers on the ship as soon as they left port, he said. There were 10,000 men on the ship who were supplied with games, records, kit bags, and books from the library.

Once in Persia, Layton found that the situation there presented a real challenge to the Red Cross. More than 18,000 men were stationed in his district in dull, routine jobs such as truck driving, railroading, and as port workers. The Persian station was the "lifeline" of American supplies to Russia," Layton pointed out.

"I had no supplies at first, as those on the ship had gone with the ship," the speaker continued. "By hitch-hiking to Cairo by plane I managed to scrounge some up, and the army finally came through and built a fine, permanent recreation hall which was later turned over to the Persian government on a land-lease basis."

Because of the danger from bandits, Red Cross club-mobiles in Persia had men as drivers, and these men took movies and food

to army men in isolated areas. At the peak there were 65 or 70 Red Cross workers in this area. Red Cross girls ran the snack bars, and parties were given each month for men celebrating birthdays during the month. "The parties were such a success that we discovered two or three birthdays each year," Layton said.

A train-moblie was also an innovation of the Red Cross in the Persian area. A double box-car was used for movies, and a caboose had bunks for two Red Cross girls and a snack bar. The train made a 20-day round trip, serving 2,000 men in the most isolated areas.

"The American Red Cross was active in Persia long before the army came in, Layton explained. The Red Cross was giving civilian war relief to Polish refugees who had been interned in Russia. Many of these were sent to Eritrea and Mexico in the hope that they would start colonies there."

In conclusion Layton described his work in the Pacific areas, where "the troops moved up so fast we couldn't keep up with them."

Locating men in that theater was a difficult task, Layton pointed out, because even the Red Cross workers didn't know where the various army units were from day to day. He described rest camps in Austria manned by Red Cross workers where the service men "had such a good time they were always dressing up excuses to stay longer than their 10 days."

Layton's final work was in Leyte, where the Red Cross staff reached a peak of 400 workers at one time.

The ore of tin is called cassiterite.

Enrollment Nears Record On Campus

University of Oregon officials said Wednesday a two per cent gain over the 3398 students now attending classes would exceed the all-time enrollment high reached winter term of 1940-41.

Of the 6000 veterans Chancellor F. M. Hunter has estimated would enter the various branches of the state system of higher education next fall, the university is planning for 2500. Dr. Hunter made the prediction at the state board of higher education meeting in Portland Tuesday.

At the present time the university numbers 1,192 veterans on its roll of more than 3400, an '81 per cent increase over winter term a year ago.

County Gets \$230,000 From Liquor Taxes

Lane county's share of the liquor tax money for the quarter of 1945 amounts to \$230,000, according to figures received from the state department of revenue. The figure was the largest in the state, producing \$18,226 and \$18,226, respectively getting \$2,773. State funds are distributed to various counties throughout the state. The latter part of 1945, the total apportionment for the county was \$223,347.

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