

Work of Farm Labor Boards Helped Harvest Lane Crops

(Editor's Note: This is the last of two articles based on a publication of the extension service at Oregon State College. This publication—Fighters on the Farm Front—tells the story of the emergency measures taken during the war to provide laborers to harvest crops. The federal enabling act which placed the major responsibility of this program on the extension service was due to expire June 30, but has been extended to Dec. 31, 1947. The publication is the story of Bill Jones, a farmer, and his contacts with the different agencies set up to help him produce food.)

Bill Jones had berries to harvest. With the help of his neighbors he would need about 40 additional pickers to save the crop. One morning 40 high school-age boys and girls arrived at his farm. Jones and the adult leader

of the platoon previously had discussed aspects of the job and outlined a schedule for the youths. Preparation before beginning the harvest had included instruction for the leaders and orientation courses presented to thousands of Oregon students during 1943 and 1944.

Instruction charts and pictures were used to show how each job was done. For teen-age boys who wished summer-long employment a short training course was given during 1944 and 1945 at Oregon State College.

Other Problems
The farm labor board helped solve many problems in addition to obtaining labor. They investigated and made reports to the Selective Service boards of 12,330 cases in 1944 and 5164 in 1945, where deferments had been asked because of farm work.

The group was instrumental in obtaining gasoline, especially for

employers who had to transport their workers to the fields. It helped obtain new machinery and replacement parts to boost or maintain production.

Late in 1944, Agriculture Extension Service Veterans' Advisory Committees were set up in each county to place returned veterans. In 1945, some 5164 placements of World War II veterans were reported by Oregon farm labor officers and a total of 7483 were made in 1946.

The safety of workers transported to the farms was an essential part of the program and the State Industrial Accident Commission outlined a safety code for employers.

Housing Provided
At the start of the war, farmers found themselves desperately short of housing for migrant laborers. In 1943, the migrant labor camp operated for 30 days at Co-burg was the only available one. By 1946 seven additional extension service-grower cooperative camps were operating and a total of 20 camps for farm labor provided from all sources were in operation.

The results of the four-year program included the following:

1. The farmers got their crops harvested at a time when food was needed desperately; it was possible for farmers to increase their production in the face of labor and machinery shortages;

2. The health of many city folk improved;

3. Boys and girls learned good work habits and earned thousands of dollars;

4. Juvenile authorities in Oregon reported a marked reduction in juvenile delinquency when the harvest season was on;

5. Migrant and imported workers profited greatly.

Most praise for successful harvesting of four years of bumper crops in Oregon is due to the farmers themselves. Without their outstanding contributions the job could never have been done.

There are places called "Mexico" in at least six states "Panama" in at least six, "Brazil" in at least four, "Bolivia" in one, "Argentina" in one and "Cuba" in at least eight.

AAF Studies 'Discs' Reports

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Army research experts can't explain the "flying saucers" reported in several western states. But they are investigating, they said.

They are even considering the possibility, however remote, that some foreign power may have something to do with the flying discs.

The Army Air Forces checked all of their research authorities and contractors. But none of them knew or could suggest anything concrete about the saucers.

At first, Army officers laughed off the reports. Now they are beginning to take them at least a little seriously. At any rate, the Air Research Center at Wright Field, O., is looking into the reports, and all service intelligence agencies are at work on them.

Army experts suggested—as a bare possibility—that some civilian inventor has been making some experiments of some kind.

The possibility that the discs might be of foreign origin was indirectly put forward by an AAF spokesman who said:

"If some foreign power is sending flying discs over the United States, it is our responsibility to know about it and take proper action."

Lane County Lookouts

Members and friends of the Lookout Club are anticipating a wonderful time at their second annual picnic July 13 at the cottage at Skinner's Butte. All members who possibly can are expected to be there. Transportation will be furnished those requiring it by calling Mrs. J. H. McClintic, phone 1426-M.

Refreshments will be served and entertainment provided.

One new member has been added which brings the membership to 59. The new member is Mrs. Alice Giles, 879 E. Broadway, Eugene, phone 4177-M.

Change of address, Mrs. Sally Johnston, 612 Tenth Ave. W., Eugene, phone 1177-W.

Treasurer's report, July 1, 1947:

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Expenditures

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Building fund brought forward

Contributions

Balance

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Grand total

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Miss Stella Bentz, Corresponding Secretary.

Tennessee was the Indian name for the chief town of the Cherokees which was on the Little Tennessee River.

Eugene Man Explores Possible Hardwood Furniture Industry

SPRINGFIELD—A new industry that would help utilize a balanced economy by utilizing native hardwoods in an area that traditionally is the center of softwood lumbering may be realized if the ideas of a young Eugene man develop successfully.

It all started with the purchase of four pieces of plywood with fifty borrowed dollars and the encouragement of several local persons who were interested in his idea. Clayton S. Lewis opened Claywood Design Products factory last November. The firm manufactures contemporary furniture with special emphasis on design.

The plant is located at 1515 Mill St. on the edge of the city limits here and is producing mostly custom-built furniture.

Native Woods
The long range goal of Claywood Design Products is to use native hardwoods of this region such as ash, alder, maple and chinquapin in mass production methods of furniture manufacture that will make a product which is distinctive in design and reasonably priced.

Chinquapin is a native hardwood with a beautiful grain that has been used to make a "lot of good fence posts" Lewis said, but "we find that it is much harder than some of the other woods yet easier to work."

Utilization of native hardwood for such things as furniture has a great future, Lewis thinks, but he admits there are big obstacles to overcome. He said very little western hardwood is being produced in commercial quantities in this region of softwood lumbering.

Eastern hardwood can be imported but after the cost of transportation has been added the price of finished furniture is prohibitive. Lewis said he has noticed recently that many of the small logging mills throughout the county that boomed with the war are closing down.

He thinks some of these "peckerwood" mills could find it very profitable to make native hardwoods into finished lumber for furniture manufacture.

Another obstacle in this area is lack of proper drying facilities for hardwood, because hardwood requires a different heating process than softwood.

Lease Barn
The firm is now located in a leased barn with 2000 square feet of floor space for equipment and a production line which includes

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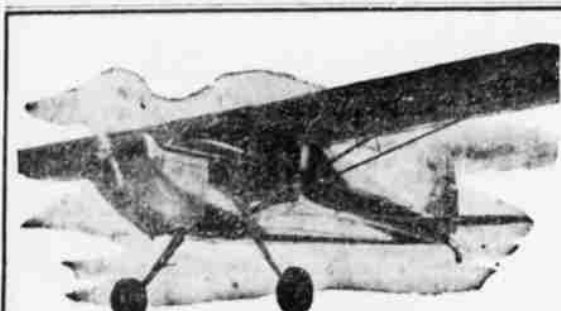
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