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**Some Aspects of the
Farmers' Problems**
By **BERNARD M. BARUCH**
(Reprinted from Atlantic Monthly)

II
Let us, then, consider some of the farmer's grievances, and see how far they are real. In doing so, we should remember that, while there have been, and still are, instances of purposeful abuse, the subject should not be approached with any general imputation to existing distributive agencies of deliberately intentional oppression, but rather with the conception that the marketing of farm products has not been modernized.

An ancient evil, and a persistent one, is the undergrading of farm products, with the result that what the farmers sell as of one quality is received as of a higher. That this sort of chicanery should persist on any important scale in these days of business integrity would seem almost incredible, but there is much evidence that it does so persist. Even as I write, the newspapers announce the suspension of several firms from the New York Produce Exchange for exporting to Germany as No. 2 wheat a whole shipload of grossly inferior wheat mixed with oats, chaff and the like.

Another evil is that of inaccurate weighing of farm products, which, it is charged, is sometimes a matter of dishonest intention and sometimes of protective policy on the part of the local buyer, who fears that he may "weigh out" more than he "weighs in."

A greater grievance is that at present the field farmer has little or no control over the time and conditions of marketing his products, with the result that he is often underpaid for his products and usually overcharged for marketing service. The difference between what the farmer receives and what the consumer pays often exceeds all possibility of justification. To cite a single illustration, last year, according to figures attested by the railways and the growers, Georgia watermelon-raisers received on the average 7.5 cents for a melon, the railroads got 12.7 cents for carrying it to Baltimore and the consumer paid one dollar, leaving 79.8 cents for the service of marketing and its risks, against 20.2 cents for growing and transporting. The hard annals of farm-life are replete with such commentaries on the crudeness of present practices.

Nature prescribes that the farmer's "goods" must be finished within two or three months of the year, while financial and storage limitations generally compel him to sell them at the same time. As a rule, other industries are in a continuous process of finishing goods for the markets; they distribute as they produce, and they can curtail production without too great injury to themselves or the community, but if the farmer restricts his

output, it is with disastrous consequences, both to himself and to the community.

The average farmer is busy with production for the major part of the year, and has nothing to sell. The bulk of his output comes on the market at once. Because of lack of storage facilities and of financial support, the farmer cannot carry his goods through the year and dispose of them as they are currently needed. In the great majority of cases, farmers have to entrust storage—in warehouses and elevators—and the financial carrying of their products to others.

Farm products are generally marketed at a time when there is a congestion of both transportation and finance—when cars and money are scarce. The outcome, in many instances, is that the farmers not only sell under pressure, and therefore at a disadvantage, but are compelled to take further reductions in net returns. In order to meet the charges for the service of storing, transporting, financing, and ultimate marketing—which charges they claim, are often excessive, bear heavily on both consumer and producer, and are under the control of those performing the services. It is true that they are relieved of the risks of a changing market by selling at once; but they are quite willing to take the unfavorable chance, if the favorable one also is theirs and they can retain for themselves a part of the service charges that are uniform. In good years and bad, with high prices and low.

While, in the main, the farmer must sell, regardless of market conditions, at the time of the maturity of crops, he cannot suspend production in toto. He must go on producing if he is to go on living, and if the world is to exist. The most he can do is to curtail production a little or alter its form, and that—because he is in the dark as to the probable demand for his goods—may be only to jump from the frying pan into the fire, taking the consumer with him.

Even the dairy farmers, whose output is not seasonal, complain that they find themselves at a disadvantage in the marketing of their productions, especially raw milk, because of the high costs of distribution, which they must ultimately bear.

(Continued Next Week)

RABBITS MUST BE EXTERMINATED SO SAYS ORDER OF COUNTY COURT

Pursuant to authority given in Chapter 127 of the 1919 Session laws of the State of Oregon, the Morrow County Court has instructed the County Agent to serve notice to the parties owning, leasing, occupying, possessing, or having charge of or dominion over land infested with jack rabbits, that steps must be taken immediately to exterminate the same under supervision of the county agent.

- Poison will be furnished as long as funds voted for that purpose are available.
- Each individual will be required to provide proper bait, treat, put same out on lands he owns or controls, which are infested with rabbits.
- Poison will be placed in the hands of the committeemen in areas that are infested from whom it can be secured. It is also available at the county agent's office.
- Prepare poison baits as follows: Dissolve one ounce sulphate strychnine in one gallon of boiling water and sprinkle on 10 to 12 pounds of alfalfa leaves, chopped alfalfa, last cutting of alfalfa hay, wheat or rye heads, or short cuttings. Stir the bait constantly so that all will become thoroughly dampened.
- Put out in the trails in the canyons where the rabbits are congregating while sheep are off the range. When the sheep are on the range the pens can be used. These must be prebaited however before putting out the poison to get the rabbits accustomed to feeding there, otherwise the pens are absolutely valueless and the poison put in them practically wasted.
- In the wheat growing sections the wheat headings are much more effective than any other bait. Alfalfa

CALL FOR WARRANTS

All school warrants of School District No. 25, Morrow county, Oregon, up to and including No. 42, Sept. 4, 1920, will be paid on presentation. Interest stops on this date. Dated this 18th day of January, 1922.

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**OREGON NEWS NOTES
OF GENERAL INTEREST**

**Principal Events of the Week
Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.**

There are approximately 10 cases of smallpox in Salem at present.

Of 33 deaths in Marshfield in 1921, 18 per cent was caused by cancer.

Salem's tax levy for 1922 will aggregate 47.1 mills as against 48.50 in 1921.

The 32d annual Oregon state Christian Endeavor convention will be held in Salem February 16.

Portland's fire losses for 1921 amounted to \$728,717.10, according to the annual report of Fire Marshal Grenfell.

Figures prepared by local mills show that approximately 100,000,000 feet of lumber and piling were shipped from St. Helens in 1921.

Construction of a telephone line affording direct communication between Bend and Klamath Falls is expected to be announced shortly.

The organization of dairy calf clubs and Angora goat clubs will be a project undertaken by County Agent Coother of Lincoln county during 1922.

The Wallowa high school, a three-story brick building, burned to the ground. It was considered one of the best-equipped high schools in the state.

The broccol crop of Clackamas county was practically destroyed and growers stand to lose nearly \$100,000 this year due to the recent cold weather.

The Hood River Apple Growers' association mailed out to growers last week checks totaling \$240,000, the first cash dividend declared on the 1921 apple pools.

Loyal M. Graham of Forest Grove has been appointed by Governor Olcott a member of the Oregon land settlement commission to succeed Senator Stanfield, resigned.

A total of 17,163 applications have been filed with the world war veterans' state aid commission by ex-service men who are entitled to benefits under the so-called bonus and loan law.

Efforts will be made by the Central Oregon Highway association to induce the state highway commission to keep the McKenzie pass open throughout each winter, beginning with next winter.

Fay M. Bragg of Medford and James H. Van Winkle of Albany have been designated for the entrance examination to the United States military academy, West Point, to be held beginning March 7.

Lawrence Young, 20 years old, son of Mrs. Mary Anderson of Eugene, was killed almost instantly when a portion of a tree fell on him in a logging camp of the Coast Range Lumber company, near Mabel.

M. F. Hazen, justice of the peace in the St. Helens district for the last three years and who became widely known through heavy fines collected from motorists on the lower Columbia river highway, has resigned.

Oregon postmasters have been nominated by the president as follows: Stephen Easterday, Clatskanie; Ronald G. White, Fall City; Frank D. Hamlin, Springfield; Edgar D. Watters, Stayton; Ronald E. Esson, Sandy.

Ex-Sheriff Gellatley, convicted two years ago of misappropriating Benton county funds, has received a pardon, restoring him to full citizenship. Mr. Gellatley was sentenced to the penitentiary and paroled to his brother.

In line with the action of Prineville ex-service men in opposing colonization of Ochoeco district irrigated lands with Japanese, Percy A. Stevens post, American Legion, of Bend, adopted resolutions condemning the introduction of the lease system for orientals.

Portland, Seattle and St. Paul had the lowest infant mortality rates of 51 cities in the United States in 1921, according to figures announced by the census bureau. While the rate for the group of 51 cities was 74 to each 1000 births, the rate for Portland, Seattle and St. Paul was 47 to each 1000 births.

Sheriff Terrill of Jackson county declares he will not enforce the dog license law, which recently was upheld by the circuit court of Marion county, following which all county clerks have been instructed by the state attorney-general's office to proceed with the collection of dog licenses.

A meeting of land owners of the Gold Hill, Rogue river and Sams valley districts is to be held at Gold Hill on January 28 to launch a new project to irrigate a total of 56,000 acres of land on the north side of Rogue river between Prospect on upper Rogue river to the Josephine county line down river.

The Union Oil company of California remitted to the state department \$14,464.74, covering the company's tax on gasoline sales in Oregon for December. The Associated Oil company of California sent in a check for \$13,789.93, covering a similar

tax on the motor fuel oil sales of that corporation.

An operation in sympathectomy, believed to be the first ever performed in the United States, by which an effort was made to alleviate the pain in the stump of an arm which had been amputated, was undergone at a Salem hospital by a patient of Drs. F. H. Thompson and C. A. Downs, Salem surgeons.

Forty-two per cent of the entire shipment of lumber from western Oregon and western Washington for the week ending January 14 moved by water according to the weekly lumber review of the West Coast Lumbermen's association. The figures are significant of the rapid development of the via water lumber business.

Arrangements have been made for the transfer of the bureau of entomology, of the United States forestry service, from North Ford to Klamath Falls. The purpose is to place the headquarters of the bureau in closer touch with the northern California and southern Oregon insect control project which is about to be launched.

Unless some means of more successfully combating varnints, particularly coyotes, be found and put into effect, the small stock industry of Lincoln county is bound to continue decreasing in importance. Reports from the east end of the county indicate that a large part of the goat owners have been able to save but few kids this year.

The suspension bridge spanning the Willamette river at Oregon City was closed to traffic Monday and will remain out of commission for the greater part of the present year, according to announcement made by the state highway department. Closing of the bridge is necessary to permit the construction of the new span. The new bridge will be of concrete.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U. S. LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON, JAN. 19, 1922.

NOTICE is hereby given that Ingvard Jensen Skoubo, of Boardman, Oregon, who, on May 17, 1917, made Homestead Entry, No. 018518, for NE 1/4 NE 1/4 (being Unit "A" Umatilla Project), Section 18, Township 4-North, Range 25-East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blayden, U. S. Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 7th day of March, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: James Richard Johnson, Rudolph Wasmer, O. H. Warner, Ira Berger, all of Boardman, Oregon.

J. W. DONNELLY,
51-6t Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U. S. LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON, JAN. 7, 1922.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that James Richard Johnson, of Boardman, Oregon, who, on May 5, 1917, made Reclamation Homestead Entry No. 018525, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, being Unit "D", Section 18, Township 4-North, Range 25-East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blayden, United States Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 7th day of March, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: O. H. Warner, Ira Berger, Rudolph Wasmer, Ingvard Jensen Skoubo, all of Boardman, Oregon.

J. W. DONNELLY,
49-2 Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U. S. LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, JAN. 9, 1922.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Charles J. Nizer, of Boardman, Oregon, who, on January 6, 1917, made Homestead Entry No. 017047, for W 1/2 SE 1/4 NE 1/4, W 1/2 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 (being unit "B"), Section 24, Township 4-North, Range 24-East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blayden, U. S. Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 24th day of February, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ira Berger, John J. Jenkins, H. H. Weston, Charles Dillabaugh, all of Boardman, Oregon.

J. W. DONNELLY,
49-2 Register.

**BULLETIN OF BOARDMAN
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