

Geo. Maas Writes on Farm Relief and Organization

For years we heard about Relief for Farmers. Overproduction was the cause of the low prices for farm products and the only remedy would be to reduce production. But we never notice any relief or any help for the farmers in all these years of promises. The whole trouble with the farmers is that they don't organize, stick together and don't use their economic force. If the farmers of the country would show some of the militant spirit of the labor unions, they might be doing business at a profit instead of at a loss. They are represented by leaders who plead, in a nice way, that crops ought to bring higher prices and so on. The farmers' case is generally presented very much in the boyish style it would be in a debate on the subject in some rural school.

But we farmers must let the world know that we demand action in response to our appeal to reason or we will secure it through force if necessary. Of course, "force" means "economic force." There are about 30,000,000 population on our farms and if all of these farmers would stick together, their "economic force" would secure a plan for actual and real relief of the farming industry. For illustration: a farmer from Illinois sent a cowhide to Chicago. The hide sold for \$1.29. This wouldn't be so bad, if he had got it all. But the express company levied 52 cents for taking the hide to Chicago. The cartage concern levied 50 cents for hauling it and the commission man took 25 cents as his share. So the farmer got exactly two cents for his cowhide and I guess he was lucky that they didn't send him a bill for storage or something. The point is that everybody gets a rake-off on everything that is marketed. But the farmer who produces the article is not assured of anything. He is lucky if he doesn't have to take a loss. If the farmer get 25 cents for a cowhide right here, he is lucky.

In this section of the country the dairymen tried to organize a good many times without success. The great Oregon Dairymen's League, operated by Portland business men during 1917-1933, ended in a great scandal and in a big loss to every dairymen connected with this association. Everybody took a big rake-off and this was the reason for the collapse of the league.

A few years ago (1930) we tried to get together again. Finally we started the Coos County Dairymen's Association at a meeting at Coquille with about thirty members. The by-laws were accepted and president, secretary-treasurer and seven directors selected—even about \$30.00 membership fees were paid in. At the start we sure thought we had something accomplished, but we found out that nobody ever tried to live up to our by-laws and that the whole affair was just about a kids' play. We never had any meeting, we don't know if this association is still functioning. In one word not a thing is done for the benefit of the dairy industry or the farmer. The president, as a so-called leading dairymen, our county agent, as the secretary-treasurer, neglected their duties and kept the members guessing. Such an association is worthless and the by-laws not worth the paper written on. The Dairy Association is dead, the leaders haven't the spirit to do what they ought to do and promised to do as they took the leadership—and how anxious some of these leaders were to be elected I don't need to say.

Let us do like Dr. Glenn Frank, president of the University of Wisconsin, advised us to do:

"Don't cling to an obsolete individualism, but realize that there must be developed a new individualism safeguarded by the protecting wall of co-operative action."

"Don't lose interest in the problem of production just because the problems of distribution happen to be more pressing at the moment."

"Don't let anything keep you out of the co-operative movement."

"Don't let your interest in the one co-operative you are interested in blind you to the larger interests of the co-operative movement as a whole, but remember that the co-operative movement may be killed by co-operatives that do not know how to co-operate with other co-operatives."

Our leading newspaper for Oregon, the Oregon Journal, has pleaded strong for the dairy industry and for co-operative associations for years. We heard Mr. Marshall N. Dana of the Journal staff and always agreed to his arguments in favor of strong associations. But afterwards we fall asleep again and dream of better times. We listen to some fellows who try to make the farmer believe how good he is fixed because he has something to eat. Let us wake up, organize in the right spirit and there will be success ahead for us, our country and the whole world. We know that the farm industry is the backbone of the country.

Geo. A. Maas, Myrtle Point, Ore.

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SOCIAL NOTES

A group of girls enjoyed the interesting party given last Friday evening by Misses Helen Belloni and Eida Gilman at the home of the former at 125 South Elliott street. Prizes for bridge which was the diversion of the evening were won by Gretchen Mehl, who held high score, and by Madeline McKeown, consolation. At the close refreshments were served to Misses Katherine Jane Hasler, Florence and Dorothy Cary, Jeanette Pook, Laura McLeod, Dora and Glenada Kendall, Mary Ella Cary, Anne Barton, Madeline McKeown, Betty Glaisyer, Olive Tillman, Pauline Ellingsen, Gretchen Mehl, Gweneth Waters, Inez Rover, Frances Oddy, Jennie Lindros and Dulcia Wallmark, of Seattle, Wash.

Monday evening Mrs. J. L. Smith entertained the Monday night bridge club at her home with Mrs. R. F. Miller and Mrs. Muri Pettit as additional guests. Members present were Mesdames H. A. Young, George Lorenz, Bert Folsom, H. W. Pierce, Edward W. Lorenz and J. A. Lamb. Mrs. Folsom won the high score prize for the evening.

The Episcopal Guild members met Wednesday afternoon at the Parish house with Mrs. J. A. Lamb and Mrs. C. J. Fuhrman as hostesses. The ladies spent the afternoon sewing for those in need. Present were Mesdames Lloyd Rosa, Annie J. Robinson, Geo. Lorenz, E. W. Lorenz, Louis Charneski, H. H. Hartley, J. W. Laird, H. E. Hess, A. J. Sherwood, and Muri Pettit.

Misses Pearl and Ruby Snyder, of Portland, were honor guests at an evening party given by Miss Myrtle DeLong at her home Tuesday evening. In serving which followed, after a pleasant evening spent in sewing, Mrs. J. J. Geaney assisted. Present beside the guests of honor were Mrs. Jas. Watson, Mrs. Annie J. Robinson, Mrs. L. P. Maury, Mrs. S. L. DeLong, Mrs. J. J. Geaney, Misses Bess Maury and Marie Skulke.

Miss Thais Myers, who formerly lived in Coquille but at present is in Marshfield, entertained her bridge club at her home in that city last evening with the following from here motoring over: Messrs. and Mesdames Levi Wilson, Carl Gilbert, Alton Clausen, Misses Catherine Wernich, Lois Morrison and Kenneth Staninger, Pupert Pownder, Clifford Gulseth, Walter Paulson and from Marshfield Miss Georgianna Johnson and Ray Vaughan were present.

At the Masonic hall last Friday the Past Matrons and Past Patrons of the O. E. S. club enjoyed another social evening, with Mesdames L. P. Maury, J. W. Laird, H. N. Lorenz and George Lorenz as hostesses. Present were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Laird, Mesdames Bertha Smith, E. W. Lorenz, H. W. Pierce, Roy Neal, W. E. Bosserman, J. W. Miller, Bert Folsom, E. L. Vinton, W. V. Glaisyer, Miss Edna Robinson and hostesses. The officers of the club for 1933 are Mrs. Folsom, president; Mrs. Pierce, vice president; Mrs. Geo. Lorenz, secretary.

Mrs. George Johnson had her club meet with her Monday evening at her home, at which she included two extra guests, Mrs. Roy Neal and Mrs. Theodore Clinton. Refreshments were served after the evening play to the following: Mesdames H. S. Norton, M. J. Hartson, E. M. Kay, W. V. Glaisyer, Roy Neal, Theodore Clinton and John L. Aasen.

Mrs. Guy Mauney, of North Bend, entertained a group of Coquille ladies at luncheon with bridge following at her home in that city Wednesday afternoon. Miss Jean Young assisted the hostess in serving. In bridge Mrs. Compton and Mrs. LeFevre won high score prizes, with consolation going to Mrs. Lawrence. The luncheon tables were most attractive, being centered with small potted red tulips and about the rooms were bouquets of red carnations. Coquille guests were Mesdames W. H. Mansell, H. W. Pierce, A. O. Walker, Jack LeFevre, Lafe Compton, E. M. Kay, F. C. Hudson, F. S. Emery, W. S. Sickle, H. A. Young, J. E. Paulson, Oliver Spires, J. L. Aasen, Kennett Lawrence, Miss Jean Young and from Marshfield, Mrs. Clarence Williams and Mrs. C. A. Baer.

The Justamere club ladies were delightfully entertained yesterday for luncheon at the home of Mrs. Thos. D. White in North Bend. Several guests were included for the gathering who were Mrs. C. McC. Johnson, Mrs. J. S. Lyons, Mrs. Marvin Lyons and Mrs. E. P. Lewis, of Marshfield, and Mrs. C. W. Parker, of North Bend. Coquille members motoring over were Mesdames C. J. Fuhrman, A. J. Sherwood, J. A. Lamb, F. L. Greenough, R. A. Wernich, H. A. Young, H. W. Pierce, W. S. Sickle, J. L. Smith, M. O. Hawkins, Lyman Carrier and Paul Van Scoy. The afternoon was spent in sewing.

This afternoon Mrs. Fred Kunz is having the O. D. O. club ladies meet with her at her home on East Second

street. Sewing will be the pastime with refreshments to be served to Mesdames Geo. Sherwood, H. G. Prey, L. A. Christensen, B. B. Sanders, Gus Tillman, Grant Wilcox and Lee Hand.

Among the many hostesses for club gatherings this week one was Mrs. W. E. Cross, who entertained the Needle Workers Thursday for the afternoon at her home on the Fishtrap road. Refreshments were enjoyed by Mesdames Frank F. Schram, Josh Rubie, Ralph Taylor, Frank Pook, W. D. Simmons, C. C. Bonniksen, E. C. Yarbrough, E. A. Wimer, Jack Arnold and Swain Donsted. Mrs. Yarbrough has invited the club to meet with her in two weeks.

This afternoon at her home in the Wilson Apartments Mrs. Alva Harry had as guests, members of her sewing club which includes ladies from Marshfield with the exception of Mrs. Loom Clinton, who is of Coquille. Motoring over from the Bay city were Mesdames H. D. Wilson, R. C. Dunn, Theron Keltner, H. C. Armstrong, Lester Neilson, Geo. Radcliff, James Osburn, J. M. Carr and E. H. Joehnk.

Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Glaisyer entertained the members of their two-table contract bridge club at their home Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Boober were extra guests, beside the members, Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Compton and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Greenough.

A few of Mrs. L. P. Maury's friends are surprising her today by going to her home at noon with a potluck luncheon. The little gathering is in honor of Mrs. Maury's birthday which was the day previous.

Justin Cary, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo J. Cary, who is leaving today for Portland where he will again enter Columbia University to complete his high school course this spring, was given a hearty surprise party at his home by about thirty local high school boys and girls. Justin, who attended high school here last semester, will be greatly missed as he was one of the popular members of the school.

Taukanko Club Notes

The Tauk-an-so club met with Mrs. Floyd Price last Saturday evening. The ladies helped Mrs. Price piece a quilt and later cards were enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the committee to Mesdames Floyd Price, Wm. Peart, W. Simmons, Robert Waggoner, M. Bennett, Earl Schroeder, George Burr, Jack Leach, Carl Enzele and Misses Faye Hurrell, Mary Ann Schroeder, Hazel and Esther Mansell. Mrs. Vance Weekly will entertain the club Thursday evening, February 2nd.

The Emanon Club

The Emanon club met last week at the Swinney home on Spurgeon hill with Misses Farrentine Swinney and Edna Robinson as hostesses. The record of attendance was complete with three new names added to the list. Everyone brought their fancy work, they are making a variety of pretty things, and had a pleasant evening. Refreshments were served to Misses Lena Williams, Gertrude Tway, Alda Sloan, Agnes Newton, Mesdames Ethel Jackson, Gertrude Lambrecht, Mildred McCune and the hostesses.

Coquille Happy Time Club

The Coquille Happy Time club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hultin Wednesday evening. Those enjoying the evening were Mr. and Mrs. E. O'Brien and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sinclair and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pointer, Mrs. Beulah Nosler, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Terry, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Young, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Culbertson, Roy Robinson and daughter, Clea, of Norway, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burnett, Mrs. Jack Thompson, Mrs. C. F. Hawke, Mrs. Leo Call, Mrs. Chas. Ashton and Mr. and Mrs. Hultin and son, George. The Coquille Happy Timers will meet at the home of Mrs. Beulah Nosler on February 8.

Mrs. Leo Call Surprised

Mrs. Leo Call on the Fairview road was given a birthday surprise Thursday afternoon. Among those present were Mrs. W. O. Terry, Mrs. Howard Pointer, Mrs. Beulah Nosler, Mrs. J. F. Young, Mrs. C. F. Hawke and Mrs. Chas. Ashton.

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Jan. 21—Ben Gustav Carlson and Ovidia Marie Underland, both of Marshfield. They were married here Saturday by Rev. P. D. Hartman at his home.

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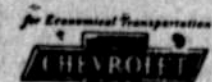
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