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ACREAGE CUT IS URGED BY LEGGE

Senate Agriculture Committee Seeking Ways to Cure Grower's Ills.

Washington.—A 20 percent reduction in wheat acreage and more "elastic" control by the government over grain exchange rules were held up to the senate agriculture committee as additional tonics for the farmers' ills.

Chairman Legge of the federal farm board proposed the acreage curtailment in the belief it would give the wheat farmer the benefit of the 42 cents a bushel tariff, but Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, member of the committee, said such a plan would amount to a "national calamity" in event of a crop shortage.

Secretary Hyde discussed recommendations for more definite federal control over exchanges, but no conclusions were reached by the committee.

Chairman McNary said after an all day sitting he believed his committee unanimously favored the entering of the wheat market by the farm board and was inclined to give future support to the board in its efforts to find a solution to the surplus stock.

While Legge said the time was not ripe to discuss in detail his proposals to the committee, whose session was executive, members of the committee said he had expressed the belief the board, which has in excess of 100,000,000 bushels of wheat on hand, could sustain the price at around 76 cents, which is more than 20 cents above the Liverpool price.

It also developed that the board had been selling as well as buying wheat, but Senator McNary said every bushel sold had been replaced the same day. The prospects of future board purchases also were discussed, but details were withheld.

The suggestion of Senator Capper, republican, Kansas, a member of the committee, that 50,000,000 bushels of the farm board's wheat be used to feed the unemployed also was considered.

Granville Cannon and Ruth Williams Married

Miss Ruth Williams and Granville Cannon were quietly married at the Baptist parsonage, in Walla Walla last Thursday afternoon. They were accompanied by Mr. Charles Williams and Mr. Joe Cannon, fathers of the bride and groom, and the service was read by Rev. Carl McConnell.

The bride wore a beautiful brown chiffon gown trimmed in cream lace, and a small hat in the same shade. She carried bronze chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Cannon is a daughter of Charles Williams and is popular with a large circle of friends here, where she has made her home most of her life.

Mr. Cannon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cannon and has taken up farming with his father near Athena where the couple will make their home. Both are graduates of Athena high school and Mr. Cannon attended Oregon State college.

Praise Service

The Thanksgiving praise service at the Christian church Sunday evening was well attended and much enjoyed by all present. The church was effectively decorated with the national colors, chrysanthemums and heaps of pumpkins. Aside from the devotional exercises and sermonette by Rev. Sias the program consisted entirely of musical numbers which were appropriate to the Thanksgiving season and were well received by the appreciative audience. The success of the entertainment was largely due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Laurence Pinkerton who was the accompanist for the evening.

Association Meeting

At a meeting of the Athena Athletic Association Tuesday evening, E. C. Rogers, president of the association, was elected president of the basketball league in which are included teams representing the towns of Milton, Weston, Adams and Athena. Delegates from these towns were present at Tuesday night's meeting, at which by-laws were adopted. A meeting will be held tomorrow night in Athena for the purpose of adopting a playing schedule.

Wedding Anniversary

Complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wood upon the occasion of their first wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wood entertained at dinner Sunday evening. The hostess used marigolds and tapers as decoration. The guests were Miss Helen Hunsell, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Murray of Pendleton, Edwin McEwen, Miss Alberta Charlton, George Gross and honorees.

Announcement Made That Farmers Bank of Weston In Process of Liquidation

The Weston Leader says: No new developments of importance were reported this week with regard to the affairs of The Farmers Bank of Weston, which closed its doors the night of November 10 and is in the hands of the state superintendent of banks, A. A. Schramm, with S. M. Laws, deputy superintendent, in personal charge.

It is regarded as certain that the bank will have to go through the usual processes of liquidation, but an effort is being made to realize as much as possible as soon as possible on its liquid assets in order to release the maximum sum for the first dividends to stockholders. To this end, frequent conferences have been held during the week.

As is evident from an official notice published elsewhere, the first dividend will not be paid until after the expiration of a period of three months.

Business is going on in town as usual, although in lessened volume. No local business houses have closed. Their owners promptly established banking connections elsewhere and arranged to carry on.

Although not a few local people of slender resources had their little all in the bank, no cases of actual distress have as yet been reported.

The figure most generally heard in connection with the probable first dividend is seventy-five percent of the deposits. It is assumed, however, that this much will not be possible unless some special arrangement is made.

Pendleton Lad Hit By Car

Clarence Rainville, 9, was thrown 30 feet when struck by a car driven by Ray Myrick Friday in Pendleton, but is reported to have suffered no broken bones, although badly wrenched and bruised. The lad dashed across the street and a parked truck obscured Myrick's view.

Ed Birch Struck By an Auto, Seriously Injured

Ed Birch who is employed by Henry Barrett was struck by a car Friday evening near the George Winn home, on the highway north of Weston. Mr. Birch, who had been riding with Mr. Barrett and Ralph McEwen, left the car and was walking on the highway with Mr. McEwen to render aid to a car that overturned in the ditch. Suddenly a car appeared out of the dense fog and striking Mr. Birch in the back, tossed him about four feet in the air.

He fell back on the fender and then to one side of the road. When he was picked up he was unconscious and was hurried to Weston where he received first aid. Dr. McKinney dressed his wounds taking a stitch in a scalp laceration. Mr. Birch was badly shaken up but not seriously injured.

Fog Causes a Serious Automobile Accident

While driving home from Walla Walla Friday night in a heavy fog, Alex McIntyre and Lester Vaughn met with a serious accident. In passing a car, the McIntyre machine, driven by Lester, struck a bridge, the second one north of Freewater.

Lester was badly injured, sustaining broken ribs, one of which penetrated the left lung. He was removed to St. Mary's hospital. Mrs. McIntyre was called from Freewater and brought Mr. McIntyre, whose injuries consisted of cuts and bruises, to his home here. Lester is reported to be improving as well as his serious condition will permit.

On the same night, a terrible accident happened in Walla Walla, when two women were badly injured when their car crashed into a telephone pole, as a result of driving conditions caused by the fog.

Campfire Benefit

Wauna group of Campfire girls are sponsoring a benefit bridge party at the Knights of Pythias hall Saturday afternoon. Prizes will be given and a pleasant afternoon is promised all who attend. Tickets are on sale by the members or reservations may be made by calling Miss Mary Berlin. Tickets are thirty-five cents and the fund will be used to buy materials for the group to use in their work. The Campfire movement is well worth the support of all good citizens and it is hoped a large number will respond.

Mrs. Brower Seriously Ill

Mrs. E. J. Brower (Jennamae Read) is seriously ill in a Kalispell, Mont., hospital with pneumonia. In answer to a summons, her mother, Mrs. Grant Prestbye, who was visiting relatives and friends in Athena, returned to Kalispell, Sunday. Mrs. Prestbye was driven to Spokane by Bryce Baker, who made the trip from Athena in exactly four hours, in time for Mrs. Prestbye to board an east bound Northern Pacific train.

PRIZE WINNERS, BOTH OF THEM



Charming "farmer girl" of the silver screen endeavors to cheer up the selected Thanksgiving gobbler.

Feasts of Other Days Recalled

In that earlier day which the mist of time half hides and half reveals, the selection of a Thanksgiving bird became a matter for profound family consideration. Not that the actual picking out of the turkey was affected thereby. No, the head of the household went forth as did the Pilgrim daddies, but armed only with his fascinating wallet, around which a strap was stretched, and held up the white-aproned Indians or the checkered-shirted grocery braves, and brought home his yellow-legged loot. In this he had the advantage of the stern-faced Puritans, because they were given little choice in this important matter of selection, but were likely to bring home a hardened old gobble of the early Pequot period, which would give the Puritan teeth a dangerous test at a time when dentistry was unknown.

Well, after dad brought home his personally conducted bird the family severally and jointly inspected it. This was done by extending its legs and bending its wings and jabbing it in the region of the breast bone. Whether it passed muster or not was of no consequence. It was the consecrated bird of the day of thanks and as such was offered up on the family altar and duly immolated in spite of any dubious criticisms regarding its tenderness or flavor. Moreover, it invariably weighed very close to five-and-twenty pounds.

On one occasion father brought home a live turkey, feathers and squawk an' everything, and left it overnight in the summer kitchen. Something was said about a raffle, but raffles were not fit subjects for innocent Sunday school children to know about, and our only definite knowledge concerning the noisy visitor's origin was that it had cost father a darn sight more than if he had bought a featherless one at John Frauenfelder's or Arnold's or Southworth's.

Well somebody left the door open and the bird streaked it for freedom. Of course we were hot after it, and it is recalled that father showed amazing evidences of agility in leading the chase. Once the fugitive flew into a tree and had to be bombarded out of it, and finally it ran up old Theresa street and right through the fortunately open door of one of the poorest cottages, and as father, who was well in advance, reached the doorway he heard a trembling voice from within say "Sure, the saints have sent it!"

That ended the chase, and we tramped back and father went over to Frauenfelder's and bought a turkey of the old-fashioned sort without fuss or feathers.

Of course the Thanksgiving dinner was a feast to be remembered with both joy and remorse. There were no favors, no special decorations, nothing but food and appetites, both served at noon. Everything on the unwritten menu was placed on the table at the beginning of the feast, and the service thereafter consisted merely in carving and passing.

What the Post Sang.
In this process of dismantling and

HIS LAST PETTING



Soothing the doomed gobble on the eve of that fatal Thursday that has claimed so many good turkeys.

Greatest of All Homecoming Days

For the strictly proper observance of Thanksgiving day there should be a real grandmother, as old-fashioned as the century will permit. At her home, however unpretentious it may be, all the children should come together to renew for her the memories of younger days when she had them all under her own roof tree; when she could go to each bedside before her own weary body sought rest and see for herself that they were cozily tucked in; when she thought it sweet to make the nightly rounds, when all childish faults lay hidden in sleep and the naughtiness had faded away with the setting sun, leaving only the angelic loveliness of childhood. Yes, the grandmother is undoubtedly the connecting link that holds families together.

Grandmother's Day.

Can't you see your own grandmother in her kitchen, where she likes to think she is still mistress, even if she is not allowed to do as much as she did in days gone by? Perhaps she is one of the fortunate ones whom her children have not killed with kindness, but have allowed to live the work-a-day life as much as she desires and her strength will permit. How happy she bustles about making pies and puddings, baking ham equal in flavor to Charles Lamb's roast pig, preparing the turkey for the oven, "with his drumsticks meekly folded over a well-stuffed breast!" How briskly she stalks about, her thoughts flying here and there, gathering up lost threads in a tapestry of memory which she is joyously weaving! And how the children love the day, the delights of anticipation far exceeding those of realization; how they watch the pantry shelves groaning with the weight of good things; how penetrating are the pungent odors floating on the breeze, how trying to their patience the endless waiting! If the dear grandmother has gone on to a higher Thanksgiving, the next best is the loving mother.

Thanksgiving Spirit.

It must be a loving mother with a heart big enough to take in all the lonely ones who have no homes. Around her the Spirit of Thanksgiving may safely hover and be glad of the opportunity, for there is less room for that spirit today, and the original significance of the day is passing. For the athletic devotee, it is the grand windup of the football season. If mother contemplates a noon dinner, it must be early so the boys and girls may eat and run, not realizing that to her it is a day long anticipated for the homecoming of the children and the renewal of memories dear to her heart.

Plunged After Goose; Drowned

Dayton Kirving, 19, drowned Sunday when he plunged into the Columbia river three miles east of The Dalles in an attempt to retrieve a goose he shot from the bank. Two companions attempted to save him, but had to leave him when they in turn, began to cramp. The swift current carried the victim into mid-stream despite the fact that he was an able swimmer.

Senator Steiwer Honored

A dinner given in honor of Senator Frederick Steiwer was held in Pilot Rock, Wednesday evening of last week, at the home of W. N. Royer. Attorney Homer I. Watts of Athena, was one of the guests.

ON THEIR WAY TO GIVE THANKS



The photograph, posed after the famous painting "Pilgrims Going to Church" and "The First Thanksgiving" by Boughton, shows the sturdy founders of Massachusetts going to church to give thanks to the Almighty for the bounties bestowed on them. The picture is supposed to have been illustrative of the early spring of 1621, on the day that Governor Bancroft had set aside as a day of prayer and thanks.

Woodcutter Safe After Tramp in Snow Through Drifts in the Mountains

Walla Walla.—Alex Bollock, woodcutter, protests that he never had been lost in the Blue Mountains; that he just walked in from camp. Bollock, who had been the object of a two-day search, told his employer, George Shortridge, Milton, that he suffered no hardships on his tramp through the deep snow from a point near Toll Gate ranger station.

Bollock, with three other men, had been cutting wood for Shortridge. None of them were well acquainted with the country, although they had been working with Shortridge for several weeks. When the storm last week laid snow deep over the country, which had prior to that time been bare, the strangers became bewildered.

On advice from Shortridge, two of the men started out of the mountains Friday afternoon. Bollock had apparently gone away from the cabin which had been used by the trio, but returned some time after they had left. Finding his fellow workmen gone, and darkness coming on, he decided to remain at the cabin.

Saturday morning, Bollock started out on foot, walked through snow all day long and that night reached a group of summer houses, and remained there until Sunday morning. Sunday he telephoned in that he was safe. Monday morning he caught a ride and arrived at the Shortridge home.

According to Mr. Shortridge, arrangements were being made at Pendleton Sunday for a group of men to hike into the mountains on snow shoes in search of Bollock, but Sheriff Tom Gurdane, who is said to have gotten up the search party, was informed Sunday night that Bollock was safe. He in turn notified Shortridge.

Bollock said that he was only able to walk about three miles Saturday, but Sunday he reached the Weston-Elgin highway, and was able then to travel faster.

Marshfield Pioneer Has Close Call With Pet Elk

Marshfield.—Dan Roberts, 80, pioneer resident of Marshfield and North Coos river, narrowly escaped fatal injury when he was attacked by a two-year old pet elk.

Roberts is recovering from injuries at his home at Allegany. The elk is owned by True Sailing, storekeeper at Allegany. It broke from its chain and chased the elderly man. Roberts attempted to get away as the elk bore down upon him, but the animal caught him between his sharp horns.

A few inches either way and Roberts probably would have been gored by one of the horns. He finally managed to extricate himself and climbed upon a porch away from the furious animal.

The O. D. O. Club

The O. D. O. Club was entertained last Friday by Mrs. Floyd Pinkerton whose home was attractively decorated with a profusion of chrysanthemums. Mrs. Elder was a guest of the club. At the tea hour the hostess was assisted by Mrs. Virgil Zerba. Plans were made for a "hardtimes" party to be given December 19th at the home of Mrs. Virgil Zerba. Guests, who will be the families of the members, will be bidden for dinner at seven o'clock and will be requested to appear in appropriate costumes. The next meeting of the club will be at the home of Mrs. Clifford Walker on Thursday, December 11th.

Whitman Defeats Willamette

"Nig" Borleskey and his Whitman Missionaries came back to Walla Walla Sunday morning, bringing with them from Willamette University the championship of the Northwest conference. They retrieved the tattered pennant which had been snatched from their grasp last year by Spec Keene and his husky Willamette horde. Over 200 Whitman students left their beds at 5 o'clock Sunday morning to meet the team at the railroad station. They indulged in a vociferous before-breakfast celebration of the 12-0 victory won by Applegate and his cohorts on the Willamette field.

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GOVERNMENT LOSES BIG SUM IN TAXES

The United States Supreme Court Ruling on Community Income.

A Washington, D. C., Associated Press dispatch reveals that a controversy rooted in ancient Spanish law was settled by a supreme court ruling with consequent loss to the government of more than \$100,000,000 in taxes.

The highest tribunal ruled that income from community property in Arizona, Louisiana, Texas and Washington may be reported for federal taxation by the husband and wife separately.

It was a sweeping defeat for the government, which had contended such income must be reported in a single return by the husband alone.

It had pointed out that with the tax rate increasing in proportion to income its revenue would be much greater under the single return.

If it had won, government attorneys said, the treasury would be more than \$100,000,000 richer through the collection of back taxes on returns filed in previous years by husband and wife separately.

The court ruled in an opinion by Justice Roberts, his first since his appointment to the bench, that in community property states whose laws give the wife a vested interest in the income from this source, she is entitled to make out her own income tax return.

It made no difference, Justice Roberts said, that the husband had management of the property.

He referred to a former decision in which the community tax law of California was construed to permit the government to impose a tax on the total income reported only by the husband. Such a conclusion was necessary, because in California the wife's interest in community property is merely expectant and not vested.

The community property laws prevalent over much of the southwest, were derived from old Spanish statutes once in force there.

The decision may affect income tax returns from Idaho, Nevada and New Mexico. The question was brought up in four cases, in which the interested litigants were H. G. Seaborn of Washington, I. B. Koch of Arizona, William Pfaff of Louisiana and C. W. Bacon of Texas.

Justice Roberts said the test was one of ownership of the income under state law and stated that, under the laws of Washington, Arizona, Texas and Louisiana, one-half belonged to the wife, and that the government's contention that the question of control should prevail was not sound.

Where the wife, under state law, has a right to one-half of the community income she is entitled, the court asserted, to make out a separate return covering her share of the community income.

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