

Speakers of Many Views Appear Before Wheatmen

Shumway Pleads For AAA Continuance and Asks Active Farmer Support; Conser Wants New Farm Opinion

Continued from page one. 65 becomes operative. He estimated that \$3,218,000 would be needed for Oregon pensions if the minimum number expected took advantage of the law and that it might run up to a much larger sum in later years.

AAA Officer Talks
C. C. Conser, assistant in the wheat section, spoke of the organization of the wheat section of the AAA saying that 10,000 directors and 30,000 committeemen are working on the plan in the United States.

He inquired of the assembled farmers, "Is the plan proper?" and said that probably less than a quarter of the people of the country were receiving benefits from it; and the remainder were more or less critical. He quoted from a report given out by the Brookings Institute which he characterizes as impartial, in which the criticism was made that scarcity leads to national impoverishment. "The farm price," he said, "is made in the open market, while the price of industrial products is made by consultation."

He quoted Secretary Wallace as saying that the objectives of the AAA were "increased balanced production at price low enough for consumer and high enough so producers can stay and distributed so all can have adequate supplies; twelve to fifteen percent of the national income should go to farmers; building up among farmers a consciousness of the economic situation."

Soil Conservation Praised

D. R. McDole of the Soil Conservation Service spoke on the problem of conserving the soil of the nation as a means of retaining productivity of the land. The southern part of the United States is gone from a point of real productivity he said. There is no new land left and what remains must be protected.

Land, however, will always produce something even if cropped for a hundred years or more. He gave an example of land that had been cropped continuously since 1833 and still gives a yield of 11 bushels of wheat.

Within fifty years the United States will have to import food products if land waste continues he prophesied and he told of some of the means that are being used to protect and build up the soils where the erosion dams are being established.

Station Men Inform

D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the Moro experiment station, gave the farmers the results of his experiments in wheat varieties and in methods of tillage for the past several years and told something of the new grass varieties that are being used to combat erosion and take unprofitable wheat land out of production of that crop.

D. E. Richards of the Union livestock experiment station, told the methods of fattening stock with wheat as a grain feed. He had four lambs fattened by different feeds on the stage as a demonstration. All had been fattened on wheat with various kinds of roughage. Wheat is most adaptable for hogs, is a good feed for sheep and is least valuable for fattening cattle, he said. Many Oregon lambs are shipped east where other people make the profit on them by fattening them which is more profitable than raising them, according to Mr. Richards.

Walter Pierce, representative in congress from this district, gave

"Traveling Family McDaniel" Fills the Deck



Here's the line-up of the "Traveling Family McDaniel." Getting the E. R. McDaniel family on board the Matson liner Lurline at San Francisco for Honolulu was something like loading the ark. Noah wasn't there to do the checking but they came by two and two from Astoria and Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Abilene, Texas. They were not all McDaniels but they were related one way or another and when they assembled on the deck they occupied the major portion of it.

a brief address in which he spoke against the change in the primary date from May to September and then branched out into a discussion of money.

Pierce Believes AAA Will Last

He prophesied that the supreme court would uphold the AAA since the amendments of last session had been added to it. He said that the interest rate should not be higher than the average rate of the increase of wealth which is about three percent. He liked the Jones bill which would loan money to farmers by issuing currency based on the supply of gold in the treasury allowing 40% backing of gold. Dr. Raymond Staub spoke in favor of more adequate defense on the Columbia river in consideration of the vast expenditures that are being made by the government on that river. He told of the need for airports and forts to prevent a possible invasion of this section by a foreign foe. The mouth of the Columbia is nearest to the Orient of any of the western ports he said.

E. L. Potter, of OSC, told of the need of more livestock on the lands that are being temporarily taken from wheat production and suggested plans for a permanent livestock policy for Oregon.

Elected as officers for the league for another year were: E. Harvey Miller of Lexington, president; Charles Nish, Mikkalo, vice-president; Chas. Smith of Corvallis, secretary. The executive board will be L. J. Kelly, Wasco; H. D. Proudfoot, Sherman; Lloyd Smith, Gilliam; Henry Smouch, Morrow; John Putnam, Wheeler; James Hill, Umatilla; E. H. DeLong, Union; Hugh Wilson, Wallowa; N. E. Dodd, Baker.

FHA Head Says Building Now Increasing

Portland, Ore., Dec. 12 "Buying of modern home appliances and equipment is being stimulated throughout the country by the friendly credit made accessible to families through the facilities of the Modernization Credit plan of the Federal Housing Administration," it was stated by Jamieson Parker, director of the federal housing activities in Oregon.

"Operations under the modernization credit plan set a new high mark in November" the director explained, "and we are encouraged to believe December volume will show further substantial increase, for the reason that many items listed as eligible by FHA have popular place on the Christmas shopping program. The records show there already has been heavy buying of eligible merchandise in Oregon and throughout the coun-

Kent School Has New Electric Light Plant

Haynes Family Moves To Home in Philomath

A new light plant has been installed at the Kent school house.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap entertained Saturday night with a venison dinner. Mr. and Mrs. McGlassen, Mr. and Mrs. Darby, and Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Walton. The evening was spent in playing 500.

Mrs. R. P. Barnett underwent a major operation at The Dalles hospital Saturday, and is reported to be getting along nicely.

Annie Laurie Haynes was a dinner guest of Nellie Wilson last Sunday evening.

Kent Grange No. 688 will hold an all day meeting Saturday, December 7, and a social gathering in the evening.

Nellie Wilson is able to be in school again after an absence of five week due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilcox and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap were dinner guests Friday night at the L. V. Walton ranch.

Rose Ellen Barnett was hostess for a party Saturday evening, honoring Phyllis Haynes who leaves this week for her new home at Philomath. The high school students were all invited and dancing was the diversion of the evening. Refreshments were served by the hostess later in the evening.

J. C. Wilson was a business visitor at Moro Monday.

Joe Gregg of Redmond was an overnight visitor in Kent Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton and daughters Geraldine and Carol Ann and son Ross left for Tangent Friday to visit Mrs. Norton's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz were business visitors in The Dalles Thursday.

try generally. Co-operating dealers everywhere are assisting house holders to equip their homes with modern appliances on the easiest terms ever offered."

Loans issued by lending institutions during November, under the modernization credit plan totaled more than \$31,000,000 it was stated by Parker. Highest previous mark was set in September when operations totaled approximately \$30,400,000.

The November figures are regarded by the director as clearly establishing the fact that seasonal decline in repairs and modernization has been reversed by the Better Housing movement.

W.H. Ragsdale Elected To Farm Credit Board

W. H. Ragsdale was elected as director of the farm credit council to represent the co-operative and purchasing associations of the northwest. He will help direct the bank for co-operatives, the federal land bank, federal intermediate credit bank and the production credit corporation, all of Spokane.

He will serve a three year term beginning in January and will succeed D. N. Kay of Condon.

Other members of the board are W. A. Schoenfeld of Corvallis, P. Thompson of Valley, Wash., B. D. Thompson of Granger, Idaho; N. F. Boyle of Blackfoot, Idaho and E. E. King of Pullman.

Mr. Ragsdale has had extensive banking and farming experience in Sherman county where he has lived since 1882. He is manager of the Moro National farm loan association, vice-president of the Mid-Columbia Production Credit corporation and a member of other farm organizations of this district.

It is not expected that the work will make it necessary for Mr. Ragsdale to move permanently to Spokane but he will have to attend the meetings of the board of directors at least once a month. He will also be expected to keep in touch with the co-operatives of the northwest who he represents on the credit board.

Thirty-one co-operatives in the northwest elected Mr. Ragsdale to his new position.

Civil Service To Give Examinations Soon

The United States Civil Service commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

Awning maker, \$1,860 a year, National Park Service Dept. of Interior, Washington, D.C.

Senior Animal husbandman (genetics), \$4,600 a year, Dept. of Agriculture.

Social worker (psychiatric), \$2,000 a year, junior social worker, \$1,800 a year Veterans bureau.

Senior Chemist (distillation), \$4,600 a year Alcohol tax unit.

Welding engineer various grades \$2600 to \$3800 a year Navy dept.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service board of Examiners at the post office of the first class or from the commission at Washington D.C.

Kent Auxiliary Tells About Child Welfare

Children must not be forced to pay the price of a war fought before they were born. This is the determination of the American Legion Auxiliary in its activities for the fatherless children of World War veterans, according to

Emma Pluemke, chairman of the Child Welfare Committee of the George Bell Unit of the Auxiliary.

Vast work is carried out by the Auxiliary each year to prevent children who have lost a father's support through the war from suffering because of their father's patriotic sacrifices. In close cooperation with the American Legion the women of the Auxiliary endeavor to bring to their children advantages and opportunities enjoyed by other American children. The local committee, under Mrs. Pluemke's direction, is busy constantly in activities for the welfare of newly children of veterans in this community and throughout the state.

With World War Veterans now dying at the rate of 80 per day, the number of fatherless children of veterans needing Auxiliary aid is increasing steadily, explained Mrs. Pluemke. The American Legion and Auxiliary endeavor to bring these children the help necessary to maintain them in a home of their own with the surviving parent or close relative. Only when this is impossible is institutional care sought.

In addition to making sure that fatherless children of veterans

have the necessities of life the Auxiliary works to bring them the normal advantages they might have enjoyed had their fathers not been sacrificed for the country. Extension of federal compensation to war orphans desiring to remain in school beyond the age of 18 has been secured and supplemented by state educational aid in 35 states. In addition hundreds of scholarships have been made available to children of veterans in colleges, universities and technical schools.

The Auxiliary's child welfare work is not confined to children of veterans in need. Cooperation is given to all movements for improvement of conditions for children being denied the advantages of American childhood, and many projects are being undertaken in the childhealth, educational and recreational fields.

While our unit has reached its quota for 1935 we are desirous of obtaining as many new members as possible.

Women whose husbands, sons, fathers or brothers are members of the Legion, those who lost members of their immediate families in the war or whose exservice relatives have died since the war,

and those who themselves were enlisted in war service are eligible for Auxiliary membership. In the Auxiliary these serve side by side with the men of their families in the Legion, doing the part of the Legion work best adapted to women.

We invite all eligible women in the Grass Valley and Kent communities to become members of our Unit at this time and join us in carrying out the program of the American Legion Auxiliary during the coming year.

WHEAT LEAGUE

(Continued from page one) committee asked for government aid through the SCS in controlling the perennial weeds for the wheat section. Three-quarters of a million pounds of weed killer was used in this part of the state without materially checking the weeds. Neither the farmers or the counties can afford to do the work alone and will require government help. Weed surveys under the WPA were asked, and an educational campaign to acquaint the farmers with the weeds that are worst for the crops.

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