

### Soil Conservation Act To Be Explained Soon

George Farrell To Be Director For Far Western States

Oregon farmers will have an opportunity early in April to learn just what detailed steps are possible on their farms to cooperate in the new federal soil conservation and domestic allotment act.

At the western regional meeting at Salt Lake city last week, and the state meeting at Corvallis March 30 and 31, details of the program were outlined and administrative plans decided upon so that county educational meetings may proceed at once. Utmost speed is being sought because of the necessity to have farmers understand the procedure before the spring planting season is over.

"This is not a gift program," emphasized George E. Farrell, newly appointed director of the far western region. "No one is going to be paid for merely operating his farm."

Oregon State college leaders who attended the Salt Lake meeting and later conducted the state meeting at Corvallis say that the new act is positive in nature and will tend in action to lend governmental encouragement to sound soil conservation and crop practices such as have been worked out by agricultural research and advocated through the extension service.

Oregon State college men believe the program will bring about more rapid addition to the alfalfa and clover acreage in western Oregon and a transfer of considerable eastern Oregon land to dry-land grasses such as crested wheat grass. In addition a range soil improvement program for the west is being evolved which it is hoped will meet the approval of the federal government.

#### Plan Held Simple

In some respects the new program will be more simple than the old, in that there will be only one state committee and one committee in each county, rather than having frequently overlapping commodity committees as under the crop control programs. In other ways it is not so simple, for as director Farrell explained, widespread results throughout the entire country cannot be obtained by an extremely simple program.

Farmers desiring to cooperate in the program will submit information concerning their farming operations on a work sheet to be supplied. After they have made the improvements in soil conservation decided upon, they will apply for the grant payable for such performance.

At no time will there be a contract and at no time is any farmer to be under obligation to do anything. Instead, if he complies with the soil conservation rules laid down in advance, he will be eligible for a grant representing the value to the nation of such practice. If he does not comply there will be no grant.

Amounts of grants will vary greatly, depending on the nature and extent of betterments in soil practice. The "starting point" in determination will be the farmer's "base acreage," which now means the acreage in soil depleting crops in 1935, with certain exceptions.

Largest amounts per acre will be granted for shifting acres from soil depleting crops such as small grains, corn, potatoes, cotton, and the like, to other crops. Each farmer can shift as much as he likes, but can only claim a grant for shifting 15 per cent of his base.

This 15 per cent may be shifted to what are known as soil conserving or soil building crops. As the names imply, the soil conserving crops are those which just about allow the soil to hold its own, while the soil building crops actually improve it.

The amount of the grant to encourage such shifting will vary from place to place, depending on productivity of the land involved, but will average around \$10, or a bit below, for the country as a whole. On individual farms the amount may vary as much as from \$3 to \$15 or more.

If the shift is to soil building crops, a farmer may qualify for an additional grant not to exceed \$1 an acre for all the soil building crops, new or old, he has on the place. This payment is made on the basis of the new seedings, however, hence may not always reach the maximum.

While these are the uniform basic provisions, many regional and other variations are being included in an attempt to make the program just to all, including the farmer who has long practiced good soil conservation methods, though the "sinner who repenteth" will get the largest immediate grant.

### Wasco People Return After Winter's Absence

Youngsters Return To School After Spring Vacation

Mrs. W. E. Tate returned Monday. Mr. Tate returned prior to this date. They have been out of town for over three months spending their time visiting at Corvallis with their son in law and daughter, L. J. Murdock, and in Portland at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Brown. While away they had the pleasure of attending the wedding of their grandson, Victor Murdock, eldest son of Louis Murdock.

Mrs. Clyde Fridley was a guest of her brother Chester Hill and family at Goldendale Friday of last week. Saturday Mr. Hill and Mrs. Fridley drove to Portland to visit relatives over the week end.

Saturday evening the Kups grange initiated members to the 3rd and 4th degree. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wallace attended from Wasco.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanley are riding in a new Dodge sedan having driven it up from The Dalles Tuesday of last week. Mrs. Mae Murchie accompanied them to Wasco for a visit with friends. She returned Saturday.

Friends of Mrs. Chas. Everett are glad of her return to Wasco following an extended visit of 4 months at Oakland, California and Los Angeles with relatives and at Tucson, Ariz. at the home of her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolcott.

Mary Jeanette Sargent returned to Willamette University by train after spending a week here at the home of her parents. Guests of Miss Sargent were Gwen Galloway and Charles Neville who are students at Willamette.

William McKinny spent one week visiting with his mother Mrs. Minnie McKinny and with his brother, Earl and wife at Hepner. He returned to Salem Saturday night to finish the year at Willamette U.

The Wasco school band was represented at the band tournament at Goldendale last Friday when members drove to the Washington city.

Bill Nisbit plans on making a trip to Portland Sunday. Lawrence Funk will have charge of the Tum A Lum during his absence.

Over night guests Saturday at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Fuller were: Mr. and Mrs. Morrison of Spirit River, Alberta. Mrs. Morrison is a niece of Mrs. Fuller.

Mrs. H. C. Hines went to Goldendale Thursday to attend the funeral services of her grandmother, Mary Lallyn. She was 96 years old at the time of her death.

Mrs. Nell Lucas and daughter, Ann of Condon, spent Saturday night in Wasco. Mrs. Eva Doane returned home with her daughter.

Perry Johnston and Willy Knight of Moro and Miss Helen Cowgill of OSC visited the school in behalf of the 4-H club. Plans have been made for the program of the coming year for the cooking club.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Sawin had as week end guests Mr. and Mrs. Claude Marble of Wapato. The latter is a cousin of Mrs. Sawin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Proudfoot had as their guests Sunday Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Alexander of Hood River.

Everett Watkins and wife drove to Portland spending the week-end with Mr. Watkins sister, Mrs. Claude Holling and family.

Mrs. Jessie Amos and Andy Sandvig were Sunday dinner guests at the W. G. McDonald home on the river.

Harland McDonald and family of Portland spent Monday at the home of Mrs. Jessie Amos.

Mrs. Roy Be lshoe returned to Wasco last Sunday after a stay of four months in Oakland, Cal. where she visited with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Everett and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Feldman drove to Moro Sunday evening to call on George Updegraff.

Mrs. Ira Fridley spent the end of last week visiting with her mother, Mrs. Spencer in The Dalles.

Mrs. Dell Wright was admitted to the membership of the Klondike club when it met with Mrs. A. L. Gosson Thursday afternoon.

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned W. A. Spencer has been appointed administrator of the estate of C. G. Mott and has qualified as such administrator. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified to the undersigned petition at Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: March 27th, 1936.

W. A. Spencer, Administrator of Estate 21-22-23-24

### He'll Paint Federal Buildings



University of Oregon art instructor, David John McCosh, selected to decorate federal buildings.

Miss Irene Hazelitt of The Dalles visited here with friends for a week.

The Monday contract club observed guest day at the home of Mrs. F. S. Lamborn. Festive decorations of jonquils, snapdragons and sweet peas adorned the luncheon table. Following luncheon, served by the hostess, five tables of cards were in play with Mrs. S.J. Brock winning high honors for the club and Mrs. Albert Kaseberg for guests.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson entertained the Wednesday bridge club at her home. Jonquils were used for decorations. After luncheon two tables of cards were in play with Mrs. F. S. Lamborn winning the club prize and Mrs. H. D. Proudfoot the guest prize.

Mrs. H. D. Proudfoot won low score at cards and Mrs. F. S. Lamborn high when the Tillicum club met at the home of Mrs. A. J. Smith Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Robert McPherson and Mrs. Andy Sherear as joint hostesses. A one-thirty dessert luncheon was served with spring flowers used for decoration. Two tables of players enjoyed the day.

Miss Mildred Butler came from Colfax to visit with her mother, Mrs. Pearl Butler. She returned Monday.

Miss Erma Ferrell spent Saturday night here visiting. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sargent Mr. and Mrs. Harry VanGilder accompanied by Miss Vivian Deunce motored to The Dalles Monday evening where they attended the program put on by the Willamette glee club at the U. B. church.

Persons attending the Men's were: Misses Leona and Bell Chorus at The Dalles Monday. Clothier, Mr. and Mrs. William Clothier, Mrs. Augusta Huckin, and Mrs. Estrella Hailey. Mrs. Schott Churchill and Mrs. Roy Farmer of Shedd, sister and niece of Mrs. Louis Scholl returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn and son, Douglas, of Fossil came here to spend the week end with Miss Mary Fortner.

Mrs. Marie Barnett Cooper had as her week end guest her nephew Dwight Barnes of Portland who is employed by the wool growers' association.

Max Williams visited for several days at the Guy Pound home in The Dalles.

Hollis Hull and Peter Bulow of Portland were dinner guests Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Adeline Hull.

Mrs. Roy E. Moore has been appointed as the Wasco representative for the Peacock Floral Co. and will take orders for flowers at her office or through phone 763

### Spring Wheat Price Takes Tumble

The sharp downward adjustment in spring wheat prices was the outstanding feature of the domestic wheat situation during the current week. Recent liberal arrivals of Canadian wheat purchased to supplement the short local supplies, slower demand for cash grain, generally favorable moisture conditions in the spring wheat territory with prospects of increased seeding this spring, all contributed to the adjustment which brought the relatively high spring wheat prices more nearly in line with winter wheat values. Prospects for winter wheat remained only fair with the crop making slow growth in the Ohio valley where fields were greening in many areas but with the crop in poor condition in some sections. Rain was needed generally in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. In the Western part of Kansas, conditions became progressively worse with severe dust storms reported in western portions of Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Western New Mexico and Southeastern and East Central Colorado.

Winter wheat in other countries is making generally favorable progress, although conditions are well below those of a year ago on a slightly smaller acreage. Europe has decreased seeding of winter wheat, with estimates from 14 countries, comprising more than three-fourths of the total European acreage, totaling around 69,200,000 acres, as compared with 71,800,000 acres for the same countries a year ago. A reduction of more than a million acres in the normally deficit areas is attributed to unfavorable conditions last autumn when excessive rains and wet fields hindered field work. Among deficit European countries only Germany and Italy are reported to have maintained last year's acreage, while in Spain and France, substantial decreases have occurred with slight reductions in other countries. Crop conditions throughout most of the Continental European countries are generally good but under those of a year ago.

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### HI-WAYS TO HEALTH by ADA R. MAYNE OREGON DAIRY COUNCIL

Did you know that every spring in Paris there is a Gingerbread Fair? Up and down the wide boulevards stand little stalls with their funny gingerbread men and their gingerbread cup cakes. In this country we are inclined to associate gingerbread with cold winter evenings and a family gathered lazily about an open fireplace, having a Sunday evening snack.

But doesn't a Gingerbread Fair sound jolly and springlike? And doesn't it make hot spicy gingerbread sound tempting as a spring dessert? After a meal somewhat different because of the new spring vegetables served, hot gingerbread offers that delicate, delectable and simple ending.

According to a society editor's description of a recent and exclusive party gingerbread appeals to the Chicago 'debs' too. Because these debutantes ives are strenuous and filled with social activities morning, noon and night, they must keep fit in order to retain their figures. They are aware that milk is a nourishing but non fattening food and that they must take plenty of milk along with their fruit and vegetables to protect their health and maintain that vitality so essential for both work and play. And so, the society editor, tells us, spicy hot gingerbread served with a large cube of butter, tart apple sauce and milk is a favorite combination for after theater suppers and late evening snacks.

An appetizing combination you will agree. Have you tried ser-

ving this same combination as a dessert? Or have you developed the habit of always topping your gingerbread with whipped cream? Gingerbread and whipped cream is an old standby and justly deserves its wide spread popularity. But have you tried mixing the cream with a cream cheese and dates? Proportions aren't important- you merely mix whatever whipped cream you may have with a package of cream cheese and season with a suspicion of salt. Cut up about a cup of dates and mix generously. Split the hot gingerbread and fill the center with this mixture. If it's tea cakes you want, bake your gingerbread in muffin tins, fill the center, and you will have as delectable a morsel as your friends have ever tasted. But remember, always serve your gingerbread fresh from the oven.

- Gingerbread
- 2 1-2 cups flour
- 2 eggs
- 3-4 cup brown sugar

- 3-4 cup molasses
- 1 1-2 tsp cinnamon
- 2 tsp ginger
- 2 tsp soda
- 1-2 tsp cloves
- 1-2 tsp nutmeg
- 1-2 tsp Baking Powder
- 1 cup hot milk
- 3-4 cup butter

Add the beaten eggs to the sugar; when add molasses and the melted butter. Add flour and hot milk alternately. Bake in a moderate oven(350) for thirty five or forty minutes.

### Yale and Oregon Plan Radio Debate

Eugene, Ore. Apr. 2—University of Oregon and Yale University orators will bridge the continent April 18, when over the National Broadcasting radio chain they will debate on the question: "Resolved: That it is more fun to be a man than a woman."

Announcement of the event was made here today by James E. Carroll, forensics coach, who accepted the challenge hurled by E. A. Raymond of the Yale Debating Society.

Each school will be represented by a team of three speakers who will each have just five minutes on the air. The hour and personnel will be announced later.

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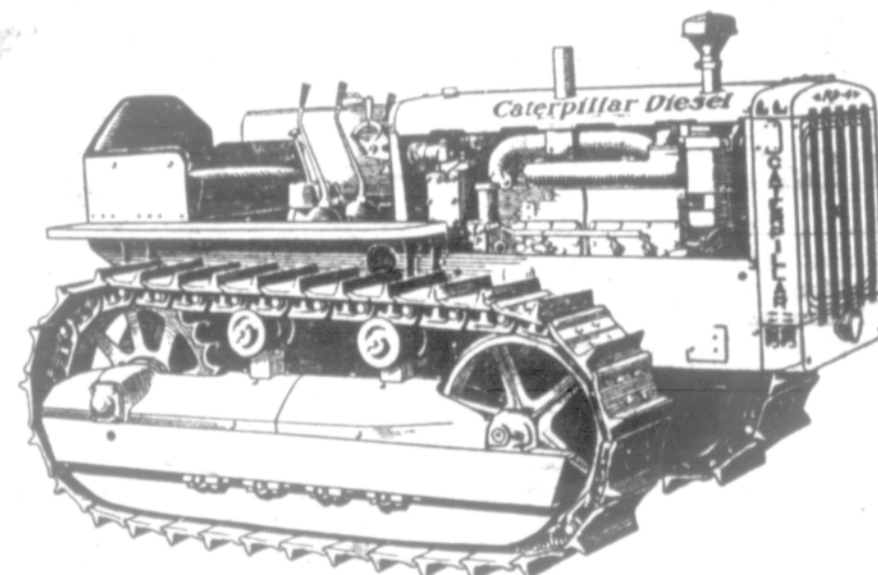
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