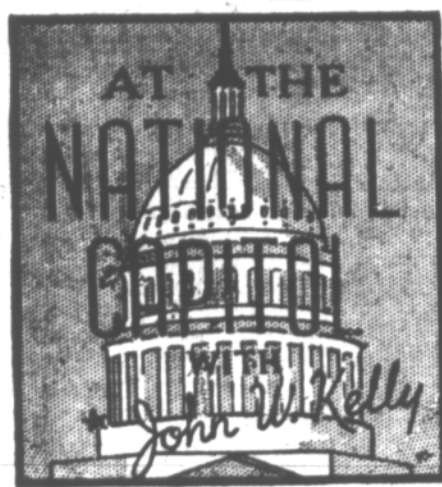


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Washington D. C., Sept. 7.—When and if the United States is involved in war (and it can happen despite administration efforts), an order is all prepared, awaiting the president's signature, which will give the government complete control over labor. Such new legislation as wages and hours, collective bargaining, authority of the National Labor Relations Board, will be tossed out the window by the War Labor Administration if these statutes and regulations interfere with effectiveness (not necessarily efficiency.) Labor will be regimented as thoroughly as it is in totalitarian states headed by Hitler and Stalin. Big shots in the labor movement and business agents will have nothing to say.

Employment of women and children under 16 will be compelled by the labor administration if the contest is of long duration and manpower is required for the field, and the protective laws now on the statute books will be ignored. Labor serving at home will be under as rigid discipline as labor in the front lines.

There are other measures ready for the president. An agency for price control, for selective service, for war trade, control of finance, and of course, an administration for food production and control. If the United States is dragged into a major war again, as it was in 1917, things will be different. This is all part of the industrial mobilization plan, which can swing into action when the president pushes a button.

Social Security Board has already notified the higher-ups that there are now 30 million people working in industries which will be needed in war, and each individual of the 30 millions is represented by a card giving his or her life history. These SSB cards are supposed to be confidential, and are not even G. I. men have been permitted to examine them—but war is different.

Farm Security Administration has \$40,000,000 to lend out this year (ending June 30, 1940), to tenants, farm laborers and sharecroppers to enable them to buy farms of their own. It is expected about 7000 loans will be made—they run for forty years and the annual installments (including principal and interest must average 4.3 percent of the loan, in the two years FSA has been giving this start in life, 15 loans have been made in Oregon, a total of \$132,275, the average loan being \$8818 and the average acreage per farm 128 acres. For Washington state 24 loans have been made, representing \$163,777, average loan being \$6824 and acreage averaging 112 acres.

Smallest acre average is in California—44 acres—with average loan \$8127. Irrigation makes the small farm profitable. Last year (fiscal 1939, ending last June), borrowers spent 24 percent of their loans for improvements. As the good farms available are acquired, borrowers will have to spend more for buildings.

Here is what the AAA conservation program of 1937 meant to the Pacific Northwest, as of December 31, 1938, the figures just made available. Oregon payments \$2,466,778; Washington \$1,860,533. That is the money that went to the farmers. To administer the program in Oregon it cost \$149,556 and in the state of Washington \$93,774. Every county in Oregon received benefits, the lowest being Clatsop, with \$5035; the highest Linn, with \$218,971. In Washington the rapage was \$2717 in Mason county to \$224,820 in Whitman.

Upper bracket officials are rushing a program extending the national defense and appropriations will be requested of the next congress early in January for another billion dollars. It will include one million at least, for Tongue Point, at the mouth of the Columbia river; other millions to increase the

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Dell Olds Gets Car and \$100 For Biggest Fish

A party of Grass Valley fishermen attended the Astoria regatta last week and one of them, Dell Olds, drove the grand prize of a new Plymouth sedan home. It was given to the fisherman who landed the largest salmon in the salmon derby. Prizes of \$100 were given for the largest fish each day in addition to the grand prize. Other members in the party were Earl Olds who caught a 40 pound salmon, Eben Koe, Corliss Andrews and Clarence Oestreich, former Astorian. The winning salmon tipped the scales at 49 pounds 2 ounces.

Trained Brahma Bull To Be At Fair

A new and attractive feature for the Sherman county fair was engaged Thursday morning when arrangements were made to have Johnnie Grimes bring his trained Brahma bull, Silver Dollar, here for the first two days of the fair. Silver Dollar is a white Brahma who, contrary to the ferocity of his kind, is gentle and has been trained to do many stunts. These include jumping over automobiles and balancing feats. He is appearing at the Goldendale Jamboree this week end. He is but one of the new entertainment attractions that will be at the 1939 fair in an effort to keep the program up to date and varied to meet the wishes of all.

Ellen Cox Married To Alfred Roberts

Before the flower bedecked fireplace in the living room of her parents' country home near Grass Valley, Miss Ellen Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox, became the bride of Alfred Nathan Roberts of Corvallis Saturday night. Wearing a white satin wedding gown and long veil, and carrying a bride's bouquet of Lillies of the valley, bouvardia and gardenias, to the strains of the wedding march played by Mrs. Ray Blake, Miss Cox came to the altar on the arm of her father to be met by the groom who was accompanied by Bob Beardsley, as best man. Bridesmaids were Misses Katherine Miller of Salem and Kathleen Houghlum of Eugene, both roommates of the bride at Oregon State college where all graduated last June. Miss Miller wore green chiffon and Miss Houghlum pink taffeta and both carried bouquets of bouvardia and pink rosebuds. Little Barbara Alley, attired in a long pink gown, was flower girl. Max Peck of Portland sang, "Because" and, "I Love You Truly," before the ceremony and, "At Dawning" at the reception which followed. Rev. Gerald C. Dryden read the words uniting the couple. The flower decorations were white gladioli and white asters.

Friends Attend

Invited guests were many friends of the family within the county and many from other places including the groom's parents, G. M. Roberts and wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. Davis, Verlin Post, and Miss Lois Brown all of Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Scott Portner of Hood River, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anderson and daughters Doris and La Verne of Silverton; Mrs. Emma Cox of Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bergdale of The Dalles and Elva Cofer of Portland.

After the ceremony a reception was held and dainty refreshments served with Mrs. W. J. Davis, grandmother of the bride, pouring out the bride's mother and aunt, Mrs. Sam Davis and Mrs. Bernice Whit serving.

The young couple left later in the evening for a wedding trip to the San Francisco fair being liberally showered with rice by their young friends in the wedding party. For a going away gown the bride was attired in a tulle blue costume suit with black accessories and wore a shoulder corsage of gardenias and bouvardia. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will make their home in Corvallis while Mr. Roberts does research work in pomology in which he graduated. He expects to get his M.A. degree next spring.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Cunliff returned last week to get ready for the opening of the school term.

They Rope and Ride At Fair



Lee and Christy L. Roy, trick riders and ropers, who have been engaged to appear on the program at the county fair. Their horses were purchased in Sherman county and have been trained for the exacting work of the trick riders.

Summerfallowing More Scientific Type of Farming

Summer fallow practice, used on most semi-arid wheat lands in eastern Oregon, involves more scientific principles for its technical application than any other land handling practice in the north west, believe extension workers at Oregon State college who have lent a hand in the development of the recently innovated trashy fallow system.

From figures compiled by E. R. Jackson, specialist in farm crops, 195,924 acres of land in eight eastern Oregon counties were handled by the trashy fallow system last year. Approximately 62,000 acres in Umatilla county were cultivated this way.

In the past 25 years, the method of handling land used in alternate wheat production and fallow has changed considerably. A quarter-century ago, the fallow recommendation was a fine dust mulch. Then, as wind buffeted great clouds of dust across the rolling landscape, a heavy mulch was recommended. Still, huge quantities of soil ran down the natural drainage basins when the rains came. Next, experimenters developed the trashy fallow system to act as a soil holder against both wind and water.

Farm practices underwent a change. Straw instead of being burned or thrown aside is now partially buried in the fallow. This partially plowed in straw acts as a continuous field wind break and helps to hold rain water in a thin sheet over the field rather than letting it seek out the natural drainage basins to form eroding gullies.

The old idea was that fallow land stored water for the succeeding year's crop, but field workers infer that water alone is not all that is stored. Wheat and similar crops tax heavily the supply of nitrates in the soil and this supply is built up by fallowing. Quite generally, what at yields have not been changed by trashy fallowing. Wheat yields, through use of improved varieties, have increased over those of 25 years ago, but supplemental fertilizers may in time have to be applied to rejuvenate exhausted soils, the extension staff believes.

Plowing methods have undergone a revolution with fallowing. The lister bottom is recommended for use on lighter soils where it is advisable to leave a maximum of straw on the surface. The disk plow is commonly used in sections of high straw yield. In any case, early spring plowing is essential for best yields.

Bob Marvin, now SCS clerk at Stanfield was here for the holiday, returning to camp Monday. He reports that Roy Tiller, foreman there and formerly from this county, recently had his appendix removed at Pendleton and is getting along well now.

Breakfast Club Has Lively Fair Meeting

Meeting of the Moro Breakfast club Wednesday morning had for its theme preparation for the county fair which occurs before another club morning. Plans to attend a second meeting of the advocates of open river for fishing and to go to the Goldendale Jamboree in a body were made before adjournment. Those who are interested in the river being kept open will see Lloyd Hennagin by Saturday and those who plan to go to Goldendale will give their names to Kuck McKean. Final details of the trip to The Dalles Friday were also made.

The program had to do with various non-serious charges and indictments made against some members of the club in the "Court of Last Resort" of which H. W. Champneys was judge.

A band of five players, youngsters, Sayrs, Gillmor, French, Pinkerton and Peetz, led by Carolyn Bennett appeared as a Hungry Five, to enliven the morning.

Health Clinics Scheduled Next Week

Child health conference will again be held in Sherman county the week of 11. They are given at this time, in order that children under eighteen months may be seen every three months, instead of every six months, which has been the previous policy, according to Miss Katherine Morse, Sherman county health nurse. The conferences will be conducted by Dr. C. L. Poley, Sherman county health officer, and Dr. M. Carter Davis of the division of maternal and child health, of the Oregon State Board of Health.

The Conference will be held in the Wasco Library Monday morning, September 11, for children in the Wasco and Rufus districts; the Moro Conference will take place at the Woman's club building on Tuesday morning; and at Grass Valley Wednesday morning in the I. O. O. F. hall. The Kent Conference will be held in the American Legion hall on Wednesday afternoon. All children under eighteen months will be included in the examinations, also those children over eighteen months who were not examined at the June conferences.

AUDITOR HERE

C. H. Freeman, auditor for the State Industrial Accident commission, has been in Moro this week checking up on the time books kept by farmers and others who come under the state accident law. He has been in the county for several days and expects to remain until about the 23rd of this month the larger part of which time will be spent in the north end of the county.

County Court Considers Paint For Court House

Petitioning Groups Ask Road Improvement For School Bus Routes

The county court meeting was uneventful and except for a delegation or two that came to inquire about road repairs nothing happened but the payment of bills. A group composed of Sam Stark, Lou Olds, Tommie Barnett, Ernest Blaylock and Ted Trimble asked that the Rosebush school bus route be looked over and some fills given larger tubes to facilitate drainage. The road in question is south east of Grass Valley. The court agreed to view the road in company with members of the delegation and also promised to look over the road across the E.O.L. section north of Grass Valley where A. Kock is asking for a cutoff road.

Repairs and improvements of the appearance of the court house required some of the court's time and it was decided to paint the cupola and other wooden parts of the building which is celebrating its fortieth birthday this summer. Some repair work will also be done and the roof inspected while the work is in progress.

Sherman Countians Meet In Portland

The annual Sherman county picnic of former residents who live in and near Portland and present residents who go down to renew old friendships was held August 27 in Laurelhurst park.

Those present were Harry Moore and wife; America Moore; Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Taylor; A. Rose and wife; R. J. Baker and wife; D. E. Baker and wife; Bert Baker and wife; John R. Kaseberg, E. E. Kaseberg and wife, L. W. Kaseberg and wife; Boone Wheat and wife; E. W. Cooper; J. L. Brackett and wife; Clara Dear; C. L. Ireland and wife; C. O. Merchant and wife; L. V. Walton and wife; A. Heydt, J. J. Wiley, Lizzie Hodges, J. H. Sympton; Mrs. G. R. Walton Corrothers, Mrs. Melvin Walton Nelson and two daughters; Mary P. Southwick, Mrs. F. M. Decker, E. E. McMillen and wife; Charles Akers, J. W. Henkle, B. F. Peetz and wife; T. C. Lee and wife; Margaret Holman, Mrs. R. Neice, N. H. Smith, A. L. Herin and wife; Mary E. Brackett, Ethyle Davis Leaming, Maybell Moore, Chas. Powell, W. B. Curry and wife; Alex Hunter and wife and daughter; G. E. Mathews and wife; E. J. Brown and wife; L. W. Michael and wife; Autrey Mae Michael, L. D. Seeley and wife and baby; A. S. Johnson and wife; Albert M. Disher, Mrs. Lillie M. Webber, J. E. Morrow and wife; J. A. Tozier, Walter Frazer, Mrs. Paul Graham, Mrs. Helen Graham Larson; Dr. J. R. Morgan; L. R. French and wife; Helen Homewood Clark, Maud Homewood; Phil M. Johnson, Vera Goetjen, Teresa Roach, Willy Knighten and family; Rev. F. E. Smith.

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Bobbie Gillmor Wins Tennis Tournament

Final game of the mens' tennis tournament was played Sunday afternoon before an interested crowd. The first game went to 8-6 indicating the comparative strength of the two players, Dean Pinkerton and Bobbie Gillmor. The second game was different with Gillmor warming up to his task and winning easily 6-1 to end the match.

Drawing for the mixed doubles were made last Saturday and the following will play: Dewey Thompson and Betty Coffman vs. Dean Pinkerton and Betty Powell; Ray Blake and Louise Barzee vs. Bob Gillmor and Inez Thompson; Ted Thompson and Ardis Truitt vs. Carl Peetz and Florence Lawrence; Lloyd Hennagin and Gene Brisbane vs. Wendell Balsiger and Merle Miller; Carol Bennett and Gertrude Gillmor vs. John Grimes and Ratha Sayrs; Seral Searcy and Clara Mersinger vs. Bob Henderson and Dorothy Fraser; Paul May and Alice Henderson vs. Eddie Peters and Lucille May. Games are being played this week in the first round.

Wheat League Program Being Made

Mounting interest in the Eastern Oregon Wheat League's state convention, to be held in Condon in December, is evidenced by the fact that a number of out-of-state wheat growers plan to attend, coming from as far away as Texas.

The out-of-state interest, according to Harry Proudfoot of Wasco, president, is an outgrowth of the league's AAA wheat acreage compliance contest. Winning counties are now being determined for each participating state.

Idaho, Montana, Washington and Texas have written Proudfoot that they want to be represented at the convention. In announcing Texas' interest, C. H. Day, president of the Texas Agricultural association, said: "It is to the interest of all agriculture that sectional lines be erased with mutual understanding. It will benefit the wheat farmers of Texas to be represented at the Oregon council table."

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Fair Program All Prepared And Ready For Show

1939 Fair Gates Will Swing Open Next Friday For 3 Days Entertainment

The fair board meeting of Monday night settled some of the minor problems that remained as the fair dates approach. The new buildings being put up to house the harness and traps of the six horse teams will be finished in a short time and be in readiness when the fancy rigging with silver mountings is brought to the show. A decision was made to have a bicycle race Friday, children's day. There will, in fact, be two races, one for boys up to 15 years old and one for girls up to 16 years old. The boys race will be half mile and the girls a quarter. Prizes will be \$4 for first, \$3 for second, \$2 for third and \$1 for fourth and entries must be made by five o'clock Thursday night in order that the entries can be included in the program.

As a safety measure the board ruled that all boys who ride calves must have the written consent of their parents.

Lee and Christy LeRoy, trick riders and ropers, will arrive this week end to give additional drill on the grand entry which they are directing this year for the first time it has been presented here. Local riders and local horses will make up the group which will drill in front of the grand stand each day before the program begins.

Confirmation has been received from Mack Bartlett, owner of the group of trained donkeys that will be principal actors in the football game Saturday night. It will be given under lights with six man teams one from the Wasco Civic club and one from the Moro Breakfast club.

AAA BROADCASTS

R. M. Evans, national administrator of the Agricultural Adjustment administration, will be heard soon over two Oregon broadcast stations in a transcribed address. Dates are: KOIN, Portland, 9 p. m. Tuesday, September 12; and KPJI, Klamath Falls, 7 p. m., Wednesday, September 13.

ron supreme court and the new lawyers will be entertained at a luncheon arranged by the board of governors of the Oregon bar.

Official Oregon was well represented at the dedication of the tongue point naval base on the lower Columbia river last week. Governor Sprague was one of the speakers at the dedication ceremony and both Secretary of State Snell and State Treasurer Pearson were among the numerous "admirals" at the regatta, of which the dedication was an outstanding feature.

O. D. Adams, state director of vocational education, has just received notice of his appointment as a member of the Oregon state advisory board of the national youth administration.

Leo Friedlander of New York City, sculptor of the statutory that guards the entrance to Oregon's new capitol, has been here the past week supervising the finishing touches to the huge granite pieces, work on which is now completed.

Fatalities as well as injuries in traffic injuries on Oregon highways this year are ahead of the 1938 record, according to figures compiled by Secretary of State Snell.

The Oregon Pension Federation has addressed a letter to Governor Sprague urging his support to a program providing for a retiring pension of \$40 a month for all citizens of 65 years of age or over who would refrain from all gainful pursuits. The proposed pension would be financed out of state and federal funds.

Red C. McCormack of Eugene has been appointed assistant state veterinarian to succeed Dr. R. J. Green, resigned. McCormack is the son of former state senator

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