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**FARM PROGRAM**

Every place one goes there is discussion of the farm program; nearly every place there is agreement that the fixed price system will not work in normal times. It was designed to increase production and to pull farmers out of economic collapse—a collapse caused by over production after World War I and the inevitable decline in foreign trade.

As was explained at the meeting here Monday a severe drought in the thirties used up the first surplus and the second World War disposed of the second. The fixed price policy causes the production of too much wheat. That has never been more apparent than now.

It also reduces the advantage that big commercial wheat producers have over small producers. Big producers do the job more efficiently. They have huge acreages, fine machinery, good research programs and are as efficient at their job as any farmers in the world. They can produce wheat cheaper than the little farmers—and do, despite the cost of their machinery and fertilizers. They can derive little advantage from their efficiency under a fixed price system. Any reduction in acreage hurts them more than it does smaller growers because they usually have no other crop to grow and reduction increases their per bushel costs.

The fixed price system has almost eliminated the man who used to deal in wheat, the man who tried to increase the consumption of wheat. The high price helps keep the people from eating wheat; it has almost stopped the use of wheat as stock feed. The fixed price system is falling under normal conditions and well it might for it wasn't built for normal times in the first place. It is not wise to ride it clear to the bottom when there is a chance of getting off.

Several other kinds of farm programs have been suggested; the two-price system, the sliding parity plan. Neither may be the final answer. Both are important because they show the thinking of men concerned about the future of agriculture and often directly involved in it. By such thinking a better plan can be evolved.

A new plan will have to be one that realizes the facts of agricultural life; be designed to keep agriculture healthy despite lower demand (which may best be done by helping increase that demand). It must also protect the farmer from the price drops that must eventually come unless overproduction is stopped. It should, we think, offer compensations to agriculture so that it will provide the food and fiber the nation needs instead of piling up surpluses of a few cash crops.

**DECLINE OF THE VEST**

A news note, read wearily, as are most men's fashion notes says that the vest is no longer a modern or even acceptable item of wearing apparel. This we deplore while disbelieving it.

Styles vary so much and so often revert to older modes that it is unlikely that any article of dress will become entirely obsolete, or so old that the wearing of it will not be revived. This after admitting that it has been a long time since men wore lace at their cuffs.

Were the style makers to outlaw the coat it would cause no personal pain or sense of loss. A coat is a miserable piece of equipment, too long or too short, too baggy or too tight, too hot in summer, too cold in winter. Would they but put sleeves in a vest it would be a much better article to wear.

Victory, although temporary, of the coat over the vest has been caused, we contend, by the failure of dieticians to influence men. The coat covers and partially hides the inevitable result of gastronomic indiscretions. The vest boldly bares them. The vest has been discarded because men do not want any restraint on their over-fed stomachs.

The modern wearer of a coat,

that presently baggy thing held together by one unconfining button, looks like an Indian in a blanket. The next step should be to make a poncho out of it to more correctly hide the sagging stomach, the hanging loins.

The coat, we are saying, is the masculine mother-Hubbard. Men will not permit their women-folk to wear mother-Hubbards. They must be trim, or as trim as appetite will let them. And this while men hide their physical deformities under a huge and floppy coat. It ain't fair, gals.

**LET US BE INDIVIDUALS**

In recent months a person who reads generally in the dozens of magazines in which public affairs are discussed must come to a feeling, if not a solid conclusion, that there is a decline in popularity of crazy ideas about political matters.

We said "crazy" because nearly every other term has been worn out. Purveyors of such ideas style themselves as "liberals" which they are not. They appear as new-dealers, fair-dealers and are called egg-heads, screw-balls by those of a more conservative and realistic turn of mind.

Actually they stem back to the Jacobins and the French revolutionists. Actually it is healthy to have a revival of their thinking now and then if it doesn't get out of hand. They can be a fine goad to a sometimes lethargic conservatism. They should not be discouraged only suppressed periodically.

The best writer for this perennial group has been Karl Marx, who really evolved a political philosophy that has been partially accepted in almost every country except the very one that professes to follow it. That is Russia.

In this country the latest conflict has been about the amount of services the government should perform for the citizens. That amount has been greatly increased and a certain part of it accepted as being for the general good. This has resulted in a great growth of government. Federal, state, county, city, school district, all have been given or have assumed more power over the lives of individuals than they had a generation ago. The reason the advocates of such a trend are not liberals is that a liberal is opposed to the growth of government and for the development of individuals, or the liberty of individuals.

There would be little fun in living should the theory of big government be carried to its eventual end. That is why we are glad to note—or think we note—a halt in its growth. When government gives us the same prenatal and baby care, the same kind of education, the same kind of job, the same kind of house, the same kind of retirement, we see no pressing need to struggle against the onset of the Russians who would so dearly love to do the same thing.

There may be a kinder smile on the face of American rulers, and that may be because the job of de-individualizing the citizen isn't complete.

We doubt if the government can do anything for a citizen better than he can do it for himself. And if it could it shouldn't. Not if it wants to keep him a citizen instead of a robot.

**Dr. Frank D. Reid**

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Moro Hotel

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**Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.F. & A.M.**

Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us. Howard Ross, W. M. H. B. Pinkerton, Secretary

**Bethlehem Chapter No. 12 O.E.S.**

Meets every second and fourth Thursday in each month. Visiting members invited. Moro, Oregon. Betty Christianson, W.M. Elsie Jones, Secretary

**Moro Lodge No. 113 I.O.O.F.**

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited. John E. DeMoss, N.G. Leo Watkins, Secretary

**Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116**

Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Althea Burnet N.G. Helen Martin, Sec.

**WASCO NEWS**

**Mrs. Joe Drinkard**

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nisbet spent the weekend in The Dalles as guests of her brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fridley and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Drinkard Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. George Drinkard Sr. spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Everett at Olex. The Everetts were Sherman county residents for over 40 years and only last year moved to Olex.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Van Gaasbeck and children Betty and Gary brought his mother Mrs. Vieda Van Gaasbeck home from a short visit with them at Blalock.

Volleyball and basketball games this week, Friday are here with Heppner and Saturday with Rufus. Saturdays games promise to be good entertainment as special surprise plans are being made by the girls.

While playing with her son Gary, Mrs. Arlet Rhinehart fell and broke a bone in her leg. It is in a cast and she will be house bound for a few weeks.

Two of our service boys have recently been promoted to private first class in the U. S. Army. They are John Buck who is doing machine repair work in England, and Chuck Wallace, who is stationed in Korea in the supply department.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargent were Mr. and Mrs. Art Olson of Kelso, Wash., Mrs. Olson is a cousin of Mrs. Sargent, Harry and Vernon Van Gilder.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All persons having claims against the Estate of Bertha Coyie, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Bertha Coyie, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to-wit: February 26, 1954.

Thomas J. Coyle  
Executor  
T. Lester Johnson,  
Attorney for Executor  
Moro, Oregon 17-20c

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins, Marvin Howell and Charles Siscoel attended the Moro Odd Fellows oyster feed and card party last week.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Van Gilder were Mr. and Mrs. Art Olson, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Van Gilder and Miss Vivian Trounce. The Sargents and the Olsons spent Sunday evening

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All persons having claims against the Estate of Agnes R. Andrews, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Agnes R. Andrews, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: February 26, 1954.

William H. Andrews  
Administrator  
T. Lester Johnson,  
Attorney for Administrator 17-20c

**NOTICE OF BID**

Notice is hereby given that the Sherman County Fair Board will accept bids for one or more of the eating concessions at the Sherman County Fair to be held September 9 to 12. All bids must be in writing and be mailed or delivered to the Secretary not later than April 1, 1954.

The Sherman County Fair Board reserves the right to refuse any or all bids.  
Dated February 14, 1954.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All persons having claims against the Estate of Jesse N. Landry, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Jesse N. Landry, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to-wit: February 19, 1954.

Eva Landry  
Executrix  
T. Lester Johnson,  
Attorney for Executrix 16-9c

**From where I sit... by Joe Marsh**



**Handy and Easy "Sign Up"**

Last month's safety drive was a big success—almost. Every one helped—the schools ran movies on safe driving, Rotary put up posters, and Handy and Easy Peters went out on their own.

The boys put up a big sign by the side of the highway. It said, "Slow down—the life you save may be your own." It was a good idea—after the police moved the sign back twelve feet.

In their enthusiasm Handy and Easy put it too close to the road—in fact, right on the sharpest curve on the highway. They made

driving unsafe by cutting off the view around the curve.

From where I sit, lots of people—even though they mean well—suffer from short-sightedness now and again. For instance, some can never see any further than their own preferences. They even go so far as to object to my choice of a glass of beer with supper. Shouldn't we always take the "long view"... and respect our neighbors' rights?

Joe Marsh

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visiting Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Van Gilder and family.

Mrs. Estella Dillinger and Mrs. Chester Andrews of Banks arrived Monday for a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hastings took the high school boys, Rob Hastings, Harry Decker, Jack Wallace, Joe Drinkard, Virgil Jepson and Milton Zell to The Dalles to see the 3D show. After the show they returned to the Hastings' home for Rob's birthday

**WANT ADS**

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**FOR SALE:** Flynn Barley, Peetz Brothers Ranch, Tygh Valley, Oregon. Call 2254 or 2252 Wamlc. 16-17c

**FOR SALE:** Two 3-yr old registered Hereford bulls. Bernard Martin, Grass Valley Ph. 419. 16-8p

**WANTED:** Man or woman to call on farmers in Sherman county and endorsed "not paid for want of funds" \$ None

**FOR SALE:** 75-100 tons baled alfalfa and barley hay, \$20.00 a ton on ranch. Also few tons Compa barley seed (drouth resistant) \$75.00 per ton. Ben Taylor, Antelope 15-18p

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cake to watch television. It was

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wallace and Harry Decker's birthday also. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Everett and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jim Gooddale of Olex were over last week for the Andrew's funeral services and afterwards visited

**NOTICE OF NONHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with section 111-1244, O. C. L. A., to the legal voters of the Nonhigh School District of Sherman County, Oregon, that a meeting will be held at the Courthouse in Moro, Oregon, on the 12th day of March, 1954, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of discussing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1954, and ending June 30, 1955, hereinafter set forth.

BUDGET ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	
1. Estimated available cash on hand	\$ 70.50
2. Bus reserve account	2,100.00
3. Basic school fund	4,750.00
4. Depreciation in lieu of tuition	1,300.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,220.50</b>

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
1. Tuition - depreciation in lieu	\$ 1,300.00
2. Transportation	4,400.00
3. Audit and filing fee	27.50
4. Postage	8.00
5. Election and publicity	50.00
6. Travel	85.00
7. School bus reserve	2,100.00
8. Emergency	250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,220.50</b>

**SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES, RECEIPTS, AND AVAILABLE CASH BALANCES AND TAX LEVY**

I. Total estimated expenditures	\$ 8,220.50
II. Deduct total estimated receipts and available cash balances	8,220.50
III. Amount necessary to balance the budget	None
IV. Balance to be raised by taxation	None
<b>VI. Total estimated tax levy for the ensuing fiscal year</b>	<b>\$ None</b>

Dated February 15, 1954  
Wily W. Knighten (Signed)  
Clerk  
Bernard Martin (Signed)  
Chr., Board of Directors  
Approved by Budget Committee  
February 15, 1954  
Chester C. Coats (Signed)  
Sec., Budget Committee  
Harold D. Eakin (Signed)  
Chr., Budget Committee

**WHAT'S DOING**

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