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NATURE FOOLS THE "EXPERTS"

The danger of plans, however well meant, that would artificially curb basic crop production to a substantial degree, are found in the current wheat outlook. Best estimates show that the world crop this year will be dangerously small. And much of our wheat acreage in America has been deliberately removed from service.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that movements and policies that really and permanently help agriculture—to say nothing of the public at large—stem less from governmental farm programs than from the farmers themselves. While "farm relief" programs have five movement to improve production and distribution methods, has been going ahead, and each year has witnessed new achievements. changed and officeholders have come and gone, the farm cooperatives have a permanent, non-political program base on sound, proven principles, as contrasted with governmental programs which are necessarily infested with politics.

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TWENTY BUREAUS FOR ONE JOB

In a plea for reorganization and consolidation of Federal bureaus, Senator Byrd of Virginia, recently pointed out some astonishing instances of duplication and overlapping.

For example, at least 24 agencies have been created to deal with lending government funds, and five similar agencies are now in liquidation.

At least 3 agencies have been concerned with insuring deposits and loans.

At least 10 agencies have been concerned with government construction.

At least 9 agencies have been concerned with credit and finance.

At least 12 agencies have been concerned with home and community planning.

At least 16 agencies have been concerned with wild life conservation.

So it goes, down a long list. Every one of the purposes for which these agencies have been created may be beneficial and legitimate—but certainly there can be no excuse for setting up 20 bureaus to do one bureau's job. Nor can there be any excuse for permitting bureaus to grow unchecked and to eat up tax funds in unimaginable quantities. Senator Byrd also points out that one bureau has 13 addresses in Washington alone.

Untold millions of public dollars are thrown away annually through duplication. Congress can have no excuse for failure to adopt at once a reorganization plan such as has been recently proposed.

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DRIVER'S LICENSING RESTRICTIONS VITAL

It is widely believed among safety authorities that passage of the standard drivers' license law by all of the 48 states is an essential step in solving our automobile death and accident toll.

States which have adopted the law find that it is definitely in the interest of public safety and better driving.

The law is not designed to materially lessen the number of persons operating cars—it is designed to force them, if need be, to be more reasonably competent and careful. Under the terms of the law applicants are given an examination on traffic rules and a driving test. If they fail the first time they may take the examination again later. Ultimately, only a small percentage of drivers fail to earn licenses—and all licensed drivers are more capable pilots of automobiles.

But the law does prevent the licensing of persons whose presence at the wheel of a car would constitute a menace to life, property and health. These include persons under the legal age limit, habitual drunkards, narcotic addicts, the congenitally reckless and incompetent, etc.

Today many states have no provision whatsoever for examining drivers. Other states have outmoded or ineffective restrictions. In these states thousands of men and women are legally entitled to drive cars, who are mentally and physically incapable of operating their machines safely and prudently. That is largely responsible for the automobile's horrible annual harvest of 36,000 lives.

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RURAL FIRE PROTECTION

Out of the Central West comes a new move in the field of rural fire prevention, that promises to reduce fire waste which each year takes a toll of one hundred million dollars of farm property.

The rural districts have stood defenseless against fire unless by lucky chance the fire should be discovered in its early stages when it would yield to the primitive method of dousing it with a pail of water. For many years towns and cities have developed more and more efficient fire protection from the original hand apparatus to the fast motorized equipment.

While rural losses have attracted much attention and valuable educational work in the field of fire prevention, there has been, until now, no systematic movement to extend organized fire protection to the farms. Manufacturers have now developed efficient motorized equipment especially adapted to farm service, and the greatly improved roads make it possible for this equipment to be moved rapidly from headquarters to the scene of a fire within a radius of ten miles.

The Fire Underwriters Association has given standing to rural fire protection by setting up standards for rural fire department equipment and organization and by incorporating in the farm rate schedules a credit to farm property where these standards are met.

This has given an auspicious start to a development which is likely to be far-reaching in its good result. The supporters of this movement visualize a healthy growth of rural fire protection districts until most of the farms of the country will share with the towns and cities in the benefits of effective motorized fire departments. A reduction of the rural fire waste by half would result in the saving of a hundred million dollars of property loss and thousands of lives annually.

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WORSTED MILLS CONTROVERSY

Portland has been treated to a sensational controversy in connection with the hearing of the Oregon Worsteds Mills before a trial examiner of the National Labor Relations board. Testimony by Portland police has tended to indicate that bombs recently found at the mill may have been placed there by someone seeking to embarrass the union agitators.

A cloak of mystery has been thrown about the entire affair with the public left to draw its conclusions from the prejudiced statements of opposing attorneys while the real testimony has been taken in secret sessions.

Officials of the labor relations board state that they are not concerned whether a crime has or has not been committed, but that they are seeking evidence of violations of the Wagner Act.

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This Friday marks the end of the 40 days for which Oregon legislators draw pay. During the rest of their sojourn, while the hands of the clock stand still, they will work for nothing while their clerks and aides continue on the state payroll. Lucky is the lawmaker who has his wife as his clerk.

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Farmers, if they are wise, will keep their farms on a self-supporting basis, regardless of all relief schemes.

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