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COMPETITION VS COOPERATION

It has been said that "competition is the life of trade". We take issue with this statement. Competition is more likely to prove disastrous than beneficial unless it is coupled with cooperation. Whenever so-called competition has seemed to succeed, we believe it will be discovered that after all it was a case of successful cooperation. For instance, a city divided by a river causes rivalry in development of its respective areas. Soon it will be discovered that one side is growing faster than the other, finer and larger stores, more attractive dwellings, streets, etc. Does some one say, "I told you so, it takes a little competition to stir things up". You are wrong, the more rapid development of one section over the other was due to the cooperation of the people of that district. They worked together and, while no doubt leadership played its part, the real accomplishments were the result of cooperation.

What was said about rivalry between sections of a city is just as true in the case of rivalry between cities or communities.

Building and tearing down cannot be done at the same time. One process must wait upon the other. Tearing down is but time off from building and only results in delaying the completion of the task one started out to do. So we shall endeavor to keep steadily at our task of building.

It is our sincere desire to fit into our little niche here and do our part fully in a cooperative spirit for the advancement and upbuilding of the community.

We shall stand ready at all times to aid in every progressive movement inaugurated.

THINGS ONE REMEMBERS

An associated Press dispatch from Berlin reports that an editor of a well-known German newspaper has been sentenced to life imprisonment for "high treason."

The dispatch added that no official explanation was given as to just what he had done to merit such severe punishment, but that members of the foreign press corps remembered that a few months before he had divulged to them some of the orders given the German press by the "minister of propaganda" and had been immediately arrested.

Here is a fine fruit of dictatorship! Certainly it seems incredible that any government should tell its press precisely what it may or may not say and advocate, or that an editor who disobeys such dictation can be sentenced to a life behind bars.

Such things can only happen in nations where freedom of press, freedom of speech and constitutional liberties have been abrogated by iron-heeled dictators more powerful than the ancient Tsars.

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O S C Lists Oregon Fruit, Vegetable Shipments

A detailed list by years of all car lot shipments of fruits and vegetables in Oregon from 1925 to 1935, inclusive, has just been issued as a mimeographed circular by the extension service at Oregon State college. The list, the most complete of its kind to be issued for this state, gives the shipments by counties and shipping points within the counties.

Potatoes, pears, apples, onions, fresh prunes and cauliflower account for the bulk of the car lot shipments of fruits and vegetables in this state. The trend has been upward in regard to potatoes and onions, the peak of 5478 carloads having been reached in 1934 for potatoes and 1448 for onions the same year. Ten years ago the figures were 1252 and 518 carloads for these two commodities.

Hood River is the point of origin of a large part of the shipments, especially apples, pears and strawberries. Medford ranks first in pears, The Dalles first in cherries, Milton for fresh prunes and Salem for dried prunes.

Klamath county last year shipped 3798 cars of potatoes, compared with 699 cars from Deschutes and 315 from Malheur. Brooks in Marion county is the leading shipping point for celery and onions, while Nyssa in Malheur county ships out the most lettuce, the report shows.

The information was compiled from official car lot shipment reports of the U. S. department of agriculture, by students at O. S. C. employed under the NYA. The work was supervised by staff members in the extension economist's office. Copies are available for distribution to those interested.

For those needing more detailed information, listings were made by months for each shipping point, but this tabulation was so voluminous that it was placed on file for public use but was not published.

Malsters May Refine Oregon Barley This Year

A barley shortage similar to that which occurred in 1934 is in prospect again this year, judging by the most recent federal reports on the prospective barley crop. Two years ago, following a similar middlewestern drought, there developed a considerable demand for Oregon barley for malting purposes.

The three kinds of barley grown in this state most suitable for that purpose are Hannchen, Atlas and Wisconsin No. 38, says Dr. D. D. Hill, associate professor of farm crops at Oregon State college.

Growers of those varieties who are planning to hold their barley for this possible outlet will probably make money by getting in touch with their county agent as to best methods of threshing and handling barley for malting purposes, says Dr. Hill. Where it is handled in certain ways it frequently will command a substantial premium in comparison with the same kind threshed and handled in the ordinary manner.

Back To The Farms

Sales of farms and parts of farms by the 12 Federal land banks during the first four months of 1936 numbered 4,227 compared to 2,774 for a similar period last year, and nearly half as many as for the entire 12 months of 1935.

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