



Gather Data to Aid Plans for War Crops

Oregon farmers, particularly wheat growers, are going to have to make their own decisions on what changes, if any, should be made in their farming practices in view of the European war, but every effort is going to be made to see that they have all the facts possible on which to base such decisions.

Many people are assuming that what happened to wheat prices following the outbreak of the World war in 1914 will be repeated. The figures on comparative wheat supplies then and now do not bear out such a belief, say AAA officials. For example, at the outbreak of the World war in 1914 the world had a wheat supply of 3.7 billion bushels. This year the supply is 5.3 billion bushels, the largest in all history.

Furthermore, in recent years the European countries have become far more self sufficient in wheat production than at the opening of the World war. World wheat production outside the United States, exclusive of Russia and China, has increased from less than two billion bushels in 1914 to nearly three and one-half billion bushels in 1939.

These and many other facts will be presented for farmers to

use in deciding whether they wish to take a chance on wheat prices going higher than the amounts now received under the acreage allotment program.

GRANTS PASS MEN PICKED

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (Special)—Grants Pass, Ore., has contributed two governors of the Federal Home Loan Bank system. Preston Delano (fifth cousin of the President), was at one time connected with the Grants Pass railroad and was in business in Portland prior to being selected governor of the board. Delano was appointed comptroller of currency, leaving a vacancy which now is filled by James F. Twoby. Prior and since his connection with the HOLC, Twoby has been interested in endeavoring to extend the Grants Pass railroad to Crescent City, Calif. For years he was president of Twoby Brothers company, a contracting firm which constructed extensive railroad building in Oregon and Washington and which also built the Grants Pass railroad.

PICK WASHINGTON MAN

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (Special)—As a national defense measure Secretary of Agriculture Wallace has appointed an agricultural advisory council. Only member from the Pacific coast is Ervin E. King, master of the Washington state grange.

POLL CONGRESSMEN

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (Special)—Survey of the presidential situation by a national magazine, the poll taken among congressmen, shows 44 per cent predicting Vandenberg's nomination; 22 thought it would be Taft, and 12 per cent said Dewey. Republican runners-up were Bridges of New Hampshire; Martin of Massachusetts and McNary of Oregon. For the democratic nomination 43 predicted Roosevelt; 13 per cent said

Garner, with nine per cent for Hull. Democratic runners-up: Farley, McNutt, Hopkins, Clark of Missouri.

"No man has ever committed suicide when wearing a new hat." —Hat Style Hat Bureau. But he probably has felt like it when looking at one his wife was wearing.—Weston Leader.

• Howard Wiley made a business trip to Portland Sunday.

NURSERY SCHOOLS GET AID

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (Special)—President Roosevelt has signed as eligible for WPA funds a state-wide project for Oregon to maintain and operate free nursery schools for the needy. Allotment is estimated at \$91,817 and the sponsor is the state department of education.

One-half the world is likely to be shown soon how the other half dies.—Weston Leader.

(Continued from page 1) requisitions for one year's supply in order that the supply can be obtained "before prices increase." Among other items, a year's supply of sugar, flour, bacon, lard, coffee for government hospitals, camps, etc., the instruction of procurement division making Uncle Sam No. 1 hoarder.

Warlike atmosphere in the national capitol—Tourists forbidden to walk under the portico of the White House. Police of the executive mansion detail have shifted their service revolver from the hip to a holster slung from a white Sam Brown belt. No outsider permitted to peek into the building at the navy yard where big guns are rifled. Eighteen minutes after a shift changes in the navy yard every blueprint and other document must be accounted for by the last man inspecting it. There are 7500 civilians working in the yard; some were contributing to communist "front" organizations a few months ago. Secrecy surrounds Mr. Roosevelt's goings and comings between Washington and his mother's home at Hyde Park. Each day an officer from the army, another from the navy, sticks pins in a map of Europe facing the President's desk in the executive office, showing the day's developments in the war. Some new dealers who hate Hitler favor sending troops to the allies (they were too young to be in the first World war). The government has sent an improved gas mask of domestic manufacture to every representative in the foreign service in the war zone.

That farm revenue in the Pacific northwest was better in July than in July, 1938 (but still below July, 1937) is due to government payments. Of the farm revenue in Oregon last July, \$7,343,000, the government contributed \$363,000, the remainder being \$2,109,000 from crops and \$4,874,000 from livestock. For Washington's July revenue the government contributed \$1,120,000, other items being \$4,643,000 from crops and \$5,304,000 from livestock.

From January to Aug. 1, the government paid Oregon farmers \$4,300,000; Washington \$5,690,000. Including the government benefits, revenue for Oregon farms for the first seven months was \$43,213,000 and for Washington \$67,831,000. The figures show that livestock and livestock products bring in more revenue than crops—or did in the first seven months. Government payments for Idaho in the January-July period were \$5,446,000.

Behind the sudden abandonment of broadcasting the propaganda from Europe (it reached a point where no government-controlled station in the belligerent nations could be believed) was a slick piece of radio censorship on the American stations which were picking up the foreign broadcasts, making transcriptions, and recasting them. Every American station must have its license renewed every six months by the Federal Communications commission. Mr. Roosevelt disapproved of the propaganda. FCC gave a hint to the national networks, the propaganda transcription was discontinued. That's the inside story.

John L. Lewis, of CIO, and William Green of AFL are in for a severe jolt if America "goes in." Key man to handle industry and labor is a noted industrialist who had his troubles with the communist-inspired sit-down strikes. The President has approved this section.

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