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## WILL DISCUSS PLANS TO FINANCE FARMER

### EXTENSION OF CREDIT ON WAREHOUSE RECEIPTS SCHEME

#### Hoover And Wallace Head Movement To Solve Financial Problems Of Agriculture

(Telegram Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, June 11.—(Special.)—Financing of the farmer along modern and scientific lines so that he may warehouse his products and borrow on the warehouse receipts will be discussed at a conference next Monday before Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and Secretary of Commerce Hoover. It will be one of the most important of its kind ever held in the interest of advancing agriculture to the same financial basis as manufacturing and mining.

Representatives of various farm organizations, elevators and grain dealers, insurance companies and other associations interested have been invited to attend.

The proposal is to provide a method by which the farmer may be given unlimited storage facilities for his grain and receive a warehouse certificate in such form and under such conditions that it would pass as an order for delivery of the grain.

It would thus greatly increase his borrowing power and would relieve him of the pressure of selling his grain except at his own option. It would enable him to haul his grain at the time of the greatest farm economy without being compelled to sell at that time. It would extend his credit area far beyond his local bank. It would place him in the same position as to credit as the grain dealer.

The present system of local elevators and warehouses of small capacity, relying upon immediate dispatch to larger capacity terminal elevators, makes it impossible for the local elevator to give long storage of grain in any quantity. Owing to this situation, if the farmer wishes to retain his grain until more favorable marketing conditions he must hold it at the farm, then he must borrow money from his local bank where the credit is a personal one and limited by the ability and consideration of the local banker.

In turn the ability of the local banker to extend credit is greatly limited by his relation to the federal reserve system.

The proposal is therefore: A—That the country elevator should receive all grain offered for storage and issue a certificate as to quantity, grade and quality, shown on its face the rate of charge for warehousing, storage and insurance against fire and other risks.

B—That the country elevator should have the right to ship grain to the natural terminal elevator and upon presentation of the certificate deliver grain of the same or higher grade at the terminal with proper reflection of freight charges. If the grain had moved into a terminal elevator the charges of freight and handling together with the accumulated storage and insurance would be deducted from the sale value.

C—That the storage certificate should be safeguarded by a method of insurance by the liability companies. D—As there must be an absolute settlement between the country elevator and the farmer as to quantity, grade and quality, there must be some ready method of appeal in case of disagreement.

This might be arranged by farmers and country elevator operators agreeing to abide by a determination of samples made by some neutral authority such as the grade supervisor of the department of agriculture. Experience with millions of transactions under the grain corporation during the war showed that such disagreements are extremely rare and do not entail many appeals.

It is the above plan can be made practicable the farmer will have a prime collateral which will open to him a much wider circle of credit than that of his own local bank. Through the sale of his certificates he would be able to place his grain on the market at any time he wished under no compulsion by seasonal or financial reasons to accept a market price at variance with his own option.

The conference is to determine to what degree such a plan will benefit

## PREFERENCE RIGHTS FOR WAR VETERANS WILL BE EXTENDED

(Telegram Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, June 8.—Soldiers sailors and marines of the world war will have from February 14, next a continuation of the preference rights for the selection and settlement of lands. The original bill passed February 14, 1920, and gave the soldiers sailors and marines, sixty-day preference for two years from that date. This original bill will expire next February.

Representative Slinnot of Oregon introduced the bill to make the preference period ninety days and extend the time eight years from next February, making ten years in all. As chairman of the public lands committee he made a favorable report on this bill and succeeded in getting it through the house.

It will pass the senate promptly and will undoubtedly receive the signature of the president.

## WOOL MARKET OPENS HERE AT 18 1-2 CENTS

W. W. SMEAD BUYS 80,000 POUNDS FRIDAY

Auction Sale at Condon Same Day Brings Grower 16 1-2 To 20 1-4

The first sale of wool in this county to be reported for many months was announced last Friday by W. W. Smead, acting for Boston buyers, who bought the Minor & Matlock and Minor and Thompson fine wool clips at 18 1/2 cents. The two lots aggregate about 80,000 pounds and is all fine wool.

While sheepmen are encouraged by this movement, not many are disposed to sell at the figure named which Mr. Smead says is the top price he is permitted to offer.

Many of the growers figure that wool is at the bottom now and that as it is a commodity that usually fluctuates considerably they feel disposed to hold a little longer before selling. Several have fixed their price at 20 cents while others seem to think that the market may go to 24 or 25 but nobody knows what the outcome will be. It seems to be generally believed, however, that there will be a general movement in the commodity within the next few weeks.

At a sale held at Condon last Friday about 400,000 pounds changed hands, the prices ranging from 16 3/4 to 20 1/4 cents. Buyers present were Chas. Green, F. A. Clark, Alex. Livingston, J. P. Dufour, Henry Wagner, George Sharpe, Isador Koshland, and Arno Drew and they represented most of the big woolen mills and wool dealers of New England.

An important private sale was made at Baker last Thursday when C. P. Ragsdale sold his 1920 and 1921 clips comprising 270,000 pounds to the Portland Warehouse Co., of Portland, for 16 cents a pound. The Ragsdale wool is said to be of the finest quality but sheepmen say that last year's clip was not nearly up to the standard of the present clip and this fact may have something to do with the price paid for this lot. There yet remains in Baker county a million and a half pounds which the producers are disposed to hold for better prices.

### DID NOT SIGN NAME

The Herald is in receipt of a letter from Boardman containing an advertisement of pasturage for 40 head of bucks to which the writer failed to sign his name. Please forward name and advertisement will be inserted.

Dave Wilson started for Condon Saturday morning but after he had made about 15 miles of the trip his car refused to go any farther and he had to be towed back to town. Dave thinks he will try and walk it thence time.

The position of the farmer, how far it will increase the mobility of his credit, how far it can be made workable from the point of view of elevator operators and insurance companies, and the methods and machinery by which it can be set in motion. If the plan can be made practicable, it will in no way overlap or replace co-operative activities. Its function being to render farmers' credit security more mobile will, in fact, contribute to any co-operative effort.

## WILL BRING MANY NEW SETTLERS TO OREGON

### FIRST TRAINLOAD TO ARRIVE JULY 21

More Than 1000 Inquiries Regarding Oregon Lands Already Received At Portland Office

PORTLAND, Or., June 7.—(Special.)—The state of Oregon is on the right track at last in regard to land settlement, and the plan undertaken this summer for bringing settlers from the middle west, if followed as a consistent policy for a number of years, will bring Oregon up to her development, according to C. C. Genoux, of Omaha, assistant supervisor of agriculture of the Union Pacific system, in an address before the Oregon State Chamber to Commerce land settlement conference.

The conference of representative business men and commercial club secretaries was called to perfect arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the first trainload of settlers who will arrive in Oregon from the middle west on July 21st, and to formulate plans for a continued land settlement policy for the future.

"Oregon has been a step or two behind the parade in the past in regard to land settlement," declared Genoux in pledging the unequalled support of the Union Pacific system to the present plans, "Heretofore, there has been no organized plan for bringing settlers to the state or to take care of them after their arrival. You are on the right track at last, and your success is certain."

William Hanley, a director of the State Chamber, who has just returned from the middle west, declared that the middle easterners are ready to move and are interested in Oregon. An increasingly large number of these substantial farmers can be brought to Oregon each succeeding year, he said.

Secretary Quayle's report of the progress made in the land settlement plan thus far was received with enthusiasm by the assembled delegates. It was pointed out that a great interest in the homesteaders' excursion to Oregon in July was being manifested throughout the middle west. More than 1,000 inquiries had been answered thus far, according to the report.

The fullest co-operation in the land settlement plans of the state chamber was pledged by delegates from various parts of the state who were present at the conference. These delegates included Charles Hall, Alameda Falls; Leslie Butler, Hood River; George W. Hyatt, Enterprise; W. P. O'Brien, Astoria; Thomas B. Kay, T. A. McCroskey and A. C. Gohndstedt of Salem; E. E. Brodie Oregon City; R. H. Jones, Beaverton; John Henderson, Clatsop City; Harry W. Gard, Madras; J. H. Fuller, Ashland; W. A. Reid, Marshfield; H. A. Joshi, Dallas; M. O. Morgan, Washburn; R. L. Scher, Prineville; W. E. Cochran, Baker; J. Antine, Elsie; Paul Robinson, Aurora; Alfred A. Ays, Roy T. Bishop, Wm. McMurray, N. E. Carpenter, John Ferguson, Ralph Akeley, George L. Hurd, W. J. Griffith, F. M. Rummel, Mrs. Winnie Braden, Wm. H. Crawford and A. R. Johnson.

### GOLD FIND REPORTED IN UMATILLA COUNTY

According to the Echo News a miniature gold stampede was staged in that section last week when Claud Scribner and Leo Womack filed a discovery location on a ledge discovered on the Scribner homestead section 22, Tp. 3 north, range 27 east. The ledge is said to be well defined and samples show the presence of iron and gold. Samples have been sent away for assay. About a dozen claims have already been staked and the matter has caused quite a ripple of excitement. The location is some three miles north of the base line and near the Morrow county line.

Dr. Paris Richards, of Illinois has become associated with Dr. Conder in the Heppner Sanatorium Hospital and will be permanently with that institution. Drs. Conder and Richards will also conduct a sanatorium at Ritter Hot Springs during the summer months.

## CIRCUIT COURT HOLDS ONLY TWO DAY TERM

### ETERNAL TRIANGLE MAIN FEATURE OF SHORT TERM

Alienation of Affections Damage Suit, Three Divorce Cases Occupy Courts Attention

The present term of circuit court which will close today might be well described as a court of domestic relations judging from the number of cases in which the eternal triangle appeared.

The only jury trial came Monday morning and was one in which Geo. Hildebrand sought to recover \$5,000 from Harry McCormick for alleged alienation of the affections of Mrs. Ruth Hildebrand. McCormick, who it appeared, is a widower with several small children, employed Mrs. Hildebrand to keep house for him and care for his children and according to the testimony of Hildebrand, she soon began to show a decided coolness towards her husband and a decided preference for McCormick. The husband testified he watched the couple through a window of the McCormick home at bedtime, his testimony being of such a nature as must have been embarrassing to his wife who was present in the court room, and who is again living with her husband. After a short deliberation the jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

The following divorces were granted:

Madge Calkins vs. George Calkins, of Ione.

John Hango vs. Laura Hango, of Boardman.

W. T. McRoberts vs. Millie McRoberts, of Heppner.

Civil cases that were expected to come to trial were either settled out of court or continued for the term.

### INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS FROM ALL OVER OREGON

SALEM, Or., June 9.—(Special.)—Oregon's total obligations, including securities of the state municipalities, irrigation districts and other subdivisions, aggregate from \$27,000,000 to \$60,000,000, according to figures being compiled by the state tax commission. Of this amount the obligation of the state proper is about \$25,000,000.

H. J. Eberly has been appointed by the state board of forestry as deputy state forester at a salary of \$2500 a year. He has been with the department for several years.

Percy A. Cupper state engineer, and Frank C. Branwell, state superintendent of banks, during the week inspected the Silver Lake and Summer Lake irrigation districts in Lake County relative to their application to sell \$355,000 in bonds at 80 cents on the dollar.

Herbert Gordon of Portland, member of the state legislature, and incidentally member of the ways and means committee and of the state emergency board, has been appointed by Governor Olcott as a member of the state board of regents of the University of Oregon.

Dr. R. C. Ellsworth, of Poplarville, has been reappointed by the governor as a member of the state board of chiropractic examiners.

Arthur Bergdick and W. D. Whitcomb, of Portland, have been reappointed by Governor Olcott as members of the state board of accountancy.

Ted Clayton, 41, an inmate of the state penitentiary died suddenly last Thursday while mopping a floor at the prison. He was convicted in Lynn county.

Carl Engstrom, of Salem, has been awarded the contract to build a new dormitory at the state school for feeble minded. His bid was \$28,599. J. A. Bernard, of Salem, will install the heating plant at a cost of \$8633 and the Valley Electric company will install the electric light at \$735.

The Pacific Power & Light company has filed with the public service commission, tariffs increasing street car fares at Astoria from 5 to 7 cent and also increasing gas rates. If not protested to new rates will be effective June 30. Otherwise they will be passed on by the commission. Adjutant General White has been informed by the war department that examinations to fill 3000 vacancies

## OREGON GRAIN GROWERS HOLD ELECTION

The Oregon Grain Growers for Morrow county held their first annual election in the I. O. O. F. hall Wednesday afternoon. One hundred and twenty-five members were present besides other farmers.

There were a total of 143 votes cast, many of them having been mailed in. Howard Anderson Herb Olden and Henry Smouse were chosen delegates to the annual meeting to be held in The Dales, June 17 for the permanent organization of the association and the election of permanent directors.

The meeting went on record as urging the selection of Howard Anderson and Herb Olden as the directors for this district. They also expressed the opinion that this was an opportune time to go into the warehouse business and endorsed the action of the directors in refusing to purchase the Tri-State equipment in Oregon.

## VETERANS' AID MEASURE CARRIES BY 111 VOTES

### OTHER MEASURES ON BALLOT LOSE IN COUNTY

Election Last Tuesday Quiet Affair With Only 25 Per Cent Vote Cast

The election last Tuesday was a quiet affair in Morrow county, only about 25 per cent of the registered vote being cast. The voters evidently did not take much interest in the measures the legislature had passed up to them but with the exception of the constitutional amendment providing state aid to veterans of the World War, the measures received a general turnout.

Following are given the official returns for this county:

Legislative Regulation and Compensation—Yes 224; No 461. Majority against 240.

Soldiers Aid Fund—Yes 424; No 315. Majority for 111.

Emergency clause veto—Yes 307; No 359. Majority against 63.

Women Jurors—Yes 344; No 368. Majority against 24.

clies in the rank of second lieutenant in the United States army will be held August 22. Men of proper qualifications between the ages of 21 and 30 are eligible. The officers are wanted for all branches of the service.

By and order of the public service commission, water rates at Mosier have been increased.

The public service commission has set July 18 as the date for the beginning of the rehearing of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph rate case.

Three fatal accidents out of a total of 295 industrial casualties were reported to the state industrial accident commission for the week ending June 2. The fatal cases were: Tom Flannery, Valseiz, timber worker; W. O. Earl, Knappa, hooker; Harry J. Foster, Salem, section man.

In reply to an inquiry by state Treasurer Hoff an opinion has been written by attorney general Van Winkle holding that the state bond commission has the authority to buy the securities of counties and school districts of less than 5000 population, but that cities whose bonds are purchased must have at least 5000 population.

During the month of April the amount of gasoline sold in Oregon represents an increase of \$33,155 over the amount distributed the preceding month, and an increase of \$59,085 over sales for April 1920.

Adjutant General White announces that plans are complete for the annual encampment of the Oregon national guard troops beginning June 15. Units of the heavy artillery will train at Fort Stevens and the infantry and field artillery units at camp Lewis.

Motor vehicle registrations in Oregon for the month of May were 4574 in number, according to the secretary of state. The number registered since the first of the year is 199,169.

L. A. Hunt left Sunday for Corvallis to attend Farmers' Week at O. A. C. Oscar Keithley and R. W. Turner also expected to make the trip.

## ENGINEERS MAP OUT GREAT POWER SYSTEM

### ELECTRICITY FOR ALL PURPOSES IN INDUSTRIAL REGIONS

Report to Be Made to Congress, With Request for Appropriation On Completion of Survey

(Telegram Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, June 10.—(Special.)—A plan for the generation and distribution of electrical power in the big industrial regions, extending from Boston to Washington, is being mapped out by the United States Geological Survey. Government engineers say they regard the plan as the greatest economic importance to these people, in that it provides for distribution of electrical energy for every purpose.

The uses to which the electricity generated is expected to be applied are not only the operation of railroads, the driving of machinery and the lighting of cities and towns, but the domestic uses when with modern invention, are myriad. Indeed, the contemplated plan on which the government is to be asked for financial aid, is looked upon as representing the first big step towards the opening up of the vast possibilities of electrical energy directly to the people at moderate cost.

As soon as the survey has been completed, a report will be sent to congress with recommendations for an appropriation to carry out what government engineers declare to be a "stupendous project of unified development of electricity from the potential water power in the East."

Should Congress act favorably upon the proposed project, electricity would be derived from both water power and steam drives machinery, effecting an estimated saving of about 25,000,000 tons of coal a year. This power would be sufficient to run 12,000 miles of railroad, light cities operate street railways, factories and mines.

The case with which the engineers say power can be carried and distributed throughout the big industrial territory constituting the "super-power zone," is expected to result in the establishment of new industrial centers, the employment of additional labor and the building of new homes. The St. Lawrence, Manicouette, and, as well as streams in the Adirondacks, will supply the electrical energy.

Engineers point out that in the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania an astonishingly large proportion of the coal brought to the surface is required to be used at the mouth of the mines to pump water from the underground galleries. By means of electrification and the supply of super-power a conservative estimate based on actual tests show a possible annual saving of 3,500,000 tons of anthracite on the estimated cost of electrifying the anthracite mines are not available at this time, but it is planned to have them ready for the report to be presented to congress.

Some of the big things the super-power plan is expected to bring about are the following:

Electrification of 12,000 miles of railroad at gross cost of \$1,000,000,000 reduced to \$500,000,000 by savings on coal and maintenance would return approximately 14 per cent on the investment.

The saving of 6,000,000 to 8,000,000 tons of coal a year in power using plants.

The electrification of hard coal mines, saving 6,500,000 tons of coal yearly.

The saving of 4,000,000 tons of coal annually to public utility plants, at an average cost of \$3.50 a ton.

Fred Lucas was up from his Lexington ranch Saturday and reported a fine shower there Friday evening. Finest prospects ever for a bumper crop, reports Mr. Lucas.

### \$10.00 REWARD \$10.00

Will be paid for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who cut our irrigation hose on our property on Glass street Monday night, May 30th.

D. E. Gilman Eugene Campbell

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