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WALLACE EXTENDS HOPE, EXPORT PLAN

Secretary of Agriculture
Upholds AAA in Speech
at Walla Walla.

TARIFF IS RAPPED

Equality of Governmental Privileges for Agriculture Seen as Major Issue of Day.

"Should conditions exist this fall similar to those which existed in 1933 when the Pacific Northwest Wheat Export corporation functioned, it is wholly probable that similar steps for removal of surplus will be undertaken." That was the message of Henry A. Wallace, secretary of agriculture, which greeted ears of the throng of listening farmers at Pioneer park in Walla Walla Monday afternoon, in answer to the question uppermost in the minds of all.

The secretary expressed himself as strictly opposed to any "dumping" policy, and did not wish to be understood as advocating such a policy in his stand on the wheat export corporation. Marketing under the 1933 wheat export corporation was carried on in an orderly fashion, and at no time did its activities affect the world wheat market. Re-establishment of the export corporation will depend largely upon the outcome of the spring wheat crop, he believed.

The secretary had no promise for the continuation of AAA. He would not predict what action the supreme court would take in the matter of processing taxes already ruled illegal in lower courts. He termed the processing taxes economically unsound just as tariffs are economically unsound, and declared that elimination of processing taxes while the present high tariffs are retained means certain return of 20-cent wheat.

He called attention to the fact that recommended amendments to the AAA are now before congress for action. The success of the amendments and of the future of agricultural control lies with the people.

"It is not for the executive department to dictate the course of legislation," he declared. "The executive department may recommend, but it is for you farmers, who are just as much a part of the government, to tell your representatives in congress what you want."

The main issue of government today is whether agriculture shall have an equal voice in its determination, Secretary Wallace asserted. Declaring the farmers' enemies to have held the upper hand, he could see no more reason for permitting establishment of large business corporations than for allowing farmers similar privileges.

Some progress in this direction has recently been made, he asserted, and what the future may hold depends upon what the people do about it. The secretary did not condemn the large business corporations, but believed if such vehicles applied to business are of benefit to society, it is logical that they may be applied to agriculture with profit.

Whether or not it is right to do these things is a matter for the people to decide. The people are supposed to be self-governing, and to be able to determine the course they wish to take.

"In determining the course for the future, consideration must be taken of the fact that we are not now facing, nor will we ever again face conditions as they were previous to the World war," the secretary asserted. "Before the war, we were a debtor nation. Since the war we have been a creditor nation, and the principles which applied when we were a debtor nation no longer apply."

An debtor nation, the secretary explained, our products found ready access in markets of the creditor nations. The creditor nation wished us well in order to obtain payment of loans.

Since we became a creditor nation, he said, we followed the policy for a time of loaning money to the debtor nations so they might buy our products. Repudiation of debts has caused this policy to be unsound and as a consequence our foreign markets have faded away.

Increased production in the interim of fading foreign markets, and disappearance of western frontiers to which the people turned in like emergencies in the past, are other factors mentioned. In the face of these conditions little statesmanship has been shown since the World war, he added.

The secretary lambasted the "sacred" Smoot-Hawley tariff act as an enemy of the farmer. It appears to be sacred because it was conceived under a republican regime and a democratic congress has done nothing about it, except possibly to raise the tribute in some instances. The tariff, like processing taxes, raises cost to the consumer, he said.

The only difference between the tariff and processing taxes is that the latter are limited while the former is not. When the price of any commodity plus the processing tax raises the cost to the consumer above the "parity" basis (the av-

George W. Kirk Passes; Long Hardman Resident

Funeral services for George William Kirk, 65, who died at a local hospital Monday, were held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the Christian church, with Joel R. Benton officiating, and arrangements in charge of Phelps funeral home. A large number of friends and relatives paid tribute to the deceased who had been a resident of the Hardman community for thirty years. Interment was in Masonic cemetery in this city. Mr. Kirk had been in failing health for two years.

George William Kirk was born near Junction City, Oregon, July 7, 1870, being aged 65 years and 15 days at death. He was the son of Charles and Caroline (Withrow) Kirk, the former a native of Kirksville, Mo., and the latter born at sea on the steamer Carletonine. Mr. Kirk married Carrie Matteson on December 20, 1894. He lived at Hardman for 30 years, following blacksmithing much of the time. He came from Junction City when eight years old to the Kirk ranch on Rhee creek, attending school in Arlington during the winters and spending summers on the ranch. He had thirteen brothers and sisters.

Surviving are the widow, two daughters, Mrs. Jas. Hams, Hardman, Mrs. Clair Ashbaugh, Heppner; six grandchildren, Derold, Lester and Lavera Hams, and Lois, Lowell and Garnet Ashbaugh; one brother, John Kirk of Vernon; two sisters, Mrs. Fannie Howard of Junction City, and Mrs. Letta Hendricks who resides in Idaho, and other relatives.

Miss Ilene Kenny Retains Lead in Race for Queen

Miss Ilene Kenny, Lexington, 13, 800.

Miss Maxine McCurdy, Rhea Creek, 6,700.

Miss Aileen Farley, Willows, 6, 400.

Miss Camille Stanley, Lena, 3,400.

That's the way the voting stood at the end of the second Rodeo Queen's dance held at Ione last Saturday night, showing Miss Ilene Kenny, the Lexington grange candidate, retaining a strong lead. Miss Kenny polled the highest vote at Ione, 4,500, and the others received, in order, Miss Farley 3,700, Miss McCurdy 3,400, and Miss Stanley 1,100.

Third of the six dances at which voting will take place will be held at Rhea Creek next Saturday night, with Kanouse's orchestra of Condon playing. The remaining dances will be held as follows: Lena at Heppner, August 3; Lexington, August 10, and the grand finale at Heppner, August 17.

DIGS GOLD IN ALASKA.

Edward F. Bloom, city school superintendent, last week received an interesting letter from his brother, William H. Bloom, superintendent of Nome, Alaska, schools who is gold mining on the beach near Nome during summer vacation. Part of the letter follows: "My gold mining operations are in full swing now. The first day I worked hard for nine hours and made thirteen cents. The second day I made six dollars, and then I made two and three dollars a day for about a week. The other day I had business in town and took the day off. About 11 o'clock that night we discovered that the surf was rolling unusually high and were afraid that it might wash my outfit away, so we decided to take lunch and go out on bicycles (3 miles). When we got there we found the outfit was OK, and it was such a fine night that we decided to set up and go to work. We came home with \$30 worth of gold. Today I made about \$18 in 8½ hours."

ON PICNIC COMMITTEE.

Hanson Hughes has received an announcement of his appointment as attendance committee chairman from Morrow county for the state democratic picnic to be held at Blue Lake park, Portland, August 11. Dr. W. A. Harround, general chairman of the picnic committee, made the appointment. The attendance goal is set at 15,000, and as many as do so are desired to attend from this county.

erage cost for the pre-war period, 1909-1914) then the processing tax automatically ceases. The secretary asked how many high tariff advocates would consent to the same limitation on tariffs.

Soil conservation work was pointed to as one part of the agricultural control program from which much is expected. This program is designed to conserve the productivity of the soil, and maintain the productive capacity of the land in the future. The department has no sympathy with the hog-type of producer who wants to get all he can and leave nothing for the future. Planning several years in the future is encouraged, and the ideal type of farmer was considered to be one who farms for his children.

Greeting of the secretary was deemed of sufficient moment to cause holidays to be declared at Ione and Lexington Monday. Interest in the meeting was aroused by Bert Johnson, Ione; C. B. Cox, Heppner, and Harvey Miller, Lexington, the local committee, and probably no less than a hundred Morrow county folks were present. J. G. Barratt, president of Oregon Woolgrowers association, was one of the large assemblage given a place of honor on the speaker's platform.

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By MRS. MARGARET BLAKE

About one hundred people from here went over to Walla Walla on Monday to hear the address of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace. All business houses were closed so that all who wished might attend the meeting.

The Women's Topic club met at the home of Mrs. George Tucker Saturday afternoon for the July social meeting. Bridge was played, prizes going to Mrs. Bert Mason, Mrs. Carl Allyn and Mrs. M. E. Cotter. Others present were Mrs. Elmer Griffith, Mrs. C. W. Swanson, Mrs. Walter Corley, Mrs. Jas. Cossman, Mrs. Clyde Denny, Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Mrs. Agnes Wilson and Mrs. Ted Smith. Watermelon was served for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Blake and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gulick who are visiting them from Grants Pass drove over to Kinzua on Sunday to spend the day with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole E. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Tucker and daughter spent Sunday at the Corley wood camp in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Blake of Kinzua spent Thursday night and Friday here.

About fifty people spent Sunday at Boulder picnicking and swimming.

Miss Grace Duncan of Oregon City has been elected to teach in the Morgan school during the coming year.

Mrs. Nora Holland who has spent the past three months here assisting in the care of her sister, Mrs. John Louy has returned to her home in Auburn, Wash.

Mrs. Mary Waddie of Pendleton is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Eubanks and other relatives.

Miss Bonnie Ruth Thompson of Echo was elected to teach the fifth and sixth grades in the local school.

Mrs. J. H. Blake of Kinzua is visiting here.

Louis Marquardt of Lexington, J. N. Barby of Eight Mile and John and Carl Bergstrom of Eight Mile were business visitors here during the week.

Harvest operations are well under way around Ione. Some fields on the north side were left standing after a few preliminary rounds to determine the yield. Others will be able to get seed and possibly a little more. Reports from the south side indicate a yield of from six to sixteen bushels.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Balsiger accompanied by Mrs. P. C. Koerthing and children and Mrs. Elsie Combe, spent the weekend at White Salmon, Wash. All of the party returned home except Mrs. Combe who went on to Ellensburg, Wash., to visit a brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rietmann, Otto Rietmann, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Troedson and Mr. and Mrs. John Troedson attended funeral services held for Mrs. E. H. Turner at Boardman Monday. Mrs. Turner, a former resident on the north side, had been in poor health for several years and passed away at her home in Boardman Friday night.

Paul Dickey returned from a church conference near Portland Saturday.

Sherm Wilcox who used to farm here a number of years ago was in town on Tuesday.

Miss Roberta Wright of Haines, who has been visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Louis Bergevin, departed for her home Monday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Cornett Green at the home of Mrs. Pat Molahan in this city this morning, 9½ pound son.

COUNTY INSTALLS ACCOUNTING BOOKS

Officers Devise System at Small Cost to Keep Adequate Records.

ERRORS MINIMIZED

Double Entry of All Items Reveals
Mistakes; Exact Status of Any
Account Quickly Shown.

Morrow county is stepping out in front among counties of the state in the installation of a double-entry accounting system which contemplates a detailed check on all items of county business. Charles Barlow, clerk, is now busy bringing the system up to date from the first of the year, and when the accounts are complete, the exact status of all accounts will be shown at a glance.

The system includes a cash book, journal, general and subsidiary ledgers, all on a double entry basis.

The double entry system minimizes the chance for error, for when any item is credited or debited in one place it must be debited or credited in another place, so that on balancing the books any mistake in entry cannot fail to be revealed.

Mr. Barlow, Mrs. Neva Cochell, deputy sheriff, and L. W. Briggs, treasurer, were detailed by the county court to devise the system.

Their plans were submitted to the secretary of state's office, and were given that office's unqualified endorsement. The forms and binders were then ordered, and the system has been in course of installation for the last week.

The county court gained the cooperation of other county officers in obtaining the system after they had received an offer from a Portland firm of auditors to install such a system for \$1,000, exclusive of cost of printing. The officers volunteered to do the work at no extra pay, and the cost of installation to the county aside from the printing amounted only to paying the expenses of the officers for one trip to Salem.

The system includes controlling accounts for all budget items, for current and delinquent taxes, for fees, or other monies handled no matter what the purpose. Entries are made daily of all items, and in a minute's time the exact status of any account may be determined when the information is desired.

ANNUAL PICNIC SET.

The Oddfellows annual anniversary picnic at the D. O. Justus country home will be held next Sunday. All Rebekahs, Oddfellows and friends of the Justus family are invited. An all-day affair is planned, with basket dinner at noon, and program and stunts in the afternoon.

HALL DEDICATION SET.

Lexington grange has announced

August 10 as the date for public

dedication of their new hall, and

plans are being laid for a large

time on the occasion.

Mrs. Sarah Parker and Miss

Kathryn Parker returned home

yesterday from a visit of several

weeks in Union and Wallowa

counties.

Services were held at the Christian church Sunday morning by Joel R. Benton of Fort Benton, Mont.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hill of Heppner visited relatives in Lexington Thursday.

Mrs. Jay Yardley and children

have returned from a three weeks'

visit with relatives in Lewiston, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. W. Van Scholack arrived in Lexington the last of the week and will remain here while Mr. Van Scholack has charge of some road work.

Miss Ellen Nelson is confined to her home with mumps.

Laurel Beach is attending summer school at the University of Or-

LEXINGTON

By BEULAH B. NICHOLS

Farmers in this community are rushing through with their harvest as fast as possible because the mice are cutting down and destroying the wheat rapidly. It is estimated that they are destroying about three bushels per acre each week. Orville Cutsforth put out poisoned grain in about a thousand acres of his wheat last week, hoping in this way to do away with some of the rodents.

Tad Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Miller, sustained some painful injuries Saturday evening when he was struck in the face by a wagon jack. He was out with the men who were greasing the wagons when one wagon slipped off the jack, causing it to fly up and strike the boy in the face. Besides having one tooth broken off, he was cut about the face. He was taken to Heppner by a doctor for treatment.

Several Lexington people went to Walla Walla Monday to hear Henry A. Wallace, secretary of agriculture, whose speech dealt particularly with the wheat situation and with a discussion of the AAA setup and other features of the New Deal farm arrangement.

About 10,000 people attended. Among those from this community were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Cutsforth,

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Benge, S. G. McMillan, Harry Schriever, Ray McAlister, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Devine, A. H. Nelson, Myles Martin, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. O'Meara, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mankin, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Smouse, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Becker.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cutsforth and Mrs. Medcalf of Wisconsin who

spent part of the week at the Orville Cutsforth ranch, left Thursday morning for Salem. From there they expect to go to the coast and then on to California before returning to their homes. From here they were accompanied by T. W. Cutsforth's brother, T. W. Cutsforth.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hill of Heppner

are the parents of an 8-pound daughter, Carla Lee, born Friday, July 19, at the home of Mrs. Cordia Salting in Heppner.

Mr. Elmer Hunt entertained with a birthday party Tuesday afternoon, honoring her daughter Louise who was 9 years old, and also Glen McMurtry who was 10 years old on that day. Games were played and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Hunt was assisted by Mrs. Ray Jackson. Those present were Ray and Carl Shaw, Dean Hunt, Clyde, Albert and Jerine Edwards, Jean Schriever, Marcella, Kenneth and Carol Jackson, Bobby, Jack and Marjorie Miller, Bunny Breshers, Elwood Hunt, Lula and Juanita Matlock, Colleen and Lavonne McMillan, Fay and May Rauch, Glen McMurtry and Louise and Claire Hunt.

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