

### Oregon Report of AAA Shows Broad Cooperation Here

With 42,000 of Oregon's 65,000 farmers participating, and with 92 per cent of its cropland included in the agricultural conservation program, Oregon farmers are evidently finding the AAA program helpful, reports N. C. Donaldson, state executive officer, in a 60-page, detailed report just issued on the 1938 operations.

Considerable credit is given in the report to the state college extension service for the high degree of participation in this state. The report indicates that educational work by the extension service kept Oregon farmers informed concerning both the background and details of the program, with the result that a large majority exercised their voluntary right to participate.

Administration of the 1938 program was accomplished through the assistance of 137 county committeemen and 868 community committeemen, each elected by neighbor farmers. At the head of this organization was the state committee, consisting of William Steen of Milton, chairman; William Enschede of Hillsboro, Robert Weir of Lakeview, and John Shepherd of Scio. F. L. Ballard of Corvallis, vice-director of the extension service, was an ex-officio member.

One of the popular features of the AAA in Oregon is the range improvement program, which continued to grow in 1938, the report shows. A total of 991 ranch operators participated, representing 4,600,000 acres of range land. Deferred grazing was practiced on 850,000 acres of grass land, and, in addition, there were 93 reservoirs, 37 wells, and 442 springs built or developed.

Soon after issuing the annual report the state organization and extension service were called on to carry emergency information on the wheat acreage situation and pea and vetch seed crops to the people of this state.

A series of county meetings just completed were largely attended, with many growers showing interest in the fact that the AAA can serve equally to reduce acreage, hold it at an even keel, or increase it, as the particular occasion may require. Information was given concerning the desirability of holding wheat acreage as originally planned despite the war, and to increase acreage of winter pea and vetch seed crops.

Designed to cut down traffic accidents caused by faulty tires, a new

law pertaining to the condition of tires went into effect in the state of Pennsylvania the first of this month, according to word received here by Earl Snell, secretary of state. The law makes it unlawful for any person to operate a car with tires showing the breaker strip, cushion gum or fabric. Upon notification by a peace officer that his tires do not conform to state regulations, an owner is allowed 48 hours to make adjustments. Sponsors of the law believe it will reduce traffic accidents by eliminating many unsafe tires, it was said.

### New Chevrolets Make Bow Oct. 14

Detroit, Sept. 23—Chevrolet's new 1940 models will make their public bow on Oct. 14, W. E. Holler, general sales manager, announced here today. The cars, he said, will be shown simultaneously at the National Automobile Show in Grand Central Palace—where, as volume leader in the industry, Chevrolet again had first choice of space—at the General Motors special showing in the Waldorf-Astoria, at several important local auto shows, and in dealers' salesrooms throughout the country.

In line with the company's experience in recent years, Mr. Holler said, an important part of Chevrolet's announcement advertising has been scheduled in newspapers. Some 6,800 daily and weekly newspapers from coast to coast are on the schedule, other media being used to supplement and round out this effort. Pre-announcement advertising has already begun to appear, and space will be increased as the new car introduction date approaches.

Formal presentation of its new product, and the selling program for 1940, will be made to Chevrolet's wholesale field organization and the central office sales department staff at the annual national sales convention scheduled to open here Sept. 28. The sessions will last two days, and will be attended by about 350 key members of the organization.

### MARION SHERIFF VISITS

A. C. Burke, Marion county sheriff, and Ed Pusasoki, Salem attorney, were hunting guests of Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman for the opening of the bird season, Sunday, and had a successful hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Mahoney were week-end guests at the home of Mr. Mahoney's cousin, P. W. Mahoney, and the two gentlemen inaugurated opening of the bird season Sunday with a good hunt.

### State Corn Show Prize List, Rules Issued by O. S. C.

Five hundred dollars in prize money, four additional championship cups, and an accompanying educational program are factors which those in charge believe will make the third annual Oregon State Corn show at Corvallis, November 28 to December 2, by far the biggest and best yet held.

The detailed premium list for the show has just been published by the committee and is available for free distribution either through county extension offices or direct from the extension service at O. S. C.

Although the two big public days of the show have been set for December 1 and 2, the dates will include from Tuesday, November 28, through the week, as arrangements have been made for all exhibits to be sent in by Monday night, after which they will be placed and judged before the final program days.

Formerly held in Portland, the third annual state corn show has been moved to Corvallis at the request of the original sponsor, in order to provide better facilities and an opportunity for an educational program in connection with the show. The sponsoring group has

been broadened to include the extension service and experiment station at the college, the three chief farmers' organizations, and the state board of vocational education, in addition to the original sponsors, which were the agricultural committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the First National Bank of Portland. The Portland organizations are still assisting in the financing of the show and providing the awards.

There will be four classes in the show this year, consisting of an open class, a 4-H club class, an FFA class, and a class for the state hybrid corn growing contest. 4-H and FFA members may exhibit in either their own class or in the open class, but cannot enter both. For competitive purposes the state is also divided into four districts, three in western Oregon and one including all counties east of the Cascades with the exception of Hood River.

Rules provide that any yellow corn grown in Oregon during the current year may be exhibited. An exhibit of corn consists of exactly 10 ears, with the exception of those entered in the separate hybrid corn growing contest, where different rules apply.

Henry Baker is painting and otherwise improving his residence property in the Eight Mile section.

### Oregon Farmers Plant Shelter Belt

Washington, D. C., Sept. 20—Oregon farmers planted 145,550 trees last year for shelter belts and the same number, exactly, for wood production. The plantings were under the Clark-McNary law, which provides for the allotment of federal funds to states matching such appropriations for carrying on fire protection work in forests and for furnishing forest tree seedlings to farmers. The tree distribution is made by state forestry agencies and the trees are used only for forest planting on farms.

Oregon farmers planted the trees 50-50, half for windbreaks to protect crops and soil, livestock, farm buildings and gardens from damaging winds. Farmers report a saving in fuel in houses sheltered by trees and a saving in feed when windbreaks are used around feed lots.

In Washington state 62,100 trees went for windbreaks and 20,700 were planted for wood production. The Dakotas, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, and Colorado made their plantings for windbreaks. Nevada, apparently, did not plant a tree.

Mrs. Harold Buhman went to Portland the end of the week for a visit of several days.

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