

EDITORIAL



4-H Clubs Hang Up Record

In this busy, bustling world where everyone is struggling to keep the proverbial wolf away from Uncle Sam's door, we are prone to overlook some features of our national life that, barring unforeseen circumstances, have a direct bearing upon our national security and stability in the future.

This thought is prompted by the current observance of National 4-H Club Achievement Week, November 5-13. During the week clubs throughout the land are calling attention to their achievements of the year and it was hearing of some of these accomplishments that opened our eyes to the importance of this great youth movement.

In his talk to the crowd gathered at the Lexington Grange hall Friday evening, H. C. Seymour, for 33 years 4-H club leader in Oregon under the extension service at Oregon State College, recited the progress of the movement as witnessed (and at the same time greatly encouraged by his efforts) in his long career, and quoted figures prepared by the U. S. Department of Agriculture that are highly illuminating. Read "what 1,800,000 members did in their 82,000 4-H clubs under the guidance of their 225,000 local volunteer club leaders."

"Four-H members produced and conserved food, to make more available for their own families, for other families, and for those in need in other lands: Garden products, acres: 100,000; poultry, birds: 8,000,000; livestock, head: 850,000; food crops, acres: 600,000; products preserved, quarts: 27,000,000; food brined, gallons: 180,000; food dried or cured, pounds: 2,000,000; food stored, pounds: 1,000,000; food frozen, pounds: 3,000,000.

"They made their homes more attractive and livable through their 4-H club work in: Food planning, preparation and service, meals: 30,000,000; room improvement, units: 650,000; arts and crafts, articles: 300,000; home management, activities: 200,000; beautification of home grounds, homes: 120,000; clothing, garments: 2,200,000; child care, children: 21,000; music appreciation, homes reached: 225,000.

"They made their homes and home farms more efficient and profitable through their 4-H club work: 275,000 kept personal accounts; 500,000 participated in fire and accident protection; 132,000 made use of special economic information; 350,000 conducted soil and wildlife conservation practices; 140,000 carried on forestry activities; 50,000 engaged in work relating to agricultural engineering, electricity, tractor maintenance, and general farm repairs."

We have but to look over the progress report of our own county clubs to realize that 4-H club work is a sound economic investment. It keeps the young people interested in things that are beneficial and in most instances profitable. It is practical training in production. In handling business affairs, and the molding of character that qualifies them for leadership when the time arrives when they must assume their share of responsibility in conducting the affairs of state.

And Then It Rained

Light showers this week have brought a bit of cheer to the grain growers of the region. They have brought a temporary halt to the wonderful autumn weather that has prevailed for much of the time since early October, re-establishing Eastern Oregon's time-honored reputation for sunshine, as well as reducing the length of the winter season.

Farmers report the grain sprouting quite satisfactorily despite the absence of fall rains. Nevertheless, they welcome even light showers at this

time. They will not have particular cause for worry until spring arrives, for it is then that the crops are made or unmade, according to the whim of the weather. The 1949 crop, a little above the established average, was more due to the carry-over moisture from 1948 than to that which fell in the spring of the current year. Enough of the carry-over still remained in the ground to start another crop but the point has been reached where a fresh supply of moisture is needed. The inclination at this writing is to predict more rain but no credit for wisdom in such matters will be claimed should there be a generous downpour covering a period of several days and nights.

What Will Next War End?

In 1916-17 we heard lots of propagandizing about America entering the first world war in a fight to end all wars—"a war to end all wars", in the words of President Woodrow Wilson. There may have been misguided souls who believed there would be no more wars, but they were in the minority. In less than one quarter of a century the world was again involved in a titanic struggle and again Americans were implored to enter the fray to stop Hitlerism and pave the way for a lasting peace, American blood and resources were sacrificed in the great cause. We won the shooting war and brought our fighting men and women back home to enter upon what was hoped would be a long era of peace and prosperity.

But as this Armistice Day of 1949 draws near do we find ourselves any nearer lasting peace than we were when the Germans gave up the struggle? We may be acting more wisely in this post-war era than we did following World War I in adhering to the admonition, "In time of peace prepare for war", for we could not have been caught less prepared than we were when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, but preparation for defense will not keep an aggressor from attempting to land on our shores or to send fleets of bombers to destroy our cities.

As we pause to observe this Armistice Day we should recall the fact that our forebears were in search of a land where they could worship God as they saw fit, without interference from tyrannical rulers, free to set up a government of their own patterned along lines of liberty and justice for all. We have that freedom, even if we have had to fight for it. But we may lose it if we become engrossed in another all-out war in an effort to cure the cancerous growth of communism which is perhaps the most insidious ideology yet foisted upon the world.

The prayer of all peace-loving peoples should be fervent and constant that our leaders be given the wisdom and strength to guide us through this world crisis without another war which is almost certain to put an end to our modern civilization.

If any of our readers believe it is necessary to have a CVA in order to bring about the development of this great Northwest they should secure a copy of "The Untold Story of Pacific Northwest Progress" just off the press and published by the Pacific Northwest Development Association. You have a big surprise coming if you have not previously informed yourself about the great development that has already taken in place in Oregon and Washington. In particular, and this through the facilities at hand. You will be convinced that an "authority" is neither necessary nor advisable when you learn what has been done and what is to be done by private capital and existing federal agencies within the next few years. Get a copy of the booklet and "wise up" on what is good for the Northwest and the country at large.

30 YEARS AGO

November 13, 1919 Heppner has been hit by the coal strike. During the past week the Heppner Light & Water company has been forced to shut down between the hours of 7:30 a. m. and 4 p. m. An order for several hundred tons of coal for some reason has been delayed longer this year than usual.

About 30 guests enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Ralph Thompson at bridge at the beautiful Thompson home on Willow creek Thursday afternoon.

Miss Flossie Barlow who has been in the employ of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company at Oregon City has returned to become chief operator succeeding Miss Neva Hayes who is moving to Pendleton.

Former deputy George McDuffee has been appointed sheriff to succeed E. M. Shutt who resigned

last week. T. E. Chidsey, who was deputy during the four years McDuffee was sheriff, has been re-appointed to that position.

Mrs. Adam Knoblock died at her Rhea Creek home Monday following a lingering illness.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Myles Martin of Lexington a daughter on November 6.

Born in this city on November 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Cochran, a daughter.

E. H. Carpenter of Eight Mile and Sylvia E. Price of Heppner were married Sunday at the home of Rev. H. A. Noyes.

Mrs. Charity Crites, aged 82 years, mother of S. L. Crites of this city, died November 8 after a very brief illness. Funeral services were held from the Federated church Monday afternoon.

A son arrived at the E. L. Wilson home at Ewing, November 5.

The American Way

BETTER EQUIPMENT, BETTER WAGES

By George Peck

Justification for the existence of industry lies in the fact that it makes capital and management available to workers, thereby enabling workers to enlarge their contribution to our national income and their own earnings as well.

Let's use a very simple example by way of illustration. A man without any tools is given an excavation job. He is pretty helpless and his accomplishment is small over the course of the day, the week, or the year. His performance would be greatly enlarged if a hand shovel were made available to him. If, also, he were able to equip himself with a wheelbarrow to carry dirt from one point to another, his achievements would be further increased. If someone were to loan him a steam shovel and teach him how to operate it, obviously his productive labor would be multiplied manifold.

Working without tools, this man's work would have a very low market value. Equipped with a steam shovel, on the other hand, his income would be increased many times. It is true, in the latter case, that the man would have certain expenses. He would have to pay for instruction on how to run the machine and rental for the use of it. But he would have an enormously increased gross income out of which to meet these expenses, leaving him a much larger net income.

This man would have very little expense for rental of a hand shovel, and largely augmented if he rented a steam shovel. Is it not reasonable that the income to the man who rented the steam shovel should be larger than that to the man who rented him a hand shovel? Is it not true that the worker should be able to make a greater contribution to the national income if he uses a steam shovel instead of a hand shovel? Is it not also a fact that the total income for all concerned would be

greater if he uses a steam shovel? Wouldn't it naturally follow that the worker would greatly increase his own individual earnings because he would be participating in the division of a far larger income, of which his portion would be far greater than his income would have been from his efforts with fewer or no tools?

This simple illustration of the man with the shovel exemplifies what takes place in organized industry. Industrial companies make capital available in the form of plant and machinery to their workers, plus instruction on utilization of that equipment. The better the machinery an industry makes available to its employees, the greater are the gross earnings, resulting in greater facilities to insure the safety, health and comfort of the workers; greater wages for the employees and quite reasonably a larger profit per employee for the company. Both capital and labor benefit thereby.

Conversely, the poorer and less efficient the plant facilities made available to workers, the lower are the gross earnings, resulting in fewer facilities to insure the safety, health and comfort of the employees; smaller wages for the worker and a smaller profit per employee for the company. Both capital and labor lose thereby.

Therefore, it is unfortunate that certain business-haters are loid in the condemnation of certain industrial companies because of their large earnings per employee. With the Left-Wingers' customary disregard or ignorance of the truth, they do not tell the whole story—they fail to point out that companies earning high net profits per employee are paying their employees higher wages than is the case with industries that are not earning high net profits per employee—they entirely ignore the basic fact that better equipment furnished to the employee enables him to make better wages.

DISABLED VETS WARNED TO GATHER VITAL RECORDS FOR ALLOWANCE BENEFITS

Veterans, with service connected disabilities of 50 percent should start immediately to gather vital records in order to establish eligibility for dependency allowance benefits authorized by recent Congressional action, the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs advised this week.

Public Law 339 of the 81st Congress gives added payment to such veterans if they have wife, children or dependent parents. The new benefit, which starts Dec. 1, was previously limited to those 60 percent or more disabled as a result of military service.

The state veterans' department advised the beneficiaries to contact authorized veterans, representatives for assistance in obtaining records of marriage, births, and of divorces and deaths involving previous marriages. Such records must be in the Veterans' Administration files before the new payments can start.

The state board of health will furnish such records to the VA or the state veterans' department without cost if they are to be in connection with benefits paid by the VA. While the veterans, may apply direct to the health board, he is advised to consult an agency or organization which offers veterans, services for more expeditious handling of the application.

These organizations include county service officers, the Red Cross, the Portland VA regional office, and the state veterans' department, with offices in the State Library building, Salem, and 415 S. W. 11th Avenue, Portland.



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