

FORMATION OF BEEF COMMISSION TO GO TO VOTE OF CATTLEMEN

The question of whether or not Oregon cattlemen and dairymen want a beef commission will go before them for a secret vote.

Robert J. Steward, director of agriculture, has determined this on the basis of testimony and evidence submitted by producers at

17 hearings over the state last month.

"Testimony and evidence were predominately in favor of promotion efforts on beef and beef products, although a minority voiced some objections to the state commission approach to the problem," Steward says in the formal order.

He listed the seven major points of evidence to indicate the need sufficient to justify calling a producer referendum.

Although not mentioned in the formal order, Steward said he considered the testimony of some feeders that they would bear an unequitable share of the assessment. He said he was later informed feeders had agreed to go along with a referendum in the hope that they and other livestock interests may prevail upon the 1959 legislature to iron out any inequities in assessment found when and if the commission is established.

Steward said the state department of agriculture will open registration for the commission vote on November 20, and will deputize all county agents as registrars. All cattle owners must register their total cattle numbers on January 1, 1957, as reported to the tax assessor, to be eligible to vote in the referendum. Steward urged prompt registration; a termination date on registration will be announced soon.

The order lists the following seven factors from the testimony upon which the referendum decision was based.

1. Market prices to beef producers now average under 80 percent of parity. Although the market price to producers is above a year ago, increased market-

ing costs have reduced further the producer's net income and share of the consumer's dollar.

2. Costs of cattle production have increased substantially in recent years, with market prices down during five of the last six years.

3. Prices to producers over the postwar period have been notably unstable, with a heavy decline in net ranch income since 1950.

4. There is no clear-cut indication that beef prices will improve significantly in the next few years. Recent decreases in cattle numbers have resulted in some reduction in beef supplies and some improvement in prices over the past year, but foreseeable heavy feed-grain and hay supplies indicate continued heavy supplies of both beef and competing products.

The relationship between these four factors, the order says, illustrates the serious economic situation faced by Oregon beef producers.

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Have trouble locating the livestock brand inspector? To make it easier for you, this unit of the state department of agriculture personnel has adopted a special jacket and automobile seal. A tan whipcord jacket with a blue and gold insignia on the left shoulder has been adopted as the official uniform, and the inspectors' cars will bear their title on the door right above the state seal. Posing by his car is Irving S. Hangar, Jr., livestock brand inspector in the Woodburn district, modeling the new jacket.

Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

The Women's Fellowship group of the Christian church met last Tuesday afternoon. The devotion was given by Delpha Jones and the topic was friendship. The meeting was called to order by the vice president, Florence McMillan. A collection was taken for the Christian children's orphanage at Boise and anyone wishing to donate to this fund may

leave their offering at the parsonage or the C. C. Jonas home. Refreshments were served by Edith Miller to Lola Breeding, May Campbell, Edith Miller, Beryl Northrup, Florence McMillan, Delpha Jones, Dona Barnett and Trina Parker.

Monday evening there was a men's fellowship group meeting at the Christian church, it was preceded by a dinner prepared by the women of the church. Those present were Ted McMillan, George Irvin, Karl Miller Roy Campbell, Carl and Bill Marqu-

ardt, Homer Hughes, Don Hatfield, Oscar Breeding, Harry Ringes and Franklin Messenger. After the meeting there was an interesting talk on organizing men's groups by Gene Robinson, pastor of the First Christian church at La Grande. The women assisting with the dinner were Bertha Dinges, Beryl Northrup, May Campbell, Lola Breeding and Florence McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Munkers, accompanied by Dona Barnett and Trina Parker, were in Portland over the weekend.

"It is not Wisdom but Ignorance That teaches men Presumption"

By Phil Blakney

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Methodist Group Met... A Troedson Home

Suzannah Wesley circle of the Methodist church met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Alfred Troedson.

Those present were Mrs. N. D. Bailey, Mrs. J. O. Hager, Mrs. Louie Case, Mrs. Whitmer Wright, Mrs. Alex Green, Mrs. Myles Martin, Mrs. Charles Vaughn, Mrs. Charles Butterfield, Mrs. Anna Smouse, Mrs. Anna Q. Thomson, Mrs. Lucille Owens, Miss Ona Gilliam and the hostess.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.



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