

FARM CO-OPERATIVE DIVISION

A MESSAGE TO EVERY MEMBER.

FIGURES SHOW MORE EGGS IN COOLERS THAN YEAR AGO.

The United States Department of Agriculture reports holdings of eggs in cold storage on June 1, 1933, as 8,047,000 cases, compared with 5,380,000 cases on the same date in 1932 and the holdings of the 5-year average of 7,464,000. The above figures reveal that on June 1 this year there were 2,667,000 cases more eggs in the cooler than at this time one year ago. In making an analysis of these figures, it should be remembered that holdings last year were exceedingly short, which resulted in practically all cold storage eggs being withdrawn by December 15th, further resulting in somewhat of a squeeze or shortage in the market for about two weeks during the latter part of the year.

Harry J. Beernink and Roy C. Potts, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington D. C., are authorities for the following:

The apparent consumption of eggs in the four terminal markets during the first three weeks of May was about 16% less than during the first three weeks of May last year and the increased movement of eggs into storage during the first three weeks of May was 59% larger than last year. The increase in production, the increase in receipts of eggs at country packing plants, the increase in receipts at terminal markets, and the very large increase in storage stocks accompanied by a decreased consumption under last year during the first three weeks of May of more than 16% resulted in less confidence in prices with the result that the egg markets have developed a weaker tone and both spot and future quotations declined from 1 to 1 1/2 cents on all markets except for Pacific Coast eggs on which prices at both eastern and western markets were unchanged during May.

The shortage of eggs for a couple of weeks in December last year, at which time the market took a decided advance, amounting to from 4 to 5 cents, with retail prices reflecting the advance to an even greater extent. The advance in retail prices resulted in the consumer turning away from eggs to other products which were available in abundance at low prices, and ever since that time our consumption has been lagging behind a year ago.

Prices of Pacific Coast eggs remained unchanged for May, and the same has been true for the first half of June. This was due to the firm position which the Pacific Coast associations maintained for their quality eggs, and the fact that production on the coast has been somewhat smaller than it was a year ago. However, with these heavier holdings, it should not be expected that egg prices can go very high unless the recovery of business conditions generally re-establishes the buying power at a much higher level than the present. That there is a decided improvement is indicated on every hand, but it will probably take several months to be fully reflected in our industry by an increased purchasing demand.

The Pacific Coast cooperative producer who has his own marketing organization both in the west and in the eastern markets may be assured that his interests are being watched and protected, and that every effort is being made to merchandise his product to the best possible advantage. However, it will be necessary to watch closely from this point forward the accumulation of eggs in the coolers with the view of putting more eggs into current consumption.

Self-Starters Will Win.

"During the coming months we shall distinguish between two types of men," said Col. William T. Chevalier, of the McGraw Hill company, New York. There will be those who play safe—very safe. They will wait. They will let some one else take all the risks. They will refrain from trying to sell until it becomes easy to sell. They will sit tight until there is 'real business', until orders come knocking at their doors. They plan to ride as passengers on the journey to restored prosperity. "But unfortunately for their plans there will be those with greater faith in themselves and their goods. They are the self-starters. They will not wait. . . . By and large 1933 profits will go to the self-starters."—Jayhawk Press.

When James Cortner of Chicago entered the hospital for an operation he refused to accept bed No. 13, in his ward, saying he was born on Friday and that the combination was more than he could stand.

Will Close Tuesday.

Both the Farm Bureau Co-operative and the Grange Co-operative will be closed Tuesday, July 4th. It will be well to lay your plans accordingly.

New Canning Schedule.

Canning schedule for next week from July 1st to 8th at the Hermiston Cooperative Laundry and Cannery.

Mon. P.M.	Peas No. 2 1/2 can.
Wed. A.M.	Beans No. 2 1/2 can.
Wed. P.M.	Peas No. 2 1/2 can.
Fri. A.M.	Beans No. 2 can.
Fri. P.M.	Peas No. 2 can.
Sat. all day	Peas No. 2 1/2 can.

OREGON WHEAT MEN MAY GET BENEFITS.

Actual cash benefits to Oregon farmers who contract with the government to cooperate in a national plan of agricultural adjustment will be paid early this fall, probably by September 15, according to details of the wheat adjustment policy received by the Oregon State college extension service. Wheat has been selected as one of the two first of the basic surplus commodities to which acreage control will be applied, cotton now being included under a land rental plan.

The domestic allotment plan has been definitely decided upon as the most practical for immediate use and will now be applied as a three-year program, according to word from Washington. Decentralized administration has also been worked out, intended to make the plan practically self-executing within each county.

In putting the plan into effect, the farm act administration will first determine the average amount of wheat consumed as food in this country in the five year period 1928-1932. Every wheat producing state will then be "allotted" a share of this domestic production on the basis of the proportion of the total United States crop it produced during the same five years. Next, every wheat producing county within the state will be allotted a share on the same basis.

This amount of wheat will be that on which benefit payments will be made. It is pointed out that these proportions are worked out on a national basis and allotments will be made without regard to the ultimate disposition of any particular block of wheat.

Disposition of wheat by the grower, as a matter of fact, is no concern of the agricultural adjustment administration under this plan. Once the farmer complies with the other provisions of the contract, it is entirely up to him where or when he sells his wheat, or whether he sells it at all or not.

Acreage control is the fundamental feature of the new plan, and every farmer must sign a contract to reduce his acreage, if called upon, by a specified amount not to exceed 20 per cent. The exact amount may not be determined until after it is seen if an international agreement among the wheat exporting countries for acreage reduction can be reached.

Application of the organization plans in counties may be started in July. Wheat growers in each county will form their own association for administering the plan and will elect their own officers.

Each wheat farmer will be assigned his share of the "benefit wheat" for his county, the proportion being determined on the basis of his average production for the last three years. To join the plan, which is entirely voluntary, he contracts to reduce his acreage for 1934 by the amount specified, and sow his quota to wheat in a workmanlike manner. On completion of the contract he will be eligible to receive two-thirds of his allotment benefits, the remaining third to be paid when he gives proof next spring that the reduction has actually been made.

Just how much these benefits will be is yet to be finally determined, but the plan is to make them enough so that added to the actual market price of wheat they will bring the total return per bushel on this domestic proportion of the nation's wheat crop up to the pre-war parity with prices of things the farmer buys. The cost is to be paid from a processing tax of about 30 cents a bushel on all domestic food wheat.

Regional work has already been started toward putting the plan into effect here in the west, and as soon as further steps are decided upon notification will be given through

OREGON BUTTER WINS IN MID-WEST COMPETITION.

Oregon butter, shown in competition with 400 samples from more than a dozen states, won third place in the National Creamery Buttermaker's association contest, at St. Paul this week, according to word received by Paul C. Adams, executive secretary of the Oregon Dairy Council yesterday. The prize winning Oregon butter was made by Holger P. C. Nielson at the college creamery at Corvallis and received a score of 95. The two samples which placed higher were both from Minnesota and exceeded the Oregon buttermaker's score by only a half point and a quarter point. Nine Oregon buttermakers sent samples to this national contest and all scored far above the competitive average according to reports.

"The splendid showing made by Oregon buttermakers in this contest is just another instance of proof that Oregon butter is as fine as that made in any section of the country and these recent winnings should be a source of satisfaction to Oregon dairymen and all Oregon citizens," said H. C. Raven, director of the Oregon state Buttermaker's association, yesterday.

Other Oregon buttermakers who scored high in the senior and junior divisions were C. W. Jones and A. C. Madsen, McMinnville; Edward D. Conley and Roy J. Thomsen, Corvallis; Adolph Erickson, H. C. Raven, Richard Trout and Lyle W. Hammock, Portland.

Silos Economical to the Farm.

When corn is husked in the ordinary way and the fodder left in the field, from 60 to 70 per cent of the food value of the crop is taken from the ears, while from 30 to 40 per cent remains with the fodder in the field and is wasted, points out E. V. Ellington, head of the dairy division, Washington State college. When the silo is used, all the food nutrients go into the silo and the loss in feeding value is only about 8 per cent.

Another advantage of the silo is the large amount of feed that can be stored in a given space. A ton of silage can be stored in 50 cubic feet of space as compared with approximately 400 cubic feet for a ton of hay. There is also a saving in labor. When cutting the crop for the silo, it is handled but once and then under the most favorable conditions.

According to Mr. Ellington, there are a large number of crops that can be used successfully for silage in addition to corn. Sunflowers are very successfully used in Washington. Sunflowers will often give twice the tonnage of corn. On the coast, peas and oats are used, wheat and vetch, oats and vetch, and even legumes, such as alfalfa and clover, can be placed in the silo, although the quality is not equal to corn or sunflowers.

Stanfield Grange News.

The next Grange meeting will be held on the evening of July 1st, and the program will be dedicated to the officer "Flora." Reports will be given by 4-H club members who attended the club summer school at Corvallis.

Stanfield Laundry Will Close.

The Cooperative Laundry will be closed Tuesday, July 4th, and open Wednesday instead.

SUMMER SCHOOL STUDENTS COME FROM PORTO RICO.

EUGENE, ORE.—From far-off Porto Rico will come two students for the University of Oregon summer session here which opens June 19 for six weeks. Word of their coming was received from Charles A. Leiker, dean of the Polytechnic Institute at San German, Porto Rico. After completing summer session the two, both teachers, will remain at the university to complete work for master's degrees.

UNIVERSITY LAW STUDENT WINS COVETED SCHOLARSHIP.

EUGENE, ORE.—John H. King, Freewater, law student at the University of Oregon, has been awarded a scholarship at Cornell Law School, valued at \$400. He was one of 17 students selected from institutions in all parts of the United States. King was selected on the basis of high scholarship and ability, from a field of 125 candidates. He will leave to enter Cornell next fall.

the state extension services which are being used to the extent possible by the agricultural adjustment administration in order to avoid setting up costly duplicating organizations.

BOARDMAN NEWS

By Mrs. Dan Ransier
Art Gabel of Heppner was visiting on the project Tuesday and his daughter, Mrs. Roy Chandler, returned home with him.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carrick and son motored to Zella, Wn., Wednesday and returned Friday, going after cherries.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carrick, Margaret Smith and Mrs. W. Wilbanks shopped in Hermiston Wednesday.
The 4-H sheep club met at the Nels Kristensen home Sunday. They are studying judging.

Sunday the community was shocked to hear of the sudden death of Grandpa Nickerson which occurred between 6 and 7 o'clock. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.
Chas. Marshall returned from Seattle and his sister, Kathleen, came for a two weeks visit. They were guests Sunday at the Disbrow home.
Lee Holbrook of Eight Miles visited friends on the project Sunday.
Mrs. Walter Stuttle and daughter returned to Portland last week after visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Faler.
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ransier and Billy and Daniel spent Sunday visiting in Irrigon.
Mr. Dillabough is reported on the sick list.
Mr. and Mrs. G. Barlow motored to Heppner Tuesday.

Geo. Bush took a truck load of new potatoes to LaGrande last week. County Agent Chas. Smith of Heppner was on the project Wednesday. Plans are being made for a fair this fall.
Mrs. J. Jenkins entertained Saturday for dinner Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bradley and Mrs. Bradley's brother and family.

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Bob Harwood took a truck load of people to Irrigon Sunday. Boardman won the baseball game, the score being 4-2, after playing 16 innings. Mr. and Mrs. Royal Rands and Donna motored to the valley to move their son Buster and family to Hood River.

Mrs. Hoover and Mrs. Tyler entertained Saturday evening at a birthday party for Lester Hoover. A mistake was made in the date of Pomona. It will be Saturday, July 1st.
Flax Trials Do Well in Malheur. ONTARIO—Flax trials on the A. V. Fee and R. C. McCallum farms in Malheur county showed fine stands with promise of a good crop when inspected by County Agent R. G. Larson recently, and two new trials have been started on the farms of B. G. Roberts and John Reese.

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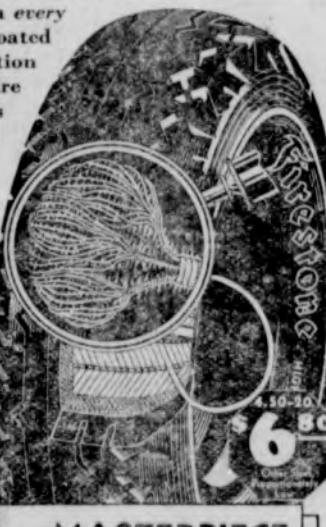
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