

FARM CO-OPERATIVE DIVISION

A MESSAGE TO EVERY MEMBER.

A STATE-WIDE COOPERATIVE

The Grange Power Bill, if passed by the people on November 6, will create a cooperative whose membership will be all the voters of Oregon. This is a non-partisan bill. Therefore the voting for or against will be determined largely by individual reasoning and prejudice rather than by the dictates of a party machine. Happily Oregon is one of the few states in the Union which handles a political question in that manner.

There may be many cooperators who would welcome some discussion of the bill, for there are some features of it which should and must be clearly understood. The discussion which follows is done by the question and answer method.

Ques.—What is the purpose of the Grange Power Bill?

Ans.—The bill enables the State of Oregon to get into the power and light business.

Ques.—If the bill is passed, will it immediately place an additional debt burden upon the taxpayers of Oregon of sixty million dollars?

Ans.—No. Its passage simply enables the state to proceed with its plans to get into the power business, and further, to bid for power generated by the government at Bonneville. Bonds can be voted only at some future general or special election.

Ques.—Are there any debt limitations beyond which the state cannot go?

Ans.—Yes. Six percent of one billion dollars which is the assessed valuation of the state.

Ques.—Six percent would represent sixty million dollars. Would that much be necessary?

Ans.—No. It has been estimated by reliable people that twenty million dollars or less would represent the initial bonding.

Ques.—Would the enterprise be self-liquidating?

Ans.—All debts will be paid out of earnings as quickly as possible. The policy, in other words, will be the reverse of the utility companies.

Ques.—Would the state compete with private companies now operating?

Ans.—No. The state will purchase or lease them.

Ques.—How will the state handle the intricate problem of getting the electricity distributed through the various communities of the state?

Ans.—Power districts will be organized and details will be handled from a central office in the district in the same manner that all offices function.

Ques.—That sounds very good, but can we save on our electricity?

Ans.—Certainly. There will be no holding companies pyramided one above the other calling for money, no watered stock demanding its share of dividends.

Ques.—Are there any examples to prove that a saving can be made?

Ans.—Many. Here are a few. The Tennessee Valley users pay only \$1.50 for 50 K.W.H. The city of Eugene has saved its users two million dollars and enjoys a rate of from 30 to 40 percent less than neighboring cities. Users in N.Y.C. pay \$4.94 for 50 K.W.H. where the current is purchased from private utilities.

Ques.—If the taxable wealth of the power companies is taken off the tax rolls, will our taxes go up?

Ans.—Absolutely they will not. Any of the cities enjoying municipal plants have no taxes at all. We have reduced their tax burden considerably by transferring large amounts from their power and light plants over to the general fund. Los Angeles last year made a two million dollar transfer and eased the tax load by just that much.

Ques.—Why do some people including security owners, complain if these facts are true?

Ans.—Because in most cases these individuals own shares in the private companies which pay them dividends.

Ques.—If lower rates are what are wanted, why not have the commission regulate them downward?

Ans.—That sounds reasonable but it doesn't work. The power of money is too great. Example: It was the building of the canal and locks at Celilo that reduced the rate on wheat going to Portland 4 cents a bushel, and not the commission.

Ques.—Will this state cooperative set up for the distribution of electricity have the effect of destroying the so-called "individual initiative"?

Ans.—It is a matter of sacrificing the few for the welfare of the many.

Ques.—Will the power business be made a political football?

Ans.—The framers of the bill planned to thwart this by entrusting the administration to three non-partisan commissioners, elected in the same manner as judges.

Ques.—Must these three men have definite qualifications?

Ans.—The voters will attend to that when they go to the polls.

Ques.—Are these three men elected at the time we vote on the bill?

Ans.—No. They will be elected at a future special or general election.

Ques.—One thing more. Will this state power business stimulate the influx of industry and settlers?

Ans.—Emphatically, yes. Industry always seeks cheap power and settlers will gladly come to Oregon to settle on our lands if electricity in both its conveniences can be enjoyed on the farms. Remember also, that the people from the drought stricken areas of the middle states are seeking homes in the west and if Oregon is to get its share it must provide for them. Cheap power inducements are now offered in both Washington and California as public ownership is much in evidence there.

NO PATRONAGE REFUND PAID DELINQUENT MEMBERS.

According to the by-laws governing the Co-operative Service Station, no patronage refund can be made to any member who has allowed his membership to become delinquent. Information as to the status of any membership is available at the main office of the Farm Bureau Co-operative.

Hours for Closing Advanced.

Starting with November 1st the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston will close at 5:00 o'clock instead of 6:00 o'clock p. m. This is being done in observance of winter business hours, Manager H. M. Sommer, says.

CANNING SCHEDULE.

We will be canning meat every Wednesday from 8:00 to 12:00 o'clock, until further notice. Squash and pumpkin may be canned at the same time.

All customers having canned goods in the cannery are requested to please remove them before November 1st.

TURKEY GROWERS ADVISED ON MARKETING PREPARATIONS

The Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers' association will hold its first pool on November 3d. All growers who are going to ship in this pool are requested to bring their turkeys in before noon on that day.

In the interest of the turkey growers and the association, growers are urged to use extreme care in selecting birds to kill, so that only those that are ready will be sold. In some cases it may be necessary to sell poorly finished birds because of a feed shortage, but the farmer should not kill more than is necessary to carry him through.

These statements are based on the following:

First: The two weeks period between the first and second pool should put on between two and three pounds of fat with good feeding of healthy birds. The farmer can figure how much more increase the birds would bring.

Second: The turkey which is not very well finished may be raised from a choice to a prime grade by the extra time and feed.

Third: According to information received, it would seem that the turkey market would strengthen as the season advances. The increase in turkey prices may be of little consequence before the Christmas marketing season, but because of the 15 to 20 percent shortage of birds, and the necessity of early slaughter of poorly finished birds in the drought areas, it is reasonable to expect a better late market.

The turkey growers' association is not trying to prevent or discourage growers from selling in the November 3d pool but as many of the members are holding for the later pools it seems advisable that this information be passed on to other growers.

TOMATO, MELON GROWERS FURTHER ADVISED ON STAMPS.

Tomato and melon growers in Umatilla County will be interested in knowing that they may receive payment for unused melon and tomato stamps. The Oregon-Washington Melon and Tomato Marketing Agreement management has just instructed the Umatilla County Agent that on October 3 the Marketing Agreement operations terminated insofar as they affect retail prices. Growers having unused stamps may receive payment in full by forwarding them to the Portland office of the Marketing Agreement at 516 Oregon Building, Portland, Oregon.

The organization further advises that there will probably be a residue above the cost of operation, and this will be refunded to the holders of receipts covering the purchase of stamps. Growers should note that all these claims for unsold stamps must be made on or before the first day of November, 1934, and this information is being sent out by the County Agent's office in order that Umatilla county growers may take advantage of the opportunity.

STANFIELD GRANGE NEWS.

The Home Economics club will sponsor a Halloween benefit card party in the Grange hall Wednesday evening, October 31. Bridge, pinocle and five hundred will be in play and a door prize of a piece of quilt as well as competitive prizes will be given. Tickets include refreshments.

Regular Grange meetings are now being held on the first and third Monday nights at 8:00 o'clock.

The program was presented on October 6, by the H. E. legislative and agricultural committees, with R. G. Penney, J. B. Pace, Mrs. Ed Brown, Mrs. F. S. Green and Patricia Richards participating. Mrs. A. E. McFarland, master of the Irrigon Grange, told of the relationship of the Grange to agriculture.

There will be another Grange dance in the hall Saturday, October 27. Music by the Happy Trio.

FARM BUREAU AUXILIARY ENJOYS HALLOWEEN SOCIAL

At the last regular meeting of the Farm Bureau Auxiliary, October 19, which opened the new year for the organization, the president asked for suggestive plans for some useful work to be done at each regular

TO THOSE ENGAGED IN THE DAIRY INDUSTRY.

I wish at this time to bring to the memories of those engaged in the dairy industry, that State Senator Jay Upton, now candidate for United States Representative, did all in his power to defeat House Bill No. 162, of the 1933 session, known as the "Oleomargarine Bill."

My advice to you would be to vote for Walter M. Pierce, a friend to you and the common people.

EBEN RAY, Williamina, Or.
Chairman of the State Dairy Committee of the Farmers Union.

UMATILLA PROJECT FARM BUREAU MEETING POSTPONED.

The Umatilla Project Farm Bureau meeting which had been planned for Saturday, October 27, has been postponed until November 3, because of conflict with other meetings previously announced.

A legislative program under the direction of Ed Dunning has been arranged which will be of interest to every tax payer in the district. The "Healing Arts Amendment" will be presented by Dr. A. E. Marble of Hermiston, and the "Grange Power Bill" by Mrs. Minnie McFarland of Umatilla.

The "Tax Limitation Amendment" will be discussed by Roy Penney.

There will be entertainment features prepared by Ed Benschel which will add to the enjoyment of the evening.

COMPLIANCE FOR SECOND PAYMENT ON CORN-HOG CONTRACT.

The supervisors of the corn-hog reduction contracts for this district, E. L. Jackson and R. G. Saylor have been instructed by Noland A. Jacobson, emergency agricultural assistant for Umatilla county, to call at all farms after October 22, where farmers have signed the corn hog agreement, in order to check up on compliance for second payment.

Proof of compliance sheets which call for information which all farmers should have on hand at the time the supervisors call has been mailed to all holders of contracts. Particular attention has been called to the information asked for on page two of this sheet under the heading "Hog Production." On page three are spaces for recording purchases of feeder hogs and detailed sales of hogs both since December 1, 1933, to the present date.

Farmers are advised to have on hand all sales slips and records of sales and purchases so that the information thereon may be readily transferred.

In some cases the supervisor may make his own appointment in advance it was brought out, but in any event all hogs on the premises should be rounded up in a convenient place for counting and all sales slips, purchase slips, copy of corn hog contracts, and proof of compliance sheet should be on hand at that time.

Proof of compliance must be executed before the second payment check can be received. Consequently the cooperation of all contract signers is solicited in taking care of this matter as soon as possible, Mr. Jacobson says.

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HOUSE FOR RENT OR SALE—Inquire Dr. A. E. Marble's office. 9-1tf

LIVESTOCK WANTED — CATTLE Sheep and Hogs. L. J. Huston, The Dalles, Oregon. Write me or leave name at Hale's Confectionery Dec. 6.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR UMATILLA COUNTY.

In the Matter of the Estate of Cathryn C. Durfee, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Cathryn C. Durfee, deceased, and has qualified as the law directs. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same to me at the office of W. J. Warner, my attorney, in Hermiston, Oregon, with proper vouchers, within six months from the date hereof.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL MEETING. SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal voters of School District No. 14, of Umatilla County, State of Oregon, that a school meeting of said district will be held at the school house on the 31st day of November, 1934, at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of discussing the budget for the fiscal school year, beginning June 18th, 1934, and ending June 18th, 1935, herein set forth, and to vote on the proposition of levying a district tax.

BUDGET

Estimated Receipts

- Balance on hand at the beginning of the fiscal school year (third Monday in June) for which this budget is made \$ 1,499.29
- To be received from the County School Fund 1,800.00
- To be received from the Elementary School Fund 3,000.00
- To be received from the State Irreducible School Fund 400.00
- To be received from tuition for pupils below high school 3,000.00
- Rent from Union High School Dist. No. 9 1,350.00
- TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS \$11,049.29

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

I. GENERAL CONTROL

- Clerk \$100.00
- Census and Comp. Ed. 90.00
- Legal Services (Clerk's Bond) 50.00
- TOTAL GENERAL CONTROL \$ 240.00

III. INSTRUCTION—TEACHING

- Principal \$ 728.00
- Teachers 5,900.00
- Supplies 185.00
- Textbooks 500.00
- TOTAL INSTRUCTION — TEACHING \$ 7,313.00

IV. OPERATION OF PLANT

- Janitor's Salary \$ 900.00
- Janitor's Supplies 150.00
- Fuel 650.00
- Light and Power 210.00
- Water 130.00
- TOTAL EXPENSE OF OPERATION \$ 2,040.00

V. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

- Furniture and Equipment \$ 150.00
- Buildings and Grounds 300.00
- TOTAL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR \$ 450.00

VI. AUXILIARY AGENCIES

- Library Books \$ 25.00
- Health—a. Personal Service 25.00
b. Supplies 50.00
- Transportation—a. Personal Service 2,500.00
- TOTAL AUXILIARY AGENCIES \$ 2,600.00

VII. FIXED CHARGES

- Insurance \$ 450.00
- TOTAL FIXED CHARGES \$ 450.00

VIII. CAPITAL OUTLAY

- New Furniture and Equipment \$ 250.00
- TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY \$ 250.00

IX. DEBT SERVICE

- Principal on Bonds \$ 1,000.00
- Principal on Warrants 6,377.45
- Interest on Bonds 925.00
- Interest on Warrants 500.00
- TOTAL DEBT SERVICE \$ 8,802.45

X. EMERGENCY

- Emergency \$ 300.00
- TOTAL EMERGENCY \$ 300.00

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

TOTAL General Control \$ 240.00
TOTAL Instruction — Teaching 7,313.00
TOTAL Expense of Operation 2,040.00
TOTAL Maintenance and Repair 450.00
TOTAL Auxiliary Agencies 2,600.00
TOTAL Fixed Charges 450.00
TOTAL Capital Outlay 250.00
TOTAL Debt Service 8,802.45
Emergency 300.00

Total Estimated Expenditures for Year \$ 22,445.45

RECAPITULATION

Total Estimated Expenditures for the year \$ 22,445.45
Less Total Estimated Receipts for the year 11,049.29
Amount to be raised by district tax \$ 11,396.16

TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS OF DISTRICT

- Bonded Debt, including negotiable warrants \$19,000.00
- Amount of Endorsed Warrants Outstanding 6,377.45
- Total Indebtedness of District \$25,377.45

Dated this 10th day of October, 1934.

SIGNED: F. C. WUGHTER, Chairman, Board of Directors. OTTO C. PIERCE, District Clerk.

Approved by Budget Committee the 10th day of October, 1934.

SIGNED: THOS. CAMPBELL, Chairman, Budget Committee. A. W. PRANN, Secretary, Budget Committee

(Oct. 18-25)

Dated this 25th day of October, 1934.

CHARLES J. DURFEY, Administrator. (Oct. 25—Nov. 22)

Call for Bids. Sealed bids will be received by the West Extension Irrigation District up to 2:00 P. M., November 6, 1934, for the purchase of the District warehouse located at Irrigon, Oregon.

Certified check, money order, or cash must accompany all bids to the full amount of bid, and successful bidder is required to remove building by December 15, 1934. The Board of Directors of the District reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

A. C. HOUGHTON, Secretary. (Oct. 11-18-25)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, Sheriff of Umatilla County, State of Oregon, will at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 5th day of November, 1934, at the front door of the County Court House of Umatilla County, Oregon, in Pendleton, Oregon, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, subject to the minimum price of Twenty-five Dollars, (\$25.00), the following described parcel of real property heretofore by Umatilla County, State of Oregon, acquired for delinquent taxes, to-wit:

The West ten acres of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 5, North, Range 27, EWM, in Umatilla County, Oregon.

Dated this 1st day of October, 1934.

R. E. GOAD, Sheriff of Umatilla County, State of Oregon. (Oct. 4—Nov. 1)

Province town, Mass., has a law which forbids the ringing of church bells or any other kind of bell in the neighborhood where there is illness.

HOME CONSUMED HOGS

FREE FROM PROCESSING TAX.

According to a statement by J. W. Maloney, Collector of Internal Revenue, Portland, Oregon, it appears that through a misunderstanding of the provisions of the law imposing a processing tax on hogs, many farmers have refrained from killing hogs for their own use.

"Statements appearing in some newspapers in the Northwest recently have given farmers the wrong idea of their privileges under the Agricultural Adjustment Act," said Collector Maloney today. "Many of them think they are required to pay processing tax on all the hogs they slaughter, regardless of the fact that they may use some of them for home consumption.

"This is not correct. The Agricultural Adjustment Act, under which this tax is collected, states specifically that the processing of hogs, which is the basis for the tax, means the slaughter of hogs for market, only.

"Anyone may slaughter as many hogs as he desires, whether he raises them himself, or buys them alive and then slaughters them afterward, without payment of processing tax hereon, provided the meat is used for the consumption of his family or immediate household.

"The farmer who slaughters hogs for market which he owned when they were farrowed, is privileged to take an exemption of 396 pounds live weight before paying tax, provided he does not sell in excess of 1320 pounds live weight during the marketing year ending November 4, 1934. This exemption does not apply, however, in the case of hogs purchased and fattened for market."

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