

FARM CO-OPERATIVE DIVISION

A MESSAGE TO EVERY MEMBER.

ADDRESS

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of the U. S. A.

(From last week)
put themselves out of business.

In many counties the largest manufacturing businesses are those of the cooperatives. The consumer-owned industries, producing for their members foods, clothing, furniture, and a multitude of useful things, in many lands have built up some of the largest manufacturing businesses in their respective counties. I have never been able to learn of a failure of a consumer-owned cooperative manufactory in any country in the world. How different this is from the sad story of closed mills and rusting wheels to be seen in our profit industries!

It is not through the cooperatives that people are losing their savings and going on relief in their poverty, but through the businesses which now take occasion to criticize cooperation.

A New Era in Distribution.

When a plan to improve the health of a community is set on foot, it will become the Chamber of Commerce to protest against it because it will be to the disadvantage of the doctors, nurses, apothecaries, and undertakers. The good of the community must rise superior to special interests. Cooperation is a more healthful kind of business, and people who profit by less healthy forms of business must yield for the public good.

It is true that cooperation stands for efficiency and tends to reduce the number of unnecessary distributive agencies. But the critics of cooperation do society a disservice when they insist on maintaining armies of unnecessary people in distribution to add to the consumers' costs. If this is desirable, then we should expect them to keep on setting up more and more middlemen in business, till every commodity passes through still more hands on its way from producer to consumer.

Creating Consuming Power.

Last year in the United States approximately 3,000 cooperative oil societies supplied their members with \$48,000,000 worth of petroleum products. This was on a capital investment of \$18,000,000. The members took back into their own pockets \$30,000,000 in savings returns. That increased their purchasing power \$6,000,000. The British consumers' cooperative societies last year gave back to their 7,000,000 members \$120,000,000 in cash savings returns. This increased their purchasing power and was the reason that the British business in general for it gave these people \$120,000,000 more to spend, and it goes to little profit merchants it would have stayed in the hands of small shop keepers and it might have been destined to be lost in failures. Had it gone to big business it would have disappeared as dividends for the comparatively few stock holders of big business or to pay salaries and bonuses to officials receiving incomes beyond their spending power. Cooperatives surplus savings go to people who need the money and who use it mostly in the community where their business is located. Cooperation stimulates industry because it gives people greater consuming power. It is addressed to the correction of just that deficiency in our economic system which is at the basis of our collapses and depressions - inadequate purchasing power on the part of the consumers. The universal fact that wages in cooperative employment are larger than in similar competitive businesses is another contribution toward this end.

The transition from profit business to cooperative business need not be difficult. Cooperation, like capitalism, stands for the private ownership of property. It is not political nor government ownership. It is opposed to confiscation. It is strictly private and peculiarly honest business. It is honest for a very human reason. Consumers have no cause to cheat themselves; it is always somebody else who finds profit in cheating them.

The ordinary capitalistic corporation may become cooperative by taking four specific steps. First, it carries on education among its stockholders and consumer patrons, gives them understanding of cooperative principles and methods, and encourages non-stockholders to purchase stock when they, too, have gotten sufficient cooperative understanding. Second, the stockholders pass a resolution to provide one vote only for each. Third, interest and dividends on stock are limited to the current legal rate of interest. Fourth, commodities or services are re-

tailed at the current price and the difference between this price and the net cost price is returned to patron members in proportion to their patronage or is used for the collective social needs of the whole membership.

By these natural steps a profit economic system can transform itself into a cooperative system without shock or cataclysm or without any action of government whatever, and by the simple processes peculiar to the every day economic life. The result is mutual service in place of individual advantage at somebody else's cost.

The Road to Abundance.

Cooperation offers the way to make the detour around fascism and to arrive at an economy of abundance without passing through the horrors of social chaos and the valley of economic destruction and death.

We are assembled here to dedicate to this end such talents as we possess. We have come to discuss our problems and to plan for the continuation of cooperative programs. We are here to prevent, if we can, an age from dying. The wisdom and the sagacity which we bring to bear portends much for the future of our country. It must be to us a source of satisfaction, encouragement, and of strength, that working with us are the enlightened and moral forces of a great nation.

Social Evening Saturday.

The Irrigon Grange will give a social evening Saturday, January 23. It will be a community affair and dancing and cards will be the order of the evening, followed by lunch served by the grange.

WESTLAND GRANGE MEETS THURSDAY

Westland Grange will meet Jan. 28 for their second meeting in the new year. The members will be asked to respond to roll call during Lecturer's hour by giving the name of some old-time song. Margaret Seeliger and Mrs. Power will give a short blackface play entitled, "Hanging Out The Wash." Several other numbers, including readings and group singing, have been prepared. Master Floyd Laird asks all members to be present.

The men have just lost a battle with the ladies in a membership contest, and will in the near future finish the program together with "meats, etc." at which time the ladies will be honored guests.

The H. E. club will meet at the home of Mrs. Frank Seeliger, January 21, at which time the new officers will take over their duties. Mrs. J. L. Berry asks all members to be present to help prepare and outline the program for the coming year.

DAIRY PRODUCTS OUTLOOK BRIGHT

The market outlook is somewhat more favorable for meat and dairy products in 1937 than for crop products for cash sales, according to an agricultural outlook report just released by the O.S.C. extension service. Owing to the drought and high prices for feeds, livestock marketings have been heavy during recent months, but the total supply of meat will be smaller during 1937.

"The reduction will be most pronounced in pork and the better grades of beef. As consumer purchasing power is expected to be stronger in 1937, the general level of livestock and meat prices is expected to be higher than in 1936 and higher than for several years," the report sets out.

On the other hand, the acreage of fall sown wheat is the largest on record and if growing conditions are about normal, production of several other crops will likely be larger than in 1936. That the outlook is far from uniform, however, with respect to the various spring sown crops and vegetables is pointed out in the commodity sections dealing with wheat, rye, feed crops, seeds, potatoes, hops, beans, flaxseed, and various truck crops.

In respect to the current situation, the circular gives the general level of farm prices in Oregon at approximately 84 per cent of the 1926-1930 level. With farm prices around one-fifth higher, and more to sell, farm income from crop and animal production in Oregon during the 1936-37 marketing season will probably exceed that of the previous season by \$15,000,000, more or less.

The report contains several tables of farm price and market data, and a number of outlook charts on economic subjects related to the agricultural industry. Copies are available free from county agricultural agents.

CANNERY SHORT COURSE GIVEN

The sixteenth annual canners' short course held in the food products laboratories at Oregon State college has been announced for the two weeks of February 1 to 13. It will include a number of new features in addition to the usual review of fundamentals and late developments in canning processes and the double seaming course in machine operation.

Cannery field men are to receive special attention this year with work in which they are interested concentrated in the last three days of the course. Another new feature is laboratory training in the detection of adulterants and foreign matter in processed foods.

BLOW LANDS WILL BE CONSIDERED

This is to call to the attention of all readers of a meeting which is to occur Friday, January 29, at the grange hall at Lexington, Morrow county. This will be a meeting for farmer discussion rather than one in which a series of speakers will address the group. The control of blow land will come in for consideration. The meeting is to open at 10:00 o'clock and lunch will be served in the building at noon.

The central idea of this type of meeting is that by pooling farmer experience we may avoid mistakes which some people have made and from such discussion be able more quickly to take advantage of some practices which certain farmers may have found desirable.

At the present time there is much talk by persons advocating this or that implement as the final answer to the farmer's question. Doubtless most of this machinery has a place somewhere. Probably none of it will solve all the problems. Among the questions that are being asked are: What is the place for the chiseling? What is the fate of the moldboard plow? Does the spike-toothed harrow belong in the junk yard? What is the best type of treatment in trashy summerfallow—single or double disk?

Some of the persons reading this have already tried these and other types of machinery and have found from experience just what their value is under certain conditions. If you are interested in attending this discussion, we hope you will arrange to do so, and we would like to have you call it to the attention of your neighbors, some of whom might want to attend also.

We should add that there is to be a group of men from Douglas county, Washington, as well as farmers from Jefferson, Wasco, Sherman and Gilliam counties. Douglas county farmers have gone a long way toward solving the erosion problem. WALTER A. HOLT, County Agent.

NOTICE

Nominating ballots are being mailed to members in good standing in districts No. 2, 4, 6 and 7, of the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston. No ballots will be mailed to any one not in good standing in their respective Grange or Farm Bureau.

HENRY M. SOMMERER, Sec.

Poultry

SPECIAL FEED AID TO LATE CHICKENS

Good Ration Urged to Push Fall Production.

By Dr. N. P. Walters, Poultry Husbandry Staff, Iowa State College - WNU Service.

A good ration for obtaining fast growth and development of late hatched chicks is recommended. The following ration, one that has been successfully used at the college poultry farm, may be mixed at home in small quantities or can be supplied by local elevators in larger amounts than would be convenient to mix on the farm:

Ground yellow corn, 39 parts; ground oats, 20 parts; wheat bran, 10 parts; wheat middlings, 10 parts; meat and bone meal, 10 parts; dried milk, 5 parts; alfalfa meal, 5 parts, and salt, 1 part. Liquid skim milk may be substituted for dried milk, and 1 per cent of cod liver oil should be added to the chick ration.

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—A GOOD cow, fresh February 1st; can use hay rack, spring tooth harrow. C. W. Ruping, Stanfield, close to depot. 21-2tp

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In the Matter of the Estate of Anna B. Willard, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Executor of the Last will and Testament of Anna B. Willard, Deceased, and has qualified as the law directs. All persons having claims against said estate are required to

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World's Youngest Mayor Guest of LaGuardia and New York



Municipal budgets and such were discussed by the mayor of the world's largest city and world's youngest mayor when Mayor LaGuardia of New York played host to 17-year-old Mayor Daniel Kampan of Boys Town recently. Left to right above are LaGuardia, Kampan and Father Flanagan, founder and director of Boys Town.

present the same to me at the office of W. J. Warner, my attorney, in Hermiston, Oregon, verified as the law directs, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1936.

L. W. DIXSON,
Executor.
(Dec. 24—Jan. 21)

LAND SALE NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, Sheriff of Umatilla County, Oregon, by virtue of an order duly made and entered herein by the County Court of Umatilla County, Oregon, on the 18th day of November, 1936, will, on the 23 day of January, 1937, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the front door of the Umatilla County Court House, Pendleton, Oregon, subject to a minimum price of \$50.00 therefor, to be paid in cash, at the time of sale, the following described parcel of land, heretofore by Umatilla County, Oregon, acquired for delinquent taxes, to-wit:

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R. E. GOAD, Sheriff.
J. A. Carney, Deputy Sheriff.
(Dec. 24—Jan. 21)

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