

# FARM CO-OPERATIVE DIVISION

A MESSAGE TO EVERY MEMBER.

## CANNING SCHEDULE

For the week of April 26 to May 1. Will be canning asparagus every day except Wednesday the 28th from 8:00 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Hermiston Co-op. Cannery.

## F. B. AUXILIARY DIRECTS CLEAN-UP

The Farm Bureau Auxiliary conducted an all day clean-up last Friday, April 16th, at which time a pot luck dinner was served at noon. While some of the ladies tied a quilt for Mrs. Belscamper, others planted flowers and shrubs on the park grounds. The men mended fences and cleaned the grounds. The ladies also cleaned the club house during the afternoon.

Mrs. P. H. Corman and Mrs. Barham had charge of the dinner. There has been a fine attendance at the meetings during the past few weeks and a number of new members taken in. All new and old neighbors are given a special invitation to attend all meetings.

The next meeting will be Friday, May 7th, with Mrs. H. Hooker and Mrs. Hughes in charge.

## HOMEMAKERS DAY SCHEDULED

The second annual homemakers day has been set for May 11th, says Miss Frances Clinton, Home Demonstration Agent, in Umatilla county. The meeting will be called for all day in the Little Theatre of the Vert Memorial building at Pendleton.

Miss Izola Jensen, Recreation Specialist from Oregon State college will discuss "Family Fun" in the morning session. Miss Joan Patterson, House Furnishing Specialist, also from Oregon State college will discuss and demonstrate "Wall Paper, the Imitator" in the afternoon session. Exhibits of home extension work and hobbies of homemakers will be on display throughout the day. A nursery will be in charge of a competent woman while mothers may leave children while they attend the meeting.

Luncheon will be served at noon, arrangements for which will be announced later. Election of three members to the county home extension committee will be part of the day's activities. Any woman interested in the program is welcome to attend.

## 4-H CLUB LEADERS' CONFERENCE

Local 4-H club leaders for eastern Oregon counties will meet at the Eastern Oregon Experiment Station at Union on May 3, 4 and 5. All livestock 4-H club leaders, who plan to attend, should contact Jay T. Pierson, assistant county agent, who will make arrangements for transportation. Local leaders for Home Economics clubs should contact Miss Francis Clinton, Home Demonstration Agent at Pendleton. Arrangements are being made at the Union hotel at Union for accommodations for room and board while there on which special rates are given.

The program for the livestock and crop club leaders will be handled at the Union Experiment Station, and the program for the women will be in the recreation room of the Union hotel. A definite detailed program will soon be available in the assistant county agent's office.

This is the second conference of its kind held in eastern Oregon, and from the requests of those who attended last year it shows promise of being an outstanding permanent activity for local leaders.

## GRANGE CO-OP WHOLESALE REORGANIZED

(Co-op League News Service) SEATTLE, Wa.—A plan calling for the reorganization of the Grange Cooperative Wholesale to place control of the organization directly in the hands of its member cooperatives was approved by representatives of the Grange supply units meeting in Spokane, March 1.

Under the new set up, the board of directors of the cooperative wholesale is increased to nine members. The state of Washington is divided into eight districts with one director selected by the cooperatives in that district. A ninth member is selected by the executive committee of the State Grange.

Provision was also made to increase the capitalization of the cooperative wholesale to meet the demands of increased membership and rapidly growing business handled through the headquarters in Seattle and the branch wholesale in Spokane. The branch warehouse built last year is already inadequate to meet the steadily growing business.

Sales of the cooperative wholesale to member cooperatives increased 21.6% in 1936 to a new record volume of \$1,700,000. Membership increased 20%, net worth 35%, while undivided reserves for expansion and education were reported at 45% above the previous year.

## CO-OPERATIVE PROGRESS ABROAD

HAROLD V. KNIGHT

When Great Britain restricted the amount of its bacon imports during the depression the Danish farmer was hit hard. Danish bacon production had to be curtailed by a control program similar to the AAA. But instead of the government setting up elaborate machinery, the farmers' cooperative factories carried out the program voluntarily.

Denmark is a farmers' democracy where cooperatives occupy a position of major importance and are responsible to a large extent for raising the status of the Danish peasant from one of the most poverty-stricken and debt-ridden in Europe to one of the highest. Through sixty-one cooperative bacon factories 183,890 farmers handle 85 per cent of all bacon exports; 189,250 farmers belong to the 1,411 cooperative dairy societies that handle approximately 95 per cent of all the milk produced; 90,685 farmers import four-fifths of the feedstuffs brought in through 1,412 local cooperatives; while about 40 per cent of the fertilizer is bought by 1,468 local cooperatives having a membership of 61,000. Cooperative stores, eggs collecting societies, credit unions banks and other associations round out the cooperative picture.

In the cities both the consumers' societies and the workers' productive associations, while not as large as the farmers' organizations, are of growing importance.

Eliminating duplication it is estimated that the total individual membership in cooperative societies is close to 400,000. With four persons per family it is conservatively estimated that 1,600,000 or more than 40 per cent of the total population of 3,705,000 are affiliated with the movement. Approximately 8,000 societies of various kinds are federated into associations of their own kind which in turn belong to the Federation of Danish Cooperative Societies.

Since the formation of a single Cooperative Wholesale Society of Denmark in 1896 there has been a steady and consistent growth of the purely consumer cooperatives. In 1935 there were 1,939 local cooperatives with 354,000 members doing an annual business of \$63,400,000 affiliated with the central wholesale. The F.D.B. owns and operates factories producing hosiery, ready-made clothing, cotton garments, bicycles and automobile fittings, boots and shoes, spices, coffee, tea, liquor, chocolate, confectionery, cigars and tobacco, twine and rope, soap, margarine, harness and flour. In addition to consumer stores, cooperative canteens and bakeries have developed the last ten years.

The cooperatives go into manufacturing only when they can do it more cheaply than private industry. An international milling trust sells an extensively advertised brand of packaged rolled oats for about 17c. F.D.B. sells a product equal in every respect for a little over 12c packaged and less than 10c in bulk.

In 100 villages cooperative banks supply the small farmers with facilities that would otherwise be lacking. Twelve credit associations supply farmers and city residents alike with longer term credit needs, holding mortgages of over a billion dollars in 1935. Only one credit association has had to liquidate since the first one was organized in 1851 and that failure occurred in 1857. There are also numerous cooperative insurance organizations.

An outstanding characteristic of almost all Danish cooperatives is that they are unincorporated membership organizations and that the members are jointly and severally liable for debts. It is claimed that this compels members to participate actively in the affairs of their societies, but some leaders today maintain that "experience refutes this view."

Although urban and rural societies alike are members of the central wholesale the urban groups are also organized into the Cooperative Mutual Association in efforts to improve the well-being of the workers. The three points of its program are cooperatives, labor unions and a workers' political party. In addition to consumer societies the association includes 40 productive enterprises operated cooperatively. Among these are the cooperative mechanics' leagues of carpenters, masons, and ironworkers which undertake the same sort of jobs as private contractors and give better working conditions and wages to

their members.

The role of the Danish farm cooperatives in improving the production and the quality of dairy products, hogs and bacon, poultry and eggs until Danish farm produce commands a premium on foreign markets is well known. The Danish folk schools, though privately owned, are credited with having created the cultural atmosphere in which cooperation thrives.

## Livestock Shippers Notice.

The Umatilla Cooperative Livestock Marketing association will make another shipment Sunday, April 25th. A request has been made that all orders be left at the Cooperative Creamery, Farmer's Cooperative Store, or with the Assistant County Agent Jay T. Pierson.

## COLUMBIA

By Lois Hutchison

Among the recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Harr were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harr of Ocean Lake, Ore., who were returning to Lewiston, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Lorentz and son Robert of Seattle, Wn., who returned to their home Sunday.

Carl Hammer left Tuesday for Meacham where he will spend a few days attending to business.

Victor Epperson spent the week end in Pendleton. While there he attended a farewell party given in honor of one of his friends.

Visitors at the E. R. Moore home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lenz and son and Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Marble.

The park board supervised a clean up in Columbia Park April 16th. At noon a pot luck dinner was served to eighteen by the Farm Bureau Auxiliary.

Mrs. A. F. Hughes of Pocatella, Idaho, visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McCulley and children. She arrived here Saturday and stayed until Monday.

Lester Hammer is ill with the flu this week.

The Blue Ribbon Calf club met at the assistant county agent's office April 18th. A very interesting discussion was held on the following subjects, "Calf Health and the Classification of Cattle." The next meeting will be in the form of an all day meeting May 1st.

Nina Rae McCulley and Opal Stockard were among the delegation who attended the Christian Endeavor Convention in Corvallis last week end. They left last Thursday and returned home Monday.

Miss Evelyn Cook visited her parents in Umatilla over the week end. Joe Hawkins of Adams visited at the Thomas Wilson home Sunday.

Miss Marian Cassidy was an overnight guest of Miss Woodruff Gifford of Stanfield Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stillwell of Pasco, Wn., nephew of Mrs. A. H. Hooker and superintendent of the Finley school, visited at the H. A. Hooker home Friday evening.

Maurice Caldwell is visiting at the R. A. Woodward home this week. His brother, Myrnie, who was also visiting at the Woodward home, returned to Baker Sunday.

Mrs. William Struthers was a dinner guest at the Duane Lathrop home Wednesday of last week.

J. H. Reid recently purchased a new Chrysler.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hooker and daughter Nellie motored to Gardena Saturday where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmer. They were accompanied by Mrs. Thomas Wilson. Mrs. Wilson went on to Walla Walla where she is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Osborn, former residents of Hermiston.

Duane Lathrop was a business visitor in Pendleton Saturday. J. V. Allen and sons Jimmy and Johnny visited at the W. Rood home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rand and Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Rand and sons Herbert and David of Irrigon were dinner guests at the William Foster home Sunday.

Thomas Wilson and Joe Hawkins visited at the Lathrop home Sunday. Visitors at the E. Hugg home Sunday were Jess Sneed, Barbara Hasse, Jack Osborn and Leonard Mopps. Oscar Whitsett left for Klamath Falls Sunday.

Arlida Foster and Marthabell Caldwell were among the members of the high school glee club to attend the annual Song Festival which was held at La Grande Saturday.

Visitors at the W. R. Struthers home last week were Mrs. George Carnes, Mrs. James Kramer and Mrs. Charles Michells. Mrs. Carnes and Mrs. Kramer are Mrs. Struthers' sisters and Mrs. Michells is her niece.

Walter Kramer of the State Game farm was in this district last week on business.

## STUDENTS ATTEND MUSIC FESTIVAL

A representative group of students gave two concerts at the seventh annual Eastern Oregon Song Festival sponsored by the Eastern Oregon Normal school at La Grande last Saturday. The concerts were given for the purpose of criticism with Paul Petri, director of the department of music at Oregon State college as guest critic. Miss Ruth Morrison directed the group singing.

Numbers presented were "Funiculi, Funicula," "Come to the Fair," and "In the Gloaming." Among those attending were Arlida Foster, Bonnie Jean Follett, Bill Hamm, Vir-

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A banquet was served at the Scaevewa hotel Saturday evening which all local delegates attended.

Farm area in the Willamette valley in Oregon totals 2,831,474 acres of which 47.2 per cent is classed as improved, a report of the Oregon state planning board, "Willamette Valley Project," states. This land forms 33,009 farms of varying sizes and types.

## Call for Warrants.

School District No. 26-51 in Morrow and Umatilla counties, State of Oregon, hereby call warrants Number 230 to 247 inclusive, issues of 1935 payment. Payment will be made at the First National Bank of Pendleton, Pendleton, Oregon. Interest ceases April 23, 1937.

MRS. BERNICE WATTENBURGER, District Clerk.

## WANT ADS

FOX FEED HORSES — WANTED. Phone 254, Echo, or write A. Hackbarth, Echo, Ore., and I will call on you. 42-4p.

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