IRRIGATION KEY TO DEVELOPMENT KIWANIANS TOLD

C. C. Hoover, Stockman and Seed Grower, Speaker At Luncheon—Told History

Irrigation is the key to the future development of agriculture in Rogue River valley, and especially for the development of the seed industry, stated C. C. Hoover, valley stockman and seed grower, in an address to the Medford Kiwanis club yesterday noon. Mr. Hoover declared that this valley has the best pasture land in the world and that the future of the seed industry, if the land upon which it is grown is engineered properly for drainage and irrigation, is very bright.

Mr. Hoover touched upon some of the early agricultural history of the district and told of his development of the winter blue grass, ladino clover, Sudan grass, and more recently, the lotus clover, as pasture grass and for seed harvest in this valley. He stated that 45 tons of ladino clover seed was harvested in the valley last summer and predicted that this figure would be more than doubled this coming year. Seventy-five per cent of all the ladino seed sold in the nation is grown in Jackson and Josephine counties, according to Mr. Hoover.

Grass Seed Harvested

Describing the experiments with the sudan grass, Mr. Hoover said that about half a million pounds of this grass seed were harvested in this district last year. He also told of the experimental plantings of Eagle Point hop clover, reporting that some 150 acres of this clover is now being grown in the Eagle Point district.

Also of interest was Mr. Hoover's statement that since lands of the Camp White reservation have been leased back to private interests, a number of new plants has been found growing there. The agriculturist told of harvest conditions the past few years, stated that his son, Claude, had designed some of the machinery found necessary for efficient harvesting of the seed crops and that his crops had been harvested since the war almost entirely by high school students and soldiers.

Meeting Day Changed

Guests at the meeting were Hobart Price and Bruce Stewart, the latter county supervisor for the Farm Security administration here.

The Kiwanis club has changed its meeting day from Tuesday to Wednesday of each week at the Holland Hotel.

American steel mills produce enough steel to build and equip one of the navy's new destroyers every half hour in the day.

At Craterian

Now playing at the Craterian is "Song of the Open Road," with Edgar Bergen, Charlie McCarthy, Jane Powell, W. C. Fields and Bonita Granville. Music by Sammy Kaye's orchestra. The film ends Saturday night.

MEDFORD YOUTHS HOLD OFFICES IN MYTHICAL STATE

A number of Medford youths are holding office during the annual Beaver Boys' State being held at Oregon State college this week. The boys arrived at Corvallis Sunday night and Monday heard a talk by Mayor C. H. Woodcock of Corvallis on the functions of city government and Tuesday George I. McBee, Benton county judge, outlined county government phases. Officers for mythical city and county governments have been elected.

Howard Kyle was elected justice of the peace for Delta county and Jerry Hunter commissioner for Theta county. Carl Reich is serving as judge of Gamma county and Gene Neff was named clerk of the same county. LeRoy Armstrong is serving as assessor of Kappa county and Ward Bebb as coroner of Kappa county.

Bill Werner was elected treasurer of Hood city and Nat Bender marshal for that city. Carl Reich is serving as treasurer of Cascade city and Gene Neff as a councilman for Siskiyou city. Ronald Nutting was elected treasurer of Wallowa city.

Beaver Boys' State is held each year at the college under the sponsorship of the American Legion in order that the state's youth may have practical experience in governmental procedures.

KROEGER TO HEAD ASHLAND LEGION

Ashland, June 29 — Emil Kroeger was elected commander of Ashland Post No. 14, American Legion, at a meeting Tuesday night. The new first vice-commander is J. Q. Adams and second vice-commander is James Firestone. C. M. Frazier was elected adjutant; William O. Blaylock sergeant-at-arms; John Billings, post chaplain.

Elected to the executive committee were Kroeger; A. Bert Freeman, junior past commander; Dr. W. J. Crandall, Guy Applewhite, Herb Moore, Adams and Frank J. Van Dyke. Kroeger, Freeman and Van Dyke were named delegates to the state American Legion convention to be held in Portland in August.

The meeting followed a dinner which honored Major R. L. Burdic, overseas for the past three years, and the major spoke during the evening. Also at the dinner was Bill Burdic, son of the major, home on navy leave. Two other sons of Major Burdic are also in the service.

Legion Man Leads Isolationist Nye

Bismarck, N. D., June 29—(U.P.) Isolationist Sen. Gerald P. Nye, a veteran of the senate for 18 years, was running second to Lynn Stambaught, former national commander of the American Legion, in the race for the North Dakota senatorial nomination, incomplete and unofficial returns from yesterday's primary election revealed today.

Stambaugh was running as an independent and made a campaign issue of Nye's isolationism.

Snarling Fascist Held at Gunpoint

(Acme) Telephoto)

Italian patriots, prowling streets of Rome to round-up and mete out their own punishment to former followers of Il Duce, hold this snarling Roman at gun point while his credentials—and former political affiliations—are checked.

JACKSON COUNTY FARM NOTES

Compiled by County Office O. S. C. Extension Service

Recommendations For 1945 Conservation

Oregon recommendations for the 1945 conservation program have recently been discussed by county and state committeemen. Final recommendations as sent to Washington called for very few changes from the 1944 program. It was strongly urged that the 1945 program be set up without any soil-building allowance for individual farms. It was also pointed out that the Triple A's conservation program could be greatly improved if it were set up on a continuing basis. By continuing basis, it is meant that the program should not be formally announced each year, but should carry on from year to year with the necessary changes announced before the cropping season starts.

It was the general agreement of both county and state committeemen that the 1944 conservation program was the most satisfactory one that we have had to date and that it was very adaptable to Oregon conditions.

Housewives Asked To Help Store Eggs

The War Food Administration is broadcasting an appeal to American housewives to help meet the critical situation in the poultry industry which has arisen because of inability to find enough storage space to handle the excess spring egg production which is being purchased by the government to support farm prices. In a statement issued by Administrator Jones he says that the country temporarily has more eggs than cold storage capacity can care for. The help of every home in America is needed to meet this emergency storage problem and to save from spoilage eggs that will be needed in the future. At the time Jones issued the statement there were 1400 carloads, or approximately 25 million dozen eggs on hand for which no storage space could be found.

The appeal is for every housewife to buy an extra dozen of eggs, or more if possible, and store them under refrigeration for future use. Eggs can be kept in the family refrigerator in good condition. It will not be long until production will decline seasonally, hence extra eggs saved over for that time will be both welcome and profitable. Oregon is one of the surplus-producing states, so the poultrymen in this state are interested in seeing that this campaign to keep more eggs under home refrigeration is successful.

—R. G. Fowler,
County Agent.

Beetles and Bugs Now Out in Force

Cucumber beetles and squash bugs are now out in force and control measures should be adopted if serious damage is to be averted.

The cucumber beetles are the size and shape of lady bugs, but have twelve spots on their backs. These beetles feed on beans, cucumbers, squash, melons and other plants. Standard recommendation for control is to dust with one ounce of calcium arsenate in a pound of landplaster. Spraying or dusting with regular lead arsenate will also give control. For a spray use a heaping tablespoon per gallon of water.

Squash bugs feed on the leaves and stems and as well as sucking out the sap, they carry squash wilt which is very destructive. Plants which are healthy one day and all wilted the next are most likely affected by wilt. Sprays for control of squash bugs give very poor results. About the only practical control is to regularly hand pick and destroy the bugs. Go over the plants once a day and pick off the adult bugs and drop them into a can containing about an inch of stove oil or kerosene; this quickly kills them. The eggs are orange colored and laid on the under surface of the leaves. These should be crushed whenever found. Daily persistence in the early part of the season will be rewarded by fair control.

—C. B. Cody,
Assistant County Agent.

REA HUNGER STRIKE

St. Louis, June 29 —(U.P.)— Chester Lake, former administrative representative for the Rural Electrification association whose job was abolished, went on a hunger strike today and said he would fast until President Roosevelt or congress freed the REA from political influence.

Ten million synthetic rubber tires, 96 per cent as good as the natural rubber product, have already been produced, Robert S. Wilson, vice-president of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., announced.

Daily Weather Report

Forecasts

Medford and vicinity: Fair. Little change in temperature tonight and Friday. Partly cloudy and somewhat cooler.

Oregon: Fair. Little change in temperature. Somewhat cooler tonight and Friday with scattered showers along the coast. Cooler west of the Cascades.

Local Data

Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 84; lowest, 62.

Total monthly precipitation 1.51 inches. Excess for the month .79 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 15.76 inches. Deficiency for the season, .56 inch.

Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 15%; 4:30 a. m. today, 72%.

Tomorrow

Sunrise 5:39 a. m., sunset 8:50 p. m.

Boise	82	57	—
Boston	95	73	—
Chicago	98	66	—
Denver	74	52	—
Eureka	56	53	—
Hayre	77	54	—
Los Angeles	83	56	—
Medford	94	57	—
New York	84	67	—
Omaha	98	67	—
Phoenix	107	65	—
Portland	90	59	—
Reno	90	48	—
Roseburg	99	50	—
Salt Lake	82	52	—
San Francisco	70	51	—
Seattle	83	56	—
Spokane	80	52	—
Washington, D. C.	90	71	—
Yakima	87	52	—

Olive Barber's Observations

How the nearly million people in this town get themselves sorted out, take the right cars and arrive at their own homes is beyond me. But they do. Furthermore, they sort me out, too, put me on the right car and shove me off in front of my own door. And a mighty good thing it is they do, for I can get more lost in a six-block area in the city than in six square miles of woods. So if the people up here don't want me cluttering up their streets all night, it's up to them to see that I get home. So far, they have.

How city people come by this homing instinct, I don't know. I've wondered if it's some vitamin they get that country people like me haven't had. I know I've heard lots more about the importance of vitamins since here than I ever did before. Not that I hadn't read about them before, but here they're given a lot of publicity. Placards posted in grocery and drug stores remind you to get your quota of vitamins; eat certain foods and you'll see better; eat certain other foods and you'll be able to work harder. So I've wondered if the people here have a secret vitamin, like nations have a secret weapon, which gives them a homing instinct. I mean to look into this. If there is such a thing, it can count me among its addicts. Then maybe in time I'll get my directions under control and head south instead of north like I've been doing the last few months. Which would mean that eventually I'd work my way back to Hillside.

Today I tried to change my December hat for a summer model but milliners seemed so indifferent as to whether I did or not that I gave up and came home. Maybe it made them feel discouraged, seeing I also needed a new dress and hair-do; and gloves and shoes. Maybe they thought so trifling a thing as a hat wouldn't do much to improve the general shambles, so why bother.

I know how that is. If it happens that I need to bake, wash and mend overalls all the same day, I feel so bogged down I go for a bird walk. So I think I know what ailed the milliners; I presented just too many problems.

AIRLINE WOULD GROW

San Francisco, June 29.—(U.P.)—American Airlines, Inc., has applied to the civil aeronautics board for permission to extend its southern transcontinental route to San Francisco and Oakland, it was announced today.

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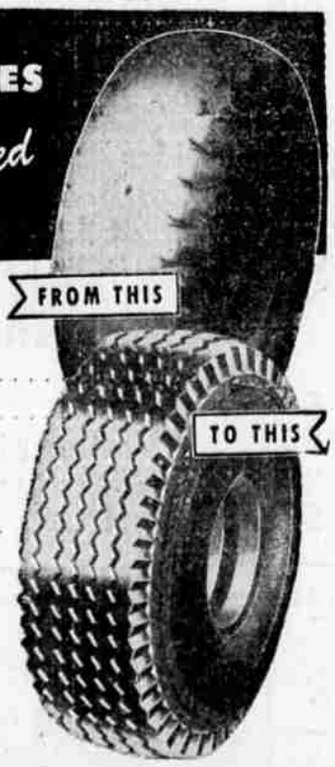

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