

Liberal Policies Favored by Most Oregonians Voting in Decisions

Corvallis—Liberal policies in world trade in line with administration-backed legislation now before Congress are favored by most Oregonians balloting on the "Great Decisions" discussion topic, of "What U. S. Economic Policy for Survival?"

Ballots were tabulated this week at Oregon State college for the sixth topic in a series of eight foreign policy issues discussed during the 1938 Great Decisions program.

Discussion groups in 32 Oregon counties participated this year in the program sponsored by Oregon State college extension service and general extension division of the state system of higher education, in cooperation with the Foreign Policy association.

Reciprocal Trade
The majority of Great Decisions voters supported present reciprocal trade arrangements. Sixty-one per cent voted for renewal of the Trade Agreements act which became law in 1934 but which is due to expire June 30.

Only 2 per cent of Oregon voters thought Congress should refuse renewal of the act. The remaining ballots favored even more liberal trade agreements, authorizing the President to make further tariff reductions on a reciprocal basis with other nations.

Congressional debate on the Trade Agreements act has cut across party lines with some opponents of the bill arguing that high tariff protection to U. S. business is needed to bolster sagging employment and production.

On the question of whether the U. S. should increase its foreign aid activities, Oregonians voted on policy alternatives as follows:

Eighty per cent said Congress should put more emphasis on "loans and technical cooperation" and less emphasis on "outright grants."

More than half the voters thought the U. S. should give greater emphasis to "economic aid" and less to "military aid." Only 5 per cent of the voters thought Congress should reduce all kinds of foreign aid spending.

Fifty-two per cent favored increased U. S. economic assistance to underdeveloped nations.

Other Adjustments
On the question of whether the U. S. should make other adjustments in its foreign economic policy, alternatives were rated as follows:
Sixty per cent thought the U. S. should step up its farm surplus disposal program in needy areas of the world, while 32 per cent said we should avoid creating prob-

lems for other farm surplus nations through out disposal program. Other countries, notably Canada and Australia, have complained that the U. S. disposal program robs them of regular markets.
Fifty-nine per cent thought the U. S. should accept the "world leadership" by cooperating on economic problems with "all nations," while 22 per cent thought we should

accept such leadership only in dealing with noncommunist countries. About one-fifth of the voters expressed no opinion.

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Klamath Forest Seeks Help to Control Beetles

Yreka — John S. Hall, district forest ranger for the Klamath National forest here has issued a call for woodsmen to contract for the treatment of beetle infested timber in the Greenhorn creek area of the forest.

Those interested are requested to contact Hall at the forest service warehouse at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. A bark beetle survey made cooperatively by the forest service, state division of forestry and private lumber interests early last month disclosed that the Greenhorn area had an intense infestation of beetles which were close enough to the green timber areas of Greenhorn and Yreka creek to menace them.

Other areas of the Haystack burn area have high infestations, but are well within the burn and the beetles should not reach green stands on the outside, Hall said. These will be treated only by logging, he added.

Control work must be completed on Greenhorn by May 1, he said, because at that time the beetles begin to emerge from infested trees and fly to green trees within a four mile radius.

Control treatment aims to destroy the larva of the beetles in the bark of the tree. This can be done by burning, chemical treatment or removal of the trees by logging, he noted.

Drive To Combat Recession Talk

Dayton, Ohio — Radio station WAVI has begun a drive among businessmen and consumers to combat recession talk. The station started the drive to "get the bright outlook" among listeners by emphasizing the sunny side of the current economic situation.

The campaign consists mostly of business and industrial leaders broadcasting comments on the future of their companies and the community.

"The comments we have received so far have been fine," said H. K. Crowl, president and general manager of the station. "People have called me saying it is about time someone started something positive instead of 'hanging crepe' and sounding like the 'voice of doom.'"

Communications Test Slated by CD Group

An over-all communications test will be held on the Civil Defense network, known as Races, between Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties to set up monitoring facilities on all operating frequencies, according to local civil defense officials.

A station in Prospect recently joined the county network.

Officials said special type of communications is being sent at 8:30 p.m. Mondays for code practice. The network continues its regular 1 p.m. tests each day.

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