

FARM BORROWERS IMPROVE STATUS

WASHINGTON, May 2 (AP)—An increase in the annual income and net average worth of Oregon farm security administration borrowers was reported yesterday by Will W. Alexander, FSA administrator.

They also are making satisfactory progress in the repayment of their loans," Alexander wrote Senator McNary (R-Ore.). Standard rehabilitation borrowers, totaling 3434 in the state, had an average annual income of \$987.49 per family last year and increased their net average worth 32 per cent. They added \$2,447,240 to the wealth of their communities.

Borrowers have repaid \$1,384,623 of loans totaling \$3,895,839, the average loan being \$1134.49.

Alexander said that in a limited number of cases grants averaging \$13.27 per family had been made in addition to the loans to assist families at the start. The FSA also negotiated reductions of \$517,403 on old debts of Oregon borrowers.

Reductions of \$391,715 in debts of irrigation districts also have been made, he reported.

Produce valued at \$866,776 was grown by Oregon borrowers last year compared with \$630,070 the year before they obtained FSA loans. They farmed tracts averaging 153.45 acres.

The federal housing administration insured home financing loans totaling \$26,180,814 for 38,364 Oregon families, Stewart McDonald of the FHA informed McNary.

EUGENE PAYS HEED TO NEW SHORTCUT INTO KLAMATH

EUGENE, May 2 (AP)—When the last section of the lofty Willamette Pass highway is completed in July, Klamath Falls will be 81 miles closer to all Willamette valley and Oregon coast points north and west of Eugene.

The new highway, complete except for a short distance east of a 100-foot tunnel, will place Klamath Falls only 180 miles from Eugene. The former route, either across the McKenzie Pass, then south down the Dalles-California highway, or by way of Roseburg, Grants Pass and Medford down the Pacific highway, were 261 miles long.

The Willamette route, unlike the McKenzie Pass, will be open all the year. It leaves the Pacific highway at Goshen, a few miles south of here, passes through Pleasant Hill, Trent and Dexter to Oakridge. From there it will cut through the Salt Creek game preserve and along the rocky shores of Odell and Crescent lakes to join the Dalles-California route near Chemult. Salt Creek falls will be one of the scenic attractions, formerly inaccessible to motorists. Crater lake, one of the world's major tourist attractions, formerly 267 miles from Eugene by highway, will now be only a 140-mile drive.

UNITED STATES MAILED NOT SO MALE, REPORT

WASHINGTON, May 2 (AP)—The United States mail is not so male, after all.

Postmaster Farley disclosed today that 27 per cent of the postmaster appointments in the last seven years have gone to women.

And the ladies have got some pretty big jobs. The list of post-offices on the distaff side includes: Los Angeles; Little Rock, Ark.; Fall River, Mass.; Portland, Me.; Ann Arbor, Mich.; Galveston, Texas; Camden, N. J.; Oakland, Calif.; Minot, N. D.; and Long Beach, N. Y.

Residents of Hargrove, Tenn., by the way, have a postmaster who should be an expert in solving any traffic problem. The senate confirmed Park A. Carr for the job yesterday.

LOCATING PUNCTURES

One method of locating a nail, tack or piece of glass which has caused a tire puncture is to run a loosely held rag around the inside of the casing after removing the inner tube, according to the Oregon State Motor association. Even if the object protrudes only slightly it usually will catch on threads of the cloth and thereby reveal its location.

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Belgium Watches the Lowering War Clouds



Although fearful of a German drive through the Low Countries, Belgium rejected a British suggestion that she accept Allied "preventive aid." Like these Belgian machine gunners, her valiant army is on the alert for any violation of neutrality.

Private Employer Hiring Increases During March

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Federal Security Administrator McNutt reported today that private employers had hired 18 per cent more persons during March than they did in the same month last year.

"Authoritative reports . . .," he said, "indicate that there is an increasing demand for workers in industry and commerce. Slowly but surely the level of the country's great reservoir of idle workers is falling . . ."

Despite the optimism voiced in McNutt's report, it was dis-

closed that congressional leaders were weighing a suggestion that additional funds be allocated to the WPA, should need arise before the fiscal year closes June 30. Approximately \$1,500,000 already has been appropriated for relief up to that date.

Senator Barkley (D-Ky.) said more WPA money could be obtained by dipping into the \$975,000,000 relief appropriation which President Roosevelt has requested for the first eight months of the 1941 fiscal year beginning July 1. He said, how-

ever, that no decision had been reached.

WPA rolls on April 1 listed about 2,100,000 persons, and officials were reported to have estimated that enough money remained to keep all but 350,000 employed through May and June. Taking a different view, some congressmen have predicted elimination of 600,000 relief clients from the rosters unless extra funds are provided for the two months.

The figures on the March em-

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NEW DRUG LIVES UP TO REPORTS FOR TREATMENTS

PORTLAND, May 2 (AP)—Sulfanilamide—a new drug recently discovered by medical science—is living up to its early expectations in the treatment of numerous infections and diseases.

This was the opinion of Dr. Edwin G. Bannick, Seattle physician, who spoke before the 28th annual meeting of the University of Oregon Medical School Alumni association here Wednesday evening.

Dr. Bannick said some skepticism has arisen because the drug has been used improperly and tried in too many cases where it should not have been used.

He said sulfanilamide has proved to be of definite value in the treatment of hemolytic streptococcus infection, meningitis, gonorrhea and pneumococcal pneumonia. Related compounds such as sulfapyridine and fulfathiol, he said, give promise of being even more effective against some of the infections.

The conference continues tomorrow with a series of clinics. Dr. Harry Dietrick of the University of Southern California and Dr. Bannick will speak later in the day.

WEATHER

NORTHERN CALIF.: Partly cloudy tonight preceded by light showers today over north portion; Friday fair; cooler in south portion Friday; moderate southerly wind off coast shifting to west and northwest this afternoon.

OREGON: Light showers and cooler tonight; partly cloudy Friday; moderate to fresh southwesterly wind off coast and over inland waters of Washington.

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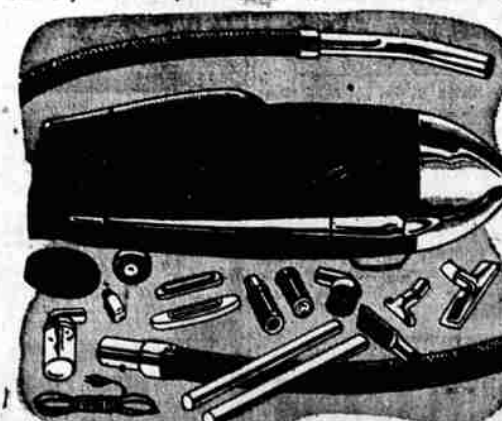
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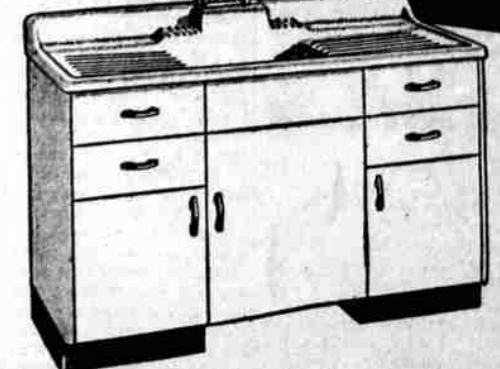
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COURTESY PAYS
Courteous drivers are usually safe drivers, comments the safety department of the Oregon State Motor association. Many motorists avoid accidents by yielding the right of way when-

ever there is an element of danger, even in situations where the right is legally theirs.

The farm population of the United States is estimated to be nearly 31,897,000.

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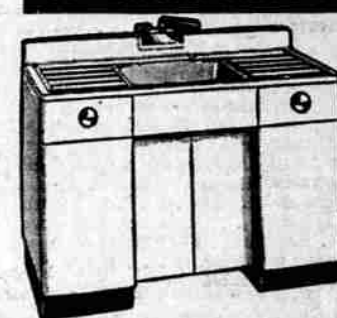
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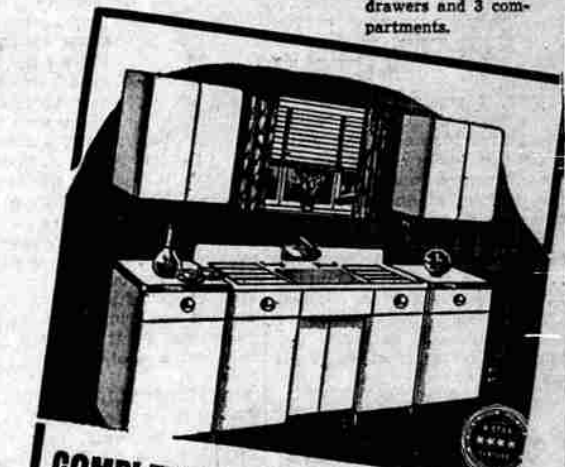
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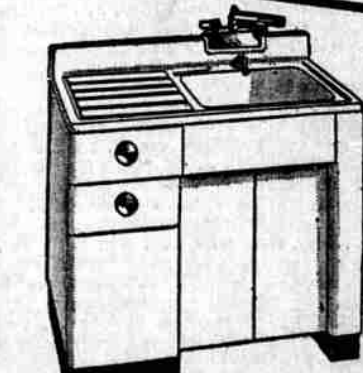
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