

1947 Potato Support Plan Undergoes Major Changes

Sweeping changes are indicated by recent information received at the county agriculture office, in the 1947 support program. Some of the most outstanding changes are:

1947 Potato Price Support Program

1. Participation is limited to growers who have complied with potato acreage goals.
2. Loans, while available, no longer will be the principal means of late crop price support.
3. Dealer assistance in the operation of the program is authorized on a contract basis.
4. Potatoes acquired will be subject to resale in consumer markets at less than support prices.
5. The department will assist and encourage the potato industry to utilize its own facilities in maintaining orderly marketing and improving the quality of potatoes offered to consumers.

The program definitely will require affirmative action by growers to establish their eligibility for participation and will accomplish needed price support by purchase, diversion, export and loan operations.

Basic conditions of eligibility for price support are as follows:

1. Growers must comply with 1947 individual farm potato acreage goals.
2. Price support will be restricted to potatoes produced by eligible growers and which meet definite quality standards.
3. All growers, early and late, will be required to make application for a "certificate of eligibility." They will declare before harvest the maximum quantity of potatoes which they estimate will be produced by them in the county which will qualify for support price and will pay a nominal fee on potatoes so declared.
4. No grower will be eligible who plants potatoes on land officially designated by state or federal agency as unfit for potato production because of disease or insect infestation.
5. Growers who plant less than three acres, and therefore have no specifically assigned acreage goal, but who wish to be eligible for price support, are required to notify the county committee prior to June 5 for early and intermediate potatoes and July 15 for late potatoes to permit determination of their compliance with the small farm goal.
6. Growers may be required to enter into written agreements with the department covering such matters as acreage goal, compliance, withholding from market and disposition of designated quantities and sizes as directed by the department, and quantitative limitation of offerings to the department by appropriate time periods beginning about October 1.

Of the above qualifications perhaps No. 2, referring to definite quality standards, and No. 4, dealing with land containing disease and insect infestation, are the two most important and far-reaching changes as compared to the actual operation of the program in the 1946 crop.

Purchase operations generally will be limited to inferior grades and sizes but better grades may be purchased, if necessary. Actual buying will be done by the department or by dealers operating under contracts with the department. Approved methods of disposal are in industrial outlets, such as livestock feed, starch, flour, glucose, alcohol, or in export channels. The provision permitting resale of commercial potatoes on the market at less than support prices by dealers may have a far-reaching effect on prevailing market prices.

The order stresses the use of marketing agreements and these might come into general use throughout the nation if necessary, which would require the holding back from market channels of low quality potatoes.

HIGH SCHOOL

'News Notes and Comment'

By MARY O'BRIEN

First off—thanks to Mary Lou Case for doing such a grand job while I took a three weeks "vacation" until after the senior play. Especially as dramatically, "Our Town" was a success grossing slightly over \$400 for the senior class gift fund. Incidentally, only a few of the cast had ever had regular dramatics training. The play director who did such an excellent job of coaching these MARY LOU CASE students was Mrs. Genevieve Oppen.

Filling in single file before their junior and underclassmen friends in an assembly this afternoon, the seniors displayed their costumes in the annual senior Hick Day parade. Arlo Schmitt, class president, presided at the assembly. Faculty judges chose the funniest couple, funniest boy and girl, cleverest couple, cleverest boy and girl, the best sustained character, and four students whose individual characterizations were outstanding.

Belle Doris Russell and Rosemary Biggle, working as co-editors, are planning the annual spring radio show to be held this Wednesday in KU's auditorium. The talent show, featuring students from all the public schools will be a full hour long with the first half being broadcast from 7:30 to 8 p. m. over KFLW. There is no admission charge; the public is invited to attend.

Calendar of coming events for the seniors is well scheduled for the few remaining weeks of school. Announcements and name cards should be distributed sometime this week. The AAUW's annual senior tea will be given May 24 at the R. B. Howe home. The Thursday preceding Memorial Day is the date set for the Junior-Senior Prom; baccalaureate practice will be held in activity period the same day. The baccalaureate sermon is to read Sunday, June 1. Commencement and rehearsals for the commencement ceremonies will be held on Wednesday, June 4.

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Flashes Of Life

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"They had no trouble complying. The right front wheel of their car was caught in it."

EXCUSABLE
OKLAHOMA CITY, May 19 (AP)—Paul Carter Burns, 19, leaped against a light post. A short circuit in the wiring melted the anchor bolts and the metal post crashed into the street.

Paul fainted. When he regained consciousness at the hospital, he shouted, "I didn't do it. I was just waiting for a bus."

KITTY IN NEW ROLE
CHICAGO, May 19 (AP)—Clarence Tilling, 60-year-old, Pleasant cat, Squeaky stepped into the role of a family "watch dog" yesterday.

The 60-year-old Tilling said he was awakened by Squeaky licking his face. A man's hand was reaching through a window toward the chain on a nearby door of his apartment. A moment later the man walked in but by that time Tilling had 45 and .25 caliber guns ready.

Instead of firing, however, he put the weapons down and told the intruder, "I'm going to beat the stuffings out of you." Police, summoned by neighbors, took a badly bruised, 33-year-old prowler into custody.

PTA Notes

Pelican
Pelican PTA will hold the final meeting of the year on Wednesday, May 21, at the Pelican school auditorium. There will be installation of new officers for 1947-48.

Samuel H. Smith, recreation director for the city, will be the speaker. All mothers are especially urged to be present to help plan an all-school picnic. Refreshments will be served.

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Young Woman Saves Own Son

LAKEVILLE, Ind., May 19 (AP)—Mrs. James Peters, a young housewife, answered a call for help late Friday by plunging fully clothed into the chilly waters of Riddle lake to rescue a child who had fallen in.

When she swam out and brought the boy to the top, she learned for the first time that it was her son, Jimmy, 4.

She towed her unconscious son back to the shore and began artificial respiration.

"It seemed like forever that I worked on him," said Mrs. Peters. By the time firemen and a doctor arrived, the boy had been revived.

Young Jimmy, if he doesn't develop pneumonia, will recover with no bad effects, his doctor said today.

Our Home Town

In Praise of the Loafer
By EARL WHITLOCK

I don't mean the man who makes a profession of loafing. I pay tribute to the man, ordinarily pretty busy, who, overcome completely with Spring Fever, drops everything, leans back and lets his thoughts have their way, dreaming away the precious hours when he really should be hard at it.

Those do-nothing hours are apt Earl Whitlock to be the most productive. They are the times we absorb. In the hustling hours of our lives we try to make the world absorb from us whatever we have in surplus—ribbons, wisdom, gasoline or cheese. Maybe if we cast up the strain on our minds more often, we should be made richer by a thousand impressions that we are usually too alert and intent to receive.

"For several centuries now we have had preached to us the gospel of unending bustle and rustle and work. And I sometimes wonder if there are not more sound lessons than we realize, in a life in which there is expressed more wholesome laziness. I am not sure about this. Just speculating, that's all.

Probably Spring Fever has got me, too. "Memory Garden is for your pleasure."

Next Monday Mr. Whitlock of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home will comment on "Our Low Prices for Funeral Service Are No Mouppoly."

Convict Gives Eye To Science

LITTLE ROCK, May 19 (AP)—The corner of the right eye of a dead murderer was divided Saturday between two living men.

The left eye was burned and rendered useless for surgical transplant, doctors discovered, when the murderer, Vellie Bill Bates, 29, Menard, Ark., was electrocuted yesterday at Tucker prison farm for the slaying of a hometown taxi driver.

"We made two grafts of the good eye," Dr. K. W. Cosgrove, who with Dr. J. F. Henry performed the operations, said.

"It will be at least 10 days before we know whether the operations are successful," he declared after finishing the first transplant.

Michael P. Boucher, 73, retired Hot Springs, Ark., bricklayer, was first in the operating room for the transplants. He was followed by Frank McCracken, 49, Fort Smith tuner. Each had one eye which transplants might help.

The operations were performed under local anesthetics and the patients talked with the surgeons and Baptist hospital attendants, Dr. Cosgrove said.

Before his execution, Bates willed his eyes to someone who "needed them badly." They were removed shortly after the execution.

May 24 Set As Poppy Day

The annual Poppy Day observance has been set for Saturday, May 24 by unit No. 8 of the American Legion auxiliary, when auxiliary members and volunteers from young women's groups in the city will sell the veteran-made poppies on downtown streets.

Mrs. H. W. Petrick, president of the unit, urges all to wear a memorial poppy in honor of the dead of two World wars and at the same time contribute to the welfare of disabled veterans.

The poppies which are sold locally are made by hospitalized veterans in Roseburg and Portland.

Mrs. Jack Otterbein is chairman of the Poppy Day activities.

Janitor Takes Life In Plunge

COLUMBUS, O., May 19 (AP)—Edward Wegener, 62-year-old hospital janitor, took his own life here in a nine-story plunge from a building because:

His son was killed at Pearl Harbor.

A daughter who became an army nurse lost her life in Europe.

His wife died six months ago, leaving him no known relatives.

Coroner John B. Gravia established precedent calling Wegener's death a "justifiable suicide."

He said: "I can't think of anything that would better fit this case."

American Legion

Regular meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 8:00 p. m., Veterans Memorial Bldg., 4th and Klamath.

Club Rooms

221 Main, next to Willard hotel. Open daily noon to midnight, except Sunday 2:00 to 11:00 p. m. for Legionnaires and guests.

Assessor



Glenn Terrill, who has been appointed Klamath county assessor, succeeding Newton B. Nelson, resigned.

Sackett Final Rites Tuesday

COOS BAY, May 19 (AP)—Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Beatrice Walton Sackett, a member of the state board of higher education since 1934 and wife of Sheldon P. Sackett, newspaper publisher.

Mrs. Sackett died Saturday night of cancer at the McAuley hospital. She was 48.

The funeral services here are planned for 9 a. m. in St. James Episcopal chapel. Burial will be in the IOOF cemetery at Salem. The committal services will be at 5 p. m. and will be conducted by the Rev. George P. Swift, Salem.

A native of Salem and daughter of a pioneer Oregon family, she had devoted her talents to teaching and public service. After graduating from Mills college, San Leandro, Calif., in 1920 she taught school in Astoria. She later became secretary to J. S. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction, and then served as executive secretary to four Oregon governors—Patterson, Norblad, Meier and Martin. She was named a member of the board of education by Gov. Meier and again by Gov. Sprague in 1942.

For many years she was the only woman on the education board and had been vice president since 1940.

FAIRGROUNDS WORK

Refurbishing the Klamath county fairgrounds for the 4th of July rodeo celebration was started this week, with the Dodson Painting company, 3314 Alamo drive, splashing buckets of white paint about the arena corral.

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FOREST GROVE, May 19 (AP)—The Society for Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., went into action Friday night and the result was a victory for the younger generation.

In this case the younger generation—four collegians from Pacific college at Newberg—eschewed modern harmony for barber shop music and won first place in a contest sponsored by the Forest Grove Cifemen.

To make the victory complete, four high school students from Portland won second place. Third went to the Pioneer Four, members of the Eugene chapter of SPESQSA.

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