

Farm Loan Association Meet Slated

The Klamath National Farm Loan Association will hold its annual meeting Saturday in Klamath Falls, R. E. Hamaker, secretary-treasurer, announced today.

The meeting, to be held at the Willard hotel, will be preceded by a luncheon starting promptly at 12 o'clock noon. E. A. Geary, president of the association, will preside and will introduce the speakers, including Arnold Anderson, regional manager for Oregon of the Federal Land bank, and C. A. Henderson, Klamath county agent.

Anderson is expected to discuss the cooperative credit system and the relation of association members to the system. He will also review briefly the progress made by the bank and the association during the last year. Henderson will discuss the agricultural outlook.

Dividend checks totaling \$2000.20 have recently been distributed to stockholder members of the Klamath National Farm Loan Association. This dividend is part of a \$100,000 dividend recently declared by the Federal Land bank of Spokane. The Klamath association and 70 similar local associations in Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington entirely own the bank's capital stock. The association's stock, in turn, is owned by the farmers and ranchers who have obtained bank loans. Being a cooperative, the association passes the bank's dividend on to its members, retaining only a small portion needed to assure a long-time sound business operation.

During the business session, association members will vote for two directors. The terms of U. E. Reeder of Klamath Falls and Fred Pope of Chiloquin have expired. Holdover directors are E. A. Geary and E. J. Horton of Klamath Falls, William F. Jannette of Merrill and J. R. Sissmore of Fort Klamath.

Barley Seed Being Cleaned

Certified Hanneken barley now being cleaned and treated for seed is being sampled at the same time for purity and germination tests.

Purity and germination tests of samples are made at the state seed laboratory at Corvallis. Certified Hanneken barley must be 90 per cent pure, must not carry more than 1 per cent other crop seed, and must germinate at least 90 per cent.

In 1947 no certified barley seed was available. Several good quality barley lots were sampled and carefully examined. Seed of certain lots was declared suitable for production of certified seed. Fields entered for certification were inspected before harvest. Tests of samples now being taken determine whether or not certification tags can be issued.

Certification in 1948 requires use of certified seed. Fields seeded with uncertified seed cannot be accepted.

Red Cross Aids Stricken Families

The Klamath chapter of the American Red Cross has supplied emergency needs to the families of Mrs. Ford Fleming and Mrs. Lucy Sears, burned out of their homes at the Osburn service station in Stewart-Lenoa this week.

Both families were provided with clothing to meet immediate needs and with a 10-day supply of food. The two women and several children were living in the cabins when they were destroyed in an early morning fire. All escaped unharmed. One woman's husband is in Idaho and the other in a local hospital with an injury.

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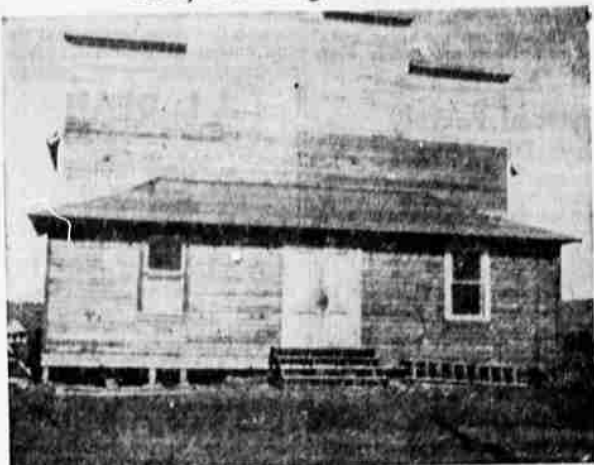


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Early Building Vanishes



Scene of many a night of revelry, this old Bohemian hall in Malin, one of the first buildings of the community, has been dismantled, the site to be used for a new home.

Bohemian Hall, Scene Of Early Malin Days, Razed

By RUTH KING

MALIN—The strains of "Beseda," national dance of the Czechs, will be heard no more in the old Bohemian hall. The building, which was the gathering place for the early Czechoslovakians, has been torn down and the site is being leveled to make way for a new home.

It was the second building to go up on land where Bohemian colonists, who came in 1900, planned to build a town, and it was there that the fun-loving families gathered to break the monotony of the hard work involved in making a living from the soil.

It was built in 1911 on the shore of Tululake, and at the time the water was so close to the front door that entrance was made through a side door. One corner of the town-site was then under water. Later, as the lake was drained in preparation for farming, other buildings followed.

Between \$400 and \$500 was made available by the ZCBJ, a Czech club, and all labor was donated.

Everybody danced in those days and the revelry began at 8 o'clock in the evening and lasted until broad daylight.

Food was brought by the women and no one went home hungry.

The kids were brought along too, and beds were made for them on benches behind the musicians or they were rolled under tables out of the way of the square dancers.

Automobiles were scarce in 1911 and Mayor A. Kalina tells of folks who came from all over the Klamath basin in horse-drawn rigs. He recalls sleigh loads of them coming behind four horses from as far away as Bly. If a blizzard came along while they danced they stayed until the storm ended with the hospitable Malinites.

Four of the musicians who played for those early dances still live in the Klamath country. They are Mike Dobry, Klamath Falls, violinist; M. L. Polivka, violinist, of Malin; Frank Payor Sr., Merrill, who played the clarinet, and young Charles

Californians Seek Pasture

California cattlemen are frantically seeking feed or pasture for their drought-suffering stock.

Inquiries have been received by C. A. Henderson, Klamath county farm agent, from extension service farm advisors in California cattle counties in regard to locating feed and pasture.

Klamath county ranchers having feed for sale or pasture for rent or lease are requested to contact the county agent's office here.

Colusa county Farm Advisor Kolb reports 180 livestock operators with 1000 head of sheep, 100 cows now milking and 40 steers suffering from lack of feed. These operators are

interested in bringing their stock into Oregon if pasture is available, Kolb states.

Pasture rates for cattle and sheep and feed prices would be appreciated by the California stockmen.

From San Jose comes a request for quotations on alfalfa hay prices f.o.b. from point of shipment. Such information will be broadcast over radio station KJJO on the farm advisor's program.

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Freedom Train To Visit Seattle

SEATTLE, Feb. 26 (AP) — Arthur C. Lomax said today the freedom train would spend two days here instead of the one day planned originally. It will be here April 9 and 10, said the commander of the American Legion's Seattle post No. 1.

Lomax said he was advised it would be impossible for the train to

make stops in other Washington cities not now on the schedule.

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