

OSC Head Recognized By Ag Society

E. R. Jackman veteran OSC extension farm crops specialist, was awarded the western states certificate of recognition by the honorary society for agricultural extension workers, Epsilon Sigma Phi, at the recent annual meeting of the Association of Land-Grant colleges and universities in Kansas City.

The society which has 4400 members in the U. S., is for extension workers who have served 10 years or more.

With the exception of three years during the 20's, Jackman has been OSC farm crops specialist since 1922. He is credited with the development of much of Oregon's twenty million dollar seed industry, as well as conservation farming methods utilizing grass.

Rural Fire Protector Named

At a regular meeting of the board of directors of the Stewart-Lennox rural fire protection district last week, Jack Nixon was named successor to George W. Bratton as vice president.

Bratton resigned because of business obligations. Nixon will serve until the next general election which will be on December 5, at which time his name will appear on the ballot.

Petitions for candidates for directors must be filed with the secretary by November 21, and must be signed by not less than 15 electors of the district.

Judges chosen for the election are Mrs. Norman Summers, Mrs. Edna Hastings, and Mrs. H. B. Schleferstein. The Stewart-Lennox community church was designated as the polling place.

Radio Tube Work Of Many

NEW YORK. (AP)—The radio vacuum tube in its present-day guise is the result of the work of many scientists. But in its early history three names stand out.

They are Thomas A. Edison, who in 1883 discovered the basic principle of the tube; John Ambrose Fleming of England, first to develop the detector tube; and Dr. Lee DeForest, who in 1906 improved the tube to the stage that opened the development of the modern radio and television systems.

India Rejects Soviet Idea

NEW DELHI. (AP)—A proposal to adopt the Soviet pattern in the preamble of India's new constitution was rejected by the constituent assembly recently.

Maulana Hasrat Mahani, a Muslim member from the United Provinces, moved an amendment to name India a Union of Indian Socialist Republics, USSR on the lines of the USSR.

The maulana claimed that he was not a member of the communist party but only a sympathizer with communist principles. The assembly voted for the official preamble of "constituting India into a sovereign democratic republic."

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RECORD CORN CROP—Albert Haley of Midland, Mich., stands beside a cobb holding some of the record corn crop his farm yielded. The harvest averaged 163 bushels per acre, compared to an average yield of 46 bushels per acre in the state. Yields like this are helping put the skids under the price of pork chops.

Soil Building Element Discussed

In soil building the function of molybdenum in legume growth is discussed in an article on trace elements published in the November issue of "Crops and Soils."

Molybdenum is a necessary element for nodule bacteria on roots of legumes. Without it these bacteria cannot reduce atmospheric nitrogen. Neither can they process that supplied as nitrates. As a result protein formation is prevented.

The amount of molybdenum present in plants like alfalfa usually ranges from 0.05 to 5 parts per million. The remedy for a deficiency is use of a pound or two of sodium molybdate per acre. A small quantity of this scattered over the seed at sowing time may meet requirements. And excess of molybdenum in plants is poisonous to stock especially if plants are low in copper.

No information at present is available on molybdenum content of legume here. In cases of poor clover growth trial use of sodium molybdate on seed is desirable.

Brothels Directory Best Seller

BANGKOK. (AP)—The best seller in the literary demi-world of this fabulous city is called "The Black Shadow." The book gives complete information as to the exact whereabouts of houses of ill fame. It cites prices and even discusses value received.

The book has aroused many Thai citizens. One sent a letter to the Bangkok Post, an American published daily, protesting that the book is selling like hotcakes. The buyers? Tourists.

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Local Groups Must Push Farm Roads

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 17.—More local responsibility is needed to fill the huge "missing link" in America's highway transportation system that is represented by thousands of local rural roads, a special study issued today by the National Highway Users Conference says.

The booklet, recommended for study by the heads of the National Grange, the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Rural Letter Carriers association, warns that increased taxes will not necessarily solve the problem of the unimproved local rural road, which often degenerates into impassable ooze in wet weather.

Local Reforms
The need of more local planning and local responsibility are stressed by the study's author, Russell E. MacCleery, a New England farmer and road authority who is state services manager of the NHUC.

The study reported that 28 percent of the rural roads in the U. S. remain largely unimproved, despite much state and federal highway aid and availability of millions of dollars of highway use taxes. One cause was found to be the diversion of special highway use taxes to non-highway purposes. Estimates are that this practice, not guarded against by constitutional amendments in 21 states, may have cost farmers more than 267,000 miles of improved roads. A strong appeal is made to end this diversion.

The booklet also states that "in too many counties there has been a gross lack of efficient use of existing highway revenues." It urges that where state aid is granted, counties be required to match this money from their own revenues rather than reduce their own spending. It also suggests that counties spend this aid for improvements rather than maintenance.

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Souvenir Opium Pipes Taboo

BANGKOK. (AP)—An American visitor who purchased two silver-mounted opium pipes as curios was fined 40 baht (\$2) the other day and the pipes, costing 2000 baht (\$100), were confiscated.

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