

# Mac's Mitt to CARL VORHEES



## 90% Parity Price Set

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Agriculture Committee Tuesday approved a bill to peg farm price supports at 90 per cent of parity for cotton, wheat, corn, peanuts, rice and tobacco.

The bill fixes a floor under price supports on these basic commodities through 1955.

Present legislation permits a sliding scale under which supports for these crops can range between 75 and 90 per cent of parity. The Agriculture Department has announced it will support 1952 crops at 90 per cent.

As it goes to the House, the new bill also would require that through 1955 the parity price for these crops be the higher parity price computed under either the original parity formula or the modernized formula adopted three years ago.

The 90 per cent price support would apply except where producers have disapproved marketing quotas.

Parity is the price for crops the government determines is fair to the farmer in relation to the things he buys.

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## Flood Prevention Plan Readied

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department would be authorized to cooperate with local groups in planting upstream flood prevention dams under a bill approved Tuesday by the House Agriculture Committee.

Under the bill, the government would pay part of the costs of any projects Congress approves.

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allowed parity prices for the basic crops computed on the old formula, which afforded higher prices than the new formula.

The American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Grange opposed the legislation in testimony before the committee while Secretary of Agriculture Brannan and reported it.

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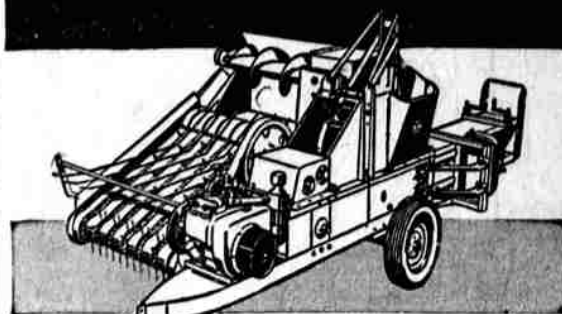
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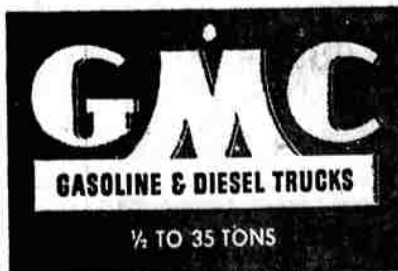
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### Rangemen Set Canadian Trip

A visit to the Dominion Range Experimental station near Kamloops, British Columbia, is in store for those who participate in the summer field trip June 24 and sponsored by the northwest section, American Society of Range Management, Chairman Floyd Iverson, Portland forest service employee, has announced.

Visitors will see Cattalo, offspring of a Buffalo and Herford cross. The second day of the tour will be in the Nicola valley which the Canadians claim has the finest grassland range on the continent.

June 23 is the date for the annual British Columbia Hereford breeders association field day and range management visitors have been invited to participate. It will be at Vinsula about 25 miles from Kamloops.

homesteaded and his San Joaquin cottonfields. He flew a four-place Piper Clipper the 600 miles.

Later he decided to concentrate entirely on his homestead. He had built an airstrip right on his place and kept right on flying. Several trips he made to Florida by plane, one of them ending when he returned with the deed for the orange grove in his pocket.

That orange grove, though meant the end of his flying his own plane. He sold it, along with the Florida deal. Now Voorhees farms here part of the year, then hurries off to Florida the rest. He can name a half dozen varieties of oranges, three or four types of lemons grapefruit, tangerines—just about any citrus grown—which he is producing down there.

Incidentally, the oranges Carl brought back from Florida definitely are competition for California's. Ask any number of Tulelake people who drop around the Growers' office there.

### OSC Info Man Takes Mag Post

R. G. Fowler Jr., information specialist with the Oregon State college extension service for almost five years, will resign effective July 15 to become west coast field editor for Farm Journal, the nation's largest farm magazine.

He will be one of two western resident editors. The magazine will soon start a special western edition serving the area from Denver to the Pacific.

Following his graduation from OSC in 1939 with a degree in agricultural economics Fowler spent two years with the Colorado extension service before returning to Oregon to take a post with the forerunner of the present production and marketing administration. He served three and one-half years in the army air corps during World War II and following discharge became information specialist for the extension service farm labor program.

Later he moved to Berkeley Calif., as assistant to the western farm labor director, and returned to OSC in December 1947 to assume the position he is now leaving. In recent years he has become widely known as an agricultural free-lance writer.

### Oregon GOPs To See Ike

SALEM (AP) — Seven Oregon delegates to the Republican national convention and four alternates will fly to Denver Wednesday to meet Gen. Eisenhower.

The party, headed by Gov. Douglas McKay, chairman of the 18-member delegation, will leave Portland at 7:20 A.M., standard time. It will return late in the day.

ONE HAND'S GOTTA be picking oranges in Florida while the other is planting spuds in the Klamath Basin for the above guy. Carl Voorhees is probably one fellow who has accomplished more in 36 years of lifetime than anyone else—at least numerically. The 6-foot 2-inch '220-pounder, who sprawls modestly wherever he sets himself, is presently homesteading 153 acres between the Frogpond and Peninsula in the Newell area. At the same time he's attempting to grow a dozen and a half varieties of citrus trees on a 20-acre grove along Florida's gulf coast. His story would be the envy of Horatio Alger:

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of features on local farmers and farm people to be published in the Herald and News Farm Section. The idea was originated by the late Glendon Smith, manager of the Tulelake Grower's Association. It seems only fair that the first "Mitt" should go to Carl Voorhees, a close friend of Smith's.—M.E.)

Carl G. Voorhees was born in 1916 near Miami, Fla. His father died when he was 10, and a year later he left home to work on a Florida cattle ranch. He remained there, working for \$8 a month and room and board until he had completed his high schooling.

In the middle 1930's he came west, but stuck to working as a puncher on Arizona ranches. During that time he also



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toured the U.S. on a rodeo circuit. Versatile Voorhees could do most anything in the rodeo line.

"But steer wrestlin' was my favorite," he says.

Came 1940 and the draft law was enacted. Voorhees settled down to studying for examinations for pilot's training with the Air Force. His trouble was he had no college education. But he passed entrance tests anyhow, only to wash out in pilots training.

So, undaunted, Voorhees took pilot's training on the side from civilian instructors. He learned to fly, all right. He soon became an instructor himself, and later in Texas was commissioned an instructor in the U.S.A.F.

Overseas during the war he served as a glider pilot, flying troops and equipment into action over the Rhine. After the war he returned to the U.S., married a Fresno girl, and in 1947 was discharged from the service as a captain.

In the San Joaquin valley he did a little cotton farming, flew as a duster pilot over the cotton fields, and finally was selected as the recipient of a Tulelake Homestead in the 1949 drawing.

For some time Voorhees flew back and forth between his New