



A RABBIT DRIVE NEAR MACDOEL in 1917 or thereabouts produced this bunch of the long eared hoppers. There were hundreds of the beasts rounded up impounded in the high fence. — Photo from R. H. Cook

Grain Storage Big Problem

PENDLETON (AP) — The grain storage problem in Umatilla County is possibly the gravest in local history, the Pendleton Grain Growers said Tuesday.

After a meeting with 140 farmers here, the organization announced it would build \$100,000 worth of steel storage buildings now, and would consider later this winter another \$100,000 in such construction. This would handle about a million bushels of grain.

The county had a bumper crop of about nine million bushels, of which only about a million bushels have been moved from the county.

Jim Hill Jr., manager of the organization, said prospects are slim for moving all of the crop before harvesting begins next year.

He urged farmers to make use

of all storage space they can find, and to relieve the problem by selling wheat whenever they can equal the loan price on it.

Agriculturist To Talk To Growers

PENDLETON, Nov. 28 (Special) — Howard H. Gordon, president of the Commodity Credit Corporation and administrator of the commodity stabilization service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, will be one of the principal speakers at the 26th annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League Dec. 23 at La Grande.

The government official will be heard on the December 5th program. Except for the Dec. 4 luncheon, the entire meeting will be held at the armory in La Grande.

Gordon has devoted nearly all of his life to agricultural work. He farmed for five years after graduation in 1919 from North Carolina State College, spent 10 years as an agricultural extension specialist, eight years with what is now the Farmers Home Administration and 10 years with the Southern States Cooperative, a large agricultural purchasing and marketing association.

Appointed administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration of the USDA in January of this year, Gordon in this capacity was put in charge of various programs in agricultural production, marketing and price-support fields, also serving as president of the CCC.

Upon reorganization of the department of agriculture this month, Gordon became administrator of the newly established commodity stabilization service, which now handles production adjustment, price support and related action programs previously administered in the PMA.

Four Brothers Burn To Death

GREENVILLE, Mich. (AP) — Four young brothers suffocated Tuesday when trapped in an upstairs bedroom as fire raced through the first floor of their frame home. The oldest gave his life heroically in a vain effort to save his three brothers.

Their two sisters escaped—one by jumping from a second story window.

The victims were James McAllister, 14; and his brothers, Vernon, 10; Ronnie, 9; and L. D., 6. The sisters, Jean, 10, and Leva, escaped.

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Perle Mesta Tells Of Trip Through Red Russia

NEW YORK (AP) — Mrs. Perle Mesta returned from a trip to Russia Tuesday and said "it is the strangest place I have ever been in my life."

"The people there are different from the people of the Western world," the former minister to Luxembourg told newsmen as she

liner United States docked. "They have penetrating eyes—they look straight through you." She said that Russian places as well as Russian people are strange, but that many of the people "are all right and they're friendly."

To a question whether peace could be achieved with Russia, she replied:

"Yes, if they leave us alone. It's all up to them if they let us alone. If they don't try to dominate the world, we can live in peace with them."

Mrs. Mesta spent almost three months in Russia and traveled 12,000 miles there last summer. She has been traveling in Western Europe since then.

She said some Russians would say "well, we don't like your system of government" and that she would reply:

"Of course, we don't like yours either—it's 50-50."

The liner docked in the midst of a longshoremen's work stoppage. Margaret Truman, daughter of former President Harry S. Tru-

man, greeted Mrs. Mesta and accompanied her to the Hotel Drake. Mrs. Mesta said she would stay there about a week and then go to Washington.

Mrs. Mesta said she had no present diplomatic ambitions and never would seek elective office, but added:

"I can't stay away from politics."

Dean Of Women At OSC Passes

CORVALLIS (AP) — The dean of women at Oregon State College, Mary Iola Bush, 62, was found dead in her home here Monday. She apparently died of a cerebral hemorrhage.

When she failed to report for work in the morning, others in her office tried to telephone her, then notified a student living in a basement apartment at her home. The student, Mrs. George Tobin, went upstairs and found the body on the floor.

Miss Bush was on the staff of the University of Washington before coming here in 1946.

Bridge Escapes Ship Ramming

PORTLAND (AP) — The Swedish freighter Mirrabooka, being taken downstream through Willamette River bridges by two tugs Monday, narrowly escaped ramming the Burnside bridge when a motor failed in the bridge lift mechanism.

When the bridge lift didn't work, the bridge tender sounded an alarm and the tugs started backing. They halted the freighter in time, then held her in mid-stream for the hour it took to find the trouble—a shorted wire.

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