

Reduction Program Starts For American Farms

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—A groundswell is developing in farming areas for a federal program that would reduce the size of the nation's farm plant until markets are better able to use what agriculture is capable of producing.

Farmers now recognize that agriculture over-expanded to meet war and postwar needs and that big surpluses accumulated as a consequence.

Few farmers see hope of any substantial improvement in the farm economy until production can be brought closer into balance with markets.

At recent hearings held by the Senate Agriculture Committee in major farming areas and in interviews elsewhere, farmers disagreed on price support levels and methods of carrying out price guarantees. But there was an almost unanimous endorsement of a land retirement program.

It appears to be a pretty good wager that the Senate committee will include such a program in new farm legislation it plans to write. Both Democratic and Republican members greeted the idea as a "new look" in farm programs.

The plan is being advanced as a "soil bank." Farmers would take a portion of their tillable land out of all production and put it to soil-building uses. That would store fertility for a future emergency or to meet needs of an expanding population.

For taking land out of production, farmers would get a payment from the government. Most farmers agreed that this payment should be enough to pay the taxes

on the idled land, pay the cost of seeding it to a soil building crop, and give the farmer a rental fee equal to from 5 to 7 per cent of its annual productive value.

Prime advocates of such a plan are President Howard Hill of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation and President James Patton of the National Farmers Union.

Some farmers would have the program require every farmer to idle a uniform percentage of his tillable land. Others would make it voluntary.

To protect dairymen and cattle-

men from added competition, the plan would not allow grazing of the harvesting of forage crops from the idled land.

Naturally, a program of this kind would cost a lot of money. Estimates vary from 350 million to one billion dollars a year. If the plan works successfully to reduce production, farm prices could be expected to improve. It then would be possible to make gradual reductions in the rental fees.

The Iowa Farm Bureau leader said it certainly would not be more expensive than the present

program under which the government lost about 800 million dollars in price support operations alone.

In advancing the soil bank idea, farmers recognize that present crop control measures have not succeeded in holding down the volume of crop production. This year's farm output will be the largest of record although rigid controls were invoked on cotton, wheat, rice, peanuts, and tobacco adobe rigid controls on corn.

What is happening is this: About 10 per cent of the cropland has been taken out of the crops under

controls, but this diverted land has been used to produce surpluses in other crops, such as oats, barley, grain sorghum, soybeans and the like.

But a uniform cut clear across

the board in all cropland could be expected, farmers say, to reduce production of all crops and ment in the general farm price to bring about eventual improve-level.

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Demos Okay Doenges' Post

CHICAGO (AP)—The Democratic National Committee Thursday approved on a voice vote retention by William G. Doenges of his post as Oklahoma's committee member.

The national committee also seated Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey as Texas' national committeeman.

Doenges retained his place on the Democratic state committee over protests from the Democratic state committee and others. His membership on the national committee previously had been approved by a 9-6 vote of a credentials subcommittee.

Ramsey was seated with Monroe Sweetland, Oregon committeeman, registering his official disapproval of the action.

Dean Johnston, head of the Texas Young Democratic Clubs, was an opponent of Ramsey before the committee.

Later the full committee's vote to accept Ramsey was made unanimous. A committee spokesman explained that this was done after Ramsey made a statement to the effect that any person holding an office such as his is under solemn obligation to abide by the rules of the national committee.

The spokesman said that Ramsey stated he would do so and expects others to do so.

Logger Rescued In High Sierra

NEVADA CITY (UP)—Arnett B. Ausley, 45, Grass Valley logging contractor, was rescued early today after being marooned in a powder shack near Fuller Lake, east of here in the High Sierra.

Ausley was in good condition but cold as he had been unable to light a fire in the powder shack. He had hiked into the isolated mountain area early yesterday to retrieve a bulldozer left at the foot of 8000-foot Grouse Ridge.

Ausley had no snowshoes with him and 30 inches of snow fell during the day. Al Sommers and Earl Hall, U.S. National Forest employees went into the area after Ausley on a bulldozer when he failed to return yesterday.

Greece Suffers Through Floods

ATHENS, Greece (AP)—Forty-eight hours of rains and floods brought death and destruction to Greece Thursday. First reports said seven people lost their lives and 27 were injured as scores of houses collapsed.

Flood waters derailed an Athens-Patras train and uprooted hundreds of thousands of trees.

Among the worst affected areas was the Aegean island of Spetsai.

APARTMENT COLLAPSES

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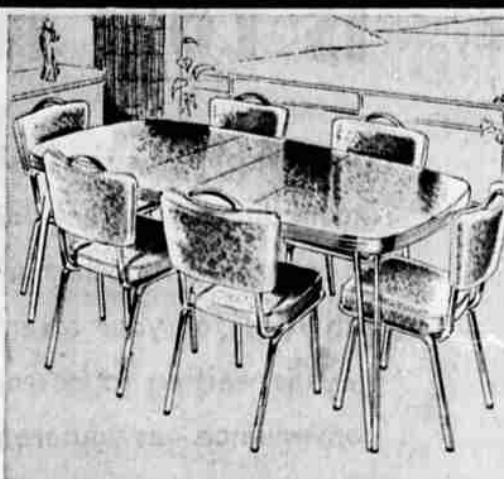
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