

Earl Hamaker Retires As Farm Loan Executive

The secret of the party for Earl Hamaker as a send-off for his retirement was well kept and it was a complete surprise to the guest of honor.

The group gathered at the Lawrence Horton place in Poe Valley and special guests included DeLos Putz of Spokane, Oregon supervisor for the Federal Land Bank of Spokane and Fred Knutson, president of the Spokane branch of the Federal Land Bank.

The event honored Hamaker for his 25 years of service as secretary-treasurer of Klamath-Lake National Farm Loan Association, a loan organization established in 1917 to serve the two counties. Loans are made up to 34 years on the land.

Bryant Williams, new secretary-treasurer of the association, was master of ceremonies at the party. After presenting a big box of roses to Mrs. Hamaker, the fun got underway. Directors present were called up, one by one, to give Hamaker some of the things he might enjoy during retirement. First, came a pair of bib overalls, then a big red bandana and a red hunting hat. Roy Gooding added a bamboo fishing pole to the collection.

Lawrence Horton, president of the local farm loan group, presented the directors' gift, a 21-jewel wrist watch and Knutson followed with the gift of a transistor radio.

Hamaker related numerous experiences he likes to remember from his 70 years in the Klamath Basin. He was born at Bonanza, the son of homesteaders. At the turn of the century, he and his brother went into the transportation business and established a stage route from Klamath Falls to Lakeview.

He mentioned the fact that

Hamaker Mountain had been named either for or by a relative who filed his land claims under more than one spelling of the name, thus confusing the spelling of the name of the landmark.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamaker will continue to make their home in Klamath Falls.

His successor in the post of secretary-treasurer, Bryant Williams, is a native of Klamath County. After four years at Oregon State College, he became associated with the extension service.

Upon returning to Klamath Falls in 1941, he became active in the potato growing industry. He was one of the originators of the Kiwanis Club 4-H potato project and it was he who took the first National Spud King to Washington, D.C., for an audience with the secretary of agriculture and other dignitaries at the nation's capital.

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Jet Airports Ready To Go
WASHINGTON (UPI)—A total of 27 U.S. airports will be ready to handle all or some commercial jet traffic by Jan. 1, 1960—target date for full-scale jet operations. These include: San Francisco, New York International, Denver, Baltimore, Chicago (O'Hare), Los Angeles, Fort Worth, Detroit (Willow Run and Wayne Major), Miami, Seattle, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Boston, Philadelphia, Kansas City (new airport), Dallas, Cleveland, Atlanta, Memphis, Nashville, Tulsa, Albuquerque, Toledo, Tucson, Portland, Ore., and Louisville.

tion Farm Loan Association are at 135 South Ninth.

Williams says, "We're sure glad Earl is going to stay around Klamath Falls. He knows who has owned every quarter section of land in these two counties for the last 30 years."

Fruit Kabobs Prove Tasty
NEW YORK (UPI)—Fruit kabobs make a tasty "barbecued" dessert.

Prepare a marinade of one cup pineapple juice, ½ cup maple syrup, and ½ teaspoon chopped mint. Add two bananas cut in cubes, two unpared, wedged apples, six halved peaches, one cubed fresh pineapple, and one grapefruit cut in segments. Let fruit stand in marinade for 30 minutes.

Preheat grill or griddle. String fruit on six metal skewers, alternating fruit sections. Brush grill with melted butter, and grill kabobs for five to eight minutes until fruit is lightly browned. Baste with marinade. Serve hot.

THEY KNOW
RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—Who do you think get's consulted on the menu for the annual May Fair dinner at St. Stephens Episcopal Church? The cleanup committee. Mrs. Douglas P. Rucker, who has headed the committee for four years, say it knows what the people don't eat.



MR. AND MRS. EARL HAMAKER, center, were honored at a surprise party at the Lawrence Horton place in Poe Valley on the eve of Hamaker's retirement as secretary-treasurer of the Klamath-Lake National Farm Loan Association. Special surprise guests included DeLos Putz, left, Oregon supervisor for the Federal Land Bank of Spokane, and Fred Knutson, right, president of the Spokane branch of the Federal Land Bank, both of whom came from Spokane for the surprise event. Photo by Ellis



"YOU HOLD IT LIKE THIS, Earl, to get the big ones," Roy Gooding, left, told Earl Hamaker as he presented the bamboo rod to the retiring secretary-treasurer of Klamath Lake National Farm Loan Association. Bryant Williams, Hamaker's successor with the farm loan association, and Mrs. Hamaker, are shown looking on. —Photo by Ellis

SELLING OUT RECESSION

CHICAGO (AP)—The chain letter, a product of the 1940s, now is being called upon to lift the recession. W. Clement Stone, president of the Combined Insurance Company of America, started a chain letter campaign with 1,000 letters to his salesmen. He asked each man to make five copies of the letter and mail them to five fellow salesmen regardless of their types of business. The letters ask each man to engage in at least 30 minutes of additional selling time each day or spend the time in study, thought and planning.

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