

Events in Oregon

FARMERS SET WAGE CEILING AT 75 CENTS

FOREST GROVE — Ceiling for wages to be paid farm labor was established through an agreement of representative growers and farmers of Washington county Tuesday night of last week, when it was decided that the maximum wage for labor should be 75 cents an hour.

Growers and farmers from 18 communities agreed to the wage ceiling. In recommending the wage the group recognized that specialized help should be paid higher, depending on operations. It was further cited that women and children should receive such compensation as is felt in line with the type of work being done.

SPEEDING IN CITY RAISES COUNCIL IRE

McMINNVILLE — Are the speeders now "burning up" McMinnville's streets in their automobiles morons or intelligent people?

But whatever the speeders are, the law of the city is about to crack down on them and crack hard, if orders of the council, issued after a long discussion, are carried out.

The police department was told to launch an immediate campaign to apprehend every motorist exceeding the city speed limit and to particularly bend every effort to stop high speeds on some of the main thoroughfares.

LOGGERS PROTEST OVER WEIGHT RULE

SEASIDE — In another effort to reach some solution of the log hauling controversy, operators from this area joined in a protest at the meeting of the state highway commission a week ago Tuesday, at the policy initiated recently, of forcing truck drivers to unload part of an over-weight load.

About the only thing accomplished was an agreement with the commission for a system of permits which would permit truckers to haul logs not more than 24 feet in length in spite of their weight. Previously it had been necessary to saw off a part of the log if it was over weight, thereby destroying much of its value and reducing the length of timbers from it at a time when long timbers are especially needed.

4 SOLDIERS DIE IN TANK UPSET

MEDFORD — Four soldiers lost their lives on the training range at Camp White recently when the tank they were operating overturned and caught fire trapping the four-man crew inside, according to an announcement by the Camp White public relations office. The men died of asphyxiation, Camp White officials said.

NEW HANGAR IS ABOUT FINISHED

PRINEVILLE — Payment of \$2,173 from the city funds to O. C. Hart, contractor constructing the new hangar at the Prineville airport was authorized by the city council at its meeting recently. The city's payment represents half the cost of completing the new hangar, the other half being paid by the county.

SOLDIER KILLED IN PLUNGE INTO NECANICUM

SEASIDE — One soldier was killed, another suffered a skull fracture and other severe injuries and two others, minor injuries last Wednesday when the staff car in which they were riding plunged from the highway into the Necanicum river. The dead man was pinned beneath the car and under water for about 15 minutes.

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CROOK COUNTY TOPS RED CROSS QUOTA

PRINVILLE — Crook county went over the top in the Red Cross war fund drive early last week, and had reached a total of close to \$6,500, the quota being \$5,800.

The excess over quota may be accounted for by the many citizens of Crook county who, with superb generosity, gave as much as \$35 dollars per family instead of giving \$5 which was deemed the minimum amount required to fill the quota.

SCARLET FEVER CASES REPORTED

HILLSBORO — Reports of 24 cases of scarlet fever in Washington county have been made to the health department. These are distributed over nine different locations, Hillsboro having four households affected.

The cases are light but their seriousness should not be discounted, Health Nurse Corinne Pennington declared. In certain very mild cases no rash at all may appear. Scarlet fever is often spread by this type of case as it may go unrecognized.

POST-WAR AIRLINE PLAN GAINS MOMENTUM

HILLSBORO — Expansion of air transportation to the nation's smaller cities and towns, chiefly through establishment of area (feeder) airlines of the type proposed by Southwest Airways for serving Hillsboro, has been recommended by Civil Aeronautics board examiners.

In expanding direct air service to the smaller communities, the examiners urged that new routes provide a combination of passenger service and air-mail-air-express pick up.

The examiners recommended that hearings on applications authorizing use of helicopters be deferred until models suitable for commercial operations actually exist, terming them "still in the development stage." They also urged that the Civil Aeronautics board refuse to allow surface carriers to operate air services, unless such operations are supplemental to their surface carrying activities.

Washington Snapshots

Opposition has risen in both the Senate and the House against the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration plans to provide hundreds of thousands of farm machines to other nations while American farmers are said to be unable to obtain adequate equipment. Rep. Disney (D. Okla.) characterized the plan as "not only deplorable, but astounding." Senator Reynolds (D. N. C.) quoted in the Senate from the Truman report, which asserted that the farm machinery program was now behind, and that many farmers have "pressing" need for such equipment. He reported that despite this shortage, UNRRA was planning to send abroad 85,000 plows, 30,000 tractors, 30,000 separators, 30,000 two-wheel trailers and other farm machinery.

Industrial executives from the District of Columbia will be among those attending the N.A. M.'s Eighth Institute on Industrial Relations at the Royal Worth Hotel, West Palm Beach, Fla., on April 3-6. A total of about 160 executives from 33 states will be present. The conference, which will probe every present-day and postwar problem from morale to manpower, is designed to aid in establishing sound human and industrial relations between the nation's workers and managers.

A new slant on the postwar prospects of small business is covered in a Department of Commerce survey which should be of special interest to industries that normally dispose of a large proportion of their output to small distributors. In a nutshell, the survey acknowledges the heavy mortality suffered by small enterprise as a result of the impact of war, but based on a long-range study of business and population trends, it predicts a healthy postwar resurgence.

Senator Taft's recent proposal to hold postwar federal taxes down to a level of 15 or 20 billion dollars a year serves notice on federal office holders that they face a season of hard-boiled economy.

The sober truth is that in order to make such a cut in taxes

THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE



OUT OF THE WOODS

Tree Farms for All . . .

Just before the war Jim Marshall, the Collier's writer and editor, had a chance to pick up 11 acres of cut-over land that was fairly well stocked with Douglas fir around seven years old, at a price of something over a hundred dollars.

"The soil is no good for farming," Jim said. "If the tract wasn't on a road I could buy it for maybe four bits. Of course the young tree crop on the land can never pay me in my lifetime—I'll never see it cut. What I'm interested in is the growth of investment value in relation to the growth of the trees year after year. So I figure to experiment with my hundred dollars and see what works out. At the worst, it'll make an article every five years or so."

The project stopped at the investigation point, for Jim moved to California for his health. But he did explore the idea enough to make pretty sure that cut-over forest land was a sound investment for small capital as well as large—provided it was made on a long-term timber growing or tree farming basis and not as an investment in farm land.

Now people generally in Western Oregon and Washington are waking up to the values of tree farms. The facts Jim Marshall figured out are becoming popularly known. People now really see money growing on trees. It is slow growth, but nothing is surer than increase in uses and values of wood.

No More Stump Ranches . . .

Foresters see great hope in this popular tree farm movement, just as the despair of forestry has been in the "stump ranches" of the past. The point on this is that any given tract of forest land on which the virgin stand has been cut may be managed either as a stump ranch or as a tree farm. The cost of clearing Douglas fir land is so great that only the richest kind of underlying soil justifies the project. Four acres out of every five of all the land of Western Washington and Oregon have little value in farm-crop soil but do have high value for timber growing. In the past people said, "Land that will grow trees should grow anything." In that false faith disastrous

efforts were made to turn the forest lands of the Lake States into farms, with the net result that the fertility of the soil went up in smoke of land clearing fires. The same folly prevailed for years among the stump ranchers of our region. Hardly one out of each hundred who put savings and labor into stump ranching made it pay. That fact is now well known. So stump ranching is past history.

The belief is still widely held, however, that cutovers may have more value for grazing than for tree growing and that burning helps the grass crop. The whole of this proposition is far wide of the facts. It is instead the main element of the greatest barrier to timber growing—a business investment—the risk of forest fires.

Tree Farmers Are Fire Wardens . . .

To come back to Jim Marshall, his first worry and doubt on his proposed little tree farm was in the hazards around the 11 acres he planned to buy. Land clearing fires started by farmer neighbors, fern fires set by grazers, cigarette fires lit by travelers on the road—in any spell of dry weather the trees on the 11 acres might be destroyed. The foresters he talked with gave him this answer:

"Somebody must pioneer, and this will be your mission if you become a small-acreage tree farmer. You'll have to sell your neighbors on the values of tree growing. Get the sentiment of the majority in your neighborhood against fires of any kind on the land, post the roads and trails with fire warnings, and in time your 11 acres of trees will be as safe as anything living may be. With fire kept out, twenty years from now your tree farm will be worth at least twice what you paid for it, and no labor or other further investment required."

That's the way the large timber owners figure, too. Maintaining land for timber growing—tree farming—is good business. The great risk to it is fire. They have joined with the foresters in supporting the proposition of "Tree Farms for All." When we are all tree farmers there will be few man-caused forest fires. We the people just won't stand for 'em.

ONE LAST KISS

Up in Aberdeen, Wash., it was and some years ago.

"Good-bye, Sonny! Good-bye till we meet on that other shore."

With that the aged woman reached up and gave the lad a good-bye kiss. They would meet on that other shore. She knew it for they both had the Bible for it. They had Christ's word—"Because I live, ye shall live also."

Did you glance into the dining car of the road's crack train that Easter morning? Did you note above the fine linen and the silver service, the stately Easter lilies? They told the hope of all our people that after death comes resurrection and that the great God will raise all mankind to share His glory.

Are they right in this? For said Christ—"No man cometh unto the Father but by Me." Neither is there any other name given among men whereby ye must be saved. Not by our own good works do we come to God, but by Christ.

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At the Churches

First Christian Church

—The Livingstones, Ministers
9:45—Bible school. M. L. Herrin, superintendent.
11:00—Junior church.
11:00—Morning communion and preaching. Subject of sermon: "The Temples of God."

1:30—Pot-luck dinner.
2:30—Song service and dedicatory sermon by Clifford Trout, minister, Christian church, Hillsboro.

The 90 and 9 Men of the Christian church will hold their monthly business and social meeting in the church parlors tomorrow (Friday) evening, beginning at 7:30. Welcome men.

Evangelical Church

—Rev. Allen H. Backer, Minister

9:45—Sunday school.

11:00—Morning worship service. Subject of sermon: "For Self or God."

6:30—Junior and Y. P. Christian Endeavor.

7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic service. Subject of sermon: "The Firing Line and the Base of Supplies."

7:30 p.m. Thursday — Prayer meeting, Sunday school board and Administrative council meeting.

Assembly of God Church

Rev. Clayton E. Beish—Minister
9:45—Sunday school with classes for all ages.

11:00—Morning worship.

11:00—Children's church.

6:30—Young people's Christ Ambassadors service.

7:30—Evangelistic service.

7:30 Wednesday evening—Mid-week service.

7:30 Friday evening—People's meeting.

Seventh Day Adventist Church

Services on Saturday:

10:00 a.m.—Sabbath school.

11:00 a.m.—Gospel service.

8:00 p.m. Wednesday—Devotional service.

Sermon by district leader—third Saturday of each month. A cordial invitation is extended to visitors.

Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

Sunday school convenes at 10 a.m. at the I.O.O.F. hall under the direction of G. W. Bell, branch president and Van Bailey, superintendent.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Rev. Anthony V. Gerace
Rev. J. H. Goodrich

Mass: 9:30 a.m. except first Sunday in month—Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

Confessions from 7:45 a.m. on.

NEW VITAMIN TABLETS DUE BRITISH TROOPS

A new kind of vitamin tablet will be issued to British and Indian troops who in future campaigns may have to fight in areas where there are no fresh meat, fruit and vegetables. By taking one tablet a day, soldiers will be able to keep fit almost indefinitely without fresh foods, according to Indian information.

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Dresses	\$1.00	Suits	\$1.00
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Keeping Up With Rationing

Vernonia war price and rationing board (No. 85.6.2) located in bank bldg. Hours 9:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30 daily. Saturday 9:30-12:30. Open Tuesday nights at city hall 6-10 p.m.

RATION BOOK 4

Red stamps A8 through M8, valid indefinitely.

Blue stamps A8 through K8, valid indefinitely.

SHOES: Loose Stamps Invalid No. 18, in book one, good for one pair of shoes, expires April 30th. Airplane stamp No. 1, in book 3 good for one pair of shoes, indefinitely. (New stamp to become valid May 1 for one pair.)

SUGAR

Sugar stamp 30, in book four, good for 5 pounds indefinitely. Sugar stamp 31 good for 5 pounds indefinitely beginning April 1st.

Sugar stamp 40, Book 4, valid for 5 pounds canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

STOVES:

Purchasers must get certificates at ration boards for most new stoves.

WOOD, SAWDUST, COAL

Order your 12-months supply now during temporary winter storage program.

GASOLINE

June 21st—Expiration date of No. 11 coupons in A book. 3 gallons each. (May renew B or C coupons within, but not before, 15 days from date shown on cover).

Value of gasoline coupons: A, B1, C1, 3 gals; B2, C2, R and T, 5 gals; D, 1.5 gals; E, 1 gal.

TIRE INSPECTION

"A" every 6 months; "B" every 4 months; "C" every 3 months; "T" every 6 months or 5,000 miles of driving.

FUEL OIL

September 30—Expiration date of period 4 & 5 coupons, both valid now.

PRICE CONTROL

Refer price inquiries and complaints to the price clerk of your local war price and rationing board.

CITIZENS ABROAD

ENROLL FOR SERVICE

Nearly 25,000 male citizens of the United States between the ages of 18 and 45 years, who are living abroad have registered with local consular officers and registrars for possible military service in the armed forces, the National Selective Service office announced. Registration began November 16, 1943, for these men who may be living far back in the hills of India, in South Africa, the South Pacific, or other remote places.