

Honors Due Farmers During Farm-City Week in State, U.S.

The most efficient producer of agricultural products the world has ever known — the American farmer — is honored in Oregon and the United States during Farm-City Week November 20 to 26.

President Lyndon B. Johnson has proclaimed plans are being made for local observances throughout Oregon, according to Lawrence Johnson, Portland banker, and C. Ebert of the Oregon State University Cooperative Extension Service. They are co-chairmen of the State Farm-City Week committee.

Calling attention to the observance, which ends on Thanksgiving, the two point out that agriculture is Oregon's second ranking industry, exceeded only by timber.

Oregon farmers contribute much to the state's economy, it was noted. They own their own farms, are efficient, and have a big hand in upholding the standard of living, for never in history has so much food been produced by so few farmers at so reasonable a cost. Oregon farmers spent \$1 million last year to operate their farms. As sellers, they received \$419 million for their products. As taxpayers, they contributed \$44 million to the government for real and personal property.

Their "factory" was valued at approximately \$2.5 billion. As producers, they farmed 21 million acres of land and their farmhouse "rent" home produced food and fuel valued at \$44 million, statistics show.

As consumers, Oregon farmers spent last year some \$45 million for money income for the same goods that "city" families buy, such as food, clothing, drugs, furniture, appliances, etc.

As farm and home owners, 72 out of every 100 farm operators in the state in 1959 were full owners and were part owners. The remaining 28 were predominantly tenants. Oregon farm operators, like those everywhere, have seen many changes in the past decade. Farm numbers

have dropped, but the average size of farms in the state grew from 340 acres in 1950 to nearly 500 acres in 1960. A decade ago, one out of every seven persons lived on a farm. Now, it is about one in 13.

Even though farm population has been dropping, rural population is increasing, as people move to the suburbs. Over the past decade, the rural non-farm population in Oregon has recorded a 12 percent increase. At the same time, farmers have become increasingly efficient, freeing more and more people to produce the other goods and to provide the services that account for the nation's high standard of living, it was explained.

In 1950, one American farmer produced enough food, fiber and other farm products for 15 people. In 1963, he supplied enough for 31 people.

As a result, food is a better buy today than ever before. The co-chairmen stress, noting that Americans are eating better while at the same time using a smaller amount of their take-home pay for food. Currently, food takes less than 19 cents of each spendable dollar, compared with nearly 23 cents in 1950.

Petersons Completing Move to Warren Home

NATAL - PITTSBURG — Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Peterson of Vancouver were here Sunday to help his folks. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Peterson complete their move to their new home at Warren.

Sulo Sanders, Leslie and Donna and Carol Henderson called on Mr. and Mrs. Noble Dunlap Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. DeeVeere Hershey and family accompanied by Mrs. Albert Childs attended the Stiff-Howard wedding Saturday.

Frank Reed and his mother visited Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lindsay Friday afternoon.

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing O.K.

CFW Plans for Party, Bazaar

November 12, the CFW held an all day meeting in the Christian church social hall. Time was spent working on a quilt until afternoon when the regular meeting was held.

Devotions were given by Mrs. Olivia Wood on "Faith."

This was followed by the various reports. Those attending the luncheon meeting last month in St. Helens reported an enjoyable time. Miss Faith McCracken, missionary from the Congo, was the speaker.

The annual Christmas party will be held December 14 at the church. December 3, the next meeting will be held in order to prepare bazaar articles. The bazaar and cooked food sale will be at the fire hall December 4 and 5. The meeting was adjourned with the CFW prayer.

Alaska Scenery Holds Interest

TIMBER RT.—Paul Weaver writes relatives here that the recent trip he made from Seaside to Sitka, Alaska was indeed a pleasant one. He is now employed at Sitka and states that the view of mountains and snow from there is breathtaking.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hult from Rodman Bay, Alaska arrived here last Monday to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Smith and family from Cottage Grove spent part of the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gibson and family.

A former Vernonia resident, Earl Reynolds, has been released from the hospital and is making satisfactory recovery from the injuries he received November 4 when a car struck the Honda he was riding. He has resumed his classes at Clatsop College in Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jones from Grants Pass spent several days here last week visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Weaver and sister, Mrs. Linwood Reynolds. They will visit relatives in Seaside, Salem and Dallas before returning to their home around Thanksgiving.

Chester Wienecke from Springfield and Milbert Wienecke from Eugene visited their mother, Mrs. Carl Wienecke Saturday and Sunday.

Irene Ellis of Hillsboro visited Hazel Hascall Sunday evening. Vernon Weaver from Seaside spent Tuesday and Wednesday night of last week here with an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Reynolds and their four children.

Son and Family Visit Hersheys

NATAL - PITTSBURG — Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mullins and daughter from LaGrande were guests of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. DeeVeere Hershey last week end. Sunday, Stanley Chandler and daughters Carol and Joyce and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chandler were dinner guests of the Hersheys. After dinner they all attended the alumni football game in Vernonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Willis of Gaston were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Max Oblack Sunday.

Sunday visitors at the I. J. Doss home included Mr. and Mrs. Don Armstrong and family of Beaverton, Mr. and Mrs. John Buchanan and family of Longview and Frank Reed and his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Orin Davis were among those who attended the wedding of Nancy Howard and Elvin Stiff Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mathews called at the DeeVeere Hershey home Friday evening.

Monday Open House Planned

BIRKENFELD—Miss Anna Hanberg is having an open house and display of articles for sale at her home Monday, November 23, with pot luck at noon. All ladies interested are welcome.

Several from here attended the bazaar and program at the Vine Maple hall Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Baker visited with Mrs. Carl Eubanks at Beaverton Sunday. They also visited with Mrs. Wilfred Parman who is in the St. Vincents hospital where she had surgery recently. She is coming along fine.

Wednesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Wanstrom were Mrs. Ione Downs and Steve and Eileen Gertz, all of Portland.

Dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Ronsted of Astoria were the Bellingham families, Art and Marie, George, Nancy and family and Ted, Marge, April and Marty.

Letter to The Editor

To the Editor:

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to carry on the work of the late Walter Norblad as Congressman for the First Congressional District. Let me extend my sincere thanks to the hundreds of volunteer workers who made possible my victory, and to the thousands of Republicans and Democrats who honored me with their votes.

During my campaign, I stressed my determination to represent the First District with a forthright and active voice in Congress. I intend to honor this pledge with all my energy, and to respond to the problems of every resident of the District. Although elections are now over, I will need continued support and counsel in meeting the challenge afforded me. My door in Washington will always be open, and no communication will be unanswered.

I'm extremely proud to serve the voters of our State, and humbly grateful for their support and good wishes.

Most sincerely,
Wendell Wyatt
Congressman
First Congressional District



Farmers Slate Vote for ASCS

Columbia county farmers will elect community committeemen on ballots mailed from the county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office Monday, November 16, reports County Extension Agent Don Coin Walrod.

Nominees are from the five established communities of Columbia county. Each community elects three regular committee members and two alternates. The chairman, vice chairman and regular member of the elected ASC community committee will also serve as delegate, alternate delegate, and second alternate delegate, respectively, to the county convention where the ASC county committee will be chosen.

The nominees from the Nehalem valley are as follows: Bruce Berndt, Archie Dass, Robert DuPuis, Loyd Garlock, Howard Grimsbo, Walter Mathews, Marvin Meyer, Max Oblack, John Siedlerman.

Ballots for community committeemen must be returned to the ASCS office by December 1, according to William Armstrong, office manager. Ballots will be tabulated publicly by the incumbent county committee starting at 10:00 a.m., December 3, at the ASCS office.

The county convention to elect a three-man county ASCS committee will be held December 10, starting at 1:30 p.m.

Generally, a farm owner, tenant or sharecropper may vote in the community committee election if he is taking part or is eligible to take part in one or more of the programs administered by the ASC committees. Questions on eligibility to vote and hold office, or on the election procedure, will be settled by the incumbent community committee. Appeals from such decisions may be made promptly to the county and to the

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state committees.

Qualifications of persons eligible to hold office as a committeeman include eligibility to vote in the election and being a local resident. It is also highly desirable that nominees be currently active farmers or ranchers who are qualified for community committee work and who will be representative of the various sections and types of agriculture in the community. Further information on committeeman qualifications may be obtained from the ASCS County Office.

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Vernonia Eagle

THANK YOU . . .

I would like to express my appreciation for the vote of confidence by the many fine people throughout Columbia County who worked for and voted for me.

I further express the need for all of us to work together in all areas of government, to forge with understanding a new discipline for solutions to our problems. Through unity of purpose we will accomplish these tasks set before us.

And to the many people who supported my friend, Judge John Whipple, who has made many fine contributions to Columbia County's growth and stature, we solicit your sincere co-operation for the good of Columbia County where we share the mutual desire for a bright future.

Sincerely,
Earl N. Seawright
County Judge Elect.

LODGE AND CLUB NOTICES

VERNONIA LIONS CLUB
MEETS FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY EACH MONTH 6:30 P.M. FIRE HALL
Robert Sargent, President
John Jackson, Secretary 3-65

A. F. & A. M.
Vernonia Lodge No. 184
A. F. & A. M. meets at Masonic Temple. Stated Communication third Thursday of each month, at 8:00 p.m.
Alph E. Bergerson, W.M.
Walter E. Linn, Sec'y. 1-45

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS
Harding Lodge No. 116
Vernonia Oregon

I.O.O.F. Hall
Second Monday of Each Month
Jack Bergerson, Chancellor
Commander
E. Garner, Secretary

PYTHIAN SISTERS
Vernonia Temple No. 61
Meetings: I.O.O.F. Hall
Second and Fourth Wednesdays of each month
Marie Atkins, M.E.C.
Cora Lange, Secretary 2-65

Vernonia Lodge No. 246
I.O.O.F.
First and Third Tuesday 8 P.M.
Thomas Hall, Noble Grand
Harry Culbertson, Sec. 1-65

MT. HEART REBEKAH LODGE NO. 243
Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings of each month in the I.O.O.F. hall.
Leatha Horn, Noble Grand
Lena Chance, Secretary 3-65

VERNONIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Board of Directors report to members quarterly. Board meets 2nd and 4th Mondays, 8:00 p.m., at West Oregon Electric office. Visitors invited.
Guy I. Thomas, President
Mrs. Evelyn Heath, Sec'y. 7-65

NEHALEM VALLEY COIN CLUB
Meets last Thursday every month West Oregon Electric Auditorium, 7:30 P.M.
George Laws, President
Harry Junken, Vice-president
Stanley Enevoldsen, Secretary
Ralph Bergerson, Treasurer
VISITORS WELCOME 19-64

Vernonia Barracks Veterans of World War I
Meets 4th Monday each month at the IOOF hall. 8 P.M.
D. G. Pattee, Commander
Art Gardner, Adjutant

AUXILIARY
Meets 4th Mon., IOOF hall 8 p.m.
Lona Weidman, President
Cora Lange, Secretary 7-65

IWA Local
3-14
Meets First and Third Thursdays 7:30 P.M.

A.F.L. - C.I.O.
Business Agent is at the hall, North and Washington Sts.
Third and fourth Thursday 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 4-64

Order of Eastern Star
Nehalem Chapter 153, O. E. S.
Regular communication first and third Wednesday of each month at Masonic Temple. All visiting sisters and brothers welcome.
Jean Bergerson, W. M.
Frances Hershey, Sec. 1-65

AMERICAN LEGION
Meets First and Third Mondays of each month.
VERNONIA POST 119
Thomas Hall, Commander
Harry Culbertson, Adjutant
AUXILIARY
First and Third Tuesdays
Beulah Hall, President 1-65
Murel Folken, Secretary 1-65

The Thanksgiving season is with us again, turning thoughts to the many reasons for thankfulness on the part of each of us. May we wish you, our loyal patrons, a large measure of all the good things Thanksgiving offers, and we thank you for the many joys your continued friendship has brought to us.



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