

Nov. 3 Tentative Date of School For ACP Community Committeemen

Newly elected community committeemen for the agricultural conservation program administered by the Production and Marketing administration will attend county training schools in every state in preparation for the 1953 agricultural season. Intensive study will be made of the most practical and best suited farm practices to be discussed by them in their personal contacts with farmers during the winter.

These training courses for the community committeemen are a preface to the farm visits and interviews which are a fundamental part of the "first things first" approach which directs conservation measures to the exact needs of the individual farm.

This is the first time that organized training schools on a national basis have been held to prepare for their conservation responsibilities.

The key to the 1953 agricultural conservation program of the PMA adopt methods and practices in better land use which they might not undertake on their own initiative or without financial assistance. Fresh from the training classes, the local committeemen will be better able to help each farmer reach decisions as to the most effective practice to carry out.

A definite date for the training school in Malheur county has not been set, as yet, but tentative plans call for the meeting to be held Nov. 3. Community committeemen will be

Top Egg Production Planned For Period Of Highest Prices

Most successful poultrymen are now obtaining maximum egg production during the summer and fall months when egg prices are highest, according to Noel Bennion, Oregon State college extension poultry specialist.

He pointed out that for several years egg prices have started to go up in early June and have gone down in December. This is a reversal of the old trend of high egg prices during the fall winter period, the OSC specialist noted.

Bennion said the shift has stimulated interest in fall-hatched chicks that hit their laying peak in June. Chicks hatched from October 15 to December 15 begin laying in April or May and are in full production with large eggs when prices start up in June.

These birds will lay well during the summer and early fall months, he said, but will usually slump during late fall and early winter when they go through a partial molt. However, with good stock and proper care, the molt will be of short duration and birds will be soon back in full production, Bennion explained.

He noted a growing tendency for poultrymen to raise three broods of chicks, during winter, spring and fall months. Such a program keeps the laying houses filled to capacity and brings maximum production when prices are highest.

Baby Chick Meeting Set For Oct. 31

Annual fall meeting of the Oregon Baby Chick association will be held in Portland at the Mallory Hotel, Friday, Oct. 31, according to Noel Bennion, OSC extension poultry specialist and association secretary-treasurer.

The meeting will be started at 2 p. m. by the new president of the association, Conrad Burmester of Portland.

The business meeting will include a vote on two proposed changes in the by-laws. They are a change in name from Oregon Baby Chick association to Oregon Poultry and Hatchery federation, and a provision for associate producer members.

Several state poultry leaders will address the association through the day and Don W. Lyon, manager of the Poultry and Egg national board, Chicago, will be the banquet speaker.

New Method of Planning Soil, Water Resources Planned By County PMA

A new approach to conservation of soil and water resources on individual farms has been announced by USDA for the 1953 agricultural conservation program.

Farm conservation plans will be drawn up by Malheur county farmers with their community committeemen starting about Nov. 10, according to Glen L. Hutchinson, chairman of the Malheur county PMA committee. The plans will be made and recorded before Jan. 1, 1953, instead of at any time during the year as in the past year. Assistance for conservation practices under the agricultural conservation program for the coming year will be based on these farm plans.

A listing of the practices most needed to restore or maintain fertility, prevent erosion, or conserve water on his farm will be made by each farmer with the aid of his community committeemen. A decision will be made by the farmer as to which is the most needed conservation practice to be carried out during 1953 and for which he needs financial assistance.

The most needed practice agreed on between the farmer and his committeemen will be given "first priority" when the county committee reviews the farm plans for all farms in the county. Program assistance funds will be approved first for these "first priority" practices for every farmer in the county who files a request for assistance. Second, third or fourth priority practices will be approved in that order until all county ACP funds are committed.

Farmers will be notified prior to the beginning of the program year of the practices approved and the amount of assistance approved for each. Notices of approval will be sent out Feb. 15.

In this each way farmer will know before the beginning of his farm year how much money has been set aside to help him carry out his most needed conservation practice or practices in 1953. This system will avoid running out of assistance funds before the end of the year thus leaving out some farmers who badly need the help, Hutchinson said.

Chairman Hutchinson emphasized the importance of requesting assistance before Jan. 1, as no requests will be taken after that date. If any farmer is not contacted by his community committeemen he should contact his community committeemen in order to file his request before Jan. 1.

Social Notes

Weiner Roast Held

Junior class of the Sunday school of the Christian church held a weiner roast at the park Friday evening. There were 12 children at the gathering to spend the evening in singing songs and telling stories. Mrs. Roy Barnes was in charge of the event.

Douglas Savage Honored

Douglas Savage was honored on his seventh birthday at a party given at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Haroldsen, Sunday. The afternoon was spent at the movies and refreshments were served upon their return. They were accompanied by Mrs. John Savage and Mrs. A. Sipes of Homedale. There were nine guests attending the party.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Coffman announce the engagement of their daughter, Dolores, to Melvin Marcum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Marcum. No date has been set for the wedding.

Both are graduates of Nyssa high school of the class of 1951.

LOCAL NEWS

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and now of Shoshone, also called Rock Saturday night and returned Sunday with his deer.

Sunday visitors from Baker at the Reuben Haroldsen home were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Haroldsen, Elwyn Haroldsen went hunting at Castle

home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson.

Mrs. Campbell Baer and son, Channie, returned recently from eight weeks trip in Casper, Wyo. visiting her daughter, Mrs. Earl Deimer. Visitors for three days at the Baer home were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baer and Gwen, of Logan, Utah.

Mrs. Jessie Penrod from Salem is visiting at the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Penrod, Thursday Mrs. P. Penrod and her daughter, Mrs. D. Tennant, who is visiting from California, spent the day in New Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Grasty of Payette were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grasty. Emmett Huffman, formerly of Ontario

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"In Baker County the official order of June 1, 1950 fixed a minimum price of 19 cents per quart and a maximum butterfat content of 4%. On December 20, 1950 the price was raised to 21 cents and the butterfat dropped to 3.8%. On July 1, 1952 the price was raised to 22 cents and butterfat lowered to 3.6%."

"The proposed Fair Milk Law will eliminate this kind of retail price fixing and eliminate the power of a Controller to constantly lower quality standards."

FREE ENTERPRISE

The Oregon Statesman says:
"The bill... does provide price protection

at the producer level, restoring competition at the wholesale and retail levels."

And this from the Oregon Journal:
"Let's break the milk monopoly and let free competition control once more at distributor and retail levels."

Under our monopolized milk control the number of licensed milk dealers in Oregon has dropped from 766 to 202 since 1939, a loss of 73%, and the number of dairy farms is down 19% since 1930.

FARM PROTECTION

The Oregon Journal, which has a long record of watchful concern over Oregon's milk supply, says:

"The proposed amendment not only protects the producer's price, it also requires the administrator to review these prices quarterly and to take into consideration the costs of production including those peculiar to Grade A production. It also establishes machinery for appealing the administrator's orders to the courts if they are deemed unfair or do not actually cover the costs of production. Producers, in short, would no longer be at the mercy of a milk administrator who may hold hearings when it suits his pleasure and whose orders are final."

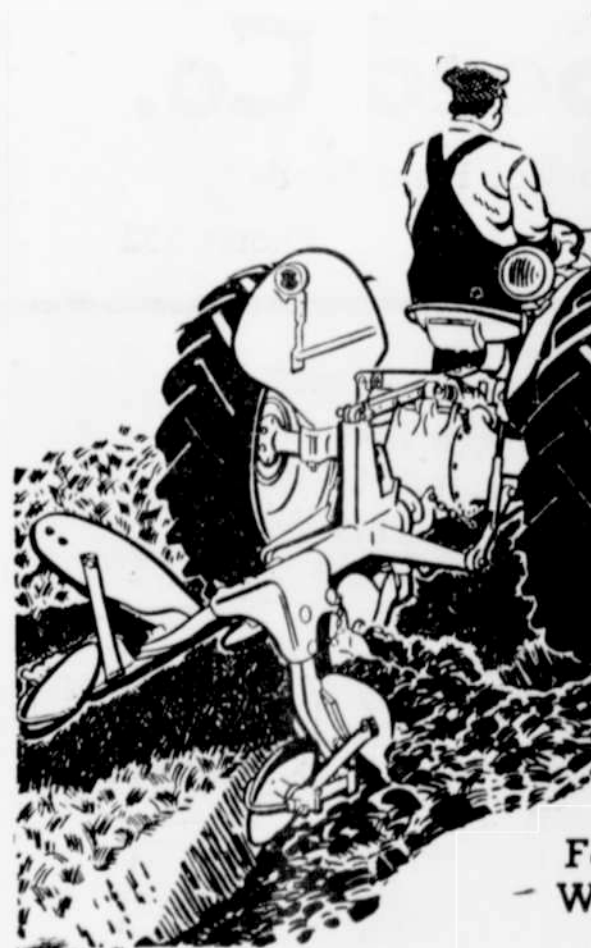
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