

Land Bank Officer Says 1972 Most Eventful Year

1972 was one of the most eventful years in the 55-year history of the Land Bank System, said Kenneth Errend from the Federal Land Bank of Spokane who is their Regional Manager for Idaho, at the annual stockholders' meeting of the Federal Land Bank Association of Ontario on Friday. Speaking before 272 stockholders and guests at a dinner meeting held at the Eastside Cafe in Ontario, Oregon, Mr. Errend noted that the Farm Credit Act of 1971 which was fully implemented by mid-1972 was responsible in part, for a great surge of business.

"In 1972 every past volume record was shattered," said Mr. Errend, "to give the Land Bank its greatest year of credit service to agriculture. An improvement in the money market, a record volume of new business, and new 'no profit-no loss' compensation program with the associations, and the new act strengthened the earning position and we ended the year with a profit of \$1.2 million."

Mr. Errend cited the passage of the Farm Credit Act of 1971 as being the instrumental force in revitalizing the Land Bank System. The System, he said, has proven over the years its ability to operate on a sound basis as a privately-owned farm real estate mortgage credit source. The new act is a tribute to the excellent performance of the System, its directors and employees under the old Federal Farm Loan Act passed in 1916, which was superseded in June by the new act.

"When you think of the philosophies of the early nineteen hundreds--coupled with the totally new areas which the Farm Credit Act of 1971 opened up, we must salute the 1916 Congress for its vision in passing bold, forward looking legislation with an ingenious plan for building a farmer-owned mortgage banking system," Mr. Errend said.

"The uniqueness of this legislation, and the success of our operations under it, have provided us with today's law and a modern Land Bank System that stresses Opportunity with Responsibility," said Errend. New opportunities are found in four distinct areas, according to Errend--A new broader lending authority which enables the Land Bank to be more responsive to the SOUND credit needs of individual farmers and ranchers.

--New authority to serve a growing segment of rural residents in America with sound mortgage credit for rural housing loans. Since mid-1972, 73 rural housing loans have been closed in the Spokane district. --The right to exercise more independent management in our banks and associations as privately-owned federal instrumentalities. --Opportunity to move the loan decision making closer to Land Bank members under au-

thorized delegations of authority.

As for the outlook in 1973, Mr. Errend predicted that the demand for credit will continue and there is every indication the demand will remain strong. "Our ability to meet this demand is limited only by our sound loan policy and the repayment capacity of our borrowers," Errend concluded.

New directors for 1973 elected by the association are: Veril Holbrook of New Plymouth, Idaho, and Vernon Lolley of Weiser, Idaho.

The FLBA of Ontario serves approximately 655 farmer-rancher members in Payette, Washington, and Adams Counties in Idaho, and Malheur County, Oregon, with over \$15.75 million in farm real estate mortgage credit. The association is managed by Dan E. Roberts.

APPLE VALLEY

BY FRANCES SMALLEY

APPLE VALLEY - Mrs. A. P. Olson visited Nell Correll Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Helen Wilson and Nell Correll visited with Mrs. Luella Brennerman at the Ontario Nursing Home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rookstool visited Wednesday with Russell Shoemaker at Payette and attended the Senior Citizens dinner with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dibble visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. William Knox. Apple Valley School was closed Monday because of furnace trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boston visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shipley and family at Weiser, Sunday afternoon and had dinner with them.

Mrs. Dick Harris of Springfield, Oregon has been visiting the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boston and Sunday she visited with the Harris relatives.

Mrs. Al Endsley has been very ill with the flu this past week. Also a number of other folks have had various types of the flu bug.

Mr. and Mrs. Finely Simmer of Bates, Oregon visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Honey and they all were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bowen at Payette.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam King were Tuesday visitors and Mr. and Mrs. George Griffin were Saturday visitors in the Gene Honey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Smalley were visitors on Tuesday in the Ruben Henshaw home at Meridian.

Mrs. Nell Correll and Frances Smalley visited Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Luella Brennerman at the Nursing Home in Ontario.

Mrs. Sharon Boston gave a Tupperware Party on Thursday morning. She had a good attendance of guests for such a very foggy morning.



ST. BRIDGET'S CATHOLIC CHURCH youngsters, members of the 5th grade Religious Education Class under the guidance of Mrs. Judy Grunke, brought Valentine favors and sang several hymns for the nursing home residents of Malheur Memorial Hospital Monday afternoon.

They are, front row from left, Jessie Martinez, Rachel Gallegos, Frances Suarez, Magdalena Sifuentes, Tommy Apodaca, Bob Bass and Nick Lopez.

Second row Tanya Atagi, Della Fuentes, Jodi Grunke, Alice Guerra, Teresa Delgado and Manuela Valero.

Third row, Dora Fuentes, Maria Contreras, Alicia Castro, Marina Mejia and Blanca Rosales.

Fourth row, Lorraine Wahlert, Yolanda Menchaca, Rachel Rodriguez, Martha DeLeon, Luz Delgado, Elvita Sifuentes, Tom Jackson and Mrs. Grunke.

Districts to Hold Great Decisions '73 Joint Meet

The Adrian and Malheur Soil and Water Conservation Districts will hold a joint annual meeting at the Golden Slipper Cafe in Vale at 7:30 p.m. on February 22, according to Dudley Williams, chairman of the Malheur district's board of supervisors. The no host dinner meeting will feature talks on various phases of conservation and will include an election to replace supervisors whose terms have expired. All interested persons are invited to attend.

The program will feature speeches on soil and water conservation by winners of the districts' conservation speech contests for high school students. Rosie Gabiola will represent the Adrian district while Kathryn Anthony of Vale will present the talk that took first place in the Malheur contest. Also a slide show showing stream bank erosion control methods will be shown by Soil Conservation Service personnel.

Both districts will hold elections to replace supervisors whose terms have expired. Replacements are needed to fill the positions held by Jeff Davis and Dudley Williams of the Malheur district. The Adrian district will elect supervisors to vacancies created by the expiration of the terms of Max Moore, Sam Hartley, and Andrew Greely, Jr.

Other items on the agenda include a summary of district accomplishments for the past year. Max Moore will present the information for the Adrian district. The Malheur data will be presented by Dudley Williams.

Journal Classifieds Bring Results!

Program Now Underway

The Great Decisions '73 program in Malheur County will open with consideration of the new triangular relationship between the United States, the Soviet Union and mainland China during the week of February 11, reports Helen Conner, Malheur County Extension Agent.

Final organization of informal discussion groups to consider this and other topics during the eight-week program is now being accomplished, Mrs. Conner says. Anyone interested is welcome to participate in the program which is conducted by volunteer leaders.

Discussion groups meet at times and places convenient for members and there is no cost. However, a reference book prepared by the Foreign Policy Association which sponsors the program nationally, is available at a small fee. A discussion program will be broadcast Monday Evenings at 7:00 p.m. on KSRV Radio. The first broadcast was February 12.

Events of the past year which saw top U.S. leaders visiting

Herb Sez ..

At the time of writing this column we are on the downhill drag (I hope) of this legislative session. When I said "I hope" I was thinking of the taxpayer, not myself. I have enjoyed working for you and I hope that my efforts in my small way have been beneficial to all concerned.

One thing (among others) that I find interesting is the hurrah that occurs over little innocent-appearing bills. Someone reads an ulterior motive into them and away we go. Sometimes I wonder if I'm in the cave of the winds. Some representatives seem to be of the opinion that their value is gauged by the amount of trouble they can cause.

I carried a bill on the floor and won. It was a controversial thing which repealed the pre-marital blood test for venereal diseases, namely syphilis. The Preventive Medicine Division of the Idaho Department of Environmental Protection and Health and the Idaho Medical Association asked for the repeal. I'll not try to explain the details other than to mention that the tests were useless. I'll tell you all about it when I see you.

The big present excitement is the rescinding of the Equal Rights Amendment. I've found there are three attitudes in District 9 on this topic. Some want it done away with and others want it retained. These are in about equal numbers. The great majority, men and women, couldn't care less. In any event, I'm unable to see what the fuss is all about because I doubt if it will really make much difference.

The school funding formula is looking better for the small districts, especially since Boise discovered that it will hurt them too. The big help would have been to cities the size of Caldwell.

I am planning on getting a heap smarter on No Fault Insurance before I make up my mind, but a No Fault plan we must have.

The Resources and Conservation Joint Subcommittee on the Stream Channel bills have about five to consider at the present time. I can assure you that none will be completely happy with the results.

My phone number is 384-3053. I am usually here in the House Chamber till 4:30 or 5:00. My motel phone number is 345-6556. Ruth and I are staying at the Safari Motel.

BLM Assistant Named Manager

Marlyn V. Jones, assistant manager of the Vale BLM district for the past 2 1/2 years, has been named to the position of BLM District Manager at Montrose, Colorado. Vale District Manager George R. Gurr said Jones' reassignment is effective March 4.



MARLYN V. JONES

Jones, who began his career with the Bureau of Land Management in Colorado, will be managing a complex area composed of some 2 1/2 million acres of National Resource lands with many different resource management programs. Essentially, all public uses are present, including sheep, cattle and wildlife grazing, gold, silver, uranium mining, timber, and intensive recreation opportunities.

The Montrose district is unique in that it is one of the few districts in the BLM that has responsibilities for land area above timberline.

TVCC Students Receive Awards

Three Treasure Valley Community college agriculture students were recent recipients of scholarships solicited by the college's Agriculture Advisory Board.

Jim Billick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Billick of McKenzie Bridge, Oregon, was awarded \$100 from the Ontario Massey-Ferguson dealership. Jim is a freshman Ranch Management major.

Richard Gay, also a freshman in Ranch Management, was awarded \$50 by Nagaki Farms. He and his family are residents of Ontario.

Dan Gabiola, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gabiola of Ontario, received \$25 from the Ontario Grizzly Bear.

The money will be applied to these students' college education expenses.

Favorite Foods



By "Odie" Anderson



Cherry pie, cherry cobbler. A friend in Ontario asked me to and cherry torte are all popular share some salad ideas so here desserts for February, com-is one you'll enjoy stirring up memorating our first president's and eating birthday.

Wednesday evening I went to a GINGER ALE - LIME SALAD party where they had an assortment of pies. The one which caught my eye and pleased my taste buds most was a cherry torte pie.

I have always been a lover of tortes. They're easy and tender - if you beat them long enough. at least 5 minutes.

CHERRY TORTE

3 egg whites
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup sugar
3/4 cup chopped walnuts
1/2 cup finely crushed saltine crackers
1 teaspoon baking powder

Filling:
2 1/2 cups pitted tart red cherries
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 tsp. almond extract
2 tbsp. cornstarch
1 cup whipped topping

Beat egg whites and vanilla until foamy. Gradually add the 1 cup sugar, beating to stiff peaks. (at least 3 minutes) mix together nuts, cracker crumbs and baking powder; fold in egg whites carefully. Spread in well-greased 9-inch pie pan, building up sides. Bake in 300 degree oven about 40 minutes or until dry on outside. Cool.

Drain cherries, reserve syrup. In saucepan, combine 3/4 cup of the syrup, the remaining sugar and almond extract, heat to boiling. Add cherries, cook 5 minutes. Combine cornstarch and remaining cherry syrup. Add to hot mixture in saucepan. Cook and stir till thickened and bubbly. Cool. Whip cream. Line meringue shell with half of the whipped cream. Fill with cooled cherry mixture; top with remaining whipped cream. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Jones came to Vale in August 1970 from Washington, D. C. where he was instrumental in developing and putting into effect a number of Bureau programs. He has also worked in the Baker district and in New Mexico, advancing through the years from a range conservationist to key positions and a wide range of responsibilities.

He and his family have been active in church and community affairs in Vale. They will move to Montrose the latter part of February.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS FEBRUARY 22

The popular lecture series conducted jointly by the Malheur Country Historical Society and Treasure Valley Community College will call upon Earl Blackaby for its fourth lecture in an eight-part program.

"Merchandizing in Malheur Country" is the topic of a lecture scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 22, in the Weese Memorial Building at the College.

As a life-long resident of Malheur County, Blackaby will talk about some of his reminiscences of early-day business in this part of Oregon. His father owned and operated a store in Jorday Valley and he was called upon to help with the work there. When a college student, Blackaby served as bank president in Brogan during a summer vacation. His early training in business and book-keeping procedures enabled him to conduct the bank business commendably. Blackaby recalls that this was still quite a task for a teenager.

Blackaby Insurance Agency, which he founded in Ontario, is well known throughout Eastern Oregon.

Those interested in the days when eggs were a dime a dozen are invited to attend the lecture. There is no admission charge.



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