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REPORT OF AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING TO HELP THE PEOPLE RAISE MONEY FOR IMPROVEMENT ON FARMS. STEPS TAKEN BY FEDERAL AGENTS.

The measures adopted in the last few years to assist the farmer in what may be called the business side of his life are emphasized in the new report of the Secretary of Agriculture. On this subject the Secretary says in part:

The half of agriculture embracing the marketing of farm products, rural finance, and rural organization has strikingly occupied attention during the last three and one-half years. Before 1913 little systematic thought had been devoted to it, and there did not exist, either in the States or in the Nation, effective instrumentalities to furnish assistance and guidance to farmers in this field, nor had the laws necessary to remedy abuses and control unfavorable conditions been formulated or enacted. In view of the complexity and novelty of the problems, the accomplishments—legislative and administrative—have been notable and significant. This seems an opportune time to summarize them.

Summary of Movement.

Early in 1913 a program for the ensuing four years was developed. This program in large measure has been executed. In the first place provision was made promptly for the creation of the Office of Markets and Rural Organization. Beginning with a modest sum, the appropriations for this office, including those for enforcing new laws to promote better marketing, have increased to $1,242,000; quickly an effective organization was developed, and today the Nation possesses in this department the largest and best trained and supported staff of experts dealing with the distribution of agricultural commodities and rural organization to be found anywhere in the world. It is engaged in investigating all the larger and more difficult problems confronting farmers in this new field.

The matters of establishing standards for staple agricultural products, of supervising the inspection of grains shipped in interstate and foreign commerce, and the operations of cotton futures exchanges, of devising financial machinery suited to the needs of the rural population, of developing a better system of warehouses for agricultural products, and of Federal aid in highway construction received careful attention. The result was the enactment of a number of highly important laws—the cotton futures act, the United States grain standards act, the United States warehouse act, the Federal farm loan act, and the Federal aid road act.

On Cotton Futures.

Under the cotton-futures act standards for cotton have been established, the operations of the futures exchanges have been supervised, and cotton trading has been placed on a sounder basis. Quotations for spots and futures have maintained a steady relation to each other. Future quotations now are better indications to the farmer of the value of his commodity than formerly. This uniformity has demonstrated the value of the future markets for legitimate hedging purposes. It is clear, therefore, that the general purposes of the act have been and are being accomplished.

The United States grain standards act will bring about uniformity in grading, enable the farmer to obtain a fairer price for his product and to improve its quality, and prevent or diminish materially the shipment of adulterated grain. Plans for its enforcement have been developed as rapidly as possible. Official standards for shelled corn have been promulgated.

In order that the work of licensed inspectors may be supervised properly, and appeals and disputes under the act dealt with promptly, it has seemed advisable for the present to divide the country into 32 districts. This number may be increased when standards for other grains have been established. The districting has been made with a view to placing all sections of the country inconvenient reach of a grain supervisor.

U. S. Warehouse Act.

The United States warehouse act authorizes the Department of Agriculture to license bonded warehouses which handle certain agricultural products. It will make possible the issuance of reliable and easily negotiable warehouse receipts, promote the better storing of farm products and encourage the standardizing of storages and of marketing processes. The rules and regulations for its enforcement are in course of preparation, and interested parties will be given opportunities to submit suggestions.

The Federal farm-loan act creates a banking system which will reach intimately into the rural districts, operate on terms suited to the farmers needs under sympathetic management, introduce business methods into farm finance, bring order out of chaos, reduce the cost of handling farm loans, place upon the market mortgages which will be a safe investment for private funds attract into agricultural operations a fair share of the capital of the Nation, and lead to a reduction of interest.

A provision in the Federal reserve act, which was approved on December 23, 1913, authorized national banks to lend money on farm mortgages, and recognized the peculiar needs of the farmer by giving his paper a maturity period of six months.

For Good Roads.

The Federal-aid road act, approved July 11, 1916, provides for cooperation between the Federal Government and the States in the construction of rural post roads and of roads and trails within or partly within the national forests. This measure will conduce to the establishment of a more effective highway machinery in each State, strongly influence the development of good road building along right lines, stimulate larger production and better marketing, promote a fuller and more attractive rural life, add greatly to the convenience and economic welfare of all the people, and strengthen the national foundations. Immediately after the approval of the act, plans were formulated for its administration. Rules and regulations were promulgated on September 1st. Thirty-two states have indicated their intention to assent to the provisions of the act—one through its legislature and the others through their governors. It has been determined that nine States have legally assented to the act and are in position to meet its requirements. As soon as certain details have been arranged the department will be prepared to cooperate with these States. Eight states have submitted specific projects for consideration. In one of these states four projects have been approved tentatively, and the necessary project agreements are in course of preparation.

Work On Markets.

The work of the Office of Markets and Rural Organizations has developed very rapidly, and some notable results have been secured. Definite assistance has been rendered to the fruit interests of the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. An organization composed of cooperative associations, corporations operating for the producers, and individual growers was formed during the past year. The purpose of the organization is to secure broader distribution through the establishment of uniform grades and marketing methods. Through it the fruit industry of the Northwestern States should be placed upon a more efficient business basis. It comprises 65 per cent of the northwestern fruit industry, representing an investment of $150,000,000 and supporting approximately 20,000 growers. This is probably the most important single activity in forming cooperative organizations that has yet been undertaken by the department.

Preliminary plans have been formulated for the investigation of foreign markets for American farm products and for assistance in the development of the export trade under normal conditions. A representative of the department recently conducted investigations in Europe along this line. The work, in so far as possible, will be done in close cooperation with the Departments of State and Commerce.

Survey By States.

A survey of state marketing activities has been made and the results published. Provision was made in the appropriation act for the fiscal year 1917 for cooperation with the several states in the employment of marketing agents. This provision should enable the department to bring about a close coordination of the marketing activities and policies of the various States with those of the department.

The issuance of monthly cold-storage reports on apples has been continued, and the work has been extended to include butter, eggs and cheese. These reports show the cold-storage holdings throughout the country and include a comparison of the holdings of the current year with those of the previous year. In cooperation with carriers, extensive investigations of the economic waste of foodstuffs in transit have been conducted. The object of these investigations is to secure better cooperation between shippers and carriers and greater efficiency in methods of handling, with a view to eliminate, or at least to greatly reduce, the present waste.

Well-tested systems of accounts and records for primary grain elevators, for live stock shipping associations and for cooperative stores have been issued. Systems for country creameries and cotton warehouses have been devised and are being tested under commercial conditions. Systems perfected by the department for farmers' cooperative elevators and for fruit and produce associations already are in extensive use. A plan for adapting farmers' grain elevator companies to the patronage dividend basis has been worked out and published.

Marketing Live Stock And Meats.

A systematic survey of centralized livestock markets, begun during 1915, has been extended to cover practically all the large stockyard centers. Arrangements have been made with 58 stockyard companies to secure monthly reports of live-stock receipts and shipments. A uniform system of market records has been adopted, at the instance of the department, by a number of the yards. Twenty-six companies are reporting stocker and feeder shipments separately, in accordance with a form prepared by the Office of Markets and Rural Organization.

An investigation of the organization and conduct of cooperative live-stock shipping associations, begun during 1915, has been completed and the results published.

A conference relative to the marketing of live stock and meats was held at Chicago November 15 and 16, 1915, for the purpose of "ascertaining the essential facts pertaining to the industry, with a view of bringing about more stable marketing conditions, more efficient methods, closer cooperation, and a better understanding among all the interests connected with the industry."

Methods and costs of marketing live stock and meats in the United States were investigated. A preliminary investigation of the sources, accuracy and use of market reports on live stock and meat has been made. The results of this study also have been published and have been utilized in the development of plans for the organization of a demonstration market news service for live stock similar to that now conducted for perishable crops. An appropriation of $65,000 has been made available for the purpose. Other subjects which received attention are public abattoirs, transportation of live stock, organization and methods of the wholesale meat-packing industry, and local marketing of live stock and meats.

Surveys have been made of the marketing facilities for agricultural products in nine cities, and advice has been given regarding the location, establishment, and management of municipal retail and wholesale public markets. Detailed studies also have been made of local conditions in other cities.

Investigations concerning methods of handling and grading perishable products and the practicability of the standardization of the products and their containers have progressed rapidly. Tentative grades for sweet potatoes of Arkansas and Bermuda onions of Texas have been worked out and adopted by the local growers' associations.

Market News Service.

The value to producers of fruits and vegetables of the experimental market news service inaugurated in 1915 resulted in insistent demands for the extension of the work. During the past year telegraphic reports have been received from 33 important metropolitan markets and from officials of all railroads serving producing territory. The information thus secured has been furnished to growers, shippers, and distributors through 35 temporary offices in producing territories and 11 permanent offices in large cities. Statements from growers and shippers of tomatoes, strawberries, peaches, cantaloupes, watermelons, onions, grapes, apples and potatoes indicate that the actual monetary saving due to a wider knowledge of market conditions has exceeded the cost of the service many fold.

The education of producers in the proper marketing of farm products, the avoidance of unnecessary losses due to diversions in transit, and the encouragement given to growers who desire to reach new consuming centers are some of the benefits resulting from this attempt to develop for the farmer a reliable business basis.

TO MEET THIS MONTH.

Exploiters of Eastern Shore's Resources to Gather In Easton.

Mr. John W. Staton states that plans for the organization of a campaign of exploitation of the resources of the Eastern Shore have so far progressed that a meeting will be held at Easton during the later part of January at which machinery for the proposed organization will be put in motion. Mr. Staton launched the idea of the proposed campaign two months ago. He addressed about five hundred letters to representatives of trades and similar bodies in the several towns and to leading citizens all over the Shore. He has received more than 400 replies, all approving the plan and promising their aid and co-operation. Because of hearty acquiesence this Mr. Staton feels justified in calling the meeting.

Since the inauguration of the movement representative organizations, business men and other citizens of Delaware and of Accomac and Northampton counties, Virginia, have expressed a desire to be identified actively with the organization to be formed. Because of the commercial trade, agricultural and other interests of the whole peninsula Mr. Staton said he is in favor of the broadening of the original plans of the organization to confine its activities to the Eastern Shore counties.

TRAPPING MUSKRATS

Writer Tells How Furry Animals of Marshes May Be Caught.

In the December Farm and Fireside a writer says about trapping muskrats:

"When trapping in deep water—that is, when the entrance of the house or den is situated in such a way that it is impossible to make an ordinary set—incline a board at an angle of 35 degrees, sticking one end in the mud and supporting the other with stakes. Just below the surface of the water arrange two nails so as to hold a trap. On the part of the board extending out of the water arrange some decoy. The animals in climbing the board will encounter the trap and get caught if the set is properly made.

"Stake a pumpkin or head of cabbage in shallow water, surrounding it with several traps. Often several fur-bearers may be taken in a single evening with a set of this kind."

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HORTICULTURISTS TO GATHER NEXT WEEK

PROGRAM FOR DOVER MEETING

PENINSULA SOCIETY AND DELAWARE CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION TO HAVE FRUIT, VEGETABLE AND GRAIN EXHIBITS, WITH $3,000 IN CASH PRIZES.

The program for the meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society and the Delaware Corn Growers' Association to be held in Dover, Delaware, January 9 to 12, has been completed. It is within bounds to say that no better meeting has ever been held on the Peninsula than this one promises to be, writes Prof. Wesley Webb. The fruit, vegetable and grain exhibits will be worth going a long journey to see. Governor Miller, of Delaware, and Governor Harrington, of Maryland, both are expected to be present and make addresses on the opening day, Tuesday, January 9th.

Dr. J. C. Whitten, of the University of Missouri, one of the most entertaining speakers in the country, and a scientific horticulturist, will give several talks on the Rest Period of Fruit Trees and its relation to fruitfulness, resistance to low temperature and other practical phases of the subject. Dr. J. P. Stewart, of the Pennsylvania State College, will give two lectures on orchard management. Dr. Stewart has made accurate investigations on this subject and is better qualified to speak on it than any other man in America.

Talks On Orchards.

Samuel Fraser, of New York, a successful orchardist, will give two or three lectures, and H. P. Gould, of the United States Department of Agriculture, will also discuss orchard management. H. C. Hotzel, an expert, will explain the meaning of the standard grades of apples, telling exactly what fancy apples and A grade should be in all parts of the country, thus standardizing the grading of this fruit. Prof. Norton will give a very valuable paper on the prevention of tomato blight. Prof. McCue, of Delaware College, will discuss one or two important subjects. Professors Corey, Temple and Shaw of the Maryland Agricultural College, will discuss various phases of fruit and vegetable growing and insect control.

Many To Speak.

Among the fruit growers who will read papers on particular subjects are A. W. Slaymaker, of Wyoming; W. N. Dickson, of Woodside; J. Leonard Soper, of Magnolia; W. T. Massey, of Smyrna; W. F. Allen, Salisbury; E. R. Anthony, Chestertown; J. W. Killen, Felton; Frank E. Matthews, of Pocomoke; E. H. Shallcross, Walter B. Harris, Worton; C. A. Newton, of Bridgeville, and a number of others.

The program of the Corn Growers' Association will begin Thursday afternoon and continue through Friday, when practical questions relative to soil management, soil fertility and everything pertaining to the growing of grain and forage plants will be discussed by experts.

A number of lantern slide lectures will be given during the meeting, including talks on floriculture by Richard Vincent, of White Marsh, Md. There will be vocal and instrumental music at the evening sessions.

$3,000 In Prizes.

All in all, the meeting will be exceedingly interesting and entertaining as well as instructive and farmers from all parts of the Peninsula will no doubt attend, and take part in the discussions. Nearly $3,000 in cash premiums have been offered for the fruit, vegetable and grain shows.

MAKING OF A MAN

Judge Gary Gives His Recipe For Success In Life.

Judge Elbert Gary, head of the United States Steel Corporation, gives in the January issue of the American Magazine his recipe for success. He says about a young man:

"1. He should be honest, truthful, sincere and serious.

"2. He should believe in and preach and practice the Golden Rule.

"3. He should be strong and healthy, physically and morally.

"4. His habits and mode of living should be temperate and clean and his companions selected with regard to their character and reputation.

"5. He should possess good natural ability and a determination constantly to improve his mind and memory.

"6. He should possess a good education, including particularly the fundamentals, such as mathematics, grammar, spelling, writing, geography and history; and also a technical education concerning the lines he proposes to follow.

"7. He should be studious and thoughtful, keeping his mind upon a subject until it is mastered.

"8. He should be conscientious, modest, but courageous, energetic, persistent, even-tempered, economical, faithful and loyal to his friends and the interests he represents."

If new wheat, which is frequently damp, is thoroughly mixed with dry old wheat from the previous year and put into bulk storage for a few days, experiments of the department show the dry wheat absorbs a sufficient amount of moisture from the damp wheat to improve both kinds for milling purposes.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF A

House and Lot of Land

By virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's county in Equity, passed December 9th, 1916, in a cause in said Court wherein Joseph A. Stafford and Arra S. Roberts are Plaintiffs and Dora Comegys and others are defendants, the undersigned Trustee will offer at public sale to the highest bidder, in front of the Banking House of the Sudlersville Bank of Maryland, in the town of Sudlersville, Queen Anne's County, Maryland, on

SATURDAY, JAN. 13, '17

between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M.

All that lot of land, whereon the late Abraham Brooks resided at the time of his death, situate in the Seventh Election District of Queen Anne's county, Maryland, on both sides of the public road leading from the Dudley's School House-Crumpton road to the Sudlersville-Millington road adjoining the lands of Mrs. Mollie Tarbutton, Phillip Grimm, Mrs. Finley Roberts and the Clough Mill property, and containing five acres of land, more or less. This tract is improved by a two story frame dwelling house. 2½ acres of the land are arable and the balance is in meadow and wood. The arable land is productive and grows good crops.

TERMS OF SALE AS PRESCRIBED BY DECREE—One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on day of sale and the balance of the purchase money in two equal installments payable in six and twelve months respectively from day of sale, or all cash at the option of purchaser, the credit payments, if any, to bear interest from day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of said Trustee.

J. FRANK HARPER, Trustee.
C. S. Jump, Auct.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of Abraham Brooks, late of Queen Anne's County, Maryland, deceased, to file their claims, with the proper vouchers thereof, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County within four months from the twentieth day of December, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

J. FRANK HARPER, Trustee.

NOTICE OF MEETING

OF

Stockholders

OF THE

Queen Anne's National Bank

OF CENTREVILLE

Notice is hereby given that the Stockholders of The Queen Annes National Bank of Centreville will meet at the Banking House of said bank in Centreville, Queen Anne's county, Maryland, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 1917,

for the election of the Directors of the said bank for the ensuing year, and also for the purpose of voting upon the following proposed resolution amending Section Third of the Articles of Association of the said bank so as to provide that the number of the Directors of said bank shall be not less than five nor more than fourteen:

"Resolved that the number of the Directors of The Queen Anne's National Bank of Centreville shall be not less than five nor more than fourteen and, to that end, that the first sentence of Section Third of the Articles of Association of the said The Queen Anne's National Bank of Centreville be amended so as to read as follows:

"The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than five nor more than fourteen shareholders."

The polls will open at 11 o'clock A. M. and will close at 3 o'clock P. M. on said date.

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