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FARMERS PROTEST AGAINST PENALTIES

Penalty for Non-compliance with Department of Agriculture Wheat Marketing Program Made by Congress Late in May.

Missouri wheat farmers are sending in protests to their congressmen against a recently-passed amendment to the Agricultural Adjustment Act which, according to some critics, has had the effect of "changing the rules in the middle of the game." The farmers are objecting to the increase in the penalty for non-compliance with the regulations of Agriculture's wheat marketing program from 10c a bushel to 40c, a change made by congress late in May.

According to the farmers, many of them planted wheat above their acreage allotments last fall, expecting to pay a penalty of only 10 cents a bushel on "excess wheat." But now, when they are harvesting their crop, the penalty stands at 40 cents.

Non-Compliers Hard Hit According to Rep. Phillip A. Bennett, Republican, of Springfield, Mo., the farmers who have had the hardest hit by the new law are non-compliers who have had crop failures, but are nevertheless still compelled to pay a penalty on wheat produced on the excess acreage.

Bennett declared he had found 80 farmers in his district who lacked the program. He cited as an example one farmer who was allotted twenty acres which were expected to yield a total of 400 bushels of wheat, but instead, chose to double his acreage and risk the payment on the 16-cent-a-bushel penalty on the twenty-excess acres.

Because his crop was poor, the farmer's total yield on all forty acres was only 280 bushels, Bennett said. He, nevertheless, has to pay a 40-cent penalty on the 140 bushels produced on the excess land.

Partial Remedy in Bill A bill partially to remedy this situation sponsored by Rep. H. Fulmer, chairman of the House Agricultural committee, passed the House Monday. Under the bill which now goes to the senate, penalties would be levied only in cases where the actual yield is in excess of the normal expected yield under the program.

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Dutrow Thrifty 4-H Club

The Dutrow Thrifty 4-H Club held its regular monthly meeting Friday July 31. All the members' parents were invited. The secretary announced that the club would go on an outing along some creek. After the business meeting, James and Andrew Kessler, of the Augusta 4-H club, taught our club different games. Mr. Brown, the county agent, presented Lucile Schopp with a book, "I Dare You." She was given it for being in a 4-H club for four years. Club reporter, Fred Kuehler.

On July 10, the girls of the Dutrow Thrifty 4-H club held their meeting. The roll call was taken by the project chairman. The members were occupied at their regular work. Plans were made for Achievement Day at Warrenton on August 2. Cake and lemonade were served. When adjourned—Louise Kuehler, club reporter.

The boys held the project meeting at the home of Victor Ballman and Donald and Ardie Wesel. A motion was made to send Clarence Boland, who is in St. Mary's Hospital, St. Louis, a get-well card. All of the boys who could not identify 15 trees at the other project meeting were given another chance. Two demonstrations were given, one by Victor Ballman and another by Donald Wesel. Refreshments were served and we then adjourned.—Club reporter, Fred Kuehler.

Mrs. William Opfer Passed Away Friday, July 25, 1941

Mrs. William Opfer, nee Edna Constance Northcutt, was born in Marthasville on September 29, 1880, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Northcutt.

On May 10, 1917 she was united in the holy bonds of matrimony with William Opfer in St. Charles. Since that time they had made their home in Marthasville. This home was blessed with happiness for almost 24 years.

Mrs. Opfer was a resident of Marthasville her entire life, having never lived in any other town. For some years Mr. and Mrs. Opfer made their home in one of the historic dwellings of Marthasville, the Giesse-Missouri.

Our departed friend had been in poor health for some time before her death but was not bedridden for a long time before her death. She departed from this life on July 25 at 4:35 p.m., having reached the age of 60 years, nine months and 27 days.

She leaves to mourn: her husband, William Opfer; one sister, Mrs. Willie Kusche; one niece, Helen Kusche, of Marthasville; four sisters-in-law: Mrs. John Jeldner, Mrs. George Schlemmer, Mrs. Andrew Frederick and Mrs. Hilda Burton, all of St. Louis; two brothers-in-law: H. J. Opfer of Defiance and Edward Opfer of Little Rock, Ark.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon with the Rev. F. C. Alrich, officiating, and thence to the Daniel Boone Cemetery near Marthasville where interment was made, with F. W. Lichtenberg, Mortician, in charge.

Louise Island Church Will Celebrate 100th Anniversary

The 100th anniversary of the Louise Island church will be observed August 10. This church is in Warren county, upon a hill about two miles north of the Missouri River and overlooks the fertile farm acres of Loure Island.

The first white settlers in this territory were the early French trappers and traders who traversed the course of the Missouri river in the last half of the eighteenth century. These early trappers gave the first recorded name to Loure Island, L'Ouistre, after the French name, "Oter."

It was given because there were many of these fur-bearing animals on the island. In the first years after 1800 there migrated to this island the first pioneer families from Kentucky. And in 1812 Fort Clemson was built there by a company of mounted U. S. soldiers, as a protection for these settlers against the marauding bands of Indians who during these years were still hostile to the white man. The foundation rocks of Fort Clemson can still be seen on the site of its location near the river.

Attended Wm. Lefarth Funeral Paul's Ev. Parsonage Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Vince Liemann and sister Rose of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Adolphson and Mrs. Hembree, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Blumfelder and sister, and Miss Adelaide Schwoeppe, all of St. Louis; George Bocklage and son Leonard; and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Eichholz and Regina Mason of Washington, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. John Voss and children of Clover Bottom, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Kopman of New Haven, Mrs. John Trippie and son Billie of Hermann, Mr. and Mrs. H. Haskamp and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Aholt of Glasgow, and many other relatives and friends.

Wright City Man Dies Henry Brooks, well known resident of Wright City, died Friday at a hospital in Booneville. He was about 82 years old and had a large acquaintance in Warren County.

KEEP HIM THAT WAY!



Warren County Children Get 53 Nature Knight Awards

Warren county children taking part in the Nature Knights program of the Missouri Conservation Commission have received a total of 53 awards by virtue of their services to agriculture and wildlife, according to records of the Commission's educational section at Jefferson City.

Fifty children have received the Squire badge, first award under the program. Two have followed through to the second rank of Knight, and one has won the Conservationist medal, highest award offered.

The Warren County Knights are Mildred Bierbaum and Carroll Schwerdt, both of the Bierbaum school.

The Nature Knights program again will be available to schools and other youth groups of Warren county during the coming year, according to announcement by Everett F. Evans of the educational section. Score cards and other supplies may be obtained by writing Evans in care of the Commission at Jefferson City.

Missouri Nature Knights earn points toward awards by planting wildlife food patches, sowing hesperides seed along fence rows, establishing bird havens and feeding shelters, planting trees, erecting bird houses, making farm surveys alone or with a county agent, preparing museums, exhibits and notebooks, and by other, similar activities.

When a child has earned 3000 points, he is entitled to a Squire badge. When he has completed 15,000 points he becomes a Knight, and a total of 30,000 entitles the boy or girl to the Conservationist rank and medal.

Iowa Couple Married At St. Paul's Ev. Parsonage Saturday

Miss Anna Wagner and Ernest Mayer, of Marshalltown, Iowa, were married Saturday, July 26, 1941 at St. Paul's Evangelical parsonage, by Rev. F. C. Alrich, a friend of the bride party.

The attendants were Miss Aleta Wagner, a sister of the bride, of Marshalltown and Leonard Osape, of Austin, Minn.

High School Teacher Elected C. S. Cessingham, of Warrensburg, Mo., was elected teacher of commercial subjects and History in the Marthasville high school at a meeting of the Board of Education on Friday night.

A previous meeting of the board, N. F. Henderson was elected superintendent to succeed W. E. Hart, who resigned recently to accept employment in St. Paul.

Miss Doris Borchering And Carl Rottmann Married July 28

At an impressive candlelight service in the St. Paul's Evangelical church in Marthasville, Miss Doris Borchering became the bride of Carl Rottmann, Monday evening, July 28, at eight o'clock.

To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, played by Miss Lois Schoppenhorst, cousin of the groom, the bridal party entered the church and to the soft music of "Call Me Thine Own," the single ring ceremony was read by Rev. A. W. Hoelscher, uncle of the bride. Their attendants were Miss Lucille Borchering of St. Louis, sister of the bride, and LeRoy Rottmann, brother of the groom.

The bride was attractively attired in a blue beemberg redingote with white accessories and wore a corsage of white asters. Her bridesmaid wore a green figured jersey with white accessories and wore pink roses, the groom and his attendant wore gray suits and boutonniere to match those of the bride and her maid.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Borchering of New Haven, Mo. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rottmann of Marthasville and has been employed in Burbank California for the past year.

The ceremony was attended by the immediate relatives of the bride and groom. A reception was held at the home of the bride's great-uncle, Mr. John Osber, after which the happy couple departed for Burbank, Calif., where they will reside.

Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Borchering and sons Duhiel, Morris Vernon and Sterling of New Haven, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rottmann and daughter Grace, and sons Walter, Jr. and Lester; Miss Esthelackmann, Miss Lois Schoppenhorst, Mrs. Mary Kockjack and daughter Martha; and John C. Jaeger of Marthasville, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sprick and Gary of Warrenton; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Schomburg of Holstein, and Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Hoelscher and daughter Marilee, and son Dwight, of Mascoutah, Ill.

Wm. Lefarth Of Concord Hill Passed Away At Home Sunday

After a lingering illness of about two months William Lefarth, of Concord Hill, passed away Sunday morning, July 27. He was born in Westfalen, Germany, August 8, 1868, and grew to young manhood in that country. He came to America in 1884 and followed the carpenter trade all his life.

In 1888 he was united in holy wedlock with Miss Mary Glosemeyer. To this union five children were born, two of whom preceded the father in death, the following children survive: Frances and Joseph at home and John, of Concord Hill; also two grandchildren. In 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Lefarth had the pleasure of celebrating their golden wedding.

Funeral services were held for the deceased Tuesday morning at St. Ignatius Church, and interment was made in the church cemetery.

The funeral services in the church were conducted by the pastor, Rev. F. Baumann, and at the cemetery by Rev. A. H. Fuetter.

May his soul rest in peace.—C. Friedrich Official Dies At Holstein At Age Of 81 Years Mr. Official was about three weeks, Friedrich Official of near Holstein passed away early Sunday morning at the home of his nephew, Frank Hoelscher, at the advanced age of 81 years, two months and 12 days.

Mr. Official was born near Holstein, Feb. 14, 1860, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Offel. He lived his entire life on the farm where he was born, with his parents until their death, and for the last 23 years alone. He lived a quiet but industrious life, taking care of the farm until the infirmities of old age made it impossible.

He leaves to mourn, a brother, Henry, of Lexington; a sister, Mrs. Johanna Tempel of Higginsville; four nephews, seven nieces, other relatives and many friends. Three sisters preceded him to the grave.

The burial services were held Tuesday afternoon at the home of his nephew, Frank Hoelscher, and at Immanuel Church, Holstein. The pastor, J. N. Schuch, conducted the services. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

Fire Saturday Destroys Farm Residence Of Julius Koch

The farm residence on the Julius Koch farm near Holstein was destroyed by fire Saturday evening and the building and its contents and a smoke house were completely lost. The furniture of Lawrence Begemann and family, who rented the farm and were occupying the house, was also lost, and with no insurance coverage.

A quantity of furniture belonging to Henry Mische, the father of Mrs. Begemann, was also lost.

Neighbors came to help, and succeeded in saving some outbuildings, but the fire was too far advanced in the residence to be put under control. The origin of the fire is not known.

Mr. and Mrs. Begemann and family and Gus Begemann were away from home at the time of the fire, attending the picnic at Frickney Church.

Conservation Agents Rescue Fish On Boon Island

Conservation Agents Chas. L. Horner of Wentzville and D. W. Friar of Montgomery City, and Walter Henderson, forestry agent, were in the southern part of Warren County Friday to rescue fish which were stranded as a result of the recent high water in the Missouri River.

They spent the morning on Boon Island where they rescued 106 crappie, 80 bluegill and 100 bullheads which were stranded and would have perished had they also taken about 80 pounds of carp from the flooded area.

Assisting the officers in the work were Alvin Weiler, Clarence Hustedde and Roy Hellesbush. The conservation agents are ready to do similar work wherever there is opportunity to do so, and they will be glad to receive information regarding places where there are fish in flooded areas.

Two Young Men Killed In Highway Accident On 40

Two young men who were employed at Warrenton were killed last week when the motorcycle they were riding crashed into a truck crushing the bodies of both young men. The two were, Elmer Kinion, 21 years old, and Durard Hendricks, 18 years, and the truck which figured in the accident was driven by C. L. Siesonen, 35, a farmer west of St. Charles.

According to a news report, it appears that Siesonen was making a left turn on Highway 40 to drive to his home entrance. The truck had a load of lumber. At that place there is also a hill nearby.

Kinion leaves a wife, the former Miss Violet Jaspering, and a baby. He formerly lived at Truxton, and was employed a highway station at the junction of Highways 40 and 47. The other young man was employed at the Binkley factory in Warrenton.

Living Quarters To Be Set Up In Wentzville Area For 500

A plan to provide living quarters for some 500 persons employed at the Ordnance Works at Walden Springs is being planned at Wentzville. The program calls for the creation of a 120-trailer camp and the construction of five or six dormitories which will accommodate about 50 workmen each.

It is expected that the camps will be completed within thirty days and the dormitories in 45 days.

At Dardene 60 permanent houses are to be built and near St. Charles 140 houses by the Federal Buildings Administration.

New Scammell of St. Louis has been spending the week in Marthasville with relatives and friends.