

FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

WM. H. ALISON, JR.

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, December 4, 1943

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
11/29/43	A.M. Office C. L. Stringer E. B. Wood Warren Brown	Merced Atwater "	Farm Credit Permanent Pasture "
11/30/43	A.M. Office Jack Probert	Planada	Irrigated Pasture
12/1/43	Office		
12/2/43	Wm. Woxberg John Hase R. E. Willis Letha Jacobsen L. L. Leonard R. B. Hume	Merced Dos Palos " " " " " " " "	Farm Labor Housing Program Farm Labor Project " " " " " " " " " Dairy Problems
12/3/43	Office		
12/4/43	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	119	2½	3½	24	34	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	61

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

C. H. Kinsley, Merced County Agricultural Commissioner has just completed a survey to determine the 1943 crop loss in our county due to shortage of farm labor. He has placed the loss at 15 tons of raisin grapes, at \$33 per ton, and 7 tons of apricots, at \$100 per ton. This makes the total loss this year \$1195, as compared to \$500,000 loss in 1942 due to labor difficulties.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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Merced

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Merced

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, California,

for the week ending Saturday, December 11, 1943

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12/6/43	A.M. Office Mrs. Robert Riley Chas. Passadori Bill Lawrence G. O. Lee Joe Lawrence K. A. Salman Reinhold Bros. E. B. Kemper Mrs. Nora O'Brien	Ballico " " " " " " " Livingston "	Dairy-General Farm Labor Housing Units " " " " " " " " " " " " Dairy-General Farm Labor Housing Units Farm Labor Project " " "
12/7/43	C. L. Sexauer S. Sawyer F. C. Paxton	State Highway Office (Merced) " Athlone	Moving Farm Labor Houses " " " " Holstein Breeding Program
12/8/43	Tony Andri Neumann Bros. D. I. Castile C. O. Anderson R. M. Campbell	Lingard Le Grand " " " " " "	Irrigated Pastures Farm Labor Housing Units " " " " Bang's Disease Farm Labor Housing Units
12/9/43	F. C. Paxton - Geo Sawyer Melvin Wheeler Alf. Ketcham	Athlone Waterford " Roberts Ferry	Selection of Herd Sire " " " " " " " " Farm Labor Housing Units
12/10/43	A.M. Farm Labor Conference Melvin Pachaud L. V. Nye D. C. Nye	Winton " "	Dairy-General Herd Sire Pedigree Dairy Feeding
12/11/43	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstrations		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	227	4½	1½	17	23	16	3	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	63

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GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Excerpt from Monthly Bulletin for November, issued by T. W. Fowler, Secretary Merced City Chamber of Commerce:

The 1943 season will be remembered as the most profitable in our history, with probably the smallest crop loss with the largest net income in all the production years of the county, and while every cost was high and Government regulations controlled some crops to the growers' disadvantage, farming of all kinds, this season, has been satisfactorily profitable.

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12/13/43	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	7

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Arrangements have been completed to close the Los Banos Farm Labor office on December 31, 1943. The number of placements made by this office has been very small, and certainly does not justify the \$400 per month overhead of the office.

The Dos Palos office is being moved to a more effective location at the Dos Palos "Y" and R. E. Willis, Field Assistant in charge of the Dos Palos office, will be responsible for the Farm Labor placement activities on the entire west side of the county, starting January 1, 1944.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF WM. H. ALISON, JR.
(Farm Advisor)
MERCED, MERCED, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, December 18, 1943.

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
12/13/43	A.M. - Office P.M. - War Board Meeting		
12/14/43	Office		
12/15/43	A.M. Office T. Christianson W. C. Woxberg Allan Gillespie	Merced " Merced	Merced Farm Labor camp Farm Labor housing units Farm Labor camp situation
12/16/43	F. Canhape W. N. Hurd Doris McDaniel Sam Hamburg J. A. Enos Chas. Ahlson Don Carey Abel Machado John Hash T. Christianson C. L. Sexauer	Merced Los Banos " " " " " " " " " " " " Dos Palos Merced Merced	Mexican Nationals Farm Labor Project " " Mexican Nationals Dairy - general Hand valves on West Side West Side S.C.S. project Farm Labor Project Farm Labor office arrangements Merced Farm Labor camp Moving housing units on State highway
12/17/43	Office		
12/18/43	Sick Leave		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	112	1 1/2	3 1/2	50	20	9	1	0	0	1	7	5	0	0	0	68

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF WM. H. ALISON, JR.
(Farm Advisor)

Merced (Place), Merced (County), California,

for the week ending Saturday, December 25, 1943.

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
12/20/43	Office		
12/21/43	Office		
12/22/43	W. C. Woxberg	Merced	Involving farm labor housing units
	A. J. Rose	"	" " " " "
	"Buster" Windsor	"	" " " " "
	G. Arkelian	"	" " " " "
	P.M. - War Board		
12/23/43	Glen Sheesley	Livingston	Dairy - general
	Mrs. Nora O'Brien	"	Farm Labor Project
	John Arkelian	"	Farm Labor Program
	E. G. Adams	"	Farm Labor housing program
	Eldon Callister	"	Community Farm Labor Committee
	Harvie Grabast	Hilmar	Herd Improvement Testing
	W. Ahlem	"	Dairy - general
	W. S. Garrett	"	Agricultural Deferment Investi- gations
	E. B. Kemper	"	" " "
	A. C. Pollard	"	Purebred sire selection
	Harold Lilley	"	Farm Center Program
12/24/43	Office		
12/25/43	Christmas Day		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	134	2	3	32	2	11	3	0	0	1	7	4	0	0	0	71

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(Farm Advisor)

Merced

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Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, January 1, 1944

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12/27/43	A.M. - Office M. C. Jenkins H. V. Lambert	Merced " "	Permanent pasture mixture " " "
12/28/43		Fresno	Regional A.E.S. Farm Labor Conference
12/29/43	A.M. - Office P.M. - War Board	Merced	
12/30/43	A.M. - Office P.M. - County Feed Committee	Merced	
12/31/43	Office		
1/1/44	New Year's Day		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	124	1½	3½	35	14	0	0	0	0	2	13	2	0	0	0	61

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
12/22/43	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	7

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Merced County farmers are starting to move onto their farms the 590 farm labor housing units which have been allocated to our county by the California Farm Production Council. These units consist of 16x20 feet cabins which have been built by cutting up the 20x100 feet barracks that formerly housed Japanese at the W.R.A. Assembly Center near Merced. We have received excellent cooperation from the California Farm Production Council and our farmers appreciate the good work being done by that organization. The A.E.S. Farm Labor program has also received a good deal of commendation from the farmers of this county.

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
12/29/43	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8
12/30/43	Merced	County Feed Committee	5 4

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

The livestock population is getting far out of line in relation to the supply of feed on hand. Unless speedy action is taken to bring about some sort of a balance between livestock numbers and feed resources, we are liable to wind up the year 1944 with a lot of half-fed cattle, hogs, and poultry. Dairymen and beef cattlemen are now standing in line at the Chowchilla gin to get their meager share of the cottonseed meal that is produced at the gin.

I believe the answer is to relax for awhile the rationing of meat (beef and pork) which will permit a flow of surplus livestock into food channels.

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Merced, Merced, California,
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1/3/44	R. E. Willis Elm P. Close L. H. McDaniel Abel Machado Jack Probert Glenn Gillette	Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Planada Le Grand	Farm Labor Project Soil examination Young Farmers of America Farm Labor Project Farm Labor Equipment Ox Warble Control
1/4/44	A.M. Farm Labor Conference Chas. Kanen John Arakelian Luther Farajian R. E. Frankenberger Reinhold Bros. M. E. Gordon	Livingston Livingston Livingston Delhi Ballico Stevinson	Cork Oak Project Farm Labor Project Farm Center Program Soil examination Fertilizer situation Cow Testing
1/5/44	A.M. Office P.M. War Board Meeting		
1/6/44	A.M. Office W. C. Woxberg Jim Nygaard	Merced Merced	Farm Labor Housing Program Farm Labor
1/7/44	H. Cardoza A.J. Rose Raymond Rose F. C. Paxton	Atwater Jordan Jordan Athlone	Farm Labor Program for 1944 Holstein Herd Sire Cork Oak Project Farm Center Program
1/8/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	214	3	3	32	41	12	3	0	0	2	128	6	0	0	0	67

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
1/5/44	Merced	County War Board	8
1/7/44	Winton	Annual Dinner Winton Farm Center	120 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

One hundred twenty members of the Winton Farm Center attended the annual dinner of that organization on Friday night. The center now has a membership of 80 families the largest in its history.

Investigations of Agricultural Deferment cases is taking a good deal of the time of our Farm Labor staff. When the first flood of requests is taken care of our Farm Labor Offices can probably keep up with the work in good shape.

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(Farm Advisor)Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,for the week ending Saturday, January 15, 1944

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1/10/44	Wobdbridge Metcalf Geo. Greenan W. E. Bedesen Ernest Griffin Frank Phinney Raymond Rose Gerald Heil	Merced Merced Merced Merced Merced El Nido El Nido	Cork oak Project Cork oak Project Cork oak Project Cork oak Project Cork oak Project Holstein Herd Sire Holstein Herd Sire
1/11/44	Alan Gillespie Jim Nygaard P.M. County Feed Committee	Merced Merced	Mexican National situation Farm Labor Camp Situation
1/12/44	A.M. Office P.M. War Board		
1/13/44	R. E. Willis Sherwood Houser Clyde Nakin Wade Galloway A. J. Dunlap F. J. Arburua	Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Farm Labor Project Milking Machine situation Farm Labor Housing Program Farm Machinery Outlook Crown Gall Control Range Grass Test Plots
1/14/44	Office		
1/15/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	154	2½	3½	41	26	12	1	0	0	3	73	3	0	0	0	65

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
1/9/44	Hilmar	Farm Center	56
1/11/44	Merced	County Feed Committee	9
1/12/44	Merced	County War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

This year, Conservation Week starts on March 7th. W. A. Knapp, Rural School Supervisor, has been appointed chairman of the week, and one of the Conservation goals to be reached is the planting of 2,000 cork oak seedlings by farmers, city dwellers, and civic and service organization.

The County Feed Committee met on Tuesday and rationed out the small amount of cottonseed, soybean and linseed meal allocated to our county under the set aside order. The 20% set aside order, really works to the disadvantage of our county since previously our dairymen and beef cattlemen were buying the entire output of the Chowchilla gins. Instead of 85 tons a day going to our producers, the amount we receive is reduced by 20% of that figure, or 17 tons.

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
1/19/44	Merced Merced	County Feed Committee Mastitis Control Meeting	5 * 21 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

We are breaking in a new tester for Unit No. 1, to succeed Robert Blalack, who has resigned because of illness. The new man is Don Wuertly, raised on a farm in Merced County, and with a good background for the position of tester.

Another demonstration dairy layout is being constructed in the County. Elmer Wood well known orchardist of Atwater, is putting in a market milk dairy as part of a diversification program he is working out on his 450 acre ranch

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Merced

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1/17/44	A.M. Office Willson Elliott Manuel Mancebo W. C. Woxberg Kahl Bros. Ralph Kaufman Don Wuertley	Merced Dos Palos Merced Merced Merced Merced	Dairy-General Cow Testing Farm Labor housing Units Farm Labor Housing Units Cow Testing Cow Testing
1/18/44	Don Wuertley Joe Silva H. G. Fawcett Carl Avrit Marvin Roberts Geo. Alberti Frank Merrick Alberti Bros John Ledford	Merced El Nido Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Gypsum Cow Testing Cow Testing
1/19/44	A.M. County Feed Committee P.M. Mastitis Control Meeting		
1/20/44	A.M. Office Elmer Wood Charles Dykesman Bill Ahlem C. N. Ahlem	Atwater Atwater Hilmar Hilmar	Demonstration Dairy Layout Feed Barn Construction Dairy-General Dairy-General
1/21/44	Office		
1/22/44	Sick Leave		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	216	2	3	37	40	14	4	0	0	1	21	5	0	1	5	83

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Merced
(Place)

Merced, California,
(County)

for the week ending Saturday, January 29, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
1/24/44	Sick Leave		
1/25/44	A.M. Merced Production Credit Assn. P.M. Office		
1/26/44	A.M. Office P.M. War Board		
1/27/44	Alberti Bros. Don Wuertley John Monez Paul Arnold Abel Machado Frank Merrick H. G. Fawcett Howard Pond John Greer Joe Carlucci Frank Arburua Jim Knudsen	Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Cow Testing Cow Testing Bang's Disease Control Farm Credit Farm Labor Project Publicity-A.E.S. Herd Improvement Testing Dairy-General Gypsum Results Gypsum Results Range Feed Situation Orange Spray
1/28/44	Louie Taglio John Haley L. C. Lee	Gustine Gustine Gustine	Cow Testers Dairy Feed Situation Farm Labor Project
1/29/44	A.M. Office		

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0	127	2½	2½	53	35	5	2	0	0	1	8	9	0	1	86	89 69

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
1/25/44	Merced	Annual Meeting-Merced County	86 *
1/26/44	Merced	Production Credit Assn County U.S.D.A. War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

"Conservation as a War measure" was the topic of the talk I made at the Annual meeting of the Merced County Production Credit Assn. This association is now in its 16th year, and has been unusually successful in its operations. One reason for its success is Cy Stringer, who is retiring after 10 years as Secretary-Treasurer. Another is an excellent Board of Directors and a third is a long headed loan committee.

The new tester for Unit No. 1, Don Wuertley, is learning fast and apparently has the makings of an excellent tester.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, February 5, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
1/31/44	Office		
2/1/44	A.M. Farm Labor Conference P. M. Office		
2/2/44	War Board Meeting		
2/3/44	M. C. Gordon Geo. Hatfield	Stevinson Stevinson	Cow Testing Cow Testing
2/4/44	J. H. Boyer John Arakelian Luther Farajian M. E. Noel Harvie Grabast W. E. Bunker Bill Jensen Glenn Lee Kenneth Lee L. C. Lee	Atwater Livingston Livingston Hilmar Hilmar Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Farm Labor Program	Farm Labor Farm Labor situation Farm Center Program Alkali Land Cow Testing Dairy-General Cow Testing Job Cow Testing Job Cow Testing Job
2/5/44	A.M. Office		

MILES TRAVELED BY RAILROAD, ETC.	MILES TRAVELED BY AUTO	DAYS IN FIELD	DAYS IN OFFICE	CALLS ON AGENT AT HEADQUARTERS	LETTERS WRITTEN	PROJECT WORK						MISCELLANEOUS WORK				TELEPHONE CALLS
						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	198	3½	2½	43	25	12	3	0	0	1	11	4	0	0	0	74

FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, February 12, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
2/7/44	A.M. Office E. L. Garthwaite Harold Eastman	Chowchilla Chowchilla	Irrigated Pasture Mixtures Irrigated Pasture Mixtures
2/8/44	A.M. Farm Labor Conference P.M. Office		
2/9/44	War Board		
2/10/44	Office		
2/11/44	J. K. Boyer E. C. Ruehl W. S. Batterman A. Escola R. Reinhold Mel Pachaud	Atwater Delhi Delhi Livingston Ballico Winton	Farm Labor Problem Almond Stocks Farm Labor Program Alfalfa production Land Settlement Study Dairy-General
2/12/44	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	112	2½	3½	39	33	1	1	0	0	2	27	5	0	0	0	71

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
2/2/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	11

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

The steadily increasing interest in cow testing has resulted in the need for organizing a fifth unit of the Merced County Cow Testing Association. Each of the four units now has a long waiting list and the problem is now one of finding a good tester. We think we have the man and March 1st has been tentatively set as the date the new unit will start.

At the farm labor staff conference held on Tuesday, it was evident that good progress is being made on the survey of seasonal farm labor requirements during 1943.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
2/8/44	Planada	Farm Center	19 *
2/9/44	Merced	County War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Our Farm Labor staff is managing to keep up pretty well with the Agricultural deferment cases.

The War Board recommendations are running about 50-50,— that 50% should stay on the farm and 50% should go into the service. A total of 161 cases have been investigated to date by the Farm Labor staff.

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MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
2/15/44	Merced	Annual Meeting-Merced Farm Loan Association	45 *
2/16/44	Merced	County War Board	11
2/17/44	Bear Creek	Annual Meeting - F.S.A. Tenants purchase pro.	34 *
2/19/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	14 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Farm Production Goals for 1944 was the topic which I discussed at two meetings during the week. The first, the annual meeting of the Merced National Farm Loan Association was held on Tuesday, and the other on Thursday was the annual meeting of the F.S.A. tenant purchase Program.

The Farm Bureau Director's met on Saturday, with 14 in attendance. Interest, and attendance at, Director's meetings continues to be good after 26½ years of Farm Bureau in Merced County. From this fact we would judge that the Farm Bureau program, as it has gone along in this county, is one of proven value to our farmers, or else it would have died out a long time ago.

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FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)

Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)

for the week ending Saturday, February 19, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
2/14/44	Office		
2/15/44	A.M. Farm Labor Conference P.M. Merced Farm Loan Ass'n Meeting		
2/16/44	Office		
2/17/44	A.M. Annual Meeting P.S.A. tenants P.M. Office		
2/18/44	A.M. Office D. C. Nye L. V. Nye	Winton Winton	Farm Labor Housing Unit Dairy-General
2/19/44	A.M. Office Farm Bureau Director's Meeting		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	94	2½	3½	31	39	1	1	0	0	2	25	1	0	2	79	85

FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison, Jr.

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,

for the week ending Saturday, February 26, 1944, 194

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
2/21/44	Dairy Conference at Modesto		
2/22/44	Office		
2/23/44	A.M. War Board P.M. Office		
2/24/44	Office		
2/25/44	A.M. Office Henry Alberti Fred Roseberry Jack Cyr	Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Dairy Program on KYOS Gypsum Mine development Seeding Irrigated Pasture
2/26/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	216	2	4	29	26	0	0	0	0	2	32	3	0	1	9	65

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
2/23/44	Merced Gustine	County War Board Smith-Hughes Teachers	8 9 *
2/25/44	Los Banos	Farm Center	24 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

On Wednesday evening I discussed the A.E.S. Dairy Improvement Program with the Smith-Hughes Teachers. It was the consensus of opinion among the members of the group that the present feed situation calls for care on the part of our dairymen not to overstock their ranches. We all thought we should cooperate toward getting our dairymen to utilize home produced feeds to the greatest extent possible in order to divert a large share of the present limited supply of concentrates to those areas where dairy production is totally dependent on purchased feeds.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
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Merced, Merced, California,
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for the week ending Saturday, March 4, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
2/28/44	Office		
2/29/44	A.M. Conference with Farm Labor Staff D. E. Hodgkins R. W. Vaughn	McSwain McSwain	Reclamation of alkali soil Cow Testing
3/1/44	County War Board		
3/2/44	A.M. Office J. L. Toscano L. H. McDaniel	Los Banos Los Banos	Farm Labor Housing units Dairy-General
3/3/44	Office		
3/4/44	Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	138	2	4	31	41	2	1	0	0	1	13	2	0	1	24	83

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)

Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)

for the week ending Saturday, March 11, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
3/6/44	Olaf Jensen Harvie Grabast Lyman C. Lee Ben Haley Louis Taglio W. C. Jensen James Noble Paul Bunker J. Toscano R. E. Willis	Sevinson Hilmar Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Los Banos Dos Palos	Fire Protection Project Cow Testing Farm Labor Project Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Farm Labor Housing units Farm Labor Housing units Farm Labor Housing units Farm Labor Project
3/7/44	Ben Haley W. C. Jensen & Sons W. R. Shanks Louis P. Taglio Hans Andersen M. C. Leal E. Alberti Geo. Alberti Conrad Lehfeltd Harvie Grabast Wm. Ahlem A. C. Pollard Elmer Wood Chas. Dykeetra	Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Hilmar Hilmar Hilmar Atwater Atwater	Cow Testing Cow Testing Publicity-A.E.S. Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Cow Testing Smith-Hughes & A.E.S. Cow Testing Feed Barn Construction Dairy Labor Situation Demonstration Dairy layout Demonstration Dairy layout
3/8/44	County War Board		
3/9/44	Ben Haley John Haley Chas. Reutter C. E. Hubbs E. L. Maddocks	Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Cottonwood	Cow Testing Dairy improvement program Dairy-General Dairy-General Cow Testing

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MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
3/1/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	13
3/2/44	Los Banos	Young Farmers	24 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Work on the fifth cow testing unit started on March 1st. The new tester is Ben Haley, a local boy who has received an honorable Medical discharge after 16 months of service in the Navy. Much of it overseas. With five testers on the job there is a good chance that the number of cows on test can be increased to 8,000 within the next few months providing the dairy labor situation does not become too serious.

On Thursday evening I discussed new forage crops with a ~~group~~ *group.* of young farmers at Los Banos.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
3/10/44	Mrs. Mary Reinero A. G. Smith Ted Gurr P.M. Annual leave	Escholtzia Atwater McSwain	Poultry losses Alfalfa fertilizers Alfalfa fertilizers
3/11/44	Annual Leave		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	304	5½	2½	42	11	22	6	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	28

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
3/8/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	11

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Some time was spent in getting the new tester acquainted with the dairymen in his unit and informing him in regard to the methods and policies of the cow testing work in the County.

Consideration of agricultural deferment cases continues to take up a great deal of time at meetings of the County U.S.D.A. War Board. The War Board is united in its thinking that the extreme care must be taken in reviewing these cases, because agriculture has now reached the point where a serious loss in food production is going to occur if the armed services continue to take essential, or key men, from the farms. There are now 9 unfilled orders for milkers in our farm labor files, and it is now almost to the point where when a milker leaves a dairy ranch from 30 to 50 dairy cows will go to the butcher.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
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for the week ending Saturday, March 18, 1944.

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
3/13/44	Annual Leave		
3/14/44	Annual Leave		
3/15/44	County War Board		
3/16/44	Office		
3/17/44	Dale Campbell John Dexter Martin Starnes Mr. Patterson Louis Milburn	Mariposa Mariposa Mariposa Mariposa Mariposa	
3/18/44	A.M. Farm Bureau Directors		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	109	2	2	39	26	5	0	0	0	2	46	0	0	0	0	73

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, March 25, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN			
3/20/44	A.M. Office					
	J. T. Norman	Cathay	Cork Oak Project			
	Dale Campbell	Mariposa	Emergency Food Production Pro.			
	Selective Service Board	Mariposa	"	"	"	"
	Tom Price	Mariposa	"	"	"	"
	Louis Milburn	Mariposa	"	"	"	"
3/21/44	Office					
3/22/44	Co. War Board					
3/23/44	Office					
3/24/44	Office					
3/25/44	A.M. Office					

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	107	2	4	28	34	5	0	0	0	3	116	0	0	1	25	86

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
3/15/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	10
3/18/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	36 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Possibility of establishing sales yards of the California Farm Bureau Marketing Association in Los Banos and Merced was the principal topic to be discussed at the Farm Bureau Director's meeting on Saturday. There is apparently a definite need for a set-up of this kind on the west side of our County. The Board appointed a 9-man committee to canvas farmers in the vicinity of Dos Palos, Los Banos and Gustine in order to find out just how much support this cooperative marketing project would have.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
3/20/44	Merced	Merced EastSide Growers Assn.	50 *
3/21/44	Athlone	Farm Center	56 *
3/22/44	Merced	Co. U.S.D.A. War Board	10
3/22/44	Merced	Smith Hughes Teachers	25 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

We believe we have located a man who is well qualified to handle the position of Emergency Food Production Assistant for Mariposa County. He is Dale K. Campbell, at present postmaster of Mariposa. Campbell was born and raised on a farm near Visalia, in Tulare County, has had considerable experience in diversified farming in Tulare and Merced Counties, and has had technical agriculture training at Oregon State College. He is beyond the age where he will make a very effective soldier, and I think he can make his best contribution to our Nation's War effort along the lines of helping to increase food production. Campbell was interviewed by Professor Rubel on Wednesday afternoon.

All agricultural agencies in the County were represented at the monthly meeting of the Smith-Hughes teachers, held in Merced on Wednesday evening.

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
3/29/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8
3/29/44	Denair	Soil Conservation Committee	8 *
3/30/44	Merced	County Farm Production Comm.	18 *
3/31/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Various phases of the dairy improvement program were discussed at a meeting with the testers on Thursday. All five of the testers are doing good work, and we anticipate a steady increase in the number of cows on test, which is already at an all time high for the County.

The present status of the east San Joaquin Valley Soil Conservation project was discussed at a meeting of the farmer members of the project Committee, and representatives of the A.E.S. and the S.C.S., held in Denair on Wednesday evening.

The War Board had to hold two meetings in order to keep up with the flood of agricultural deferment investigations that are now being made.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison, Jr.

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,

for the week ending Saturday, April 1, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
3/27/44	Office		
3/28/44	Office		
3/29/44	Co. War Board		
3/30/44	A.M. Cow Testing Conference P.M. Office		
3/31/44	Co. War Board		
4/1/44	A.M. Office		

MILES TRAVELED BY RAILROAD, ETC.	MILES TRAVELED BY AUTO	DAYS IN FIELD	DAYS IN OFFICE	CALLS ON AGENT AT HEADQUARTERS	LETTERS WRITTEN	PROJECT WORK						MISCELLANEOUS WORK				TELEPHONE CALLS
						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	89	2½	3½	29	52	0	0	0	0	3	34	0	0	1	8	74

FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, April 8, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
4/3/44	A.M. Office Mrs. Hazel Lindsay Walter Valladao	Atwater-Jordan Atwater-Jordan	alfalfa problems Alfalfa fertilizers
4/4/44	To Berkeley on Emergency Food Production Program		
4/5/44	Office		
4/6/44	Joe Sarmer Norman Fitzgerald Art Staring Russell Willis H. G. Fawcett Sheldon Baucum L. C. Lee H. M. Hawkins Luther Farajian	Planada Planada Merced Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Gustine Gustine Livingston	Gasoline ration for Campbell Agric. deferment investigations Dairy equipment for C.T.A. Farm Labor project Dairy-general Summer pasture crops Milker situation Frozen alfalfa Farm Center Program
4/7/44	County War Board Meeting		
4/8/44	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	431	3	3	36	51	4	1	0	0	1	7	7	0	0	0	74

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
4/7/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	7

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Dale Campbell, Emergency Food Production Assistant for Mariposa County has reported for work, and in order that he may get some background information in regard to his new position, we have had various members of the staff take him with them on their travels.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison, Jr.

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,

for the week ending Saturday, April 15, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
4/10/44	Office		
4/11/44	Regional Farm Labor Conference at Stockton		
4/12/44	S. W. Mead Paul Gregory P. H. Vaughn Wm. Ahlem	Merced Merced McSwain Hilmar	Jersey Cattle Breeding Expt. Jersey Cattle Breeding Expt. Jersey Cattle Breeding Expt. Jersey Cattle Breeding Expt.
4/13/44	Office		
4/14/44	County War Board		
4/15/44	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	271	2½	3½	41	30	4	2	0	0	4	119	0	0	0	0	68

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
4/11/44	Planada	Farm Center	21 *
4/13/44	Merced	Co. Food Preservation Comm.	12 *
4/14/44	Merced	Co. U.S.D.A. War Board	11
4/14/44	Winton	Farm Center	75 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

We discussed the Food Situation at the meeting of the County Food Preservation Committee held on Thursday afternoon.

We are checking up on the present status of the Volunteer Farm Fire Crews. Apparently we will have to find Area Firemen, or a crew leader in fifteen of the 226 companies in the County. The rest of the companies will have the same leaders as last year.

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MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
4/18/44	Mariposa	War Food Production	24 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

On Tuesday afternoon in the Mariposa County Courthouse, we outlined the purpose of the War Food Production and Preservation Program, and the type of service that would be available to Mariposa County farmers as a result of the appointment of the new War Food Production Assistant, Dale Campbell. Interest in the Emergency War Food program is good, as evidenced by a representative attendance from all parts of of the County.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
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for the week ending Saturday, April 22, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
4/17/44	Office		
4/18/44	War Food Production and Preservation Meeting at Mariposa		
4/19/44	Office		
4/20/44	Farm Advisor Conference at Berkeley		
4/21/44	Farm Advisor Conference at Berkeley		
4/22/44	A.m. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	361	1½	4½	21	22	0	0	0	0	1	24	0	0	0	0	52

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, April 29, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
4/24/44	Office		
4/25/44	A. V. Balene E. C. Rone Sam Price J. W. Cardoza	Merced Atwater Atwater Atwater	Red Clover identification Summer Forage Crops Publication of "Farm News" Farm Labor Project
4/26/44	Office		
4/27/44	Mrs. Wm. Crowe Geo. Garner Lionel Tocher Frank Merrick Frank Arburua Tony La Salvia W. E. Bunker W. K. McBride Wm. Shanks Joe Rosa	Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Gustine Gustine Gustine Stevinson	Publication of "Farm News" Birdsfoot Trefoil Pick up bale loader Publication of "Farm News" Feed Committee policies Slaughter House operations A.E.S.-General Dairy-General Publication of "Farm News" Farm Fire Protection Project
4/28/44	a.m. War Board E. G. Adams E. B. Kemper W. Passadori Joe Reed	Livingston Livingston McSwain McSwain	Publication of "Farm News" Farm Labor Project Dairy Buildings Farm Fire Protection Project
4/29/44	a.m. Office p.m. Field Day at Sunshine Farm-Dairy		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	162	3	3	43	36	10	3	0	0	3	124	8	0	0	0	73

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
4/24/44	Merced	County Farm Prod. Committee	15 *
4/28/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	9
4/29/44	Merced Colony	4-H & Future Farmers Field Day	100 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

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In view of the rather ~~black~~ outlook for harvest labor this year, the County Farm Production Committee decided to investigate the feasibility of establishing a German Prisoner of war camp in the County. The seasonal farm labor survey completed this spring showed that a peak need of 13,050 workers must be met about the first of September, when harvesting of three of our major crops—peaches—grapes—and figs, is in full swing.

"Dairying in Merced County" was the topic I discussed at the 4-H Club and Future Farmers' Field Day, held at the Sunshine Farm Dairy on Saturday.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison, Jr.

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, May 6, 1944.

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
5/1/44	Office		
5/2/44	Office		
5/3/44	A.M. Office p.m. Gerald Heil L. C. Wolfson H. G. Fawcett	El Nido Dos Palos Los Banos	Classification of Herd Herd Classification and dairy- General Dairy-General
5/4/44	Office		
5/5/44	War Board P.M. Frank Arburua H. G. Fawcett	Los Banos Los Banos	Allocation of protein concen- trates Allocation of protein concen- trates
5/6/44	Glen Sheesley W. S. Batterman Ernie Donverse	Livingston Delhi Delhi	Dairy-General Cowpea seed production Cowpea seed production

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	204	2½	3½	27	46	0	2	0	0	2	18	8	0	1	85	58

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
5/1/44	Merced	War Board - Selective Service Board Conference	12 *
5/3/44	El Nido	Holstein Herd Classification	35 *
5/5/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	6

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Merced County is coming ahead rapidly as a home of good purebred dairy cattle. On Wednesday the herds of H. G. Fawcett, Of Los Banos, and Gerald W. Heil of El Nido were officially classified for type by representatives of the Holstein-Friesian breed. Both herds classified exceedingly well, and represent a combination of exceptionally high production and good type.

In order to work out a mutual understanding of the problem of deferment of agricultural workers, the County War Board and the Merced Selective Service Board held a joint conference on Manday evening. We found the conference to be especially helpful in getting each group to know the problems of the other, and developing policies that were unanimously agreed up.on.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Allison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
5/8/44	John Monez H. G. Fawcett Frank Arburua Sheldon Baucum	Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Farm Labor Situation Dairy Feed Situation County Feed Committee Dairy - General
5/9/44	Kenneth Monteith F. W. Arburua T. T. Givens Jesse M. Smith	Merced Merced Merced Merced	County Feed Committee County Feed Committee Birdsfoot Trefoil Agricultural Outlook
5/10/44	Office		
5/11/44	Trip to Range Expt. Station at O'Neals		
5/12/44	Trip with Ed Garthwaite to Agronomy Field Day at Davis		
5/13/44	A.M. Office P.M. 4-H Club Fair at Hilmar		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	517	4½	1½	51	19	1	2	0	0	2	211	7	0	1	28	62

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
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5/15/44	a.m. Office Lawrence Wolfson E. B. Wood Sam Price J. W. Cardoza Frank Furrer	Merced Atwater Atwater Atwater Atwater	Dairy talk on radio Farm Labor project "Farm News" column Farm labor plans Permanent pastures
5/16/44	a.m. Office Dale Campbell	Mariposa	War Food Program
5/17/44	Office		
5/18/44	Office		
5/19/44	War Board		
5/20/44	Farm Bureau Directors		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	129	2	4	43	46	2	0	0	0	3	77	4	0	0	0	61

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
5/8/44	Merced	County Farm Production Comm.	11 ✕
5/10/44	Merced	County Livestockmen	28 ✕
5/13/44	Hilmar	4-H Club Fair	200 ✕

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Many of the leading cattlemen of the county were present at the meeting called by Mr. Ketcham to present up-to-date information on the feed situation. Burle Jones and Vard Shepard discussed the problem from the two angles of (1) supply of feed on hand (2) livestock numbers and marketing trends.

The meeting at the Range Experiment Station at o'Neals was really worthwhile and was very helpful to the three of us who attended from this county--Don Ketcham, Dale Campbell, and myself.

The 4-H Club Fair held at Hilmar on Saturday was quite successful--and was attended by about 200 4-H Club members and their parents.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE

Signed....., Agent making report.

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
5/17/44	Merced	Rotary Club	65 *
5/19/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	3
5/20/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	9 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

At the Rotary Club, on Wednesday, Don Ketcham and I outlined the plans that have been made to meet the farm labor needs for the coming harvest season. Some time was spent in compiling the summary of cow testing work for the year ending January 1, 1944.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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Merced, Merced, California,
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5/22/44	A.M. War Board John Allen Leman Zusspan Alvin Prows	Winton Winton Winton	Dairy Management Permanent Pastures Summer forage crops
5/23/44	A.M. Conference with P.M. Office	Prof. Crocheron and Rubel	
5/24/44	Chas. Ahlson Don Carey Merle Gross Bob Hawkins Geo. Voight R. D. Lollick Ted Olsen	Merced Merced Merced Montpellier Montpellier Montpellier Snelling	East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro. East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro. East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro. East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro. East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro. East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro. East San Joaquin Valley S.C. Pro.
5/25/44	Office		
5/26/44	Office		
5/27/44	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	156	2½	3½	27	48	7	4	0	0	2	16	3	0	0	0	54

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
5/22/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	6
5/23/44	Merced	County Farm Prod. Committee	10

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

On Wednesday, John Conrad of the Agronomy Division looked over the grain fertilizer test plots that had been established by the local S.C.S. office in connection with the East San Joaquin Valley Soil Conservation project. Representative samples of the various plots are going to be harvested by the S.C.S. men and threshed at the Agronomy Division for yield data. The treatments involved the following materials - super-phosphate, ammonium sulfate, ammonium phosphate (16-20) and gypsum.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE
5/23/44	Prof. B. H. Crocheron Prof. C. W. Rubel	Supervision

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
6/2/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	7

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

One of the principal reasons why more farmers do not produce Cowpea Seed is the difficulty in harvesting a seed crop from this viney plant. In order to get some ideas along the lines of improved methods of harvesting cowpeas, Jim Fairbank and I spent Monday in visiting growers and checking up on equipment. The best outfit of all was owned by Ted Larson of Route 1, Box 523, Turlock, who has equipped a tractor mower with two up and down sickles on each end of the cutter bar. He said he could harvest any crop of beans or cowpeas, no matter how heavy, with this mower.

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5/29/44	J. P. Fairbank John Arakelian W. S. Batterman M. C. Jenkins Ted Larson	Merced Livingston Livingston Livingston Rt.1, Box 523, Turlock	Harvesting Cowpea Seed Harvesting Cowpea Seed Farm Equipment Farm Equipment Harvesting Cowpea Seed
5/30/44	Memorial day		
5/31/44	A.M. Office Trindade Bros. W. H. Jensen	Franklin Merced	Dairy-General Fertilizers
6/1/44	Office		
6/2/44	Office		
6/3/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	83	2	3	37	30	0	0	0	0	1	7	7	0	0	0	68

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE

Signed....., *Agent making report.*

FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,

for the week ending Saturday, June 17, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
6/12/44	Office KYOS KYOS	Merced	Radio talk
6/13/44	R. E. Willis Abel Machado H. G. Fawcett Frank Merrick T. C. Mott Geo. Quintal P. C. Hansen	Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Farm labor project Farm labor project Dairy-general Publicity - A.E.S. Gypsum deposits Selective Service investigations Farm Bureau
6/14/44	Burle Jones F. J. Arburua	Merced Los Banos	Range test plot check-up Range test plot check-up
6/15/44	Office		
6/16/44	War Board KYOS	Merced	Radio talk
6/17/44	A.M. Office Farm Bureau Directors		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstrations		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	233	3	3	18	22	8	2	0	0	3	55	3	0	0	0	73

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
6/12/44	Hilmar	Farm Center	34 *
6/16/44	Merced	War Board	7
6/17/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	14 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Because of the prospect of a serious reduction in amount of alfalfa and permanent pasture seeds available for planting during the winter of 1944-45 we are urging Merced County alfalfa growers to produce as much seed as possible this summer. We now have 83,000 acres of alfalfa in the county, and since the ~~average~~ ^{average} stand does not last over four years, to keep our acreage up to par, we'll require the planting of 18,000 to 20,000 acres this coming winter. This will require between 350,000 and 400,000 lbs. of alfalfa seed, and every pound of this vast total that is produced here at home releases that much for use in some other part of the country.

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
6/20/44	Merced	Executive Committee Dairy Dept.	5 *
6/22/44	Los Banos	War Board Selective Service Board 116	11 *
6/23/44	Merced	County U. S. D. A. War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Excellent cooperation was evidenced at a joint meeting of the Merced County U.S.D.A. War Board and Selective Service Board 116, held in Los Banos on Thursday evening. The meeting was called to bring about a uniformity of attitude in dealing with agricultural deferment cases. Both Boards expressed their main objective was to obtain for the armed services the very maximum of men from 18 to 26 years of age, and at the same time to avoid the crippling of agricultural production

The Executive Committee of the Dairy Department at a meeting on Tuesday evening decided to give the testers another 10% increase in salary.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, June 24, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
6/19/44	Dale Campbell James E. Brown Clint Mentzer Bull Run Ranch	Mariposa Red Cloud Coulterville Cathay	Klamath Weed survey Klamath Weed survey Klamath Weed survey Timber Tox experiment
6/20/44	Office		
6/21/44	G. E. Walston M. B. Houck J. A. Grady N. G. Sheesley Andy Thorsen Harvie Grabast Bus Zehrung Oliver Wickstrom Ben Haley Fulton Bambauer	Atwater Fruitland Fruitland Arena Turlock Hilmar Hilmar Hilmar Hilmar Gustine	Farm labor project Farm center meeting Farm center meeting Dairy feeding Divided double unit bucket Cow testing 4-H Club work Cow testing Cow testing Cow testing
6/22/44	Office		
6/23/44	War Board		
6/24/44	Frank McConnell Martin Fuller Geo. Stout	Merced Merced Merced	Tomato production New forage crop Farm labor situation

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	284	3	3	18	16	10	5	0	0	3	24	7	0	0	0	62

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, July 1, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
6/26/44	Office		
6/27/44	R.E. Willis	Dos Palos	Farm Labor Project
	T. C. Mott	Los Banos	Range Grass identification
	Frank Maidhof	" "	Farm Labor order
	Louis Paradiso	" "	Farm Labor Project
	Geo. Antoine	" "	Birdsfoot Trefoil
	J. L. Anderson	" "	Farm Labor order
	Roy Rodoni	" "	Cow Testing
	John Freitas	" "	Cow Testing; Fire Protection
	Joe Lewis	" "	Farm Fire Protection Project
	Marcus H. Gilmore	" "	Production Credit Program
	P. C. Hansen	" "	Dairy Improvement, general
	Don Wuertley	" "	Cow Testing
	Alberti Bros.	" "	Cow Testing
	G. A. Mumby	Dos Palos	Cow Testing
	Manuel Mancebo	" "	Cow Testing
6/28/44	A.M. Office		
	Bill Espinoza	Atwater	Farm Labor Situation
	Pereira Bros.	"	Farm Labor
6/29/44	Office		
6/30/44	A.M. Cow Testing Conference		
	P.M. War Board		
7/1/44	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	162	2½	3½	27	31	13	1	0	0	1	8	4	0	0	0	73

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF WM. H. ALISON, JR.
(Farm Advisor)
MERCED, MERCED, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, July 8, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
July 3	a.m. Office p.m. Conference with	Mariposa County Board of	Supervisors (Klamath Weed)
July 4	Independence Day		
July 5	a.m. Office Frank Furrer Herb Williams Vaughn Brothers Trindade Brothers	Atwater McSwain " Franklin	Soil examination Cow testing " "
July 6	Office		
July 7	a.m. War Board p.m. Office		
July 8	C. H. Kinsley Office	Merced	Survey on wind damage to sweet potatoes

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	128	1½	3½	29	12	3	1	0	0	1	7	2	0	1	8	62

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
6/30/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

The task of the War Board in finding additional men, between the ages of 18 and 25, that can be recommended for service in the armed forces, without decreasing food producing, becomes increasingly difficult. At the meeting on Friday, 8 out of 41 registrants were recommended for induction, all of them being in the 18-25 class.

The number of cows on test has at last reached 7000 - an all time high for the testing association. The testers are doing good work, and if we could find another good tester, there would be a good chance of starting a 6th unit - the interest in testing is so good.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE

Signed....., Agent making report.

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
July 3	Mariposa	Board of Supervisors on Klamath Weed	8 *
July 7	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	7

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Mr. Campbell and I met with the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors on Monday afternoon and submitted to them the report of Klamath Weed survey recently made by Mr. Campbell which shows that over 100 square miles in the northern part of the County are infested with this aggressive and destructive weed pest. We pointed out the educational responsibilities of the A.E.S. in the development of a program aimed at the control of Klamath Weed and also suggested that they investigate the possibility of obtaining assistance regulatory or otherwise, from other agencies such as the State Department of Agriculture.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, July 15, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
7/10/44	Office		
7/11/44	Office		
7/12/44	Office		
7/13/44	Dr. Geo. Hart Fred Robinson Elmer Murchie Chas. Peard	Merced Merced Merced Merced	Skin Blister Skin Blister Skin Blister Skin Blister
7/14/44	A.M. War Board Fay Batten Wyatt & Dunn Northrup-King Co. Wm. Bibler L. V. Nye	Merced Oakdale Modesto Winton Winton	Ladino Clover Seed Production. Ladino Clover Seed Production Ladino Clover Seed Production Ladino Clover Seed Production Ladino Clover Seed Production
7/15/44	A.M. Farm Bureau Directors Meeting		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	138	2½	3½	19	42	0	0	0	0	2	15	9	0	0	0	53

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
7/14/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	6
7/15/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	12 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

(1) The value of cow testing to the dairy industry of Merced County is shown in the Annual Summary of cow testing work, which has just been completed. Over 9,000 cows in 164 herds were tested during the year. Average annual production was 335.4 lbs. fat per cow, as contrasted with 319 lbs. the year previous, and 276 lbs. in 1923. Last year the 60,000 cows in Merced County produced 15,269,626 lbs. fat, or an average of 254.5 lbs. per cow. If all the cows in the County were as good as the Association cows we could have produced the same amount of butterfat with 15,000 less cows—a saving of labor amounting to 300 milkers, and a saving in feed amounting to 100,000 tons of hay and 7500 tons of grain.

(2) The impending shortage of Ladino Clover Seed was the reason for a survey of the seed production methods used in the Oakdale district. Unlike alfalfa seed production, evidently the production of Ladino Clover seed is a highly specialized enterprise, and we think there is little prospect of developing much of a Ladino Clover seed supply from local fields.

(3) Several severe outbreaks of skin blister have occurred in the beef cattle herds just north of Merced. Dr. Hart visited the County on Thursday in order to direct some further experimental work aimed at the solution of this baffling problem. The economic loss due to skin blister is heavy—a heavy break will cause steers to lose as much as 200 pounds in a week or ten days. With a lull in the Farm Labor Program, Don Ketcham has been making a survey of the fields in which the disease is prevalent and getting the ideas of cattlemen as to the possible causes of skin blister.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, July 22, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
7/17/44	A.M. Office H. Williams P. H. Vaughn	McSwain McSwain	Soil examination Dairy-General
7/18/44	A.M. Office R.L. King M. R. Fuller Bob Baldwin Jack Briggs	Merced Bear Creek 6 mile grade Lake Yosemite	Cooperation with Veteran's Service Office on Agric. problems Birdsfoot Trefoil Forage Crops Dairy-General
7/19/44	A.M. Office P.M. Conference with Prof. Rubel		
7/20/44	A.M. Conference with Prof. Rubel C. L. Stringer N. G. Sheesley Ernest Johnson John Arakelian E. B. Kemper	Arena Arena Hilmar Livingston Livingston	Agricultural Situation Alfalfa Seed Production Alfalfa Seed Production Farm Labor Situation Farm Labor Project
7/21/44	War Board P.M. Office		
7/22/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
9	117	2½	3½	22	41	2	1	0	0	1	8	9	0	0	0	61

FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison, Jr.
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, July 29, 1944.

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
7/24/44	a.m. Office R. E. Willis Letha Jacobsen Frank Merrick Louis Paradiso John McKenzie E. L. Maddocks J. F. Pearce	Dos Palos Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Volta Cottonwood Cottonwood	Farm labor project Farm labor project A.E.S. "Farm News" Farm labor signs Poultry losses Cow testing Almond marketing
7/25/44	T. Christianson p.m. Office	Merced	Mexican National program
7/26/44	a.m. Office C. R. Shaffer	Merced	Irrigation lay-out
7/27/44	E. L. Garthwaite Clint Mentzer Fred McKay John Grosjean Dale Campbell	Planada Mariposa Mariposa Mariposa Coulterville	Klamath weed tour Klamath weed tour Klamath weed tour Klamath weed tour Klamath weed tour
7/28/44	a.m. War Board V. Leandro	Los Banos	Mexican National order
7/29/44	a.m. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	376	3	3	19	26	7	0	0	0	2	46	8	0	1	11	58

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
7/21/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

The Farm Labor situation is good at the present time, but this is no reason for optimism, because the season is about 2 weeks late, and we have not even started to get into our season of peak labor needs. The tomato shipping deal is about over, but we now face a long season of picking canning tomatoes, plus the harvesting of large acreages of peaches, grapes and ^{more} figs. Our farm labor organization is running smoothly, and we believe it will be ^{more} effective than it was last year, because practically all the personnel have had a year of experience in making placements.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE
7/19,20/44	Prof. C. W. Rubel	Supervision

Signed....., Agent making report.

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
7/25/44	Modesto	Freestone Peach Growers' Advisory Committee	11 *
7/28/44	Merced Los Banos	County U.S.D.A. War Board Farm Center	8 38 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Problem of the Lovell peach growers this year is what to do with their fruit. The Hume Cannery in Turlock, which canned 1500 tons of Lovells last year, is not going to handle any this year and many other canneries and dry yards evidently would prefer to handle other varieties. The Freestone Peach Growers Advisory Committee, at a meeting held in Modesto on Tuesday evening, urged that the drying of cling peaches be restricted, and that a more favorable support price for Lovells be set up by the W.F.A. as well as some form of subsidy for the dry yards in order to meet increased drying costs.

Improved housing conditions for Farm Labor was one of the post war projects discussed at the Los Banos Farm Center meeting on Friday night. The center is compiling a list of farmers who might utilize prefabricated homes for farm laborers which will be available when war housing projects in large industrial areas are dismantled.

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DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE

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FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison, Jr.

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, August 5, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
7/31/44	F. W. Turney A. I. Mentzer Geo. Winger	Franklin Coulterville Bower Cave	Soil Moisture Test Klamath Weed Control Program " " " "
8/1/44	S. V. Smith P.M. Office	McSwain	Poultry losses
8/2/44	Dan McNamara D. L. Lander G. E. Walston J. W. Cardoza Geo. Murphy L. V. Nys Aldo DeWitt	Turner Island McSwain Atwater Atwater Winton Winton Amsterdam	Reclamation of alkali ground Livestock Situation Farm Labor Project Farm Labor Project Poultry Management Dairy-General Dairy-General
8/3/44	A.M. Office R. W. Vaughn Lyman C. Lee H. M. Hawkins W. E. Bunker E. L. Maddocks Pfritzer Bros. C. J. Randall N. G. Sheesley	McSwain Gustine Gustine Gustine Cottonwood Cottonwood Gustine Livingston	Cow Testing Farm Labor Project Alfalfa Seed Situation Walnut Problems Dairy-General Cow Testing Walnut tie back Dairy feeding
8/4/44	War Board		
8/5/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	329	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	23	4	2	0	0	1	5	14	0	1	5	83

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
8/4/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	5

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

The volume of agricultural deferment cases has decreased markedly, until now there are only 15 or 20 investigations per week made by our farm labor staff. With the peak demand for seasonal farm labor approaching, it is fortunate that we are over the hump, for the time being at least, along the lines of investigations for the Selective Service Program.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE

Signed....., Agent making report.

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
8/7/44	Los Banos	Directors-Los Banos S.C.S.Dist.	8
8/11/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	6

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Alfalfa caterpillars—the larval form of the alfalfa butterfly, are starting to appear in large numbers in our alfalfa fields on the west side of the county. The alfalfa butterfly parasite has checked the caterpillars in some fields.

The acreage of birdsfoot trefoil in the county is steadily increasing. This comparatively new permanent pasture crop is being used in a mixture to supplement other legumes, such as Ladino clover and alfalfa, and has proven itself to be more alkali resistant and drought tolerant than Ladino.

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FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE CO-OPERATING WITH
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, August 12, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
8/7/44	T. W. Fowler KYOS Chas. Ahlson Wm. Raznof Louis Passadori Don Wuertley Vernie Raven	Merced Merced Merced Merced Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Emergency farm labor plans Radio talk Los Banos S.C. District Los Banos S.C. District Farm labor project Cow testing Sweet Corn production
8/8/44	Office		
8/9/44	Office		
8/10/44	Mrs. Mary Reinero C. R. Shaffer Berta Bros. (A. Berta) Louis Paradiso Don Wuertley Geo. Petersen Mrs. Nora Eginhoff Wm. DeMartin L. C. Lee N. G. Sheesley C. L. Stringer	Escholtzia Merced Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Volta Volta Gustine Gustine Arena Arena	Poultry losses Irrigation problem Alfalfa caterpillars Farm labor signs Cow testing Holland pump Birdsfoot trefoil Holland pump Farm labor project Alfalfa seed production Farm labor situation
8/11/44	A.M. Dr. Geo. H. Hart Fred Robinson	Merced Merced	Skin blister experiment Skin blister experiment
P.	P.M. County War Board		
8/12/44	A.M. Office		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	219	3 1/2	2 1/2	16	21	10	4	0	0	1	6	10	0	1	8	75

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, August 19, 1944

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8/13/44	F. G. Robinson	Merced	Skin Blister Experiment
8/14/44	A.M. Office H. R. Guilbert F. G. Robinson KYOS	Merced Merced Merced	Skin Blister Experiment Skin Blister Experiment Radio Broadcast
8/15/44	A.M. Office H. B. Stoddard	Merced	Co. Agric. Advisory Comm.
8/16/44	A.M. Office Herbert Williams	McSwain	Soil Examination
8/17/44	Office		
8/18/44	A.M. Conference with P.M. War Board	C. W. Rubel	
8/19/44	A.M. Office P.M. Farm Bureau Directors		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstrations		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	74	3	3½	21	22	5	1	0	0	2	19	1	0	0	0	54

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
8/18/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	7
8/19/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	12 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Establishment of an office in a new location was one of the principal items of business at the meeting of the Farm Bureau Directors held on Saturday. Most of the directors are of the opinion that the increasing number of commercial activities of the Farm Bureau justify a secretary on at least a half time basis, and the present limited secretarial personnel in the A.E.S. office would make it impossible to greatly expand the activities of the Farm Bureau at its present headquarters in the Agricultural Extension Office

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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APR 1968 WORK IN G. L. BROWN

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Annual Leave

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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FARM ADVISOR WORK IN CALIFORNIA

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, September 2, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
8/28/44	A.M. Office KYOS P.M. Office	Merced	Radio Talk
8/29/44	A. H. Carlson Keith Richards C. L. Stringer Sam Alexander L. V. Nye T. N. Hale	Escholtzia Athlone Merced Winton Winton Winton	Soil Examination Grain situation Raisin grape situation Farm Center Meeting Dairy-General Cork Oak Project
8/30/44	A.M. Office J. W. Cardoza Geo. Horine Geo. Walston Elmer Wood Warren Brown	Atwater Atwater Atwater Atwater Atwater	Atwater Farm Labor Office Farm Labor situation Farm Labor project Farm Labor project Fruit ripening situation
8/31/44	Marvin Ledford Ken Easter L. L. Leonard Sam Glassey Verne Gourley Fay Batten J. W. Hash R. E. Willis Hugh Bennett Bill Goodwin Alberti Bros. H. G. Fawcett Claude G. Randall A. E. Munhall Irving L. Hadley	Santa Rita Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Gustine Gustine Gustine	Silage corn varieties Irrigated pastures Veteran's Agr. Adv. Committee Cow Testing Cow Testing Farm Bureau Plant diseases Farm labor project Cotton defoliation Crop recommendations Alfalfa caterpillars Dairy General Walnut tree collapse Walnut tree collapse Bean fertilizer problems

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	303	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	21	12	5	0	0	2	41	19	0	0	0	71

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
9/1/44 // *	Merced Winton	County U.S.D.A. War Board Farm Center	5 36 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

We are carefully selecting the members of the County Agricultural Advisory Committee for veterans. We hope to have on it a number of veterans of the last war, who have battled their way to success in agriculture. In other words, men who know from their own experience the difficulties that a veteran of World War II may expect to encounter when he starts in on a long time farming venture.

The demand for cow testing work continues to increase and Unit No. 6 of the C.T.A. will be started as soon as a good tester is located.

The sudden collapse of 11 walnut trees in a grove near Gustine was the reason for an emergency call for C. E. Scott, Plant Pathologist of the Agricultural Extension Service. A field examination on Saturday by Mr. Scott resulted in a tentative diagnosis of a toxic condition of the soil which apparently has killed off many of the small feeder roots on the trees with immediate dropping of the leaves as a consequence. Mr. Scott has taken a number of soil samples and is going to conduct a laboratory investigation of this problem.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, September 9, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
9/4/55	Labor Day		
9/5/44	Office		
9/6/44	A. E. Montgomery	Merced	Fig dehydrator priorities
R. W.	R. W. Vaughn	Merced	Cow testing situation
	R. L. Kaufman	Merced	Cow Testing
	W. S. Garrett	Merced	Farm Labor project
	R. D. Leuschner	Tuttle	Farm labor situation in figs
	C. C. Anderson	Tuttle	Farm Labor situation in figs
9/7/44	C. C. Anderson	Merced	Kadota fig labor situation
	Frank Merrick	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillar problem
	Tony Mattos	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillars
	Frank Cotta	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillars
	Joe Vierra	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillars
	Val Fagundes	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillars
	Joe Aradas	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillars
	Frank Affonso	Los Banos	Alfalfa caterpillars
9/8/44	Hugh Bennett	Dos Palos	Soil examination-Alfalfa caterpillars
	Bill Goodwin	Dos Palos	Alkali reclamation
	P.M. War Board	Merced	
	W.S. Garrett	Merced	Mexican Nat'l. labor situation
	R. D. Goodwin	Tuttle	Mexican Nat'l. labor situation
	C. E. Denny	Tuttle	Mexican Nat'l. labor situation
	Joe Sharmer	Planada	Mexican Nat'l. labor situation
	Krafft Bros.	Tuttle	Mexican Nat'l. labor situation
9/9/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	217	3½	1½	19	19	11	2	0	0	1	8	10	0	0	0	65

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
9/8/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

This year we are experiencing one of the worst alfalfa caterpillar invasions I've ever seen. The most effective method of controlling this destructive pest is to dust infested fields at the rate of 76 lbs. of dusting sulfur to the acre. The dusting should not be done within two weeks of cutting time or else the sulfur will prove very troublesome to the crew when the hay is being made. Lacking power dusters, most of the dairymen on the west side of the County, where the caterpillars are most numerous, are practicing the next best control measure - that of early cutting and hauling of the crop followed by brush dragging of the fields and then an irrigation. The alfalfa butterfly parasite, which in many years kills off the caterpillars almost as fast as they are hatched, is not helping this year. As an insurance against loss in future years, I think it would be a good plan for our dairymen and commercial alfalfa hay producers to equip themselves with dusting equipment. A duster purchased by a group of dairymen would prove a good investment in a year like this, and few farmers would hesitate to put out \$3.00 an acre for sulfur if the equipment to apply it were available.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Allison
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, September 16, 1944

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
9/11/44	Office		
9/12/44	Office		
9/13/44	Wm. Ahlem John Lundquist Axel Youngborg Leonard Johnson E. T. Johnson John Engel E. B. Kemper C. L. Stringer Ed P. Jones E. B. Wood Frank Pacheco Bert Bispo	Hilmar Hilmar Hilmar Hilmar Hilmar Delhi Livingston Livingston Atwater Atwater Atwater Atwater	Jersey Cattle Breeding Experiment County Farm Bureau Alfalfa Seed Production Alfalfa Production Alfalfa Planting Program Alkali Soil Reclamation Farm Labor Program Raisin Grape Program Irrigated pasture recommendation Irrigated pastures on sandy soil Birdsfoot Trefoil Birdsfoot Trefoil
9/14/44	A.M. Office KYOS P.M. Cork oak harvesting Wm. Houlihan	Merced demonstration at Planada Planada	Radio Talk Veterans' Advisory Committee
9/15/44	A.M. Office P.M. War Board		
9/16/44	A.M. Office P.M. Farm Bureau Directors		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	174	2½	3½	19	32	6	1	1	34	2	20	7	0	0	0	61

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,

for the week ending Saturday, September 23, 194

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DATE	NAME OF PERSON VISITED	ADDRESS	NATURE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN
9/18/44	A.M. Office T. T. Givens R. T. Ellsworth F. C. Paxton Tom Hall R. C. Brandon	Lingard Lingard Athlone Athlone Le Grand	Birdsfoot Trefoil Birdsfoot Trefoil Hybrid Corn(Pioneer 300)for silage Hybrid Corn Production Veteran's Advisory Committee
9/19/44	Laurence Wolfson F. E. Redfern L. B. Hume S. E. Harris Sam Glassey L. L. Leonard Fay Batten C. E. Bennett R. E. Willis L. E. Gale Dennis Hulen M. Valentine Frank Merrick A. Lewis Don Wuertley Geo. Quintal	Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Alfalfa Caterpillar Control Methods " " " " " " " " Veteran's Advisory Committee " " " "& Cow Testing " " " " Long Time dairy outlook Farm Labor Project Veteran's Advisory Committee " " " Strawberry Clover A.E.S.-publicity Agric. development-Los Banos Cow Testing Cow Testing
9/20/44	A.M. Office P. H. Vaughn R. W. Vaughn E. B. Wood R. L. Kaufman	McSwain McSwain Atwater Merced	Jersey Cattle Breeding Expt. Dairy Dept. policies Forage Crop Program Cow Testing
9/21/44	A.M. Office Trindade Bros. H. Townsend Bob Reinhold C. L. Stringer	Franklin Delhi Ballico Arena	Feeding Value-Sweet Potato Vines Soil Examination Veteran's Advisory Committee Veteran's Advisory Committee

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	291	3½	2½	19	21	20	6	0	0	1	9	12	0	0	0	81

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
9/14/44	Planada	Cork Harvesting Demonstration	34
9/15/44	Merced	County U.S.D.A. War Board	8
9/16/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	12 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Because of the steadily increasing volume of commercial activities being undertaken by the County Farm Bureau, the Board of Directors of that organization, at their meeting held on Saturday, decided to establish an office separate from that of the A.E.S. and to employ a secretary on practically a full time basis. By the first of October they expect to occupy an office at 611-17th Street, jointly with Ray M. Clark, local real estate agent. The cooperative agricultural educational program of the Farm Bureau and the A.E.S. will not be interrupted by the separation of the offices of the two organizations.

Considering the busy time of the year and the shortage of farm labor the attendance was excellent at the cork harvesting demonstration, conducted by Woodbridge Metcalf and Geo. Greenan, at Planada on Thursday afternoon

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

DATE	NAME OF SPECIALISTS	PURPOSE
9/14/44	Woodbridge Metcalf	Cork harvesting demonstration

Signed _____, Agent making report.

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

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9/22	Merced	Co. U. S. D. A. War Board	9

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Pioneer 300, is one of the new varieties of hybrid corn, has produced close to 100 bushels to the acre in a test on the F. C. Paxton ranch near Athlone.

Twenty-eight Merced County herds have qualified for the National Honor Roll by averaging over 350 lbs. fat per cow, while under standard test in the Merced County Farm Bureau cow testing Assn. Leading herd in the County had an average production of 523.1 lbs. fat per cow.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF Wm. H. Alison
(Farm Advisor)
Merced, Merced, California,
(Place) (County)
for the week ending Saturday, October 7, 1944

LIST OF FARMERS VISITED THIS WEEK

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10/2/44	A.M. Office Dr. W. W. Thomas L. T. Powell Laurence H. Hayes C. L. Stringer	Merced Winton Rt. 1, Box 232, Turlock Livingston	Liver Fluke Control Farm Labor Situation Irrigated pastures on sandy soil Veteran's Agr. Advisory Comm.
10/3/44	Trindade Bros. Vaughn Bros. Herbert Williams J. H. Reed E. M. Byrne N. G. Sheesley H. Fiorini L. V. Nye D. C. Nye Kenny Bros. Warren Downey	Franklin McSwain McSwain McSwain Atwater Arena Delhi Winton Winton Amsterdam Amsterdam	Cow testing-Nat'l. Honor Roll " " " " " " " " " " Termite Control Planting Alfalfa Disease resistant alfalfa Cow testing-Nat'l. Honor Roll Dairy-general Cow testing-Nat'l. Honor Roll " " " " " Permanent pasture fertilizers
10/4/44	F. C. Paxton Freeman Bailey E. E. Greenough B. H. Dibblee	Athlone Athlone Merced Colony Planada	Farm Center Program Forage Crop Program Cow testing-Nat'l. Honor Roll " " " " "
10/5/44	A.M. Office M. A. Pachaud G. A. Spangler	Winton Winton	Dairy-general Irrigated pastures
10/5/44	V. R. Stout Geo. Hail Wilson Hail G. A. Momberg John Arakelian R. D. Leuschner C. C. Anderson	Livingston Livingston Rt. 1, Box 134, Livingston Livingston Livingston Tuttle Tuttle	Cow peas, soy beans Cowpea diseases Land Development Program Veteran's Agr. Advisory Comm. Farm Labor Program Mexican National Problem Mexican National Problem
10/7/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	307	4½	1½	17	19	15	4	0	0	0	0	13	0	1	12	68

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DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
10/2/44	Los Banos	Directors Los Banos S.C. Dist.	12 *

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

For the first time in the history of club work in Merced County, a 4-H Club Agent will devote 100% of his time to club work. The success of the community 4-H Councils as engineered by Ray Crouch in 1943-44, has resulted in a very evident increased general interest in club work, and in order to take advantage of this rising tide, we have relieved Mr. Crouch of his responsibility for extension work in poultry and truck crops. With this opportunity for Mr. Crouch to develop the 4-H Club program, unhampered by any other project activities, we'll be disappointed if the enrollment in Merced County does not reach a total of 1000 members in three years. The ~~truck~~ ^{club} crop program is being reassigned to Mr. Jackson and the poultry extension program to Mr. Ketcham.

SPECIALISTS FROM COLLEGE, STATION OR DEPARTMENT VISITING AGENTS

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10/9/44	Hilmar	Farm Center	43 *
10/11/44	Merced	Exec. Com. Dairy Dept.	7 *
	"	" " Merced Co. Farm Bureau	7 *
10/14/44	Merced	Farm Bureau Directors	18

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

In company with Chas. B. Ahlson, Regional Conservationist of the S.C.S. and Paul Westfall, Le Grand rancher, I made a survey of the flood control project on Mariposa Creek. A projected check dam will provide storage for 25,000 acre feet of water, and we don't see why this water should not be used for irrigation purposes. There is quite an acreage under this proposed reservoir that is adapted to irrigated crops, such as permanent pasture and alfalfa, and figuring a duty of water of 3 acre feet--between 7,000 and 8,000 acres could be irrigated under this set up.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, October 14, 1944

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10/9/44	W. R. Ford G. A. Momberg L. V. Nye G. A. Spangler	Merced Livingston Winton Winton	Alfalfa planting time Veteran's Advisory Committee Dairy-general Grade-A dairy layout
10/10/44	A.M. Office Chas. B. Ahlson Paul Westfall Harry Chase	Merced Le Grand Cathay	Irrigation project near LeGrand " " " " " " " "
10/11/44	A.M. Office P.M. Regional A.E.S. conference at Modesto		
10/12/44	Office		
10/13/44	A.M. Office P.M. War Board		
10/14/44	A.M. Office P.M. Farm Bureau Directors meeting		

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						Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings at Demonstra- tions		Meetings held in Relation to Projects		Farm Visits Made	Demonstrations Visited	Meetings Held		
								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	179	2½	3½	16	32	1	0	0	0	4	75	6	0	0	0	79

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced
(Place)Merced
(County)

California,

for the week ending Saturday, October 21, 1944

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10/16/44	W. J. Williams I. R. Rude Earl A. Phelps	Delhi Hilmar Hilmar	Permanent Pastures Dairy - general Alkali reclamation
10/17/44	Office		
10/18/44	A.H. Rolfes Frank Merrick L. J. Spindt Lew Gale Tony Matton Ken Easter Bill Carey	El Nido Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Dos Palos Dos Palos	Field meeting arrangements Publicity-A.E.S. County Veteran's Agr. Adv. Comm. " " " " " Alfalfa caterpillar Control Cow Testing Plans for developing farm
10/19/44	W. H. Sloan Carl Avrit Ralph Bove Frank Merrick	Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos	Farm Center Program Dairy - general Field Mtg. Arrangements Veteran's Agr. Adv. Comm.
10/20/44	Office		
10/21/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	217	3 1/2	2 1/2	23	22	8	4	0	0	2	36	8	0	0	0	81

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
10/20/44	Merced Dos Palos	County U.S.D.A. War Board Farm Center	8 28 *

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

We are planning a county-wide series of demonstrations on controlling the cattle grub through the use of a Rotenone-Sulfur wash or spray. Mr. Ketcham will give a series of meetings for beef cattle men, and I am arranging a series of meetings for dairymen on this subject. Merced County has the largest population of cattle in the state of California, when we consider both dairy and beef cattle, and we estimate the heel fly, ox warble, or cattle grub, whichever you want to call it causes a loss of from \$250,000 to \$500,000 annual varying from year to year, according to the severity of infestation.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF WM. H. ALISON
(Farm Advisor)

Merced
(Place)

Merced, California,
(County)

for the week ending Saturday, October 28, 1944

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10/23/44	A.M. Office W. J. Ferrell Gar Ruddle D. D. Silva	Snelling Snelling Snelling	Heel Fly Control Program Heel Fly control Program Alkali reclamation
10/24/44	A.M. Office Trindade Bros. Frank Murphy H. M. Stutsman D. C. Nye Kenny Bros. Wm. Peckham Earl Souza	Franklin Fruitland Winton Winton Amsterdam Amsterdam Snelling	Dairy-General Crop rotation program Farm Bureau Cow Testing Heel Fly Control Program Birdsfoot Trefoil Heel Fly Control Program
10/25/44	Office		
10/26/44	Office		
10/27/44	Cow Testing Conference at Modesto		
10/28/44	A.M. Office		

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								Number	Attendance	Number	Attendance			Number	Attendance	
0	163	2	4	27	32	6	2	0	0	1	300	4	0	0	0	69

MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK. (Under this heading report all meetings, including field demonstration meetings.)

DATE	PLACE	KIND OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE
10/27/44	Los Banos	Annual Farm Center Dinner	300

GENERAL REMARKS.—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

We are busy lining up demonstration meetings on the subject of cattle grub control.

A record crowd of 300 persons attended the Annual supper of the Los Banos Farm Center held in Center School on Friday evening.

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WEEKLY FIELD REPORT OF

Wm. H. Alison

(Farm Advisor)

Merced

(Place)

Merced

(County)

, California,

for the week ending Saturday, November 4, 1944.

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10/30/44	A.M. Office KYOS E.F. Stiles Frank Murphy	Merced Atwater Atwater	Radio Alfalfa fertilizers Dairy-general
10/31/44	Jim Buchholz Ken Easter Dos Palos Star Fay Batten Bill Gilardi Alberti Bros. Roy Rodoni Mrs. Ed Foletta H. G. Fawcett Lester Rice Val Cotta L. H. Spindt L. H. McDaniel Frank Merrick Frank Bertao Borba Bros.	El Nido Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Dos Palos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos Los Banos El Nido	Heel Fly Control Demonstration Cow Testing Publicity-A.E.S. Vets.' Agric. Adv. Comm. " " " " Heel Fly Control Demonstration Cow testing " " Dairy labor problem " " " Heel Fly Control Demonstration Vets.' Agric. Adv. Comm. Heel Fly Control Demonstration Cow testing Cow testing Heel Fly Control Demonstration
11/1/44	A.M. Office P. H. Vaughn R. W. Vaughn Herb Williams Joe Rosa	McSwain McSwain McSwain Stevinson	Jersey Cattle Breeding Expt. Cow testing Heel Fly Control Demonstration Heel Fly Control Demonstration
11/2/44	Wm. Shanks W. K. McBride W. C. Jensen E. F. Goldenberger H. M. Hawkins Frank Bettencourt	Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine Gustine	Cow Testing Vets.' Agric. Adv. Comm. Cow Testing Vets.' Agric. Adv. Comm. Argentine Alfalfa Seed Vets.' Agric. Adv. Comm.

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0	294	3 1/2	2 1/2	22	16	28	7	0	0	2	41	7	0	0	0	65

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11/2/44 11/3/44	Cottonwood Merced	Farm Center County U.S.D.A. War Board	34 ✕ 7

GENERAL REMARKS:—Give any interesting points in regard to the work, especially as to progress and results. (Use extra sheets, if necessary.)

Organization of the Merced County Veterans' Agricultural Advisory Committee has been completed with the following members: R. C. Brandon, Le Grand, William H. Houlihan, Planada, J. L. Otterson, Merced, E. B. Wood, Atwater, C. L. Stringer, Arena, G. A. Momberg, Livingston, Robert Reinhold, Ballico, C. N. Ahlem, Hilmar, Frank Bettencourt, Gustine, H. G. Fawcett, Los Banos, and Floyd Redfern, Dos Palos.

Working with the committee on an ex-officio basis are Reuben T. King, county veterans service officer, Bryce Shillington, veterans employment representative, U.S.E.S., Glenn M. Fountain, county board of supervisors, and myself.

The organization is part of a nation wide program of the Agricultural Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Local members include representatives of all major branches of agriculture in the county.

With many of the committee members veterans of World War I, and the others having sons in the service at the present time, returning veterans who are interested in agriculture are assured of a sympathetic understanding of the many problems that will confront them in making a success of a long time farming venture.

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We have now completed arrangements for 20 field meetings at which the accepted method of controlling the Heel Fly or Ox Warble will be demonstrated.

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