

SOIL CONSERVATION PLAN TAKES FORM

The general plan of procedure to be used in 1936 in putting the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act into effect has been received by County Agent McVean. Details dependent on administrative rulings and interpretations are lacking. It is hoped that meetings to explain the details of the plan can be held within the next two weeks. A plan time a temporary County Committee of three will be chosen to help plan the work in Kent County. Later Community Committees and County organization of participants in the plan will undoubtedly be formed in much the same manner as under the former Wheat and Corn-Hog Associations.

The plan calls for two types of payments. First, Soil Building payments up to one dollar for each acre in soil conservation and soil building crops in 1936 but with a ten dollar maximum for any one farm. Second, Soil Conserving Payments will be made on each acre of soil depleting crops which in 1936 is used for the production of: (1) any soil conserving crop; or (2) any soil building crop; or (3) is devoted to any approved soil conservation or building practice; shall, in this area, average ten dollars per acre with considerable variation among states, counties, and individual farms, as the productivity of the crop land used varies with the average productivity of all such crop land in the United States. These payments however apply to not more than 15 per cent of the base acreage of soil depleting crops on any given farm. No payments will be made on any farm unless positive action resulting in additional soil building or conservation is practiced on the soil building or soil conserving crops.

Slight adjustments in rate of pay not to exceed 10 per cent either more or less than those mentioned may be used, depending upon the percentage of farmers and acres participating in the program. Apparently another provision in the Act indicates that participating farmers may not increase their soil depleting crops over the 1935 base without a penalty which would offset the payment acre for acre of the soil building or soil conserving crops.

Another qualification regarding payments is that no acres shifted out of food and feed crops needed for home consumption may be made. In other words pay will be made only on the acres diverted from the excess of food and feed crops.

The plan appears rather complex at first reading but it is thought that farmers who participated in the AAA will have no difficulty in understanding the application of the new program, which of course is open to all farms, instead of certain commodity groups as was true of the A. A. A.

The term "crop land" is defined as land which in 1935 produced a harvestable crop other than wild hay and all tillable land from which at least one crop other than wild hay has been harvested since January 1, 1930.

The term "farm" is defined as meaning all tracts in one County under the same ownership and operated in 1935 as all or part of one farming unit by the same operator.

Apparently the "contract acres" or "retired acres" or the "left out acres" of 1935 under the AAA programs from which no soil depleting crops were harvested in 1935 can be added to the 1935 acreage of soil depleting crops and thus increase the pay base.

Soil depleting crops are itemized but in brief cover all our grains, truck crops, potatoes, and annual grasses and summer legumes if harvested as hay or seed (grain).

Soil conserving crops in general include winter legumes when pastured or harvested for hay; soy beans except when they are harvested for seed for crushing; also annual grasses not harvested for hay or seed; and perennial grasses such as blue grass, red top and orchard grass with or without nurse crops when such nurse crops are pastured or clipped green; winter cover crops (winter grains) pastured or not harvested and followed by summer legumes. Counted also as a soil conserving crop is any crop acreage planted to forest trees since January 1, 1934.

Soil building crops are defined as (1) annual winter legumes when turned under as a green manure crop; (2) perennial legumes (various clovers); (3) perennial legumes (alfalfa, white clover, etc., and annual varieties of lespedeza); all of these legumes with or without grain nurse crops when such nurse crops are pastured or clipped green; (4) summer legumes as soy beans or cow peas turned under as green manure crop; (5) winter cover crops (grains) turned as green manure and followed in the summer by an approved soil conserving crop; and finally forest trees planted on crop land in 1936.

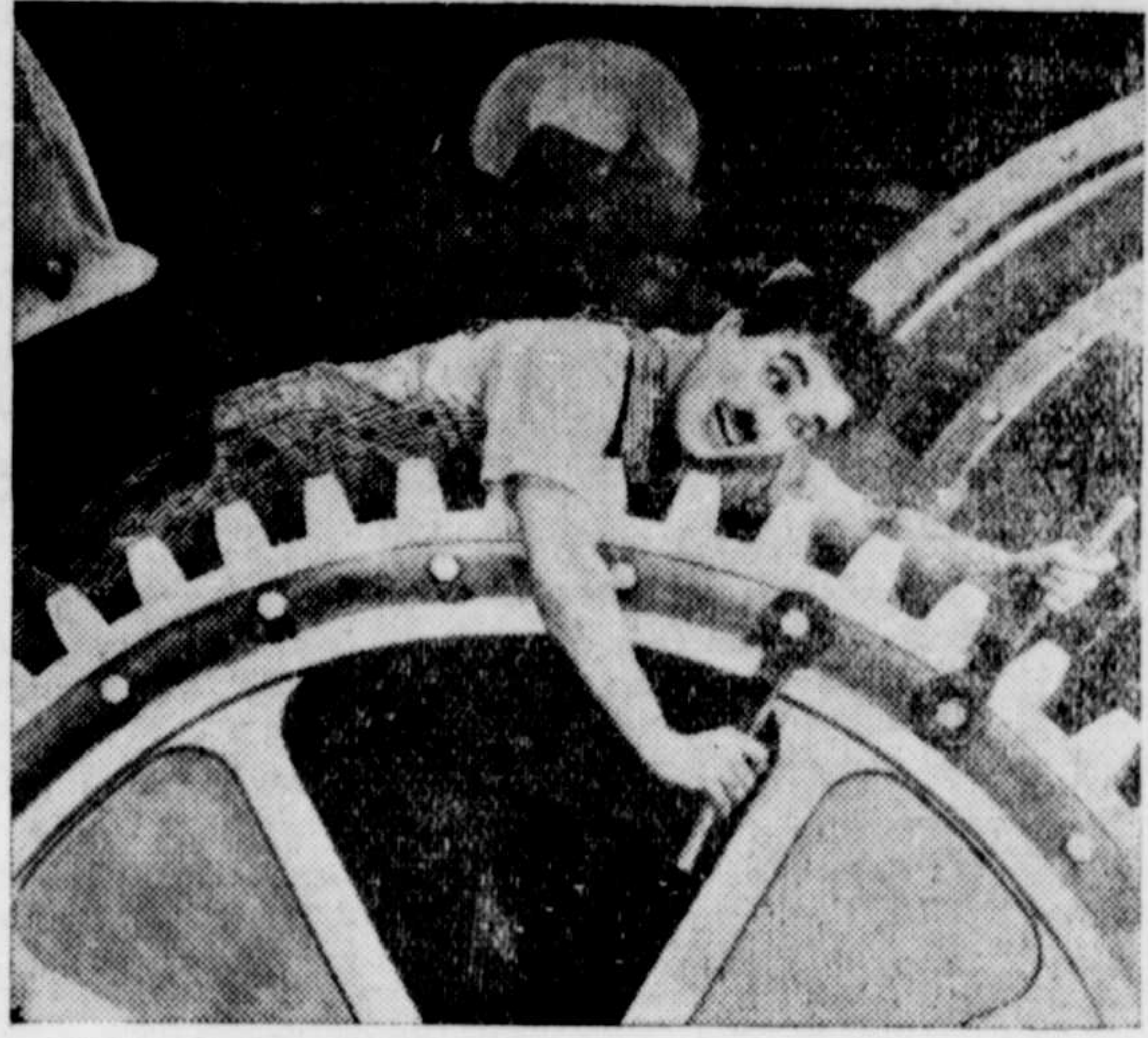
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AT THE MOVIES NEXT WEEK



Charlie Chaplin in "Modern Times," released through United Artists.

Two years in production, 'Modern Times,' Charlie Chaplin's new comedy, comes to the New Lyceum Theatre on Monday, and Tuesday, April 6 and 7.

Half that time was taken for a complete preparation of the script. Shooting on a prepared script is an innovation with Chaplin, and is responsible for the fact that only ten months were required for the actual camera work instead of the usual eighteen months to two years.

The story, which was written by Chaplin, is that of a factory worker in a huge steel plant, going through a mechanical routine of tightening bolts on a moving track. This nightmare of cold shing steel, mammoth dynamos, pulleys, levers and switches is said to provide a veritable paradise for Chaplin's inimitable brand of comedy.

Out of Job, Into Jail
Charlie doesn't last long on this job, however, and the blue d-nims of

the working man soon give way to the more familiar baggy trousers, huge shoes, hat and stick of the universally beloved little tramp. From then on Charlie's life is a series of difficulties which keep him hopping in and out of jobs and in and out of jail. But a happy ending is provided by the girl, a beautiful gamine of the waterfront, played by Paulette Goddard, Charlie's lovely new leading lady.

Novel Sound Effects
The first sequence in a Chaplin film to be shot directly in sound will be seen and heard in 'Modern Times.' It is in this scene that Charlie performs a pantomime of the old French song, 'Titi-na,' and comes closest to letting his voice be heard from the screen. The remainder of the film, in accordance with the comedian's tradition, was photographed as a silent, with synchronized sound and musical effects added later.

'Modern Times,' which has been pronounced Chaplin's greatest and

funniest film to date, was also produced and directed by the comedian, who wrote the music as well.

Other familiar faces in the cast are Chester Conklin, Henry Bergman and Hank Mann. 'Modern Times' is released through United Artists.

Marlene Dietrich and Gary Cooper, who are co-starred in Paramount's romantic comedy, 'Desire,' now coming to the New Lyceum on Wednesday and Thursday, April 8 and 9, stand at the top of a list, prepared by Director Frank Borzage, of the famous screen love teams of all time.

Borzage might call himself an expert at screen. He directed 'Seventh Heaven,' 'A Farewell to Arms,' and other memorable films.

The Dietrich-Cooper combination leads off in the selection which includes such lover duos as Gaynor-Farrell, Crawford-Hable, Powell-Loy, Colbert-MacMurray.

'Desire' tells of a sensational jewel robbery executed by a breath-taking Continental beauty. She makes a jeweler think that a famous pathologist is her husband, and the doctor that the jeweler is her spouse. While they are busy misunderstanding one another she skips off with the precious string of pearls, and meets an American engineer out for a glorious vacation. Out of a hilarious series of misunderstandings, an ardent romance emerges.

The comedy and romance are skillfully blended in this picture which brings Miss Dietrich and Gary Cooper together for the first time since 'Morocco.' In the supporting cast are such popular players as Jack Hildray, William Frawley, Ernest Cossart, Akim Tamiroff, and Alan Mowbray.

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