

Red Clover and Barley Seen as Good 1952 Crops

Oregon farms now have about an eighth more livestock on them than in 1951 when national feed production did not meet needs. So Oregon State college agricultural economists in a new spring planted field crops outlook circular say the question of the hour is: Can we catch up in 1952?

M. D. Thomas, OSC outlook economist, says barley and red clover look like best bets for increased planting in adapted areas of Oregon this spring. Government support programs keep wheat in a favored spot, especially for Columbia basin farmers, but enough wheat appears to be in sight.

Not so with feed grains. The strong demand for feed grain, says Thomas, places barley in a favorable market position even if brewers are not willing to pay substantial premiums for Oregon's Hanchen variety.

In the outlook circular which is available through county extension officers or by writing to the college, the economists say demand for malting barley is expected to show little change from last year. The national average support price for number two barley, at 1.22 a bushel, is 11 cents higher than for the 1951 crop.

Among clover seeds, Thomas indicates the Kenland strain of red clover shows the most promise for the next two or three years. Supplies of alsike, ladino, and white are likely to be large and bring lower prices.

The economists have their doubts regarding market outlook for fescue seed this year as compared with a year ago. Increasing competition from within as well as outside the state is in sight.

Corn, while a comparatively minor crop in Oregon, is pointed out by the economists as a good rotation crop where good yields can be obtained. The size of the national corn crop should be watched, they add, because it affects the prices of Oregon feed grains.

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The Cottage Grove high school choral group, under the direction of Joy Grimstad, that will participate in the public concert April 15.



"The Trombonists," a feature of the high school concert.



Grade school advanced and intermediate bands, shown above, under the direction of Elwood Rickman, which will present concert on the 18th at Jefferson gym.

Crop Pollination By Bees Rather Than Wind Best

More proof of the essential role played by bees in pollinating Oregon's seed crops has been collected by Dr. H. A. Scullen, apiculturist for the Oregon State college agricultural experiment station.

Tests made in Jefferson county on pollination of Ladino clover with bees and wind give all the advantage to the bees, Scullen reported.

Strong man-made winds were used in the trials to determine the effect on Ladino pollination. Bees were kept out of a plot of Ladino covered with a screen cage. Clover inside the cage was treated with strong winds from a machine twice a week. One hundred heads were harvested and seed production compared with 100 heads of clover taken from an open field where bees had free access.

Schools Will Present Public Music Concerts April 15, 18

The grade school band and choral groups will present their public spring concert at 8 p.m. Friday, April 18, at the Jefferson school gym.

The bands, both advanced and intermediate, will be directed by Elwood Rickman. Choral groups will be led by Mrs. Hazel Cranston. Also assisting in preparation of the concert is Mrs. Robert Dawley, woodwind instructor.

The band groups will play "Teddy Bears' Picnic," "Sunbeam Overture," "Gypsy Festival Overture," "Song of the Rose," "Trombone Toboggan," "Village Chapel," and "Blue Moon Waltz."

The sixth grade Glee club will sing "The Crab," a Brazilian folk song; "Lovely Meadows," a Czech folk song, and "Out Walking," by Franz Abt.

The Triple Trio will sing "Beautiful Saviour," "All in the April Evening," and "Lonesome Valley." The Boys' Glee club will vocalize on "Big Rock Candy Mountain," "Skip to My Lou," and "Three Blind Mice."

Numbers to be rendered by the Girls' Glee club are "Crystal Night," "Brown Bird Singing," and "Holy City."

The mixed chorus will sing "Thank God for a Garden," "Sanctus," and "Homing."

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More Intensive Production Key To Ag Problem

"Two blades of grass where only one grew before" may be a solution to one of Oregon's mounting farm production problems.

More intensive production must come from the state's 5,000,000 acres of plow land if farm output is to keep pace with increased demand created by swelling population, said Ed McCance, La Grande, at the recent statewide agricultural conference held on the Oregon State college campus. He was chairman of the conference soil and water resources committee.

McCance said the state's agriculture is based on from 4,500,000 to 5,000,000 acres of plow land.

Demand on this limited area of cropland is real. The effect on the individual farm is becoming only too apparent, he said. "The cost of owning land in purchase price, taxes and interest is mounting. These are accompanied by increased material, labor and supply costs. The individual farmer, by necessity, faces the problem of increasing the volume of business from the same acreage—so it is for the state as a whole."

The committee which McCance headed pointed out ways through which a production increase could take place during the next 15 or 20 years:

1. By bringing an additional 800,000 acres under irrigation in the Willamette valley.
2. Extend water supplies in eastern and southern Oregon to benefit 1,000,000 acres either through better supplies on land now irrigated or to land now dry farmed.
3. Improve 800,000 acres of land by drainage.
4. Step up production 25 to 50 per cent by intensive and proper use of commercial fertilizers.
5. Double production from 500,000 acres of wild meadow hayland.

What's New in 1952 for Travelers Revealed in State Vacation Spots

Vacation variety is found in every region of Oregon vacationlands this year. New and exciting facilities and accommodations are to be found everywhere in the Beaver State and Oregon people are anxious that every visitor have a good time.

Eastern Oregon's high plateau rangelands and the Blue and Wallowa mountains offer the out-of-stater new parks, new Snake river canyon thrills and new campgrounds to make vacation days never-to-be-forgotten.

Blaine Stubblefield's Snake riverboat trips from Robinette, Oregon, to Lewiston, Idaho, will take visitors through the heart of awesome Hells Canyon, deepest earth gash on the North American Continent. Auto trips to viewpoints overlooking Hells Canyon are being sponsored this year by the Baker, Oregon, chamber of commerce. Arrangements for these trips may be made through the Baker chamber direct.

Wallowa Mountains
In the Wallowa mountain area, a new overnight camping ground at Wallowa Lake State Park will be open for public use for the first time this spring. The campground is in addition to all present facilities, including picnicking, swimming and boating. Ten specially designed trailer house sites are also arranged with water and electrical connections.

The Blue Mountain region will have two new state park areas this year, including the one on U. S. Highway 30 at Hilgard junction and Red Bridge on Starkey road near La Grande.

Guest Ranches
Central Oregon will have at least two new guest ranch facilities open for the 1952 season, the Farmstead, on route 3, Bend, and McCall's Westernold Ranch, Redmond. Magnificent scenery, fishing streams and lakes, and forested vacationlands in this great Central Oregon region are new every year for the enjoyment of visitors.

The Cascade mountains of Oregon, stretching from the Columbia river southward, are always filled with vacation enjoyment for everyone. Pack trips, lake and stream fishing, camping in forest camps, picnicking, boating, swimming and hiking are but a few of the recreations enjoyed by vacationers each year in the Cascades.

Campgrounds
At Silver Falls state park in the foothills of the Cascades, east of Salem, another state park campground will be opened for the coming season. Facilities at this campground will also include special trailer niches, running water and electric stoves.

In the southern Oregon Cascades, Crater Lake National park will open about June 15, expecting a record attendance for the summer season at the lodge and about the parklands. Crater Lake is accessible the year around over Oregon State Highway 62. Nearby in the Siskiyou mountains, Oregon Caves National Monument and resort will also do a record business for the coming season.

Forest Museum
Oregon's western valleylands are full of excitement for the out-of-stater. From Portland, the Rose City, at the northern end of the Willamette Valley to Ashland, the Shakespearean city, at the southern tip of the Rogue river valley, new facilities have been added for 1952 vacation enjoyment. At Portland, a new forest products museum is being made ready at the Forestry building, largest log cabin in the world. Historic landmarks may be viewed at Oregon



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Also performing at the grade school concert will be the male choral group under the direction of Mrs. Hazel Cranston (far left second row). Accompanying the group will be Sue Higdon (far right, first row.)

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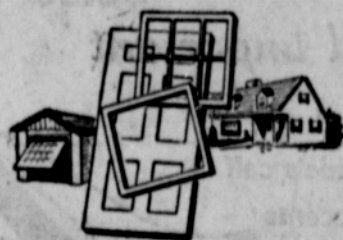
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