

MONTHLY REPORT OF COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENT

For the period August 1 to September 3, 1921.

The major project given attention during the period of this report was along crop improvement lines. Other projects given time were Livestock Improvement, Horticulture and Soil Improvement.

Crop Improvement
Work in this department consisted of locating clover seed, securing tests of it and forming a pool of orders among farmers in districts where the crop has not been grown heretofore. Assistance was given in getting the seeding work started etc. Altogether approximately 300 acres of new seeding was accomplished, principally in the Vale and Oregon Slope communities.

Two demonstrations of potato diseases and the rogue ging of seed potato fields were given. A newsletter was addressed to the potato growers of the county calling attention to the prevalence of certain diseases in the potatoes this year, particularly "leaf mosaic" or "curly dwarf" giving suggestions for the control of these potato diseases. One meeting was held to arrange for the purchase of certified seed potatoes, and another such meeting scheduled.

Arrangements were made with county agent Bennion of Umatilla county for the purchase of Hybrid 128 winter wheat seed by the farmers of the county. A newsletter was addressed to the grain growers calling attention to this wheat and the method of placing orders with the growers in Umatilla. Orders began to be placed toward the close of the month and there will be a good number of demonstrations of this variety of wheat in the county next year as a result, there never having been any of it grown heretofore.

Livestock Improvement
Work under this head consisted chiefly of widespread publicity given to a new feeding contract prepared by livestock specialist Lindgren of the Extension Service, to serve as a basis of agreement between hay men and livestock men for feeding livestock for market. Newsletters were addressed to the sheepmen, the cattle men and the hay growers of the county to call attention to the matter. Copies of the contract were furnished to all of the banks and to the attorneys of the county together with explanatory material. Front page articles were published by the Ontario Argus and the Malheur Enterprise, prepared from material furnished to the editors. This work resulted in a considerable interest being taken and there was an apparent movement toward increased feeding operations toward the close of the month. This matter is of importance because of the large amount of feed on the farms for which there seems to be no direct market and the farmers are faced with heavy losses unless it can be fed to livestock profitably.

Horticulture
A news letter was addressed to the orchardists of the county calling attention to the early September cover spray date. Also to the matter of cover crops. Assistance was given three orchardists in locating winter vetch seed for cover crop planting; inoculation was secured from the department of bacteriology to be furnished for these demonstration plantings of vetch.

Three days were spent in company with horticultural specialist Long of the extension service making a general survey of the orchards of the county preparatory to holding a series of pruning schools during the month of November. Demonstration orchards were selected and the preliminary arrangements made.

Other Projects
Two days time was given to pest control. The appointment of Wm. McKenzie of Nyssa as permanent gopher eradicator where the compulsory law is involved was secured before the county court and assistance given the appointee in starting work on two tracts of land in the neighborhood of Nyssa. Both of these tracts were completed during the month. The usual poison distribution work was continued.

Two days time was devoted to assisting county club Leader Wellman with his corn club work thru the giving of demonstrations for the selection of exhibits to the members and in estimating yields of corn fields grown by the boys. One day was spent in connection with the formation of a rate association to handle traffic matters for Malheur county and certain Idaho counties adjoining, the movement having been initiated by one or more county agents in Idaho. Plans were laid for the organization of the association at a meeting of county agents,

commercial club secretaries and representatives of farm bureaus and commercial clubs in Caldwell. Preliminary arrangements were made during the month for a drainage and alkali experiment station established earlier in the year and a new method of drainage canal construction by a sluicing method which was reported formerly.

Miscellaneous
Approximately seventy-five persons called at the office for consultation during the time of this report; twenty-six farm visits were made by the agent; thirteen visits were made to demonstrations; two project meetings and three other meetings were held; one press article and ten articles for the Farm Bureau News were written; and 223 personal letters, 29 circular letters of 2633 copies; seventeen days were spent in the field, twelve in the office and two on vacation.

A GREAT LIVE STOCK SHOW AT PORTLAND IN NOVEMBER

The preliminary classification for the Pacific International Live Stock Exposition has just reached this office. It is to be held in North Portland, November 5 to 12. The exposition management has increased the prize money in almost every classification. The total money offered by the exposition and stock association is more than \$70,000 for the winners down to tenth place in some instances.

Among the new features of the show this year is the Winter Poultry Show of the Oregon Poultry and Pet Stock Association, which is to be held in conjunction with the other livestock. Milk goats form a new class, with \$500 offered as prizes. The Angora goat people give a thousand dollars for champions alone this year.

One of the most interesting and important features is the dairy products exhibit, under charge of J. E. Dorman, connected with the dairy extension of the federal Department of Agriculture. The display and competition in butter, cheese and other dairy products this year will be better and keener than ever before.

The horse show is always thrilling and attractive, and more horses and a livelier time is anticipated this fall than ever. The Pacific International Live Stock Exposition is the largest livestock and dairy show in America today. When eastern breeders came out last year they were inclined to be a little patronizing—until they saw what we had. Then they were amazed, not only at the number of entries, but at the remarkable quality of the stock. As a matter of fact, the west coast has as fine examples as can be found of the three great beef breeds, the four great dairy breeds, the sheep of all classes, the five commonly recognized American breeds of swine and the four heavy horse breeds.

Last year there were over 300 individual animals, each the pick of the west, at the show. This year indications are that there will be many more. Everybody in this section is interested in livestock. This is an opportunity to see and study your favorite breed, and a wonderful chance there will be to compare dozens of the best with each other.

PAID LOCAL ADS

Oregon Journal delivered by carrier Daily and Sunday. 65c per mo. Leave order at Turner's News Stand.

FOR SALE—Warehouse 40x50, opposite depot on railway tracks Apply H. R. Udick. 33-1f.

FOR TRADE—House and five lots for good Ford Car. Must be in first class condition. Inquire at the Second Hand Store. Ontario, Oregon.

LOST—Pocket book between Vale and Ontario, brown leather, Finner please leave at Argus office. Identification of property can be made. Reward will be paid. 37-p.

FOR RENT or sale—five room house, easy terms, two blocks North west of Grade School. W. Kercher.

ICE BOX FOR SALE—Is in good condition. Call 25-R. C. F. J. P.

FOR SALE—4 room plastered house. P. O. Box 417.

People's Second Hand Store. E. Parish, Prop. 26-1f.

FOR SALE—Detroit Vapor Oil Stove. Phone 151-J. 32-1f.

STOCK TO PASTURE
After June 1st Price \$1.50 per head yearlings \$1.25 Good Pasture, Plenty of water. C. H. Trousdale. 1f

STRAYED OR STOLEN—One black horse, five years old, weight 1150 lbs. Has white star on face. Ladder brand on left shoulder. One sorrel yearling, white face, wire cut on left front leg, no brand; \$10.00 reward for information or return of same. Phone 201-R. Ontario. 32-1f.

Found—Auto casing. Owner may have same by paying for this ad. Call at Hub Store.

FOR SALE—Five room house. Plenty of shade and lawn. Easy terms. Phone 30-M. 40-44

FOR RENT—Two furnished houses, one a five room house, thoroughly modern, other three room, both completely furnished. Call 48-J. Ontario, or Fruitland Cafe.


WANTED—Position as house-keeper r—references. Address Box 382, or call Argus office. 1f.

Do you know you can roll 50 good cigarettes for 10cts from one bag of



GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM TOBACCO

We want you to have the best paper for "BULL." So now you can receive with each package a book of 24 leaves of "BULL" — the very finest cigarette paper in the world.

THREE ESSENTIAL FACTORS

Courtesy, promptness and efficiency are essential factors of all transactions at the Ontario National Bank. Bank with us and have full measure of service.

ONTARIO NATIONAL BANK
OLDEST BANK IN GRANT, HARNEY AND MALHEUR COUNTIES

HEATING
No basement required; your home heated better, safer and more economically. We have a package price.
H. R. Udick, Pibg. & Htg.

FOR RENT—Modern five room house, furnished. Also one three room house furnished. Call Fruitland Cafe. 33-1f.

FOR RENT—Large comfortable front bedroom in quiet, modern home, suitable for one or two gentlemen. Mrs. C. Scholes.

WANTED—Sewing at home or by the day. Mrs. L. Harper 1f.

FOR SALE—Remington typewriter, practically new. Inquire at Argus Office.

WANTED—Two, three or four housekeeping rooms. Call 61-W. 1f

TO TRADE—A truck to trade for touring car. Call 183.

PICKLING Cucumbers 25c; phone 45-12 Fruitland. 39-40p

LOST—Delta Gamma Pin. Has name Alfretha Sage on back. Finder please return to Argus Office. 2tp

PEACHES
At Dr. Smith's Orchard, three miles South of Parma, and three miles West of Roswell. Bring your boxes.

FOR RENT—Two large comfortable bedrooms in quiet modern home. Phone 80-M. 37-1f.

C. W. Platt, Insurance Agency, First National Bank Building. Fire and Automobile Insurance. 1f.

OREGON STATE FAIR—Salem, Sept. 26 to Oct. 1—A wealth of agricultural, livestock and industrial displays, an excellent racing program, high class amusement and attractions, and ideal camping grounds.
A. H. Lea, Manager, Salem, Or. 38-42.

IDEAL ARCOLA'S FOR HOME
We have the best farm pumping systems on the market. No guessing at your needs. Absolute satisfaction guaranteed and the right pump in the right place. * * *
H. R. Udick, Pibg. & Htg.

FOR SALE—Three room house. Inquire Mrs. G. W. Anderson. 3tp

NOTICE OF EQUALIZATION
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Payette-Oregon Slope Irrigation District will meet beginning, on Tuesday, October 4th, 1921, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock P. M. at the office of the Board which is at the pumping-plant within the District, for the purpose of equalizing the regular 1921 assessment on the lands within the District which assessment is levied for the purpose of meeting the expenses for 1921. Copy of assessed acreage may be seen at the office of the Secretary at any time.
P. M. BOALS,
Secretary, Payette-Oregon Slope Irrigation District.
Sept. 15, 1921.
Sept. 29, 1921.

FOR SALE—Good, five room house, shade, trees, lawn. \$900.00 worth of good furniture. Good locality, price \$2650. Gregg & Doolittle.

Mrs. A. S. Brown spent the last week in Boise.

ANNOUNCEMENT
Mrs. A. Stewart Brown desires to announce that she has been appointed Cosetters for the Spirilla Company. For appointments, phone 28-J. 35 1f.

ORIGINAL ESTIMATE AND ACCOUNTING SHEET, CITY OF ONTARIO, OREGON
This original estimate is made in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 118, General Laws of the State of Oregon, enacted at the Legislative Session of the year of A. D. 1921, and shows in parallel columns the unit costs of the several services, material and supplies for the three fiscal years next preceding the current year, the detailed expenditures for the last one of said three preceding fiscal years and the budget allowances for the current year and expenditures for six months of the current year. Also in detail the estimated receipts of the City of Ontario, from all sources except taxation for the ensuing year.

RECORDER'S OFFICE	Estimated expenditures for the ensuing year	Expenditures in detail	Budget for year	Last year in detail	2nd year totals	3rd year totals
Personal service	475.00	475.00	1,200.00	1,200.00		
Deputy	60.00	60.00				
Stenographer	4.00	4.00			1,285.37	1,235.45
TREASURER			180.00			
Personal service	180.00	87.50		150.00		
Bond				25.00		
Stamps				.40	180.46	173.03
ATTORNEY			2,000.00			
Personal service	300.00	150.00		300.00		
Stenographer				14.10	309.20	323.25
POLICE DEPT.			3,500.00			
Personal service						
Marshal	1,500.00	775.00		1,500.00		
Police	200.00	750.00		1,500.00		
Extra police				254.60		
Telephone	100.00	70.35		104.10		
Jail Repairs	180.00			76.87		
Meals for Prisoners	20.00	10.80		40.30		
Office switch		3.50				
Supplies		1.00			2,598.00	2,140.40
FIRE DEPT.			1,000.00			
Personal service						
Chief of Dept.	240.00	120.00		240.00		
Foremen, pay-roll	1,000.00	416.00		1,040.20		
Supplies	60.00	704.40		251.28	1,574.54	570.66
HEALTH OFFICER			100.00			
Personal service	60.00	30.00		60.00	60.00	168.30
POUND AND DOGS			150.00			
Personal service	300.00	76.00		135.48	133.00	61.15
WATER SYSTEM			8,000.00			
Personal service						
Water Supt.	1,500.00	760.00		1,620.00		
Pumper	1,200.00	600.00		1,200.00		
Accountant	900.00	450.00		885.00		
Labor	350.00	207.98		248.15		
Supt. Auto.	600.00	300.00		478.35		
Fuel	160.00	117.85		73.32		
Power	2,000.00	857.30		2,383.86		
Freight	100.00	41.24		93.63		
Meters	400.00	279.52		1,852.43		
Repairs	300.00	147.79		787.33		
Supplies	370.00	185.50		733.04		
Warehouse	120.00	60.00		104.00		
Dwelling				1,170.70	16,038.83	3,502.59
CITY HALL			760.00			
Personal service						
Janitor	300.00	155.00		299.15		
Fuel	425.00			425.90		
Repairs	100.00	34.20		26.80		
Supplies	125.00	54.20		124.19		
Insurance	160.00			355.97	1,021.06	475.05
Furniture				240.05	214.50	626.50
PRINTING			200.00			
CEMETERY			650.00			
Personal service						
Labor	500.00	251.25		635.00		
Water	100.00	50.00		90.00		
Supplies	50.00	40.56		16.75	398.00	577.18
STREETS			3,500.00			
Personal service						
Commissioner	1,200.00	600.00		1,200.00		
Labor	2,000.00	1,034.00		294.46		
Team	900.00	450.00		825.00		
Opening new streets	3,000.00					
Supplies	1,000.00	440.03		3,422.46		
Riv. Add. Dist.				750.00		
Detour road				491.21	3,596.30	3,997.39
LIGHTS	3,500.00	1,727.78	3,300.00	3,730.00	3,139.13	3,018.35
WATER	3,300.00	1,650.00	3,300.00	3,300.00	3,207.50	2,222.67
IRRIGATION						
Personal service						
Irrigator	750.00	300.00		300.00		
Water	600.00	300.00				
Supplies		45.20		16.90		
SEWERS			250.00			
Personal service						
Labor	300.00	279.65		197.09		
Power	132.00	27.00		117.03		
Tools		410.83				
Supplies		12.80		27.43	34,697.25	271.85
CITY GOVERNMENT			960.00			
Personal service						
Mayor	600.00	250.00		211.53		
Six Councilmen	360.00	140.00				
CITY SANITATION						
Personal service						
Labor	100.00	50.85				206.40
PUBLIC LIBRARY			900.00			
Personal service						
Librarian	720.00	360.00		295.40		
Janitor	240.00	130.00		83.32		
Lights	75.00	49.17		43.12		
Clock	15.00	7.50		8.75		
Water	30.00	17.55		7.15		
Fuel	175.00	30.30		20.00		
Telephone	50.00			18.75		
Books	345.00	17.95		78.15		
Repairs	100.00	23.65		12.25		
Stationery	50.00					
Supplies		15.25		26.50		
INTEREST ON BONDS	15,200.00	6,750.00	12,720.00	11,700.00	11,700.00	10,020.00
EMERGENCY FUND	1,000.00					
Total of all items	50,742.00				\$60,742.00	
Estimated receipts						
Water System		\$12,000.00				
Fines and Licenses		1,500.00				
Pound and Dogs		200.00				
Interest on Deposit		500.00				
Irrigation		1,000.00				
Cemetery		650.00				
Road Tax		4,500.00				
Delinquent Taxes		9,409.00				
					29,759.00	

To be raised by taxation \$20,983.00

I, Clay M. Stearns, do hereby certify that the above estimate of expenditures for the year of A. D. 1922 was prepared by me and that the budget allowances for the current year and the expenditures for six months of the current year and the expenditures of the three fiscal years next preceding the current year as shown above have been compiled from the records in my charge and are true and correct copies thereof.

CLAY M. STEARNS,
City Recorder.