

WINTER'S DAMAGE TO CROPS IS FOUND UNUSUALLY HEAVY

Wheat Total Below 10 Year Average—Farm Wage Is Declining.

PORTLAND, April 10.—More than the usual amount of winter crop damage, particularly in the western part of the state, is a feature of the April 1st Oregon crop condition report, issued by the U. S. Bureau of markets and crop estimates, F. L. Kent, local agricultural statistician.

Winter wheat—Several counties in the eastern part of the state had a snow covering on most of the wheat fields on April 1st, hence no satisfactory line could be gotten on condition of the crop in certain counties, particularly Baker, Wallowa, and part of Union. Much of the wheat in the heavier producing counties was sown late last fall, and growth at the present time is not up to normal for this date. In the western part of the state, winter killing is reported to be considerably greater than usual, due mainly to a lot of alternate freezing and thawing weather, with much moisture in the soil. Winter kill in the eastern part of the state appears to be less than was anticipated from the condition in which the crop entered the winter. In a good many fields the stand was materially reduced, but not to a point where it was considered that reseeding would be advisable. Most of the reseeded fields have been sown to spring wheat, but in the western part of the state other crops will be planted. Western Oregon soil condition has not been favorable to spring wheat seeding this season. The condition of the winter wheat crop for the state as a whole, on April 1, is estimated to be 99.0 per cent of a normal condition, compared with 99.0 per cent last year, and a 10 year average of 95.0 per cent.

The United States crop condition is placed at 78.4 per cent of normal on April 1, 1922, compared with the 91.0 condition per cent a year ago, and a ten year average of 84.3 per cent. With an average abandonment and growing conditions, the 1922 crop is forecasted at 572,974,000 bushels, compared with 587,032,000 bushels in 1921, 610,597,000 bushels in 1920, and a five year average of 578,575,000 bushels.

The condition of the Oregon rye crop is estimated at 92.0 per cent of normal, compared with 97.0 per cent a year ago, and a 10 year average of 97.0 per cent. Oregon rye is used largely as a hay and green forage crop.

Oregon farm labor appears to be somewhat out of balance, the supply being estimated at 103.0 per cent of last year, while the demand is only 89.0 per cent of that of a year ago. The average monthly wage, with board, is reported at an average of \$35.00 to \$40.00, with a few reports as low as \$30.00 per month. Without board the monthly wage ranges from \$50 to \$75, depending to some extent on supplies furnished by the employer. Day wages with board are reported from \$1 to \$2 per day. Day wages without board, of which there is not much employed, is reported at from \$2 to \$3.

For the United States the farm labor supply is estimated at 99.5 per cent of last year's supply, with the demand only 89.0 per cent of a year ago.

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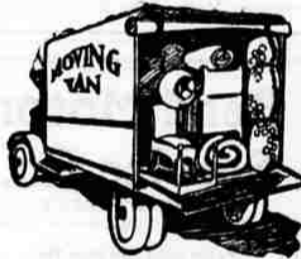
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