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WOOL MARKET OPENS AT 30 CENTS PER POUND

HOLLOWAY, JONES & McDONALD, OF BOSTON, BREAK ICE

W. W. Smead, Local Agent Closes With Several Producers Yesterday

Local sheepmen are feeling pretty good today over the sudden opening of the 1922 wool market here yesterday at the satisfactory figure of 30 cents a pound.

W. W. Smead, local representative of Holloway, Jones & McDonald, of Boston, and J. A. Funk, of Enterprise, who represents the same firm were buyers, and it is understood that deals have been closed with W. B. Barratt & Son, C. L. Sweek, for Sweek estate; R. A. Thomson and the Wyland estate, of Hardman, at the 30-cent figure. The sales are being made with an advance payment of \$1.00 a fleece without interest. Men in close touch with the industry here estimate that fully one-third of the local crop will be contracted at this figure.

It is understood that the same firm has been contracting wool in Idaho and Montana since December and the general feeling seems to be that, while the product may go higher, the certainty of a price which will give the grower a fair profit, together with the present need for the advance payment, makes selling now perfectly safe, and rather an attractive proposition.

So far as known here today this is the first 1922 wool sold in Oregon.

HAY WELL CLEANED UP ON RHEA CREEK

Ed Rugg, Rhea creek farmer was in town Saturday and reported to the Herald that the hay in his section is all sold and if present weather continues, will be practically all fed out within the next ten days. Rugg Bros. priced their hay at \$8.00 a ton last summer, having decided that they could not get out even at a less figure, and the market was bad for several months, they finally got their price and sold recently.

HEPPNER BOY MARRIED IN WYOMING

Word was just reached Heppner of the marriage of Glenn McFerrin, former Heppner boy, now of Shoshoni, Wyoming, his bride being Miss Bostock, also of that place. The ceremony was performed at Thermopolis, Wyoming and on the return to Shoshoni Mrs. C. L. Woodard, a sister of the groom entertained a large party of friends of the happy couple at a dinner given in their honor.

Mrs. W. Gaunt and Miss Angie McFerrin returned Sunday evening from Oakland, Oregon, where they have been visiting for a couple of months. They were accompanied on their return by their sister, Mrs. William C. Neal of Oakland, who will visit here for some time.

GARDEN AND FLOWER SEEDS

The Herald has a supply of garden and flower seeds furnished by the government, which may be secured free by anyone who calls and who will make use of the seeds. These seeds cost the people of the United States a lot of money each year and the only way the country can play even on the expenditure is for people to plant the seeds and raise some vegetables and flowers. Call and supply yourselves.

DADDY WALTER COCHRAN

Walt Cochran received the pleasing news yesterday that Mrs. Cochran had presented him with a son and heir, weight 9 1-2 pounds, at the home of her mother in Elgin, Ore. Walt has purchased a new hat, three sizes larger than what he formerly wore.—Jones Independent.

Alex Wilson, who owns a fine hay ranch at Boardman was in town Monday on a short business trip. Mr. Wilson says the hay is getting pretty well cleaned up in the project, the bulk of the crop going to local sheepmen, the present price being \$8.00 per ton in the stack. No hay has been baled there for shipping for several months, Mr. Wilson says.

HEPPNER BOYS WIN FROM LEXINGTON, GIRLS LOSE

The Heppner high school won one game from the Lexington high Friday night and lost one in two of the fastest games that have been played on the local floor for many a day.

The local boys took their game by a score of 25-13. The game was fast from the start, Heppner's five-man defense being too much for the visitors. It is understood that Lexington was handicapped by two regulars being out of the taoiduridduu Doherty, who is playing his first year on the regular squad, was high point man with 10 points, while McDuffee marked up nine.

The Lexington girls won the girls game by a score of 16-21. This was pronounced to be the fastest girls game ever witnessed in Heppner. Mabel Riddens playing forward for Lexington, starred for the visitors by her ability to drop the ball through the hoop from any angle on the floor. Faye Ritchie made the counters for Heppner while Margaret Hisler played a star game of floor work. Anita Turner and Nellie Flynn held the guards for the locals held the score to closer margin than the visitors expected.

Heppner has several hard games before she can plan on the State tournament at Salem, next month. She has to beat Lexington on her own floor and also annex a victory from Pendleton and Athena before she would head the list. The districts have been changed since last year, which puts Heppner and Pendleton in the same list.

LEGION WILL COMBAT JAPANESE IMMIGRATION

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 11.—Through the employment of the initiative next November, the Oregon Department of the American Legion will place upon the ballot, the most drastic measure ever drawn up to combat the Japanese Evil, which menaces the Pacific Coast States, according to announcement from Department Headquarters. Due to the fact that Washington and California have laws which partially handle the situation, the influx of the Japanese is increasing in Oregon and early action is necessary.

The Anti-Japanese bill presented to the legislature by the American Legion during the Special Session of 1920 was defeated through the efforts of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and others. All western states will present a solid front on this vital question at National Legion convention to be held in New Orleans, Next October and get action of the National Legion organization, in order to bring the Japanese question through the National Legislative Committee of the American Legion to those who sit in Congress.

ELKS' FORMAL

Attention of all Elks is called to the Annual Formal Ball, which will be given in the Elks Temple Wednesday, February 22nd. Admission \$1.50, Extra Ladies 50c.

PLEASANT VALENTINE PARTY

Mrs. Dean Goodman entertained at bridge last Wednesday afternoon with about 40 ladies present.

The home was prettily decorated the Valentine scheme being carried out. Ten tables were occupied by interested players during the afternoon and the games were spirited and interesting. Honors went to Mrs. S. W. Spencer, 1st. Mrs. Chas. Vaughn 2nd and Mrs. Chas. B. Cox, consolation.

Dainty refreshments were served following the games and "a most delightful afternoon," was the verdict of the guests.

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

All owners of dogs within the city limits of Heppner are hereby notified that license fees are now past due and must be paid immediately or all untagged dogs will be impounded and disposed of according to law. If you value your dog and his tax is unpaid, better see me at once.

S. P. DEYIN, City Marshal 42-43

LOCAL MEN GET OFFICE IN STATE WOOLGROWERS

C. A. MINOR, JOHN KILKENNY, R. J. CARNSER, HONORED

Pendleton Meeting Declared Success By Morrow Sheepmen Who Attended

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MRS. LULA JOHNSON, Morrow County Public Health Nurse

HOW TO MAKE POULTRY FLOCK PAY ON FARM

(By Prof. C. S. Brevster)

It appears that most of the farmers of this section have had difficulty this winter in making their chickens lay, and they wonder why this should be so. From what I have been able to learn regarding this situation here I am led to believe that in most cases the hens do not lay because they haven't been given a chance—that the owners, rather than the hens are to blame.

The essential requirements for the production of eggs, particularly fall and winter eggs are as follows:

1. Good stock, which have been bred for high egg production.
2. Comfortable housing (not necessarily expensive).
3. Early hatching.
4. Use of pullets for winter eggs.
5. Proper feeding.
6. Cleanliness—freedom from lice and mites.

The breeding is more important than the breed. White Leghorns, Barred, or white Plymouth Rocks, and Rhode Island Reds are the most popular and therefore it is easier to obtain good stock.

The house should be 18 to 20 feet deep and should provide a dry floor, free from drafts where the birds can work in comfort. A board or concrete floor is better than a dirt floor. Plenty of sunlight and ventilation are important.

Hens will not lay much in mid-winter as they go through a molt at that time. The pullets will not lay unless they have been hatched early enough so that they will be mature in September or October. Plymouth Rocks or Rhode Island Reds should be hatched not later than May 15th, preferably in April. In best results the flock should contain at least 60 per cent pullets.

A good system of feeding is as follows:

Scratch feed made up of equal parts of cracked corn and wheat, fed in a straw litter at the rate of about 3 pounds per 100 hens in the morning and 8 pounds at night. Keep a dry mash before them in hoppers at all times, also grit, oyster shell, and charcoal. Supply plenty of clean water to drink and milk if possible. Give green feed regularly, all they will eat. Mangels, carrots, rutabagas, or cabbage are very good. If these are not available, use alfalfa meal soaked in hot water or heat pulp. For the dry mash, the following mixture will give good results:

100 pounds bran or mill run, 100 pounds middlings, 100 pounds corn meal, 100 pounds ground oats or barley, 100 pounds meat meal or fish meal. In most cases a good prepared egg mash will be found the best and most economical.

The hens should eat as much mash as they do grain. If they don't, cut down on the morning grain feed.

Remember that it is the mash feed that makes eggs, not the grain. Mash feed is also very important in feeding young chicks.

A hen that is out on the cold, wet ground or in a cold, drafty house all day will use most of her feed in keeping warm. She can't lay well as a result.

The county farm bureau, through the county agent, Mr. C. C. Calkins, will be glad to secure the college or government bulletins for anyone who may wish further information. Professor Brewster will also be glad to furnish free his bulletins on Culling, Feedings, Chicks, or Poultry House Plans, or will be glad to answer questions regarding poultry problems if you will write at him care of Kerr Gifford & Co., Portland, Oregon.

NOTICE TO IBERNIANS

There will be an important meeting of Heppner Council, A. O. H. in I. O. O. F. hall in Heppner at 1:20 P.M. Sunday, February 19, 1922. All members are urgently invited to attend this meeting at which many matters of importance to the order will be considered.

F. A. McMENAMIN, Secretary. JAMES MOLLAHAN, President.

John Bergstrom and sister, Miss Ellen Bergstrom, of Eightmile, were in town for the American Legion dance Saturday evening.

CLEARANCE SALE AT MINOR & CO. IS SUCCESS

Stephen M. Irwin, manager of the dry goods department at Minor & Co. and Ray M. Rogers, manager of the men's clothing and furnishings department in the same store, report that the February clearance sale they have been conducting since the first of the month and which has been advertised in the newspapers rather extensively, is proving a great success. A large amount of high-class goods are being disposed of at real bargain prices to the great advantage of their customers and their shelves and counters are being cleared of accumulated goods, making room for their new spring offerings.

A real clearance sale at real economy prices is rather a new departure in merchandising in Heppner, but this pioneer firm, now pioneering in this method of "clean up," seems to be mightily well pleased with the results so far. Their advertisement in this issue will appeal to the men and young men.

INFORMATION WANTED

Mrs. Nellie Flock, of Anatone, Washington, writes the Herald for information regarding the whereabouts of Clyde Hale and his family who, when last heard of were in Heppner. Mr. Hale's first wife was a daughter of the writer and it is to get in touch with his two little girls, her grand daughters that she seeks the information. Anyone possessing the information will confer a favor by addressing Mrs. Flock at Anatone, Washington.

CERTIFIED SEED WHEAT BRINGS MORE PROFITS

Two years ago Morrow county farmers were losing \$100,000 a year because of mixed wheat, according to F. L. Ballard, leader of the county agents of Oregon. Oscar Keithley, an extensive wheat grower, and past president of the Morrow County Farm Bureau, began to investigate the matter and took it up with the farm bureau executive committee. This led to a campaign to improve seed wheat.

Some members of the committee were familiar with the work done the year previous in Sherman county in running a system of certification whereby those field passing inspection for purity of variety were listed throughout the county as sources of seed. This piece of work had, in fact attracted the attention of farmers in the state of Washington and six carloads of Turkey Red wheat had been shipped there at a substantial premium to the growers.

The Morrow County farmers decided that the same plan was the method to follow in improving the purity of stands in their county and instructed their county agent to that work. He secured the assistance of Prof. G. R. Hyslop, and they were able to secure only 400 acres of wheat sufficiently pure for certification. The location of this clean seed was published throughout the county and a gratifying acreage was sown that fall, with seeds from these fields with result that the next year 4000 acres passed the certification inspection. This summer Morrow county led all the counties of Oregon in acreage of certified wheat with approximately 13000 and is making rapid progress in the quality of its general run of wheat offered for sale. Samples of Morrow county wheat took high places in the Northwest Hay and Grain Show at Pendleton and at the Land Products show held in connection with the Pacific International Livestock exposition.

Similar work was carried on in 14 counties last summer, most of these being in Eastern Oregon. In most counties certification was confined to a few varieties particularly adapted to the districts in question. In Umatilla county 5941 acres certified. This was largely Jenkins Club, which was grown from certified wheat shipped in by Fred Benson, county agent, the year previous. Sherman county certified 2421 acres; Wasco 433.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that my wife, Mary Morrill, having deserted me, I will not be responsible for any indebtedness or obligations contracted by her.

41-42 HARVEY MERRILL,

LIVESTOCK AND WHEAT FARMING DISCUSSED

INTERESTING SESSIONS OF FARMERS' TUESDAY—WEDNESDAY

Range Problems, Scientific Feeding, Proper Cultivation, Farm Accounting Considered

Although the attendance was not as large as was hoped for the sessions of the farmers' meetings at Star Theatre last Tuesday and Wednesday were fairly well attended and much interesting and valuable information was given forth by the different speakers.

Tuesday was livestock day when J. C. Kuhns, supervisor of Umatilla National forest, with headquarters at Pendleton, and H. A. Lindgren, of Oregon Agricultural college, were the principal speakers.

Mr. Kuhns discussed range management on the national forest lands and his address contained much valuable information for the stockmen.

Mr. Lindgren discussed scientific feeding of livestock and strongly urged the increased use of ensilage for fattening and dairy stock. He advocated the use of sunflowers for ensilage purposes stating that 1200 pounds of sunflower ensilage is equal to one ton of hay for feeding purposes.

On Wednesday D. E. Stephens, manager of the Moro agricultural experiment station, was an interesting speaker on the varied problems which yearly confront the wheat grower.

The speaker dwelt particularly on early and late plowing and summer fallow and on deep and shallow plowing basing his remarks on nine years experience at the Moro station. He stated that all experiments at the station proved conclusively the value of early plowing of wheat land with only enough cultivation during the summer to keep the land free from weeds. Too much cultivation, he stated, did not show sufficient results to justify the extra expense.

The same is true of deep and shallow plowing, Mr. Stephens stated. Experiments at the station extending over a period of several years had proven to him that the cost of plowing land 10 inches deep is practically double that of plowing 5 inches deep while the increased yield averaged only one bushel to the acre.

Taking up the subject of varieties best adapted to this section the speaker said there are more than 300 varieties of wheat but that his experience and the experience of most of the farmers of Sherman county brought the conclusion that Turkey Red is best adapted to this climate and soil with Hybrid and Forty fold ranking as good. Seed should be cleaned thoroughly, treated with vitriol or formaldehyde and one bushel per acre sown.

For Spring planting he recommended Early Baart and Marquis but recommended that the fall crop is best and spring wheat should not be sown only when conditions in the fall are such that the crop cannot be put in. The best time for fall seeding is from September 15th to October 15th and the seed should be covered from one to two inches in depth. Another point the speaker brought out was that in case a farmer hears of some new wheat that he would like to try out, it will be to his advantage to send the seed to the experiment station to be tried out and fully tested. This will save the farmer time, labor and trouble and that in what the station is operated for—to make experiments and arrive at conclusions about these things for the farmers.

R. V. Gunn followed with an interesting discussion on farm accounting and business methods. Many Sherman county farmers have followed a pretty close system of accounting for several years and Mr. Gunn secured reports from 49 farms in that county which showed that the 1920 crop cost to produce, an average of \$1.65 per bushel. Twenty-two of the 49 farms showed a loss production cost than the average, the lowest being \$1.02. This low cost Mr. Gunn said, was made possible by better farming methods and more diversified farming some poultry, a few cows and a bunch of pigs, adding to the annual income and thus reducing the production cost that otherwise would have been charged entirely to the wheat crop.

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