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Unstable Income On Oregon Farms May Follow 1941

Expected general improvement in farm purchasing power next year will probably be temporary even though prices of most farm products except those in the "export type" group are likely to be moderately higher, according to the current report on the agricultural situation issued by the O. S. C. extension service. The report reviews the general outlook in Oregon for farm income, costs and family living.

"Looking beyond 1941, the temporary improvement in the exchange value of farm products expected next year may be lost in 1942 or later, owing first to advances in the cost of farming and farm family living, likely to be followed by a more rapid decline in farm prices than in other prices when war and defense spending drops off," the report states.

The report contains much additional data and comment on agricultural and industrial conditions and prospective trends with sections on domestic and foreign demand, the general price level, food requirements and surplus removal measures, farm production, price and income prospects, farm and living costs and brief outlook reviews for "export-type" farm products versus "domestic-type" and "import-type" farm products. The market outlook ahead is said to be less favorable for "export-type" commodities than for products which are on a domestic basis.

The long-time trend of international trade conditions in farm products has been against the United States for 40 years, except the period affected by the first world war, the report shows. Thus far the present world war has been destructive of export demand for Oregon's principal export farm products, such as wheat, apples, pears, and prunes.

The prospects are that export outlets for principal Oregon farm products will remain poor while the

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High Officials From Washington To Address EOWL

Condon.—Grover C. Hill, assistant secretary of agriculture, will come from Washington, D. C., to make one of the main addresses at the thirteenth annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League in Pendleton, December 5-7, announces C. K. Barker of this city, president of the league. Hill, formerly a Texas farmer, will speak Friday afternoon, December 6, on the general subject of the long-time outlook for the American wheat farmer.

The entire program for the annual meeting is now practically completed, says president Barker. Acceptances of invitations received recently insure those who attend the session of hearing a program unequalled in previous years, he believes. Other speakers on the program who will discuss the general future of the wheat trade include Gordon P. Boals, federal economist of Washington, D. C., and N. E. Dodd, director of the western region of the AAA.

Another angle of the problem of world trade in agricultural products will be discussed Friday afternoon by R. L. Edminster, special assistant to the secretary of state in Washington, D. C.

Orlo H. Maughan, director of research for the Farm Security Administration in Spokane, will discuss trends in livestock and crop production in the United States as one of the opening features of the program. A more local application of this subject will be given by D. E. Richards, superintendent of the Union branch station, who will report on experimental results of the feeding of wheat to livestock.

The educational program will continue through Saturday, with a talk on the distribution of Bonneville power by Paul J. Raver, administrator, and a discussion of desirable land use adjustments in Oregon by William A. Schoenfeld, dean of agriculture at O.S.C.

The Saturday afternoon program will be devoted to reports of the five committees which are already at work gathering facts for consideration at the session. These committees will meet on Tuesday in advance of the opening of the general public session.

war lasts and the United States remains neutral, according to the outlook circular. Even looking further ahead, the foreign demand outlook is not encouraging for farmers in this country.

Copies of the complete report may be had from any county extension office.

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Government to Buy Horses November 23

Saturday, November 23, has been announced by the war department for inspection of horses for purchase by that department.

Inspections will be made at The Dalles at 7 a. m., at Arlington at 10 a. m., and at Pendleton at the Round-Up grounds at 3 p. m.

The county agent's office has been informed that the above schedule is the last time the board will be in the districts mentioned this year and due to the urgency of emergency procurement it will be impossible to inspect any horses at any place other than the listed inspection points.

The department states positively that no mare and no three year olds will be inspected for purchase.

Specifications for horses to be purchased by the Western Remount area are as follows:

Age: Four to eight years, inclusive.

Sex: Gelding. (It is desired that mares suitable for breeding be left in the country).

Height: 15 hands (60 inches) to 16 hands (64 inches).

Weight: 975 to 1150 pounds.

Color: Bay, brown, black and chestnut. No "off-colored" horses can be accepted, such as grays, pintos and palominos.

Gentleness: Horses must be gentle enough to be handled for a thorough examination, and well enough "broke" to be shown at a walk, trot and gallop under the saddle. It is not necessary that the horse be "trained."

Price: Ranging from \$150.00 to \$175.00, depending on the value of each individual horse. This will be paid for the owner of the horse delivered to the shipping point in good condition. Horses registered in the

Half-Bred Stud will command a larger price than horses not registered.

General: Horses must be sound, of good conformation and show definite signs of breeding, quality and substance. In general, horses must be at least 1/2 or 3/4 Thoroughbred in order to have sufficient quality to meet the requirements. They must have a good straight walk, trot, and gallop, and must be free from signs of "padding" or "high actions." Horses that "toe out," "toe in," have crooked hocks, or which have any unsoundness such as curbs, spavins, splints, etc., cannot be accepted.

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