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Production Goals Of County's Farms Tentatively Set

State, County Men Setting Figures at Meet Here Today

Production goals as set by the department of agriculture are being worked out for Morrow county in a meeting today attended by members of the county USDA war board and representatives of the state AAA, extension, and war board. Figures arrived at today will be tentative to a large extent and subject to revision by the state war board, stated C. D. Conrad, county agent.

The land use committee in conjunction with the AAA war board groups will meet to approve the findings of the group in session today and endeavor to find ways and means of meeting and removing obstacles in the way of higher production such as scarcity of labor, machinery and repair parts, gas rationing and other things besetting the producer at this time.

During the week the agent's office has mailed circulars to the farmers relative to farm machinery quotas which have been received by the county farm machinery rationing committee. The committee has the following allotment for which it is ready to receive applications:

Tractor, wheel type, 4; grain drills, 4; mouldboard plows, tractor drawn or mounted, 3; spike tooth harrow, 3; spring tooth harrow, 4; disc, 4; row weeders, 8; horse drawn mowers, 1; tractor drawn mowers, 3; dump rakes, 1; side delivery rakes, 1; sweep rakes, 1; stackers, 1; combines 6 feet or less, 1; combines over 6 feet, 1.

County quotas will be established later for milking machines, cream separators, milk coolers, garden planters, garden cultivators, sprayers, dusters, grain blowers.

The farm machinery committee includes Henry Baker, chairman; F. S. Parker and Harry Duvall, regular members; and Ralph Thompson, John Wightman and Clyde Trenchill, alternate members.

JENNISONSON VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jennison were week-end guests of friends in Heppner. Mr. Jennison, former employe of Pacific Power and Light company, is now in the Marine corps and is stationed in the Seattle area. Mrs. Jennison is employed in the bank at Athena.

Grazing Applications Due Before Feb. 1

Applications for grazing privileges on the Heppner ranger district of the Umatilla National forest for the season of 1943 will be received at his office in Heppner, Oregon, up to and including Jan. 31, 1943 according to Ranger F. F. Wehmeyer.

Mr. Wehmeyer states that those applying after the final date will be given consideration only if there is surplus range.

There were grazed upon the Umatilla forest in 1942, 7350 cattle and horses and 64,300 sheep, not including lambs and calves, according to Wehmeyer, and demand for summer range is greater than the supply.

DIES AT LAGUNA BEACH

Frank Gowan, formerly of Burns, died early in December at his late home at Laguna Beach, Calif., according to word received by relatives of Mrs. Gowan, the former Hazel Hale of Heppner. Death was due to a stroke. He had been working as a civil engineer in Arizona and was stricken at Phoenix.

Remember Pearl Harbor—Every Payday



Courtesy Kansas City Star.

Year Just Closed Wettest on Record In Morrow County

19.23 Inches Rain Fell in Heppner, Observer Discloses

Nineteen hundred forty-two may not have been the wettest year in Morrow county history, but since weather records have been kept, a matter of 32 years, the year just closed had a comfortable edge over any season back to 1910. This fact was revealed by a study of the weather records kept by L. L. Gilliam for the Heppner district. Gilliam's chart showed that a total of 19.23 inches of moisture, largely from rain, registered in the gauge for this immediate territory.

Two other stations in the county, one manned by V. L. Carlson at his Gooseberry farm and the other in charge of Elmer Griffith at Morgan show what the county's average amounts to. Carlson brought and it showed that the Gooseberry section enjoyed a blissful season so far as moisture is concerned. A total of 18.44 inches of moisture was recorded on the Carlson gauge. Of this amount, eight inches of rain and 7 1/2 inches of snow fell in the last three months of the year.

Griffith has not made a report on the precipitation in the north central section of the county. Farmers' smiles are reporting for him.

Nearest approach to this record was in 1912 when the mark was 18.64 inches. Again in 1917 the county enjoyed copious showers with a total of 17.40 inches. Lowest yearly average on record was 1939 when the weather man loafed on the job and turned the sprinkler on for only 7.81 inches. The 10-year average, 1932-42, was 12.81, while the 32-year average was 12.78 inches.

Hottest day the past year was July 3 when the mercury soared to 102. Coldest day was Jan. 1, 1942, the thermometer registered minus 7. November with 3.24 inches rainfall and December with 2.82 inches were the wettest months. September with no rainfall was the dry month of the year.

A further study of the chart reveals that July 25, 1928, was the hottest day on record—108 in the shade. Eighteen below zero seems to be the limit of cold spells here as on Dec. 12, 1919, Jan. 17, 1930 and Feb. 9, 1933 the mercury slipped that far down on the scale.

Good Attendance at New Years Services

More than 200 meals were served at the noon and evening meals when members and friends of the Assembly of God church gathered for a New Year's fellowship meeting. Visitors were present from Ione, Irrigon, Hermiston, Stanfield, Pendleton, Athens, Freewater, and one from Hay, Wash. In addition there were several visitors from other churches of the community, including pastors of the local churches.

Rev. Morris of the Ione church gave the morning message. In the afternoon, Rev. Martin B. Clark of the Church of Christ was the speaker, and in the evening, Mrs. Hunter, wife of the Assembly minister at Athena, gave the message. Mrs. Ricker of Freewater conducted the young people's service.

LEGION AUXILIARY

Mrs. Harry Tamblin will be hostess to the American Legion auxiliary at her residence in the Jones apartment Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

New Commissioner Inducted Wednesday

After serving a period of 12 years as county commissioner, George N. Peck retired Wednesday morning and the newly elected commissioner, C. W. McNamer, was inducted into office. Greeting the new commissioner—aside from the county officials present—was a large list of bills to receive or not to receive his official OK.

When asked if the new court was working as a well-oiled machine, County Judge Bert Johnson replied, "Well, I don't know about the well-oiled machine part, but from the amount of oil being spread around the court room it has the appearance of being a smooth working organization."

KILLED IN ACTION

Mrs. Mabel Hughes has received word of the death of Will Hughes Whitfield, whose mother was Isabel Hughes, native of Heppner and a sister of the late A. P. Hughes. Young Whitfield, a former student at Stanford university, was killed in action.

GRANGE MEETING FRIDAY

A regular meeting of Rhea Creek grange will be held at the hall Friday evening, announces Henry Baker, master, who urges members to make a special effort to be on hand. Potluck dinner will be a feature of the meeting.

24 Youths in 18-19 Year Class Register For Selective Service

Twenty-four Morrow county youths between the ages of 18 and 19 were registered for selective service up to and including Dec. 31, 1942, a report from the local draft board discloses. Other boys will follow suit as they become 18 years of age. This list completed in December includes the following names:

William Robert David Allen, Charles Frederic Markham, Robert Franklin Waters, Irrigon; Fred William Miles, Albert William Partlow, Donald Clyde Pitts, Boardman; Roland Eric Bergstrom, John Joseph Doherty, George Ivan Reno, Tench Brower Aldrich, Ione; Elroy Grant Martin, Lexington; Leon Russell McClintock, Raymond Frederick Parrish, Donald Edward Greenup, William Henry Irvin Padberg, Jr., James Patrick Kenney, James Calvert Lovgren, Robert Burnett Pinckney, Calvin William Crawford, Bruce Morey Lindsay, Raymond Kay Ferbuson, Thomas Ernest Starkey, Russell Noel James O'Donnell, Hubert Clifford Wilson, Wade Bruce Bothwell, Heppner.

Boys nearing 18 years of age are reminded to keep the ruling in mind regarding registration. The requirement is that each boy present himself for registration on his 18th birthday unless it falls on Sunday or a holiday, in which case he will present himself for registration on

Accused Man Held For Circuit Court

After a preliminary hearing in the court of Justice of the Peace J. O. Hager, Victor Colin Ireland, alias Larry Ireland, was bound over to appear before Circuit Judge Calvin L. Sweek. Bail was fixed at \$500 and Ireland was released upon posting of the bond by H. H. Nichols of Cecil and J. A. Weatherford of Wasco.

Ireland is accused of drawing a bank check without sufficient funds. Jack Farris of Ione, cashed the check.

WOOLGROWERS AUXILIARY LUNCHEON 1 P. M. FRIDAY

A luncheon meeting at the Lucas place has been scheduled by the Woolgrowers' Auxiliary for 1:15 p. m. Friday, Jan. 8. Election of officers, a program and sewing have been announced to occupy the afternoon.

Members are reminded to bring in the crocheted squares that the sign may be assembled for the Red Cross.

PLENTY OF MOISTURE

Plenty of moisture in the Eight Mile section, according to V. L. Carlson who was in town Tuesday.

Future registration places in the county will be found at Irrigon, with A. C. Houghton as registrar; Boardman, S. C. Russell, registrar, and at the office of selective service in Heppner.