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## Price of Feed Wheat Advanced February First

### Government Stocks Going From 92 to 93 Cents a Bushel

Government stocks of wheat available for feed purposes will advance from 92 cents to 93 cents per bushel on Feb. 1, according to information received by the local AAA office this week. The Commodity Credit Corporation, government agency, has in storage some 855,000 bushels of the golden grain, and it is hoped that a good share of this, which is holdover from the 1941 crop, will be moved in the next few months to provide storage space for the 1943 crop.

Total storage capacity of the county is 3,718,199 bushels, according to Merle Cummings of the local AAA office. Broken down it gives a total farm bulk storage of 1,337,199 bushels; 1,181,000 bushels sack storage and 400,000 bushels bin storage held by the Commodity Credit Corporation.

With the movement of the 1941 crop, or a considerable portion of it, and additions made to storage facilities the past season, the prospect for storage of the 1943 crop predictions as to the volume of the 1943 crop cannot be made at this time but based on normal crop conditions storage facilities now in use and ready for use in the county will be ample, AAA officials believe.

## Texas Land of Wide Open Spaces

Whether he remembers other features of the state or not, Edmund Gonty says he will always remember that Texas is the land of wide open spaces and magnificent distances. This is one impression he brought home from a recent trip he and Mrs. Gonty took to the Lone Star state to visit his brother Tom and family at Fort Worth. Although they did not penetrate the nation's biggest unit very deeply they saw enough to form an idea of its size.

Weather conditions were favorable during their brief stay, with the exception of two days when a typical Texas "norther" visited Fort Worth, and since returning home they have heard from Tom to the effect that the mercury has risen to the point where it is necessary for him to put the cow ventilator on his car into use. Tom is employed in an airplane factory in Fort Worth. He has been there about a year.

The trip to Texas requires three days and three nights, Edmund Gonty states. Greatest loss of time was getting started from Arlington, the train being several hours late, but at that they arrived at Fort Worth only two and one-half hours late. Returning they arrived at Pendleton six hours behind schedule, but caught a ride from there to Heppner.

## THERE WAS MUCH SMOKE BUT NOT MUCH FIRE

Where there is so much smoke there usually is some fire but this theory was put somewhat at variance Monday morning when Edith Sweek and Ethel LeTrace, beauty specialists at Myrtle's beauty salon lighted the oil stove preparatory to going to work. In a short time there was an explosion which put out the fire but raised a terrible smoke.

As soon as they recovered from the shock the operators went to work cleaning up and soon had the shop in readiness for the day's run.



**HE'S SPEEDING UP THE MARCH OF DIMES:** Office boy Abe Solomon, of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in New York, has had his work doubled for him these days with the huge demand for greeting cards for President Roosevelt's birthday, Saturday, January 30. With the present manpower problem, something had to be done and Abe's ingenuity finally came to the rescue. Now he uses roller skates to keep up with the increase. "I want to help these people all I can," says Abe, "and the quicker the cards go out, the more time people will have to send their contributions to the White House." Abe will have to hang up his skates in a few days, as he'll be off to join the army.

## Chairman Urges More Speed on March of Dimes

Contributions have been coming in quite regularly toward the infantile paralysis fund but more speed is urged by Postmaster Charles B. Cox, county polo chairman.

"It should not be necessary to remind the people about the urgency of this fund, but with so many calls for money confusion may arise and for that reason it is necessary to do a little plugging. The time has been extended through Feb. 6 and it may be necessary to effect a broader organization to reach the goal set for Morrow county. In the meantime, contributions will be received at the postoffice and I know if the people will just keep this important matter in mind the fund will be raised."

## Ernest Clark Loses Life in Air Crash

Lt. Ernest Clark, son of Mrs. Julia Glasner of Red Bluff, Calif. was the victim Monday morning of an airplane crash which claimed the lives of five airmen and seriously injured two others. The accident occurred at Belhart, Tex., seat of one of the army's glider schools.

First word of Lt. Clark's death was received by Heppner relatives Tuesday when Mrs. Glasner telegraphed them to make arrangements for memorial services here. Only meager details could be given in the dispatch relative to manner and time of death. The body will be brought here for interment, date and arrangements to be announced later.

Ernest was born Feb. 17, 1918 and spent practically his entire life here. He graduated from Heppner high school in May 1935 and had been in the service two years, recently attaining the rank of lieutenant in the glider corps.

## BRINGS IN FIRST KNIFE—

W. P. Hill seems intent upon being first in matters pertaining to carrying on the war. When the call for coat hangers was made, W. P. made the first deposit, a dozen hangers, in the Gazette Times box. Last week, a word was said about hunting knives for the boys in the South Pacific and in comes Mr. Hill with a formidable weapon which we wouldn't care to have a Jap or any other enemy use on us.

People wishing to donate the type of knives asked for by the army may leave them at Aiken's or if more convenient, leave them at the Gazette Times office. In either event they will be sent to the boys who are waiting to use them on the Japs and other reptiles infesting the South Pacific.

## Millwright Escapes Possible Death

The fact that the power driving a saw upon which he was working had been shut off and the saw was slowing down possibly saved the life of Henry Plumindor, millwright at the Heppner Lumber company plant. Plumindor was preparing to change saws Tuesday morning and decided to open an oil line while the rig was slowing down. It probably was something he had done before but this time his foot slipped as he reached toward the shaft and he was plunged against the still fast-moving saw.

Plumindor suffered three four-inch gashes on the upper arm. These were dressed at a physician's office and he was placed in the hospital for a few days.

## MRS GUY HUSTON PASSES THIS MORNING

Mrs. Guy Huston of Eight Mile passed away at 7 o'clock this morning after a long illness with an incurable disease. Up to time of going to press, funeral arrangements had not been announced.

An obituary will be found in the Gazette Times in next week's issue.

## Bond Presentation To Be Made at Dinner Tonight

# Behind the Scene at Salem

### Rod Finney to Make Delivery of Paper For State Director

By Rep. Giles French

After several postponements, definite plans have been set for formal presentation of the \$1,000 bond to the Morrow county salvage campaign committee. The event has been scheduled for 6:30 o'clock this evening (Thursday) at the Lucas Place. A dinner for members of the local salvage committee and others interested in receiving the proceeds from the bond will be the setting for the presentation which will be made by Rod Finney, assistant secretary of the state salvage campaign committee.

It is understood that the bond will be purchased by Mayor J. O. Turner and the proceeds placed in trust with the Morrow County Health association. The fund thus created will be held in reserve for use only in cases of dire-emergency.

Although not announced, it is probable that Finney will bring some word relative to the salvage campaign in 1943. It has been estimated that about 50 percent of the scrap iron and steel available in Morrow county was gathered in during the fall campaign which placed this county first among the counties of the state and brought the local salvage committee the coveted \$1,000 war bond.

Despite the fact that the presiding officers of both the house and the senate have insisted that the members remain in session until Saturday noon of each of the two weeks of the session, it does not seem to have made the session any faster than usual. It is, perhaps, a laudable move, but the bills seem to come in only about so fast.

For instance the bills of the many administrative agencies have not been written in most cases. There have been some insurance bills and some from the code commissioner making little change in the wording of the law or deleting obsolete matter. Other than that, nothing.

A new governor seems to have difficulty in getting his program written into bills. He apparently concentrated on getting his ideas into his speech for the inauguration. Then he has to find some one to write it into a bill. It doesn't sound hard, but history indicates that it requires some time.

The tax program has just started to take shape this week as the house taxation and revenue committee, impatient because of the lack of bills in its hands, started hearings on tax matters without bills. Monday the school bill was under discussion, Tuesday it was the income tax, whether it should be reduced, how much, etc. Wednesday the corporation excise tax, Thursday the reserve plan advocated by Governor Snell which will run ahead of the school bill. Shall the reserve fund be made merely for the reduction of property tax or for post-war needs as the governor asked? Friday the committee will talk about the pay-as-you-go plan and by Saturday will be at least partially prepared to begin making up its mind on the mass of information gathered during the weeks' conference.

Snow in Salem is an entirely different thing than in the eastern Oregon country. Here it is sort of a pest that no one expects, or welcomes. There are no snow plows to take it off the streets and roads and, apparently no snow shovels to take it off the side walks for pedestrians are walking in the streets between the capitol and the town because the trail is broader and better packed there. It rained the first of the week and it is likely that the storm is pretty well over except for a few days of wading in slush, that would be a benediction to the grain fields—but isn't here.

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## Fire Department Routed Out Early

A fire alarm awoke Heppner residents and called the volunteer fire department out at an early hour Tuesday, 3 a. m. to be exact, but fortunately damage was comparatively slight.

An overheated flue in the upper floor of the O. M. Yeager residence was doing a good job towards starting a lively conflagration but was soon extinguished. A partition was partially burned and rafters and other nearby woodwork received a severe scorching.

## County Represented At Baker Meeting

Gas rationing is exerting an influence over conventions, if attendance at the Oregon Woolgrowers association convention from Morrow county is to be taken as an indication of the general trend. Approximately two passenger automobile loads went to Baker last week from this county, whereas in peace time there doubtless would be several times that number.

Braving the weather and travel hazards incident to the war to attend the annual convention were Harold Cohn, Steven Thompson, Frank Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Neill and Mrs. Alex Green.

Returning as far as Pendleton, Mrs. R. I. Thompson was met by Mrs. Harold Cohn and they went to Salt Lake City to attend the national Woolgrowers association convention. Mrs. Thompson is president and Mrs. Cohn secretary of the National Woolgrowers Auxiliary.

## ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Aiken drove to Long Creek Sunday to attend the funeral of Tom Williams. Mr. Williams was a well known horseman and stockman of the John Day region and was a familiar figure at the several rodeos and roundups staged in this part of the state. He was well known in Heppner where he manifested a deep interest in the annual wild west show.

## State Nutritionist Meets Local Group

Mrs. Laura Wells, nutritionist for the state board of health was in Heppner Thursday and met with the county nutrition committee. The object of her visit was to stress the need for organization of the community for nutritional purposes and recommended food demonstrations, canteen courses, victory gardens and programs to explain the need of meat sharing and food distribution.

Morrow county nutrition committee is composed of the following, C. D. Conrad, chairman; Mrs. Clara B. Gertson, secretary; Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, school lunches; Miss Evelyn Youngberg, nutrition courses and demonstrations; Mrs. B. C. Pinckney, education program; publicity, Mrs. O. G. Crawford. Rural educational program and victory garden chairmen have not yet been chosen.