



Rural Fire Control Program Set Out For 1943 Season

Preventive Methods Listed to Aid in Holding Down Loss

Rural fire control in Morrow county for the summer of 1943 will follow quite generally the program set out in 1942. This was decided upon in a recent meeting of members of last year's fire control organization a report of which was made to farmers of the county by County Agent C. D. Conrad prior to leaving for Corvallis where he is assisting in instructional work at the 4-H summer school.

"Because of labor shortages for fighting fires more emphasis must be placed on the prevention of fires this year and upon preparation of fire fighting equipment," Conrad's report stated. Heavier growth of cheat grass and weeds, shortage of help for fighting fires, the need for having all food crops for the war effort and the impossibility of obtaining materials to replace buildings lost by fire makes it more important that rural fires be prevented and controlled this year.

Importance of having rural telephone lines working efficiently is stressed by the organization, suggesting that repairs and tests be made by someone who has had telephone experience. Having fire fighting equipment ready and available at all times is another expedient. This would include having a walking plow on every harvesting outfit, as well as shovels, sacks and water.

A list of suggestions relative to protection of outside buildings and inside buildings includes removal of flammable material and retention of fire fighting apparatus at all times.

Necessity Basis for Buying Truck Tires

Truck owners needing to make tire replacements, either by direct purchase or recapping, must present a certificate of war necessity at time of application. This information was received at the office of the Morrow county war price and rationing board today.

This is the latest ruling on truck tire purchasing and it has been suggested that prospective purchasers the rationing board by having the save time for themselves as well as certificates prepared prior to calling at the office to make application.

Circuit Court to Open Here Monday

Circuit Judge Calvin L. Sweek will hold a term of circuit court next week to hear cases placed on the docket as the result of findings of the grand jury. Court will open Monday and remain in session until pending cases are disposed of.

Criminal cases to be considered will be charges against several men for the removal of livestock without consent of the owner. The docket also includes some civil suits.

GET AUTO STAMP NOW

Every owner of a motor vehicle which is used upon the highway should call at his local postoffice and secure a \$5 use tax stamp and affix it to his vehicle before July 1, states J. W. Maloney, Collector of Internal Revenue. Stamps are on sale as of today according to the collector's announcement.

ENGINEER HERE

John H. Boden, engineer for the Grain Products, Inc. was in town the first of the week on business in connection with the Heppner plant.



JUNE 14---NATIONAL FLAG DAY

Salvage, Bond and Stamp Sales on Current Calendar

Emphasis on War Effort Due in All Civilian Branches

Substantial reminders that there is a war in progress will be found in several activities to be launched in the immediate future. Salvage and bond and stamp campaigns will be resumed with renewed energy after a short breathing spell following the recent war bond drive.

Disposal of remaining piles of scrapiron collected in the prize-winning drive last October, was taken up at a meeting of the Morrow county salvage committee Friday evening. Plans were laid for accomplishing the removal of these stocks at an early date to pave the way for another campaign at the close of the harvest season. Since manpower is scarce, it was deemed advisable to contract with a salvage concern to remove the stocks and clean up the yards. Failing in this the next move will be to employ local help.

Forty tons of tin probably is more than could be gathered up in Morrow county and the committee decided to contact salvage officials of Wheeler and Gilliam counties in an effort to round up a car load. If the other counties cooperate it is expected that a common loading point will be established at Arlington.

Chairman C. D. Conrad stated that the waste kitchen fats campaign is moving along but that more stress should be placed upon this highly important contribution to the war effort. The same thing holds true with the silk stocking campaign.

From Washington comes news that another war bond drive is about to be launched and that this time the little fellows will have to punge up, or else. That \$5,000,000,000 over-subscription in April was taken up largely by heavy investors and the treasury department wants more names on the subscription list.

Concurrently announcement comes from the Oregon war savings staff that there will be a special drive to sell stamps to the extent of \$1 for every man, woman and child in the state of Oregon during the month of July. The state's quota is \$1,100,000.

Miss Moyer Elected To Teach Home Ec

Before leaving for summer school at Eugene, Supt. George Corwin announced that the board had elected Miss Miriam Moyer of Heppner to teach home economics in the Heppner school the ensuing year. She was chosen to take the place of Miss Evelyn Youngberg, resigned.

Other high school positions made vacant by resignations are coach and commercial departments. Lyle Swenson, who had a highly successful year as coach reportedly is looking for a job in Washington or California. At present he is working in the service department at Rosewall Motor company. Miss Joyce Hugill resigned to take up another line of work in the Willamette valley, it is stated. Miss Youngberg will teach at McMinnville.

SUMMER HERE

Summer officially arrived Monday in Heppner, for that was the day that J. O. Rasmus, city water master, turned on the Arnold Sharp fountain in front of the Masonic building. The sun and the birds both had been out some days before that but turning on the fountain marks the official opening of the summer season in these parts.

Park Idea Revived At Monday Luncheon

Proposal for a small city park, advanced by the Heppner chamber of commerce during the winter and left in "cold storage" for several months, was brought to the fore at the weekly luncheon Monday, with the probability that something will be done about it.

A committee named earlier in the winter including L. E. Dick, L. E. Bisbee and O. G. Crawford made some investigation in the early spring and arrived at nothing definite. Dick moved to Portland, leaving the job in the hands of the other committeemen who could recommend but one feasible spot, the little nook adjoining the county buildings on north Main street. Consensus of opinion at Monday's meeting was that this spot can be made usable with little work and a small expenditure of money. Dr. L. D. Tibbles and C. D. Conrad were placed on the committee with Bisbee and Crawford and an effort will be made to get some action.

Mayor J. O. Turner announced that the city council would take some action relative to removing horses from the rodeo grounds, stating that he believed the city and the rodeo association were not in position to maintain a free pasture and corral service for horses in transit from range and ranches to market. He took the position that if the grounds were so used, owners of the animals should pay a sufficient rental to maintain the property.

In the absence of L. E. Bisbee, B. C. Pinckney acted as chairman. Frank Turner's name was drawn for chairman next Monday.

Train Service To Be Reestablished Sometime Today

Train service will be re-established sometime today, officials announce, although arriving time of the regular freight is somewhat indefinite. Service was disrupted Monday morning when the outgoing freight was wrecked at Cecil.

Eight cars were derailed, some of them suffering serious damage. The wreck occurred as the train was pulling into the station at Cecil. The locomotive and first six cars passed over the switch but something happened that the seventh car didn't clear with the result that it and the next seven cars were thrown from the track. Damage to roadbed was severe, it is reported, with rails and ties torn from their mooring and left in a jumbled mess.

Most of the wrecked cars were loaded with wheat, while at the rear of the train were several carloads of sheep which Harold Cohn was shipping to Idaho. The sheep were not damaged, Cohn states, but had to be unloaded for feed and water at Cecil.

HOSPITAL COUNCIL SCHEDULES MEETING

A meeting of the Blue Mountain Hospital council has been scheduled for Friday morning in Pendleton. Since our boys are fighting on every front and casualties are many hospital facilities and equipment are more essential than ever and the work of the council has been greatly increased.

Several Heppner ladies are planning to drive to Pendleton for the meeting.

More Youths Leave For Induction Centers

Another contingent of Morrow county young men left Friday evening for induction centers to enter services of the army and navy. Led by acting Cpl Irving Greener of Heppner, a group including Francis Troedson, Ione; Dale Russell, Boardman, and Earl Wels of Hermiston, left for the induction center at Ft. Douglas, Utah.

Leaving to join the navy were Donald Campbell, Lexington; Melvin Brady, Ione and Elmer Brassfield, resident of Kansas whose call came at this time. Nelson Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bailey of Heppner, answered the call from Oregon City, while Fred Beamer, brother of Ralph Beamer of Heppner, reported in Virginia.

MACHINERY QUOTAS INCREASED

Morrow county machinery quotas have been increased, and two side delivery rakes and three large combines are now available according to Henry Baker, chairman of the USDA war board. Anyone desiring to purchase these items should apply for a purchase certificate at the county agent's office.

EMPLOYMENT OFFICIAL

R. B. Rice, Lexington farmer, is in charge of the local office of the United States employment service. He has a desk in the county agent's office where farmers and laborers may be brought together. Rice was chosen for the job by the Morrow county farm labor sub-committee and will serve during June, July and August.