

**OREGON FARM PRICE PICTURE SAID "MIXED" IN RECENT OSC REPORT**

Oregon State College — It's touch-and-go for Oregon field crops this year with wheat and feed grains leading heavily on government supports while hay and seed crops are strictly on their own.

Oregon State college agricultural economists believe Oregon wheat farmers will realize a better price on the 1957 crop by holding back part of the crop under the government loan program.

A wait-and-see sales approach can practically assure prices at least equal to the government's minimum selling price, says M. D. Thomas, agricultural economist. The selling price is set at 5 percent above the government support of \$2.22 at Portland terminals plus an allowance for carrying charges. This totaled \$2.34 a bushel on No. 1 soft white wheat at Portland in July.

If all the new Pacific Northwest wheat crop were offered on the market at harvest time, prices might drop to support levels, Thomas warns. Since the same

thing might happen if all the new wheat were held off the market until government stocks were gone, orderly marketing seems to be the best answer, he says.

The price picture is mixed for Oregon feed grains, hay, and seed crops. Large supplies of feed grains are likely to keep markets from rising above support levels this fall, believes Ray Teal, OSC seed and grain marketing specialist.

Price supports on 1957 barley and oats crops run from about \$3 to \$3.75 a ton under last year. The basic support rate on No. 2 western barley at Portland terminals is \$1.20 a bushel or \$50 a ton—\$2.92 a ton less than last year.

A record feed grain harvest in Oregon and the Northwest will run head on into bumper crops elsewhere. A prospective decrease in the nation's corn production should be more than offset by an increase in corn carryover and larger crops of other feed grains. Even so, demand for good malt-

ing-type Oregon Hanchen barley may be strong enough to bring moderate premiums over feed barley at harvest time, Teal says.

Oregon hay supplies now in sight are also the largest on record. With a few less hay-eating animals in the state than in the last two or three years, low hay prices are almost certain unless the winter is unusually long and severe, say the economists.

Large supplies of old hay carried over from the mild winter, plus a bigger crop of new hay this summer, have combined to clip \$8 to \$10 a ton off last year's harvest-time prices.

Market prospects for seeds seem to be a "Duke's mixture" of good and bad, Teal reports. Oregon cover crop seeds may find less competition this year with reports from the South of small crops of crimson clover and lupine seed along with weather damage to hairy vetch. At the same time, better moisture conditions in the South may encourage greater use of cover crops this fall.

Teal believes ryegrass prices have probably hit rock-bottom and could stage a comeback

**Monument News**

**By Martha Matteson**

LeRoy Buxton, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Buxton, left Monday, Aug. 12 for Seattle to enter army training.

Thelma Williams and Mary Alice Vinson left Friday morning for Pasco, Wash. taking Miss Pat Williams, a niece from Orofino, Idaho, to meet her folks. Thelma and Mary Alice returned home Saturday evening.

Leo Flower had the misfortune with a smaller new crop and less carryover on July 1 than earlier expected.

Turf seeds will have more competition from Kentucky bluegrass than last year. Also, fine fescue, bent and Merion bluegrass crops will be as large or larger than last year, the specialist reports.

Demands for dryland grasses may be delayed, Teal says, as Great Plains farmers turn their moisture-filled land to cash crops before retiring them in the Soil Bank.

Thursday morning to burn his left hand on a live wire while working at the mill taking out motors to ship to California. Wilbur Flower rushed him to John Day for medical aid. He returned to work that afternoon.

Mrs. Jessie Scott of Long Creek visited in town Wednesday with her folks.

Mrs. Ann Cowden of Portland spent the weekend visiting her son and family, the Forrest Noland.

Mrs. Olive Cox and Mrs. Verne McCarty drove to Hermiston Friday with lams.

Mrs. Jim Croker accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ansil Martin to Salem Sunday evening to get her son Ronny who had visited his grandparents for a week. They returned on the bus.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kingman of Alturas, Calif. Robert Dale Scott of Long Creek, returned Friday evening from Washington where they had spent the week visiting Bob's folks. They spent the weekend here with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matteson and returned to California Sunday evening.

Mamie Ferguson, Laura Lee Shank, Mr and Mrs. Bill Settle,

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McWillis, Mr. and Mrs. George Stirritt and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rounds recently spent three days huckleberrying. They reported getting about 40 gallons of berries among the group.

Mr. and Mrs. Carston Brandhagen of Pendleton visited Sunday at the Joe Mellor home. They were here to get the rest of their household goods and a pickup they had stored here.

The Bob Kelly family of Long Creek were visitors Sunday at the Mellor home.

Dinner guests Saturday evening at the Matteson home were Mr and Mrs. Sam Scott of Long Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kingman of Alturas, Calif. The dinner was to honor Elmer Matteson's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matteson and son Dale were in Heppner Monday on business.

Mrs. Myron Watts is visiting relatives in Sandpoint, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely were called to Heppner Monday by the critical illness of Ely's father, H. O. Ely in Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rands attended the annual Boardman picnic at the Benson state park in Portland Sunday.

**3 1/2%**  
CURRENT RATE  
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# Plan To See It All-The Morrow County Fair AND RODEO

**PROGRAM**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27**

- 9:00 A. M.—All 4-H Entries Close.
- 9:30 A. M.—4-H Home Economics Judging Contest.
- 1:00 P. M.—Bread Baking Contest.
- 2:00 P. M.—Open Class Flower Entries Open.
- 8:00 P. M.—Open Class Flower Entries Close.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28**

- 9:00 A. M.—All open class entries close, with the exception of flowers which are open to 10:00 a.m.
- 9:00 A. M.—Judging begins on hay, crops, Home Economics.
- 9:00 A. M.—4-H Home Economics Demonstrations and judging dresses for style revue.
- 9:00 A. M.—4-H Livestock Judged.
- 8:00 P. M.—4-H Style Revue at Fair Pavilion.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 29**

- 9:00 A. M.—Finish judging in all classes.
- 1:30 P. M.—Open class Livestock Judged.
- 7:30 P. M.—4-H Pig Scramble and Fat Auction Sale.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 30**

- 9:00 A. M.—Judging of halter classes in Saddle Horse Division. Horse Show continues throughout the day with Junior Roping, other events.
- 8:00 P. M.—Special Night Show, Morrow County Amateur Calf Roping, Wild Horse Racing, Wrangler Cow Riding and other events.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31**

- 10:00 A. M.—Big Street Parade.
- 12:00 Noon—County-wide picnic at Court House lawn.
- 1:15 P. M.—Rodeo.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

- 6:00 A. M.—Cowboy breakfast served by Wranglers Riding Club at Club House on Fair Grounds.
- 1:30 P. M.—Rodeo.

Again this years at the Fair there will be many new events and numerous divisions and classes have been added for greater interest. Whatever your special interests may be you'll find them at this year's Fair. Remember . . . the fair is yours, and to make it bigger, you must be a part of it. You still have time to get a premium list from the county agent's office and prepare your entries.. It's fun and it can be profitable.

DON'T MISS THE **4-H** STYLE REVUE

Wednesday, August 28, 8 P. M., AND THE **FAT LIVESTOCK AUCTION SALE AND PIG SCRAMBLE** Thursday, Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS Rodeo Dances**

WITH THE MUSIC OF **Johnny K's Orchestra**

**BIG Friday Night Show Under The Lights**

REMEMBER—  
**Open Class Entries Close Wed. Morning August 28**  
4-H CONTESTS AND JUDGING **Tuesday, August 27**

SEE THE **Horse Show**  
Sponsored By The Wranglers **FRIDAY 10 A. M. & AFTERNOON**  
**WRANGLERS' COWBOY BREAKFAST SUNDAY MORNING**

**EXHIBITS -- DISPLAYS**

# August 27 thru Sept. 1