

What's Happening To Meat Prices?

Meat prices have been going up and may go higher before they level off, but don't blame the livestock producers, packers, or the local butcher says S.C. Marks, Oregon State University Extension Agricultural Economist. The basic problem as we see it reports, Don Stengel, Morrow Extension Agent, is less red meat in the market channels than a year ago. Last month supplies of beef, veal, pork and lamb were down about 12 percent from January 1971. While supply is down, demand continues strong. This combination forces prices up, which explains the 20 year high prices for beef.

Retail meat prices will probably trend upward until spring when winter storms will have ceased interrupting livestock marketing and farmers will be sending more cattle and hogs to the packers. With an increase in marketing, retail prices should level out and more "specials" should be featured.

Marks also explains why retail meat prices can adjust upward even though there are price controls. Controls do not apply to the raw farm products and take effect only when the meat moves through the packing process. Retailers can pass along higher costs to consumers as long as their margin of profit doesn't exceed the two-year base period chosen by the firm from the three-year period ending Nov. 15, 1971.

Even though meat prices are higher, consumers are still only spending about 18 percent of their take-home pay on food. The meat prices are very noticeable because 25 percent of the total food spending is usually on meat.

The basic reasons behind the rise in the price of meat lies in the chronically low farm prices for meat animals over the years in relation to sharply rising costs of feed and other inputs that farmers buy; and severe winter weather in the mid-west. This combination, combined with the forces of inflation and low prices that have forced many producers to give up farming, leaving fewer farmers to produce the nation's meat and other food products. Currently there is about one farmer for every 50 persons in the United States.

Although farm mechanization has enabled increased numbers, the increase in livestock production has not kept pace with gains in crop production. This doesn't mean ranchers are currently having difficulty taking up the slack. Just remember, meat prices are made by consumer demand.



COMMUNITY PRIDE gets under way in Irrigon with planting of shrubs at the new Fire station. Pictured are members of the 4-H Community Pride Club: R. Walker, R. Matthews, Marge Shade, who is leader, Karen Richards, Peggy Brandt, Jack Brasel, Donald Richards.

Irrigon 4-H'ers Beautify Fire Station Yard

IRRIGON-Community 4-H members get their Community Pride project off to a good start, with landscape plantings around the Fire Station. Mr. and Mrs. James Keith donated two 1-foot evergreen shrubs that were planted, one on either side of the fire station. Mayor Chester Wilson manned the city backhoe to dig and move the hefty bushes. A row of Pfitzer Juniper was planted back of the parking lot. These evergreen plants were donated Mayor Wilson.

Young people working with their leader, Marge Shade, were Peggy and Dale Brandt, Donald and Karen Richards, Vicky and Valerie Sullivan, Jack Brasel, Randy Matthews and Ronald Walker, Mark Adams, and Skip Gorchowski.

KOOKY COOKS met on Mar. 2, held our 7th meeting. The meeting went well we discussed a party. We decided to have a party around April 16.

Those who were absent were Anita Davidson, Jr. Leader, Maggie Baker, and Debbie Marquardt. Mrs. Allyn will tell us when our next meeting will be.

Reporter, Betty Fae Green

Beginning Spring Cleaning? Get a head start with Want Ads. Dial 676-9228.



A diversion ditch on Marcel Jones farm, Marcel, 1971 Conservation Man of the Year, has over 50,000 feet of diversions installed.

Morrow County Court Proceedings

Warrants Issued on the General Fund:			
Paul W. Jones			
Co. Ct. travel.....	\$ 64.78		
Standard Office Equip.			
H. nurse sup.....	4.64		
Larry rescn, sheriffs meals & travel.....	4.95		
Shell Oil Co. sheriffs car exp.....	6.18		
Morrow Co. Grain Growers sheriffs ofc sup.....	50.76		
car exp.....	51.63		
Coast to Coast ctchse sup.....	102.39		
Ernest Jorgensen JPS phone 39.33 sup. 16.45, rent 33.33.....	85.11		
Standard Oil Co. sheriffs car exp.....	12.45		
American Flag & Banner ctchse sup.....	49.10		
James Driscoll PM-postage.....	100.00		
John Lane S. food rent.....	90.00		
Wheeler's Communication sheriffs comm.....	46.91		
City of Heppner ctchse water 8.50 S. food 5.00.....	13.50		
Grace E. Drake Juv. travel.....	40.92		
3M Business Products paper & postage.....	30.75		
M & R Co. ctchse sup.....	12.00		
Heppner Garbage Disp. ctchse sup.....	3.00		
Gazette Times Off. Pub.....	97.62		
Columbia Basin ctchse power.....	149.08		
Central Mt. ctchse sup.....	8.56		
Grace Steers S. food sup.....	16.78		
Heppner Chamber Juv. travel.....	14.00		
First Nat'l Co. Ct. travel.....	14.70		
Herman Winter, DA secy 145.11, phone 68.54 travel 13.60, sup 29.70 rent 55.00.....	319.95		
Clerk & Records Assoc. clerks dues.....	35.00		
Pettyjohns Assessors ofc sup.....	4.77		
Richfield sheriffs car exp.....	4.83		
Assoc. of Ore. Counties AOC dues.....	367.55		
Standard Oil Co. ctchse fuel 102.48 sheriffs car exp 70.91.....	173.39		
Sheriff of Umatilla jail exp.....	73.92		
Standard Office clerks sup 3.09, Co. Ct. sup. 58.45.....	61.45		
Fords Tire Assessors pickup.....	29.20		
Murrays Drug Co. Ct. sup. .75, Tax Coll. exp 3.87.....	4.12		
Dept. of Revenue assessors St misc.....	88.34		
League of Ore. Cities sheriffs ofc sup.....	13.53		
Chamber of Commerce Co. Ct exp.....	2.60		
Rentex Service ctchse sup.....	12.00		
Pacific NW Bell M & R Co.			
Sheriffs comm. exp.	10.48		
Bankers Life Ins.	40.34		
Dept of Revenue Sal.....	389.80		
First Nat'l Bank Sal.....	1,123.80		
Pacific Mutual Life Sal.....	213.79		
Public Emp Ret. Br. Sal 557.32, ss 557.52.....	1,115.04		
St. Accident Ins Fund - Sal.....	11.12		
Standard Ins. Co. Ins.....	81.28		
WARRANTS ISSUED ON GENERAL ROAD FUND:			
First National Bank Sal.....	871.90		
Homer Hughes Comm exp.....	23.86		
Walter Hayes Comm exp.....	42.02		
James Scarborough repairs.....	935.15		
John A. Pfeiffer misc.....	8.78		
Sears, Roebuck Misc.....	17.33		
Standard Oil gas & oil.....	5.59		
City of Heppner misc.....	4.90		
Columbia Basin misc 98.77, parks 16.00.....	114.77		
Howard Cooper Corp. repairs.....	431.71		
First Nat'l Bank gas & oil 6.20 Misc 3.80.....	9.80		
Standard Office supplies.....	9.84		
M & R Co. misc.....	8.50		
Claude Swingle Mach. repairs.....	151.02		
Heppner Inland Chemical repairs.....	9.90		
Stone Machinery repairs.....	92.19		
Case Furniture Co. misc.....	19.90		
Pettyjohns repairs \$3.34, misc 86.72.....	120.06		
Pacific NW Bell misc.....	20.96		
Bankers Life Ins.....	41.81		
Howard Cooper Corp repairs.....	174.04		
Geo. Philpot Co. repairs.....	83.93		
Del's Mkt misc.....	1.56		
Murrays Drug misc.....	13.19		
Davis Eastern Supply repairs.....	93.49		
Sender Tool Service repairs.....	51.45		
Communications Lab misc.....	54.00		
Fords Tire tires.....	125.33		
Padberg Machinery repairs.....	154.12		
Rentex Services misc.....	14.73		
Labor.....	6,545.39		
State Accident Ins Sal.....	5.84		
Standard Ins. Co. Ins.....	50.00		
Public Emp. Ret. Br. Sal 446.80, ss 446.80.....	893.60		
First National Sal.....	767.50		
State Dept of Revenue Sal.....	250.50		
Pacific Mutual Life Ins. Sal.....	316.26		

Youths Meet LBJ And Other VIPs At Hayden Rites

The Bill Weatherfords received a folder from daughter Ann Haberlach that she was given when she attended the memorial service for Senator Carl Hayden in Tempe recently. Ann writes that after the service she and her fiancé, Ray Chenhall, were guests at a buffet at the Hayden C. Hayden home where they were introduced to former President Hon. Lyndon B. Johnson, "and he shook our hands even though there were many more important people there with whom he was talking. I wish I had known who some of the people were. I recognized Stuart Udall, Sam Rayburn, Barry Goldwater and some others."

ARIZONA'S FIRST CITIZEN

The packet contains a folder-program with Senator Hayden's picture on its cover, inside is a brief obituary and the order of the service. The biographical sketch points out "Arizona's most distinguished citizen Carl Trumbull Hayden served in the United States Congress longer than any other man in our Nation's history. His 57-year tenure began on Feb. 15, 1912, as the first member of the U. S. House of Representatives elected from the new State of Arizona. He was elected to the U. S. Senate in 1926 and served there with the highest distinction until his retirement in 1968." Tributes were given by LBJ and Senator Goldwater, Rev. John Atwood, pastor, Pacific Beach United Methodist Church, San Diego, Cal., a family friend, was the presiding minister. The services drew thousands to the Grady Gammage Memorial Auditorium, Arizona State University, Tempe. Ann also enclosed her reserved seat ticket.

Senator Hayden's survivors are his two nephews Larry Hayden, Tucson, and Hayden C. Hayden, Phoenix, and their families. The Larry Hayden family are intimate friends of the Chenhalls, Ann and Ray will be married in their garden. Mrs. Weatherford enjoyed being in their home twice during her January Tucson visit.

Harold (Shorty) Peck came in to tell us about the original Sheepskin Scrip printed in the early 1930's. When the banks were closed in 1932 there were two banks in Heppner. They closed and never did open. As he remembered, the Farmers and Stock Growers bank paid 105 percent on their deposits and the First National of Oregon (no relation to the present one) paid 90 percent.

Harold says there was absolutely no change in Heppner. A group of business men got together and put up \$2500 for security and had sheepskin scrip printed at the Gazette-Times. It was the size of a dollar in denominations of 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00 and \$5.00. It was used about a year then they started calling them in. When they closed out the account they made about \$1000 as this amount was never redeemed. They figure these were kept as souvenirs.

Merlyn Robinson brought in a 25 cent original for us to see. The leather is very soft 25 cents is in red on either end of the bill. There's a seal in the center with a sheep's head in the center. "Issued by the Business Men of Heppner, Oregon" under the seal and over the seal is HEPPNER SHEEPSKIN SCRIP.

Harold said that his wife had one of the 25 cent originals among her souvenirs.

MERRY MIXERS

The Merry Mixers 4-H Cooking Club visited the Pio-Home, Mar. 17, to commemorate St. Patrick's Day we served 24 patients green jello in gaily decorated cups and slices of angel food cake decorated with shamrocks. Arriving at the hospital as dinner was being served our gifts were used for dessert. To prepare the gifts six of the nine members met at the home of Mrs. Pat Pettyjohn on Mar. 15. We prepared 6 packages of jello and one angel food cake. The six graders cut out shamrocks for the cake. The Don McElligott family made the other cake at home. On March 17, after school we went directly to the home of Mrs. Marion Palmer and wrapped the sliced cake. After we left the hospital Mrs. Lee Pettyjohn and Mrs. Don McElligott treated us at the drive-in.

News Reporter Jeanie Piening

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

If you are so lucky as to have a refrigerator with an automatic ice maker, you can appreciate not having ice trays to fill and being able to fill a glass full with cubes without the bother of emptying a tray. Here are some more "unusual" uses of ice.

QUICK SET gelatins: speed the jelling process, add one cup boiling water to dissolve contents of package, then 8 or 9 cubes instead of cold water. It begins to set before it goes into the refrigerator.

WHEN whipping cream refuses to whip, place bowl in another bowl of ice. Many good cooks use ice to chill doughs and other ingredients.

FRUIT cocktails, sherbets are at their prettiest if served in hollowed-out orange or grapefruit halves in mounds of crushed ice.

When Sheepskin Was Cash

Harold (Shorty) Peck came in to tell us about the original Sheepskin Scrip printed in the early 1930's. When the banks were closed in 1932 there were two banks in Heppner. They closed and never did open. As he remembered, the Farmers and Stock Growers bank paid 105 percent on their deposits and the First National of Oregon (no relation to the present one) paid 90 percent.

Harold says there was absolutely no change in Heppner. A group of business men got together and put up \$2500 for security and had sheepskin scrip printed at the Gazette-Times. It was the size of a dollar in denominations of 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00 and \$5.00. It was used about a year then they started calling them in. When they closed out the account they made about \$1000 as this amount was never redeemed. They figure these were kept as souvenirs.

Merlyn Robinson brought in a 25 cent original for us to see. The leather is very soft 25 cents is in red on either end of the bill. There's a seal in the center with a sheep's head in the center. "Issued by the Business Men of Heppner, Oregon" under the seal and over the seal is HEPPNER SHEEPSKIN SCRIP.

Harold said that his wife had one of the 25 cent originals among her souvenirs.

MERRY MIXERS

The Merry Mixers 4-H Cooking Club visited the Pio-Home, Mar. 17, to commemorate St. Patrick's Day we served 24 patients green jello in gaily decorated cups and slices of angel food cake decorated with shamrocks. Arriving at the hospital as dinner was being served our gifts were used for dessert. To prepare the gifts six of the nine members met at the home of Mrs. Pat Pettyjohn on Mar. 15. We prepared 6 packages of jello and one angel food cake. The six graders cut out shamrocks for the cake. The Don McElligott family made the other cake at home. On March 17, after school we went directly to the home of Mrs. Marion Palmer and wrapped the sliced cake. After we left the hospital Mrs. Lee Pettyjohn and Mrs. Don McElligott treated us at the drive-in.

News Reporter Jeanie Piening

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

If you are so lucky as to have a refrigerator with an automatic ice maker, you can appreciate not having ice trays to fill and being able to fill a glass full with cubes without the bother of emptying a tray. Here are some more "unusual" uses of ice.

QUICK SET gelatins: speed the jelling process, add one cup boiling water to dissolve contents of package, then 8 or 9 cubes instead of cold water. It begins to set before it goes into the refrigerator.

WHEN whipping cream refuses to whip, place bowl in another bowl of ice. Many good cooks use ice to chill doughs and other ingredients.

FRUIT cocktails, sherbets are at their prettiest if served in hollowed-out orange or grapefruit halves in mounds of crushed ice.

OSU Studies Garbage Project At Boeing Site

OSU researchers are attempting to answer several questions about the waste disposal and crop production phases of development which are based on a proposal to handle 800 tons a day of Portland's garbage and septic tank plant effluent.

"Because addition of municipal wastes to the soil is not a natural phenomenon, effects on the soil and crops require thorough investigation," said Volk.

Nancy M. Cottrell and Gary A. Halvorson, graduate research assistants, are determining the amounts of garbage the land can accept, effect of garbage on the soil and yield and quality of crops grown on the garbage-soil mixture.

Decomposed wastes may provide trace elements necessary for plant growth, stimulating the need to supplement the soil with these elements. Garbage may increase the organic content of the soil and its ability to hold water, reducing irrigation needs. Garbage particles in the soil may also decrease erosion when the sandy soil is tilled, said Volk.

The possibility of incorporating municipal wastes into vast acreages of desert soil as a step to agricultural production is being studied by a team of OSU scientists.

The research, headed by V. V. Volk and C. H. Ullery in the OSU Department of Soil Science, is part of an attempt by Boeing Company to develop its 100,000-acre rocket and jet engine test site near Boardman in Northeastern Oregon.

Several uses for the site, acquired in 1963 through a 77-year lease with the State of Oregon, are being investigated. These include crop production, feedlot beef production, nuclear power plant development, and municipal waste disposal.

education students, an opportunity to accumulate as many as 18 hours credit. "Dr. Eastley said.

The summer catalog, to be available within a week from the registrar's office, also will change format considerably. The 12-page tabloid newspaper will contain essential information about courses and workshops, as well as the regulations, recreation plans, and other stories about the period between June 5 and August 18.

F.M. HARRISON PASSES

Memorial services will be held today (Thursday) at 2:30 p.m. at Sweeney Mortuary Chapel for F.M. (Fussie) Harrison who died at Hillsboro. He is a former Heppner resident. Rev. Ed Cutner resident, Rev. Ed Cutting is officiating. Interment will be in Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Taxes due? "Want-ad," your "don't needs" for extra cash!

Read All The News in the Gazette - Times

ALL STEEL CABINET STORAGE SALE

YOUR CHOICE
30" UTILITY
 30" W x 15" D x 66" H
 • 4 Shelves • Magnetic doors
 • Deep bin • White & Aqua
\$29⁹⁵
36" WARDROBE
 30" W x 21" D x 66" H
 • Hat shelf • Magnetic doors
 • Strong Lock • Sandalwood finish

YOUR CHOICE
30" CHINA UTILITY
 30" W x 15" D x 66" H
 • Sliding glass doors • Utility drawer
 • Electric outlet • White & Aqua
\$39⁹⁵
36" QUALITY WARDROBE
 36" W x 21" D x 66" H
 • Full hat shelf • Full view mirror
 • Tote lock • Sandalwood finish
\$4 DOWN

YOUR CHOICE
72" SLIDING DOOR ROBE
 42" W x 22 1/2" D x 72" H
 • 2 Hat shelves • 44" Mirror
 • Nylon glides • Deluxe finish
\$59⁹⁵
72" MASTER WARDROBE
 42" W x 21" D x 72" H
 • 2 Hat shelves • 44" Mirror
 • Lock & key • Deluxe finish
\$5 DOWN

YOUR CHOICE
72" DELUXE CHINA
 42" W x 20" D x 72" H
\$69⁹⁵
 in WHITE & AQUA or COPPERTONE
 • Full width China section
 • Plastic work surface
 • Utility drawer
 • Electric outlet
 • Glass doors
 • Cup hooks
\$6 DOWN

SPRING LOCK HINGES WHITE OR COPPERTONE

24" KITCHEN BASE
 24" W x 20" D x 36" H
 • Utility drawer
 1000 for pots & pans
\$29⁹⁵

30" KITCHEN BASE
 30" W x 20" D x 36" H
 • Utility drawer
 1000 for pots & pans
\$36⁹⁵

30" BREAD BOX BASE
 30" W x 20" D x 36" H
 • 2 Utility drawers
 • Bread box drawer
 • Room for pots & pans
\$43⁹⁵

Case Furniture Co.
Ph. 676-9432