

SURVEY SHOWS HAY MARKET LOW

A survey of the hay market throughout the northwest indicates bearish prices, at least, for fall and early winter. Portland and Seattle buyers are paying from \$14 to \$15 for No. 1 quality alfalfa delivered in Portland. Subtracting cost of baling, trucking and freight, and dealers' commissions, the present price for No. 1 alfalfa is between \$6 and \$7 for the producers.

Hay is being sold for \$5 and \$6 in the stack in Wallowa and Baker counties. In southern Idaho the crop

is light and this shortage is being supplied by hay from Malheur county at around \$8. Yakima valley and Klamath county report large crops, and this is being taken by buyers in the Sound country and Willamette valley buyers, but the movement is light. Farmers refuse to accept the current prices except in cases where the hay must be sold.

W. W. Felthouse, local buyer, has made a canvas of the hay district and prospective markets. He found that California was not using the Klamath hay this year, as that state had a good crop. Klamath must find a market west of the Cascades. Previously he had bought a quantity of hay at Enterprise for \$6, but will

not pay that price for any more under the present outlook.

F. B. Swayze has just returned from the Willamette valley and says that there is a normal crop of hay there, mainly oats and vetch, but that owing to a hot dry summer the pastures dried up, making early feeding necessary. He reports conditions are favorable for a winter alfalfa hay market in the valley.

The alfalfa crop is slightly heavier than last year in Umatilla and Morrow counties, but owing to a late spring season, the crop is largely mixed with cheat.

Another bearish condition on the price of hay is the present low on grains. With barley at \$15 a ton many sheep men will feed grain during the winter more heavily than usual.

Dairy herds will be the largest consumers since the present sheep market price will cause sheep men to feed conservatively. The price of hay and grain may induce more feeding, and a hard winter may take up the slack, but the foregoing facts represent the present outlook for hay prices.

IRRIGON

By MRS. W. C. ISOM

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Browning and family motored to Baker, Ore., Saturday to visit relatives. The small McRoberts boy returned with them for a month's visit.

Wayne Caldwell of Portland spent the week end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Arnberg are remodeling their living rooms in the back of their store.

Don Isom left for Grand Coulee, Wash., Tuesday where he expects to have employment.

Don Rutledge returned from Portland Sunday with a load of lumber. Mrs. Leo Root of Boardman called on Mrs. W. C. Isom Sunday.

Miss Nellie Leicht, who has been visiting in the valley, returned last week.

The Irrigon Grange sponsored a pie social at the school auditorium Saturday night.

The 4-H club girls of the home-making division entertained at the Frank Frederickson home Saturday complimenting their leader, Mrs. Earl Leach, at a bridal shower. The honoree will be remembered as Miss Vonna Jones. She received many beautiful and useful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Allen of Umatilla were home over the week end.

Mrs. Nora Wilson has been staying with Mrs. Dan Hill.

Bert Dexter purchased two lots north and east of the depot and is moving his barn to the new location.

W. C. Isom is erecting a new chicken house on his property on the north side of town. It will be a unit large enough to take care of 250 hens which they expect to add in the near future.

Freda Frederickson, who has been in Portland for some time, is home for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frederickson.

Clair Caldwell and Robert Smith are putting a new roof on the Chas. Steward residence.

Rev. and Mrs. Harness and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Steward were Hermiston visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bedwell of Sunnyside, Wn., spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emery Bedwell.

Pentecostal church prayer meeting night has been changed from Thursday night to Friday night.

SHORT TOPICS

From the office of EARL SNELL, Secretary of State

Serious highway crashes are likely to result when two drivers traveling in the same direction attempt to pass a third car at the same time. Secretary of State Earl Snell comments. He advises that the second car in line be given first chance to pass, and that the driver of the rear car pass the other two only after sounding his horn and making sure the second car will not pull out of line.

Oregon's highways saw three traffic fatalities over the Labor Day week end, compared with five for the same holiday last year, according to Secretary of State Earl Snell.

WPA OK'S OREGON POWER SYSTEM

Approval by President Roosevelt of an eight hundred thousand dollar WPA project to clear the right-of-way for the Bonneville super-power transmission system in Oregon was received by Administrator J. D. Ross. Disclosure of the major Oregon grant came in the form of a telegram from Senator A. E. Reames and a communication from E. J. Griffith, state WPA Administrator.

Funds will be used to clear the route of the high tension transmission lines that will bring Bonneville power to Eastern Oregon, Portland and the Willamette Valley. More than a million man-hours of unskilled labor will be devoted to the construction work in Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, Marion, Linn, Lane, Hood River, and Wasco counties.

New Line Planned.

The principal line to be cleared is a 110,000-volt circuit from Vancouver down the Willamette Valley past Oregon City, Salem, Albany and Eugene. Another clearing project will run eastward from the dam through Hood River to The Dalles. The third job will be to prepare the way for a future high-tension line that will run directly from Oregon City to the Bonneville power plant, through Clackamas and Multnomah counties, being entirely in the State of Oregon.

An allotment of \$699,916 from the Works Progress Administration will be supplemented by a fund of \$103,044 furnished by the Bonneville Project. The latter sum will be used to provide necessary material, equipment and superintendence. Practically all of the WPA allotment will be used directly to pay skilled and unskilled workmen who will clear the routes for the power lines.

Many Jobs Provided.

The project, developed with the assistance of E. J. Griffith, Oregon WPA administrator, will furnish 1,246,068 man-hours of employment to a wide variety of mechanics and laborers, including truck drivers, handymen, rodmen, chairmen, fallers, buckers, powdermen, carpenters, blacksmiths, instrument men, jack hammer and compressor operators, as well as unskilled workmen who will do the bulk of the work. There are 1,022,120 man-hours of employment in the unskilled classification.

Administrator Ross said that the project will be under the complete direction of the WPA, and all of the men will be employed through that agency.

In addition to a large amount of heavy clearing, the project will include the construction of necessary roads and bridges for patrolling and maintaining the lines. Bids already have been asked for transmission cable and insulators for the 110,000-volt circuits which will be

built along the routes to Eastern Oregon and down through the Willamette Valley.

Administrator Ross pointed out that the \$699,916 allotment from the WPA will not only speed delivery of power to Oregon communities, but will allow the construction of additional transmission and substation facilities from non-WPA funds allocated to the Bonneville Project.

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