

Nation's Wheat Crop Seen Smallest in Seven Years

Washington, May 11—(U.P.)—The agricultural department today estimated this year's winter wheat crop of 689,595,999 bushels, smallest in seven years.

This is 74 million bushels less than last month's forecast. Drought and bugs hurt the crop. Production last year was 901,668,000 bushels. The previous 10-year average was 726,553,000 bushels.

The reduced estimate raised the possibility that some wheat from the government's big surplus price support pool may be used to meet domestic and foreign demand.

The department said that with average yields on prospective spring wheat acreage, there might be a total wheat crop of less than 1 billion bushels, smallest since 1943. Last year's total crop—winter and spring—was 1,146,463,000 bushels.

Winter wheat yields per acre to be harvested were estimated at 16 bushels, compared to 16.3 last year and the previous 10-year average of 17.5. No estimate has been made yet on spring wheat yields.

The department forecast a rye crop of 20,904,000 bushels, compared to 18,697,000 last year and the 10-year (1939-48) average of 22,155,900.

The report indicated a prospective peach shortage. It forecast production at 6,822,000 bushels in 10 southern states compared to 12,940,000 last year. The previous 10-year average is 18,052,000.

Crop conditions were reported

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'Definite' Threat Of Flood Exists Through Northwest

Washington, May 11—(U.P.)—The interior department warned today that a "definite" flood threat exists throughout the Pacific northwest.

The department, in its monthly water resources review compiled by the geological survey, said "a definite flood potential exists in the Pacific northwest. Water content of the snowpack is generally above normal."

It said a sudden and prolonged warm spell could send the streams feeding the Columbia river, and that river itself, surging over their banks. Most of the mountain streams in the Pacific northwest have not yet begun to rise, it said, but the total volume of the spring runoff is expected to be large because of the high water content of the snowpack.

The department said prolonged high temperatures "may cause damaging floods," especially if accompanied by rain.

It said the situation on the Kootenai river in northern Idaho is critical and that flood warnings have been issued.

John Duffy Employed By Conger-Morris Firm

John Duffy, former technician and promotion manager at radio station KMGD, has been employed as secretary at Conger-Morris funeral home, Carlos Morris of the firm reported.

Duffy was with the radio station five years. He now operates a recording service at his home at 1104 East Ninth street as an evening enterprise.



HEADIN' WEST—On his westward "whistle stop" tour of the nation, President Truman stops briefly in Chicago to take his morning walk along the tracks in the railroad switching yard.

Former War Prisoners of Oregon Apply for Benefits

Salem, Ore., May 11—(U.P.)—Nearly 102,400 former military prisoners of war and civilian internees have applied for benefits under the war claims act since claims forms were distributed January 3, the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs was informed today.

Of this number, 1,185 claimants have been paid \$822,537, an average payment of nearly \$700.

In Commission Report

These figures were in a report by the war claims commission covering the first six months of its operations from Sept. 14, 1949, through March 13 of this year. The Oregon veterans' department has just received a copy of the report.

The report said limited administrative funds have kept the commission personnel limited to an average of 56 employees, but the current year's \$300,000 appropriation has been upped to \$800,000 for the fiscal year 1951, which should provide faster processing of claims. An estimated 100,000 eligible Filipino claimants have not yet had a chance to apply. Of the 1,185 claimants already paid, 1,135 were ex-military personnel and 50 were civilian internees.

Provides Prisoner Payment

The war claims act provides payment of one dollar for each day a serviceman was held prisoner in any theater of operations, and \$60 for each month a civilian captured in the Pacific was interned by the Japanese. The cost of paying these claims and for administering the program is borne by the federal government, and is paid from alien properties confiscated by the American government.

Application for the benefit must be made before March 31,

1951. Application forms are available in Oregon from county service officers, the major veterans' organizations, and the Oregon department of veterans' affairs.

Naturalist Tells Of African Parks

Saying that national park problems in South Africa are similar in many respects to those in the United States, Dr. George Ruhl, Crater Lake National park naturalist, described his recent South African trip to Kiwanians in a talk at Rogue Valley Country club yesterday.

He also showed colored moving pictures of animal life in Kruger National park.

Dr. Ruhl reported that Africa has suffered more than any other continent from the "white" hunter and advanced methods of killing animal life. He brought out that with the settling of the continent, a large amount of game which once seethed over South Africa, inevitably had to go. However, he pointed also to wanton slaughter resulting from blind policies.

He said that South African national parks are not as highly developed as those in the United States, indicating, nevertheless, the desirability of retaining primitive values in parks. Ruhl described South African parks as being in an advanced game preserve status.

Honolulu, May 11—(U.P.)—Vice-Adm. Calvin T. Durgin, commander of the first Pacific fleet, said today the navy's biggest need in the Pacific now is submarines.

Payments In Lieu Of Taxes Told by O and C Chief

The federal government paid \$3,100,000 to 18 Oregon counties in lieu of taxes for forest lands in federal ownership in 1949.

This fact was pointed out by Daniel L. Goldy, Portland, bureau of land management regional administrator, in commenting on a recent assertion by Robert D. Maclean, state tax commissioner, that federal lands in Oregon "pay no taxes." Goldy's comment was made in a letter to Maclean.

\$326,000 Here

Of the amount about \$326,000 was paid to Jackson county from receipts from O and C lands, according to E. K. Petersen, Medford district forester of the bureau.

Goldy explained that 50 per cent of the receipts from the sale of timber and other resources on O and C lands and 25 per cent of receipts from national forest lands are paid in lieu of taxes to counties for road, school and other purposes. In 1949 the distribution of bureau of land management receipts to Oregon and Oregon counties totaled \$1,811,567 from timber sales, grazing fees and leases, mineral leases and sale of public land and materials.

Totals Told

Since 1916 receipts to counties from O and C lands have totaled \$22,900,000. Apportionment is based on the assessed valuation that year. Since 1906, Goldy said, the forest service has been returned \$5,900,000 returned to 16 counties.

Petersen reported that Jackson county received \$408,000 for fiscal 1948. Only 65 per cent of the allowable O and C cut was attained that year and only 40 per cent for fiscal 1949. A 1937 law stipulates that all the allowable O and C cut be sold or as much as can be properly administered. Except in 1940 the allowable cut has not been available to handle sales properly.

Average stumpage prices for O and C timber in 1941 was \$2.22 per thousand board feet. So far in fiscal 1950 it is \$11.41, Petersen said.

Mrs. America Granted California Divorce

San Diego, May 11—(U.P.)—America's most beautiful mother was granted an interlocutory decree today.

Mrs. Frances Cloyd, who won the Mrs. America contest at Asbury Park, N. J., last September, tearfully testified that her husband's physical mistreatment of her, lies and gambling made her "nervous and upset."

The blonde beauty queen appeared in court attired in an attractive black dress with a low neckline and wearing dark glasses. She sobbed quietly while on the stand.

Mrs. Cloyd was accompanied by her father, Jonathan Becker, retired marine captain, who testified as her substantiating witness.

Superior Judge L. N. Turrentine granted the decree on statutory grounds of extreme cruelty.

Sinatra, Ava Gardner Sailing for Europe

New York, May 11—(U.P.)—Crooner Frank Sinatra, who said his doctor ordered him to "keep my mouth shut" because of a throat ailment, left for Europe today and a rendezvous with screen star Ava Gardner.

Sinatra, who suffered a hemorrhage of the throat during a recent night club engagement, said through a spokesman that he "probably will see Ava in Barcelona."

"But we'll be as well chaperoned as at a high school dance," the spokesman quoted Sinatra.

The spokesman said Sinatra was determined to quash criticism of his appearance with the sultry Miss Gardner "Even if he has to hire 16 duennas."

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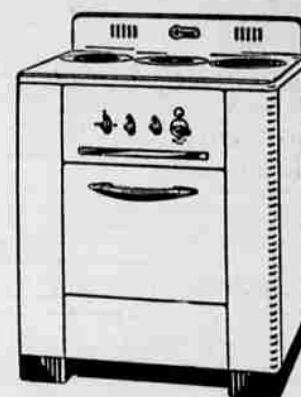
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Hoover is a veteran of World War I. Morse has never been in uniform. State Comm. Verre McCarthy, Department of Oregon, VFW, put his organization "on record denouncing Senator Morse as a sponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 56 which seeks to develop the United Nations into a world government that would supersede the Constitution of the United States."

WHO PUTS UP MORSE'S MONEY? The big Eastern labor bosses are raising \$15 million nationally to retain "friendly" candidates. Morse is their No. 1 boy. On April 15, 1950, at Klamath Falls, James Marr, exec. sec., State Federation of Labor, said: LLPE drive for funds for political use is falling flat in Oregon and the national organization is SENDING MONEY INTO THIS STATE FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. Marr said LLPE ALREADY HAD SENT \$2500 IN BEHALF OF SENATOR WAYNE MORSE OF OREGON.

Ballots can destroy America just as effectively as bullets. As HOOVER has said from the beginning, the issue in this campaign is LIBERTY vs. SOCIALISM. HOOVER has pledged to work for a balanced budget and the retirement of the public debt. Halt government squandering of Federal Funds, thereby making it possible to reduce our crushing tax burden. HOOVER recognizes that government has nothing to give to the people except that which it first takes away from the people. HOOVER will be guided by the interests of all the people of the State of Oregon and the United States and will not be subservient to pressure groups. HOOVER favors the protection and preservation of free enterprise because only through free enterprise will the people remain free. HOOVER will not be a party to the confirmation of any Federal executive who does not have an unblemished personal or political record.

And where does Hoover's opponent stand on these things? A self-proclaimed "liberal," Morse received his early political training under the influence of the La Follette of Wisconsin. In 1938, while still a professor at the University of Oregon, Morse fought on the side of the "goons" against the so-called "picketing bill" which was passed by

the people of Oregon as a protest against beat-ups, bombings and other excesses. Shortly afterwards, he was appointed to the War Labor Board by Franklin D. Roosevelt, who had been assured that Morse was sympathetic to the aims and objectives of the New Deal. No one can deny that Morse has been a life long member of the "tax and spend and spend" school of politics. Morse has said repeatedly that it is neither necessary nor even desirable to balance the national budget. Take another recent example of the Junior Senator's position on a most significant issue: While Morse has said he is against the proposed CVA act, as it is now written, what did he do on the matter of the proposed Columbia Basin accounting pool? Senator Gordon termed it "socialistic" and a start toward CVA. Gordon voted against the bill. Morse voted for it, along with Democrats Magnusson of Washington, and Taylor of Idaho.

Abraham Lincoln said this nation cannot exist "half slave and half free." Neither can the Republican party. The Republicans of Oregon cannot carry water on both shoulders. If, at the top of the ticket next November, the Republicans of Oregon attempt to defend a "liberal" on one hand and a conservative on the other, the party will go down inevitably to defeat.



DAVE HOOVER

Dave Hoover, a man who has worked with his own hands and knows the value of a dollar, will work for economy, efficiency and honesty in government. Dave Hoover does not CLAIM TO KNOW all the answers. He does not believe "teacher knows best" what is good for the people of Oregon and the nation. Hoover will remember the old proverb: "pride goeth before a fall." Hoover will go back to Washington and keep his mouth shut once in a while. He will not indulge in high-flown flights of oratory nor fall in love with the sound of his own voice. If you don't like the way things are going and think it's time for a change — CAST YOUR VOTE FOR HOOVER FOR U. S. SENATOR

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