

Cost of Producing Farm Crops To Be 'Somewhat Higher' in 1957

Washington — (U.P.) — The Agriculture department said today the cost of operating a farm and producing a crop next year will average "somewhat higher" than in 1956.

The department, in its publication, "The Farm Cost Situation," gave this outlook for 1957: "Farm property taxes per acre, interest rates, farm wage rates, and prices paid for farm machinery, motor vehicles and motor supplies are expected to be moderately higher.

Fertilizer Lower

"Farm real estate values, and prices paid for building and fencing materials, farm supplies, feed, feeder livestock, and seed are expected to be about the same or slightly higher.

The price of fertilizer is expected to average slightly lower per ton of plant nutrients but slightly higher per ton of gross weight."

The department said as of mid-October this year, the farm cost index was 8 per cent higher than last year. The index included interest, taxes and wage rates.

Prices for all items comprising the index, except fertilizer, feed, livestock and seed, have increased since a year ago, and most of the increases have taken place recently, the department said.

Archeologists Win Excavation Race

Vermillion, S.D. — (U.P.) — Archeologists have won another lap of their race to excavate prehistoric Indian villages along the banks of the Missouri river before they are inundated by gigantic reservoirs.

Most of the diggings so far in South Dakota have been of ancient villages dating as far back as the 16th century.

The villages were inhabited by the now virtually extinct Arikara Indians, who first were "discovered" by Lewis and Clark. Clark described them as "dirty," kind, poor and extravagant.

The Arikaras were primarily an agricultural people who lived in permanent villages of earth lodges. Their homes were framed with timber and partly sunk into the ground. They tilled the soil with primitive hoes made from the shoulder bones of buffalo.

It is believed the Arikaras moved up the Missouri river from the country which is now Nebraska in the early 16th century to escape a drought.

They settled in the river bottoms, where they lived for centuries, apparently undisturbed, until the war-like Sioux encroached upon their territory and the white man brought smallpox and other diseases.

Scores of the villages are being excavated by archeologists in their effort to learn all possible about the earliest inhabitants of the northern Great Plain before their ancient home sites are lost forever under the water of the reservoirs.

Rock Salt Damage To Highways Studied

Chicago — (U.P.) — The League of Wisconsin Municipalities has conducted a survey on damage caused by rock salt or chlorides to concrete highways.

The survey was conducted among 30 cities, according to the American Municipal Association. All used chlorides in some form to control ice, and half reported some damage to the concrete.

But seven of the cities reported no damage to air-entrained concrete.

A recent development, air-entrained concrete contains billions of tiny cells per cubic foot. These cells relieve internal pressure in concrete by forming tiny chambers for expansion of water as it freezes. The special concrete is made by grinding small amounts of soap-like, resinous or fatty materials into the cement clinker.

Only three municipalities reported damage to air-entrained concrete.

Twenty-one of the cities said they now require all concrete for public pavement to be air-entrained, or will require it in the future.

Next year, the department said, the rural labor supply and farm wage rates will continue to be influenced by non-farm employment opportunities. The expanded highway construction program, for example, may decrease the labor supply for the farms, because young men who are skilled operators of modern farm machinery can be trained readily to operate roadbuilding equipment.

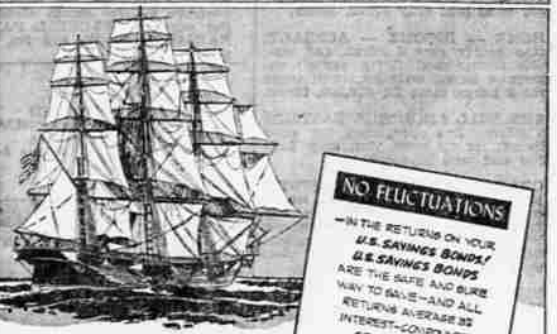
Farm Machinery Higher

The cost of farm machinery is expected to rise slightly, the department said, because there will be increased competition among machinery manufacturers for the available supply of steel, labor and other commodities.

Prices of feed, feeder livestock, and seed will tend to fluctuate with prices of farm products in general, the department said. Prices of feeder cattle will depend chiefly on range conditions and prices of fat cattle. Prices of feeder pigs are likely to increase in relation to prices received for market hogs.

The soil bank, the department said, may tend to increase the demand for farm land and reduce the demand for hired labor, machinery, and certain other production items.

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TB Association Secretary To Attend Meeting in India

Kenneth Ross, executive secretary of the Oregon Tuberculosis and Health Association, will travel to India in January to take part in an international union against tuberculosis program, it was announced recently.

Ross will be on the voluntary organization panel along with representatives from Venezuela, India, England and Scandinavia. He will offer information and suggestions on forming organizations, such as the National Tuberculosis association, which are mainly administered by volunteers.

Local Organizations

This panel will consider the setting up of local volunteer organizations, such as the Jackson County Public Health association, for the control of tuberculosis and the accompanying preventive measures of raising public health standards in general.

The panel will also consider methods of raising funds similar to the Christmas seal sale, which supports health associations in this country.

Ross pointed out that the United States is unique in entrusting tuberculosis control to local volunteer groups, as in most countries efforts of this sort are controlled by the government and staffed by government workers.

Injunction Sought In Seattle Strike

Seattle — (U.P.) — Thousands of Seattle residents got their first real taste today of "transportation without bus" while Mayor Gordon S. Clinton sought a court injunction to halt a four-day-old transit strike.

Some 12,000 school children who usually ride buses and thousands of Boeing Airplane Co. employees who enjoyed a four-day Thanksgiving holiday with the kids, were expected to create a traffic nightmare.

The strike began early Friday morning when the Street Car Men's Union, Local 587, and the Seattle Transit Commission failed to reach agreement in last ditch negotiations in their wage dispute.

Scotland Radio Blasts English Political Parties

Edinburgh, Scotland — (U.P.) — "Radio Free Scotland" interrupted a British Broadcasting Corporation television program Saturday night with a 25-minute blast against "London dominated" political parties.

The broadcast apparently was a prank by super-nationalists. Technical experts believed it came from a mobile transmitting unit.

Bayonne, N.J., is the home of the world's largest wax refinery, which produces 20 per cent of the world's wax supply.

ILLINOIS VALLEY Highway Span Started

By FRANK STRICKLAND

Cave Junction — Seven units of heavy earth-moving equipment are at work in the Illinois Valley building a two-mile straightway on route 199 at Cave Junction. The \$273,000 road building contract calls for a high fill across the lowlands of both the east and west forks of the Illinois river.

The project, which is being carried out by the Durbin Bros., contracting firm of Eugene, Ore., lines up with two reinforced concrete bridges nearing completion across these southwest Oregon streams.

It is estimated the realignment at this point of the Oregon-California route will be completed by midsummer, 1957. Rockydale road, south of the town's incorporated limits and the only traffic artery crossing the new route, will be altered to intersect the high road by easy grade some two blocks south of its present location, according to Walter J. Durbin, a member of the contracting firm.

From a well planned seven-day elk hunt through a 50-mile stretch of northeast Oregon wilderness, nine Cave Junction and three Prineville men returned Monday with 11 animals in the bag. The hunters, equipped with nine inflatable boats and a week's supply of food, embarked on the Grande Ronde river at Minam and floated the entire distance through uninhabited wastelands of the Willows-Whitman National forest. They came out near the village of Troy at the Washington-Idaho border seven days later.

The Cave Junction contingent left here Nov. 7, joining their Prineville companions the third day at the point of embarkation. According to Marshall Burrows, local insurance man and a member of the party, the trip turned out as originally planned and the group killed 11 elk, some of enormous size. Burrows said from one of the various camping sites along the way, they penetrated so deep into the mountain range it took six hours to pack out the game.

A large tent, which served as camp headquarters, was pitched at convenient intervals on the river and the surrounding area combed for Oregon's rare species of American elk which reach a height of five feet and a total length of nine and one half feet. Burrows said they saw many large deer and other wild game during the hunt. Others in the party were: Darrell Monta, Maybourn and Stanley Campbell, Paul Lewis, Paul Willis, Don Fulk, Delbert Scott, and Roland Tresham, all of Cave Junction, and Howard Harker, Sam Cole and Bill Price of Prineville.

A new office was created Monday by the Democratic club of Illinois Valley when Herbert Gage, retired telephone man, was appointed political historian. A year's subscription to three leading American newspapers, the New York Times, Christian Science Monitor, and Medford Mail Tribune will be paid for by the club and delivered to Mr. Gage for the purpose of gathering political data for use in the 1958 and 1960 elections.

Gage, whose mail address is route 1, Cave Junction, Ore., resides on highway 199 one and a quarter miles south of the business district. Mr. and Mrs. Odus Green, prominent Illinois Valley Democrats, agreed to pay for the Monitor subscription. Nominations were accepted for new officers for the ensuing term and the election set for the December meeting. Ralph Messenger is president of the club. Mrs. Frank Gibbons served refreshments to those in attendance.

Caroline Hicks, of Taoga, Okla., mother of Mrs. W. R. Raines, who resides in Cave Junction, has been visiting the Raines home on River st. Mrs. Raines is employed as checker at the Illinois market in Cave Junction.

Among many truths brought out by the national election is a report received here Wednesday that the Peoples' Utility district at Klatskanie, near Astoria, Ore., is giving its customers \$15,000 worth of free electricity this month because the Republican-branded "socialistic" enterprise has paid off the last of its bonded indebtedness and is operating debt free.

Officials of the PUD say their residential rates averaged 8.8 milles in 1955. Matched with private power rates, informed public power advocates here are proving that Clatskanie, Myer, Westport and Wauna electric rates are three to four times lower than most Oregon communities served by private companies.

A/1c Clarence Gilliam, of the U.S. Air Force, son of Mrs. Nettie Sowell of Cave Junction, and his wife, Virginia, and their baby son, are here from Blytheville, Ark., air force base on furlough. The Gilliams have been transferred to Ladd Air Force base at Fairbanks, Alaska, and will leave soon by automobile via Seattle and the Alcan highway. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gilliam are natives of this region. Virginia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed DeMerseman, Rockydale road.

W. D. Miller and family are here from Coos Bay visiting Mr. and Mrs. Russell Davis on Rockydale road. Miller, an employee of Menasha Plywood Corp., is convalescing from an injury received on the job some months ago.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

Air Force Sergeant Quizzed in Deaths

St. Paul, Minn. — (U.P.) — An Air Force sergeant was held today on suspicion of murder after his wife and daughter, whom he accused of murdering three illegitimate infants, counter-attacked him and he was killed. The sergeant, T-Sgt. Jack Ubell, his wife, Virginia, 40, and daughter, Marlys, 20, were in jail awaiting possible extradition to California, where Ubell said the killings took place.

Ubell, stationed in Japan, wrote Bakersfield, Calif., authorities, telling of three children born to his daughter out of marriage that were murdered. Officials dug up the body of a 7-month-old child, wrapped in a magazine called "Personal Romance" at Edwards Air Base near Bakersfield.

Ubell's letter also recalled officials to the records of 1952, when the corpse of an 8-month-old by was found in the city dump. The airman said in his letter that his wife and daughter also were guilty of that murder.

Chief Criminal Deputy T. R. Egan said Marlys named her father as parent of the last two babies, and both women said that Ubell disposed of all three bodies.

Otis Green and Frank Gibbons took a 20-mile drive down the highway into California Monday and brought back a 28-inch steelhead caught in Smith river.

Frieda Thayer and Mrs. Roy Moore spent the week with relatives and friends at Arcata and Eureka, Calif., last week. Both of these ladies live on Rockydale road. Mrs. Frank Rauber, owner-operator of Cave Park motel at Cave Junction, spent Thanksgiving with son Donald and family at Grants Pass. Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Dietrich of Bayard, Neb., are here visiting their son, M. Dietrich and wife Dee, who live on Rockydale road.

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The books fall into 33 subject categories and cover all age interests from kindergarten through high school. Both fiction and non-fiction will be represented. The exhibit will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. to all interested persons.

Catalogue Available

A complete graded and annotated catalogue of the exhibit is available for free distribution to teachers, librarians and other school people.

The 33 subjects the exhibit covers include adventure, aeronautics, animals, the arts, biography, careers, classics, conservation, exploration, fairy tales and folklore, fiction (with 16 subdivisions), foreign lands, games and parties, geography, history, hobbies and activities, humor, Indians, information, intercultural relations, inventions, languages, nature, picture books, pioneer life, religion, science, ships, social studies, sports, story books, transportation and verse.

Cooperative Enterprise

Books on Exhibit, a cooperative enterprise, of many of the country's publishers, has sent the exhibit here. Purpose of the service is to make available to schools and libraries a representative collection of junior library books to meet particular needs of teachers and librarians.

No books will be sold since Books on Exhibit, as a promotional operation, neither solicits nor accepts orders.

Fire at Gresham Takes Two Lives

Gresham — (U.P.) — Two small girls died in the flaming ruins of a rural Gresham home early yesterday when an overheated wood stove ignited the walls of the frame house and flames trapped the victims in a bedroom.

Dead were Margaret Juanita Underwood, 13, and Jacqueline Rose Michele, 5. Both collapsed near a bedroom window where they apparently had made a futile effort to escape.

Firemen said a strong east wind fanned the flames and by the time they received the alarm at 2:45 a.m. the house was nearly gone.

Three other persons in the house, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Underwood, 36; her daughter Carolyn Pauline Underwood, 18, and a granddaughter, Denise Marie Rivera, 5, managed to escape the blazing building.

Mrs. Underwood's husband was killed about five years ago in an accident near The Dalles, police said.

Photographers have an open invitation to visit the basic training installation at Fort Dix, N.J., on week ends and take shots of facilities and troop activities.

Every high school senior class in New Jersey was invited to visit Fort Dix, N.J., during the past school year.

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