

# WOOL SEASON BRINGS SMILES TO GROWERS

The sheep shearing season in Klamath and Lake counties is now past its peak, with growers wearing broad smiles in anticipation of the best income for their crops in years. It is estimated that Klamath and Lake counties' sheep men will receive close to a million and a half dollars for lambs and wool alone.

Estimates made by Lee S. McMullen of the Klamath Production Credit association, and Victor Johnson, Lake county agricultural agent, reveal the following startling figures which show a substantial increase over recent lean years: For Klamath county from sale of lambs, \$500,000; from sale of wool, \$390,000; total, \$890,000. For Lake county from sale of lambs, \$194,000; from sale of wool, \$186,000; total, \$380,000. Grand total for Klamath and Lake counties, \$1,470,000.

Estimates conservative. These estimates are based on conservative figures, allowing an average of seven cents per pound for lambs, and 26 cents per pound for wool, whereas many growers have received eight and nine cents for lambs and as high as 31 cents for wool.

Comparatively few sales of wool have been made to date, since many growers are taking advantage of the 60-day free storage provided by the Southern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Consolidated Truck lines, which enables them to await price developments.

Most Wool Goes East. The bulk of the wool crop from this section will be disposed of to eastern markets such as Adams and Leland, and Draper & Co. of Boston. Among the chief western buyers are the Pendleton Woolen Mills, the Woolen Mills at Salem, Webb and Son of Portland, and the Sacramento Wool company.

Moisture Improves Range. The sheep camps are a buzz of activity as crews of shearers move from place to place. About 12 clipping outfits are operating in Klamath county this season. It is expected that by the end of June practically all of the sheep population will have relinquished their winter wools.

The "sheep barbers" receive about 17 1/2 cents per head for clipping ewes and twice that for bucks, averaging about two and a half to three minutes per fleece. Power-driven clippers are now standard equipment.

When the shearers have finished with a fleece, it is tied with heavy cord and thrown into special wool sacks measuring eight feet in length and weighing approximately 300 pounds when full. Each sack as well as each newly clipped sheep is stamped with the owner's brand—an oil base stain usually being used.

An unusually wet spring has resulted in excellent range feed for sheep this year, making the average condition of the sheep and wool crop higher than it has been for years. The federal department of agriculture reported that the lamb crop in Klamath county increased 10 per cent over last year.

## Elks Will Hold Flag Ceremonies

The Elks' annual flag day exercises will be held on the steps of the lodge temple, Third and Main streets, Monday evening, June 15, it was announced by Robert Thompson, who is in charge of the event. Burt K. Snyder of Lakeview will deliver the principal address. Snyder is a past deputy grand exalted ruler of the Elks, and present president of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association. The Daughters of the American Revolution, the national guard, American Legion drum corps, and Sea Scouts will participate in the ceremonies. The public is invited, Thompson said. The time is 7:30 p. m. Monday.

## Their Wool's in the Bag Now



This picture was taken during sheep-shearing operations on the Geary ranch north of town Friday afternoon. It shows a flock of newly-shorn sheep, and the big bags that are holding their wool. Note the brand on the back of the sheep in the foreground. This week's estimates are that the wool and lamb crops will bring nearly a million and a half dollars to Klamath and Lake county stock men. (Herald-News Photo-Engraving.)

## Republican Platform Displeases Veterans

OGDEN, Utah, June 13. (UP)—The 1936 republican party platform is unacceptable to American veterans because it ignores the subject of combating the "red menace," James E. Van Zandt, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said Friday.

Van Zandt stopped over here between trains en route from Michigan to San Bernardino, Cal.

The United States has about 4 per cent of the world's registration of diesel-driven vehicles.

## GOVERNOR VISITS LAKEVIEW MONDAY

LAKEVIEW, Ore. — Governor Charles H. Martin, the three members of the state highway commission, Sam Baldoak, state highway engineer, together with members of the engineering staff of the bureau of public roads, will arrive in Lakeview Monday evening on their inspection trip of the Reno-Susanville-Alturas Lakeview highway, better known as the Three Flags highway. The party will be met at the Nevada-California line Monday morning by a delegation from the Susanville chamber of commerce, who will escort the Oregonians to Susanville for lunch. The Alturas chamber of commerce will welcome the delegation as it passes through Alturas, and will accompany the governor and his party to Lakeview, where a banquet will be served by the Lake county chamber of commerce that night. A delegation of 15 members of the Burns chamber of commerce will arrive in Lakeview Monday afternoon for the purpose of escorting the governor and the commission to Burns. E. A. Fetsch, B. K. Snyder and C. J. Gillette constitute the committee in charge of welcoming and entertaining the distinguished guests.

ity of 30,000 or more feet per shift, is being built just north-west of Burney, for Carl Phelps of Weed. Thomas W. Pheneger of Fall River Mills is superintending erection of the plant. A vast supply of timber is near at hand, on the east slopes of Burney mountain.

## Hard Luck Familiar To Condon Citizens

CONDON, Ore., June 13. (UP)—Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Taylor, Olex, would like to shake the family's hard-luck jinx.

Two years ago both were injured in an automobile accident. Two months ago their son, Roy, suffered a badly injured hand in a motorcycle accident.

A week later their daughter, Grace, suffered a compound pelvic fracture in an auto wreck.

This week they took their son-in-law to Hot Springs to recuperate from a nervous breakdown.

They returned to Olex to find that their house had burned down.

Herbert Stark, of Compton, Calif., recently made 21 parachute jumps in one day.

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## TOWNSEND BEGINS DRIVE AGAINST F. R.

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., June 13. (AP)—Evolutionary "junking" of both major political parties in favor of a "humanitarian program" in America, is envisioned by Dr. Francis E. Townsend, old age pension advocate.

Townsend arrived here last night to open what he described

as a national campaign for "anyone but Roosevelt." He was accompanied by Gerald L. K. Smith, share-the-wealth promoter and former lieutenant of the late U. S. Senator Huey Long of Louisiana. In a statement in which Smith concurred, Dr. Townsend said they thought they might have to sponsor an independent candidate for president "to give the people an opportunity to vote the way they desire." He said he was determined to defeat "the Roosevelt-Farley combine."



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