

GRAIN BINS TO BE AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA

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Grain storage is becoming a serious problem of many Oregon farmers. Crops are heavy and markets other than domestic are few, requiring much additional storage. Some materials going into storage construction are becoming hard to get, and in many cases are unobtainable. Many central warehouses and elevators throughout the western United States are now full of grain, and in some cases grain dumps or piles have been established. Much grain has been purchased by the commodity credit corporation, and contracts have been let for grain bins to house this supply. While the delivery of bins is now being made to the corporation, many individual growers are also obtaining grain bins in some areas.

The situation in Klamath county is no exception to the general rule. Many growers are interested in securing the ready made grain bins that are being manufactured throughout the northwest, and in Klamath county in particular. While these bins are at the present time being delivered to commodity credit corporation, they will soon be available for individual purchase. Bins manufactured here are known as Economy grain bins of 3000 bushel capacity. Early delivery has been delayed due to difficulties in production, but apparently these difficulties have been overcome, and bins will soon be available for all those who need them.

The Klamath county grain crop should be large, and growers who do not have storage should plan now on placing their orders for bins or providing other storage as general storage will not be available. No doubt it would be a good business investment to replace old storage space requiring considerable repair. Undoubtedly storage construction material will be less available next season. There should be enough storage on every farm to take care of one complete year's crop.

Due to local manufacture, Klamath county growers are in a little better position as regards grain bins than grain growers in other districts, as orders can be placed locally and delivery taken here. One of these bins has been set up at the Crater Lake Box company, Sprague River, and can be seen at any

Rural Areas Ready With "Fire Departments"



Oregon's 1100 rural fire protection crews, organized this year by the O. S. C. extension service, are fitting in well with the second annual Keep Oregon Green campaign. Kept Oregon Green campaign, aimed primarily at forest protection but at field and farm safety as well. At left is an emergency water tank and equipment station of the Irish Bend district in Benton county which displays a KOG sign. Above is County Agent Stonewall Jackson testing a trailer outfit consisting of a 110-gallon tank, a washing machine engine and 50 feet of garden hose.

Food Production in Klamath Checked by Federal Bureau

"Food-for-Freedom" production on Klamath county farms and participation in the 1942 agricultural conservation program is being surveyed in the annual AAA compliance check now underway throughout the county, according to announcement of the county AAA committee.

In order to conserve rubber and manpower needed in agriculture and vital defense industries, a farm-to-farm canvass and acreage measurement such as has been conducted during past years, will not be made this year. Instead, farmers who signed up during the current year's program, are requested to submit their own crop reports to the county office. Assistance will be given in determining allotment crop acreages where necessary to decide compliance, and approval of construction projects under the farm and range programs will be given.

A change in the audit procedure will permit the county office to complete all payment papers as farmers as payments are earned. Farmers who have completed their practices for the year may make their reports any time it is convenient. However, growers of Austrian field pea seed and other seed which is to be sold to commodity credit corporation under the seed purchase program, should make their reports as early as possible in order to establish their eligibility to sell.

This year's compliance check is more than a determination of participation in the AAA farm program. In a sense, it amounts to an inventory of the county's production of the foods needed to win the war. The provisions of the agricultural conservation program have been modified in order to encourage the maximum production of needed farm commodities and at the same time conserve soil resources for top production throughout the war emergency and in years to come.

Optimistic Picture Given of Harvest by Meteorologist

PORTLAND, Aug. 13 (AP) — The harvest of Oregon crops progressed in many areas of the state in the past week and the report of E. L. Wells, federal meteorologist, for the week ending yesterday, gave an optimistic picture of conditions.

In very limited areas wheat was damaged by hail, rain and high wind; in earlier areas grain harvest is nearing completion; corn is thriving but somewhat later than usual, Wells reported.

His survey continued: Bartlett pear picking will begin this week or next. Early peaches and apples are marketed in increasing quantities. Prospects for prunes are improved and some early prunes will be picked this week in Umatilla county.

Some early hops will be picked in southern counties this week. Sugar beets are thriving. Flax pulling continues. Pea canning is finished. Bean canning is in progress.

The second cutting of alfalfa and clover is well advanced. Wild hay is being cut. Pastureage is scarce in some eastern counties due to drought and range fires, but elsewhere is better than usual.

Weekly Market Trends

(Editor's Note: The following market information is supplied from material obtained over the government leased wire in the office of the extension economist at Oregon State college. The material, in the form of a weekly summary of trends in the livestock market, is not intended to replace spot day by day market reports.)

CATTLE MARKETS

The second large run of cattle in as many weeks made 2850 head available for sale in North Portland Monday. Even so, the market remained steady, with grass-fat steers moving mostly at \$13. One load of fed steers from an eastern Oregon branch station topped the market at \$14.50. At San Francisco fed steers were quoted at \$13.50, while at Chicago best fed steers topped at \$16.35.

Cattle markets in the mid-west have been showing a scarcity of grain-fed stuff, while grass cattle have been so numerous as to force a slight decline in price. The shortage of dress-

time by any interested grower. Grain storage requirements should not be overlooked, and the securing of needed storage should not be postponed. Further information on local manufactured bins can be secured at Room 205, First National Bank building, and orders can be placed for Economy-bins after August 15.

DEHYDRATION OF BEEF SET AS WAR PLAN

Dehydrated beef for U. S. Government orders will be produced according to the continuous controlled-temperature process developed in the Chicago plant of Swift & Company, to whom has been awarded a contract for 80,000 pounds, first federal purchase of the new meat product, it was disclosed here today.

Consultation among technicians in the meat industry, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and equipment manufacturers resulted in several proposals for methods of dehydration. The method submitted for government approval and developed by H. H. McKee and Chicago associates of Swift & Company, has been adopted. The company intends to protect the process by patents but will make it available to meat packing companies who have proper equipment, without royalty during the war emergency.

The chief principle of the new process, Swift officials say, is that it is a continuous operation which involves precooking of cubed fresh beef at relatively low temperatures, immediately followed by grinding and slow drying. Temperatures are controlled throughout the operation and are low enough to permit further cooking of the dehydrated product in preparation for table use. After drying, the product is hermetically sealed in tin containers for export.

The same principles are said to be generally applicable to dehydration of pork for which the F. S. C. C. has indicated it may soon ask bids.

Dehydration of the entire boneless beef is now possible and compressed packaging of the product saves up to 90 per cent of the ship cargo space formerly used to carry and refrigerate fresh beef sides and quarters, according to L. E. Mead, manager of the local branch house of Swift & Company.

The process developed in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture now makes possible the production of beef in dehydrated granular form, Mead said, so that the meat contained in 10 shiploads of World War I days could be stored in the hold of a single merchantman.

The new product does not need refrigeration on long ocean voyages. It is appetizing and may even be eaten just as it comes from the container, and hence is well adapted to field rations. Addition of water restores the meat to the consistency of fresh ground beef and in that form can be served as meat loaf, patties, hash, or any other type of dish in which ground meat is used.

Reports from England tell of

Beef Dehydration Starts

FRESH BEEF

BONELESS BEEF

DEHYDRATED FRESH BEEF

DEHYDRATED COMPRESSED FRESH BEEF

A new war measure which may later have peacetime importance is the dehydration and compressed packaging of beef for export to reduce shipping space. Swift and company, Chicago, is at work on the government's first order for the new product. One ship, carrying dehydrated beef, compressed, will do the transport job of 10 World War I ships carrying fresh beef sides and quarters, of 3.7 ships carrying fresh beef in boneless form, or of 1.6 ships loaded with the dehydrated product as ordinarily packed, without compression.

Crop Insurance Applications Due By August 31

Fall wheat growers who wish to insure their 1943 wheat crop must file their applications for federal crop insurance on or before August 31, the county association announced yesterday.

Klamath county farmers who insure their wheat crops through 1945 under the new three-year contract will have until August 18, 1943, to pay the first installment on the premium. The premium installment may be paid any time before that date, or it can be deducted from the grower's wheat loan, AAA conservation payment or any indemnity payment received under his policy. The commodity note payment plan was introduced last year and proved very popular with county growers, as it gives the insured grower an opportunity to pay his premium at the lowest market price quoted during the year.

Growers who wish to apply for federal crop insurance should file their applications with the county AAA associations office, 209 Federal building, Klamath Falls.

Oregon reduced traffic deaths 23 per cent during the first six months of this year compared to the same period last year, according to the state traffic safety division. The national reduction was 15 per cent. Oregon can maintain this lead in accident prevention if all drivers will observe the 40 mile limit, exercise caution at railroad grade crossings and observe traffic regulations.

An Arizona musician was pinched for having two wives. He wasn't much on the harmony.

satisfaction among British consumers of dishes made with dehydrated beef.

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Deepest sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Conley and family on the death of their son, Melvin, on Aug. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Johnson spent Monday at the Harry Frazier home.

Mrs. Warren Mason and Marilyn and Miss Mildred Teare went to Yreka on Thursday to visit their sister, Mrs. Clifford Jackson and family. While there they celebrated the third birthday of Sharon Jackson and the first birthday of Marilyn Mason. They returned home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Murray, Mrs. Florence Botkins and Mrs. Claudia Musick spent Sunday at Mt. Shasta and enjoyed dinner there.

Congratulations are being given Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bieler on the birth of a daughter on Aug. 9.

Mary Ann Smith and Melba Jones left Wednesday for Live Oak, Calif., where Mary Ann will spend several weeks at the Jones home.

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