

Big Wheat Crop Looms In Nation

Another great national wheat crop this year is indicated by current USDA acreage and production data, says L. R. Breithaupt, OSC extension agricultural economist, in a weekly review of farm market, price and outlook information. The preliminary figure on total wheat acreage is 3 per cent greater for the whole country than last year.

With the output of winter wheat already forecast at slightly more than last year, spring wheat yields will determine whether a new wheat production record will be made in 1946. Growers have indicated intentions to increase the national spring wheat acreage 1.6 per cent. Planting is nearly finished.

Supplies Smaller

Even should the 1946 wheat crop be as large or larger than the record breaking crop of 1945, total supplies for the 1946-47 marketing year will surely be smaller. Owing principally to heavy exports during 1945-46, the carryover next July 1 probably will be substantially smaller. The present situation indicates that the total supply may be from 100 million to 200 million bushels less. The supply should be ample, however, as it is not expected that United States overseas shipments will be nearly as great in 1946-47.

Northwest Wheat

Meanwhile great public interest centers on wheat in the Pacific Northwest currently owing to conflicting demands for the stocks on hand in this area. Owing to the scarcity of other concentrate feeds, much wheat is regularly used for feeding poultry and grain-eating livestock in the Pacific states.

The production of the feed grains, barley, oats and corn, in the four Pacific states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California, in 1945 was less than 2 per cent of the national production of these crops. Ten per cent of the national human population is in the four Pacific states, however. Thus, much wheat must be fed if enough meat, milk, eggs and poultry are to be produced in this area to supply the people with such foods.

Clean Seed Recommended

Leaf roll, that virus potato disease which forced russets out of Yakima, Wash., did not gain a victory over susceptible potato varieties in Astorstock county, Maine, because growers learned to combat it with clean seed.

This Maine county has a climate somewhat similar to the Klamath basin while Yakima's growing season is longer and warmer, conducive of building up tremendous insect populations, including aphids, largest spreaders of virus diseases.

Planting clean seed is one of the most profitable ways of insuring clean virus-free crops. Commercial growers can't afford to rogue thoroughly or spray much and must rely on clean seed and do all in their power to encourage neighboring growers to do the same as aphids migrate, bringing leaf roll and mosaic infection from diseased fields.

Seed certification provides for two field inspections, a bin inspection and inspection of samples at Oceanside, Calif.

An interesting fact is presented by Klamath county Gem seed certification statistics for 1945. Over 1500 acres were entered in the program. Three hundred acres met certification standards. Two hundred of the 300 acres were fields planted to Art Small's Montana seed. Very little of the acreage planted with that seed was rejected. Of 1200 acres planted with seed previously certified here only 100 acres passed. The seed had met certification requirements in 1944. In 1945 it was still good seed for a county planting but disease had increased.

Field inspection notes and results of the Oceanside sample planting inspection are available at the county agent's office and should be used.

China, Japan Jaunt Talked By Truman

WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP)—President Truman told his news conference Wednesday that he would like to visit both China and Japan during a tentatively planned trip to Manila this summer for the inauguration of Philippine independence.

The president said that he had no plans for a fishing trip to the Pacific coast, but that he was seriously considering visiting Manila for the Philippine celebration, July 4.

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A 12-yard carryall and R-D 8 tractor, soil conservation equipment is shown above being used for leveling and in Langley valley. Under the A.A.A. conservation program payments are allowed farmers for this type of work. Farm signups are being continued until the end of April.

National Potato Letter

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Even with no official estimate of potato stocks, a glance at export shipments, corrected for after heavy swells, will convince any skeptic that disappearance during March has been tremendous, perhaps a record. The farther we go, the more certain we are that the clean-up will be relatively easy, with the possible exception of the River Valley. Shipments in several areas will show more rapid tapering off and in about six weeks, maybe a little earlier this year, early shipments will equal the late volume and thereafter rise rapidly to the maximum. Late areas are just as winter with planting under way or in immediate prospect, and problems of fertilizer, labor, competition, and marketing to moving.

Movement last week turned downward again, which is typical of April after the heavy seed shipments of March. Total was 214 cars or 1021 cars below the previous week, and 3712 below two weeks ago. Daily average for the past week was 229 cars, which probably included some seed, also about 200 cars for Canada, but on the whole tonnage was better than the markets could stand under prevailing conditions.

Important declines in old-crop shipments were noted in Colorado, Idaho, Maine, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota and Oregon with minor changes elsewhere. For the early states, southern California now has total of 202 cars; Florida has 349 with 490 cars for last week alone. Texas has sent a 272 car total for the week. This makes the total for the early movement 4106 cars, with California and Alabama due to start in small way this month and Hastings, Florida and Texas coming into stride, prospect indicate plenty of early potatoes in April.

Markets show a wide range, from very dull to stronger. In Maine, the demand has been fair after nearly three weeks of slow activity, with prices 10 cents under the April ex-celling Idaho, demand has ruled good after a similar period of slowness, with prices 10 cents over ex-celling. North Dakota demand is reported slow, market tone weaker but too few No. 1 sales to establish a market.

Wisconsin demand continues slow, market about steady with a few sales of commercial but not enough No. 1's to quote. Michigan demand has been very slow, market dull, too few sales to establish market. Upstate New York demand also is slow with the market about steady and prices still 5 to 10 cents over the ex-celling for No. 1.

Early markets are in fair to good shape, with Dade County, Florida reporting moderate demand, market about steady, prices \$2.10 for washed No. 1. Hastings, Florida demand has been good, market steady, No. 1 Size A, but weaker for Size B, prices around \$4.00 if Size A, and washing each are worth a dime. Texas, Lower Valley, demand is good, market firm, prices about \$1.70 to \$1.75 for washed No. 1, 1 1/2 inch minimum, a Texas habit acquired in recent years, evidently war-inspired.

Terminal reports: New York market ruled dull on old stock with new, unsettled and weaker. Chicago old-crop demand has been moderate, market slightly stronger; new demand also moderate with the market steady. Atlanta is steady all around, Boston reports a better feeling for old, new, market strong. Detroit, old about steady but better feeling prevails, new, slightly stronger. Minneapolis, old dull, new steady.

Philadelphia, old slightly stronger, new about steady. San Francisco, about steady all around, prices \$2.75 to \$4.25 for U. S. No. 1, Size A Klamath Russet, in 1c wholesale lots. Indications are there isn't much of this stock left to move. An April cleanup is about normal for the Klamath-Tule Lake area.

Surplus Disposal

As indicated, the real problems of late crop disappearance by May 1 are about solved. However, there are considerable quantities of potatoes around, especially in the Red River valley, which may be troublesome to individuals and to USDA, especially as to deteriorated lots. Canada will continue to take good marketable stock in reduced quantities.

Weather Spurs Farming Here

Warm, dry weather has caused farming to get under way in all major farming areas. The ground has dried out considerably during the past 10 days and wheat and rye planting are nearly complete. The land is now being prepared for both oats and barley and a little planting has gotten under way. Several hundred acres of peas have been planted to be plowed under later on in the season for soil building purposes. Acreage of commercial peas to be harvested will be very small.

Interest in potato planting is increasing but there is still considerable amount of russet seed still unsold in the area. Some excellent lots have been sold for table stock because of poor local demand.

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Farm Labor Camps Set To Expand

Grower sponsored camps in Oregon for transient farm workers, which proved their value during the war years, are all set to operate again in 1946 with expanded housing facilities, says Ben Tucker, assistant state supervisor of the emergency farm labor program in the OSC extension service. Three additional camps will open for the first time this year at Great Grove, Salem and at Adrian in Malheur county.

Log Bark Will Be Utilized

LONGVIEW, Wash., April 18 (AP)—The Weyerhaeuser Timber company has announced three new uses for the by-products of the bark from logs, which their development department discovered in a quest to make the debarking of their logs more economical.

None of the finished products will be made by the company, said Clark E. Heritage, Weyerhaeuser's technical director, but the materials will be sold to companies engaged in the proper types of manufacture.

While Heritage did not disclose how the bark is broken down into various components, he described the new products. He said one was useful as an ingredient of an insecticide and even now is being marketed.

Another is used in the compounding of resin glues for plywood manufacture. The third is known to the trade as thermosetting molding compound and to laymen as plastic. When subjected to heat in a mold, this material becomes a solid such as telephones are made of.

Heritage added many other uses for the bark compounds are under development but have not reached the stage to justify a public announcement of their nature.

Soil Conservation Board Holds Meet

Poe valley soil conservation district board of supervisors met Wednesday with U. S. soil conservation service representatives and E. Laton Stephens, U. S. bureau of reclamation, to outline work plans for the district.

The group will meet again Monday in the soil conservation office, Drew building, to complete further plans. The district board includes Wilbur Reiling, chairman, Arthur Schuapp, secretary, Rex High, Vic Brown and George Stevenson.

Langley valley organized and has operated a soil conservation district since 1941.

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Man Faces Life In Prison For Murder

PORTLAND, April 18 (AP)—Robert Walker, 35, faced a life sentence today for the slaying of Mary Cugno, 75, in her home, March 24.

He pleaded guilty to second degree murder yesterday. James J. Hathaway, 42, was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment after pleading guilty to the robbery of the Oregon Mutual Savings bank February 28. Two companions in the holdup were sentenced earlier.

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If Salem farmers and processors are able to utilize the Salem airport buildings as proposed, this camp will become the largest migrant housing facility in the state. Estimates place the number of families which could be housed at 400. The Forest Grove camp will be a 100-family installation and the Adrian camp cares for 200 families, adds Tucker who is in charge of domestic farm labor camps in this state.

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2 Apportionments Made In Oregon

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