

**U.P.'s Agricultural Car Due Here Jan. 23**

A program to increase the value and quality of the state's hay crop will be brought to eastern and central Oregon farmers in January by the Union Pacific's agricultural improvement car.

Oregon Farm Bureau members, Oregon State college extension service and the county agent in each community are joining the Union Pacific's agricultural department in presenting the program.

Hay meetings will be held in the morning and afternoon on the car at Nyssa Jan. 23. Other stops planned by the UP car are at Madras Jan. 4; Redmond, Jan. 6; Prineville, Jan. 9; Stanfield, Jan. 12 and 13; Vale, Jan. 15; and Ontario, Jan. 27.

Speakers will be Howard Fujii, Oregon Farm Bureau commodity director; Dr. Norman Goetze, OSC farm crops specialist; and Ray Feal, OSC seed and grain marketing specialist. The trio will join local producers in telling farmers how they can increase tonnage and quality of their hay and improve their marketing system.

"Hay is Oregon's second ranking crop at \$46 million, but it could be worth more than that to producer and consumer," said Cal Crandall, UP ag agent. "The average yield per acre is two tons, yet some commercial alfalfa producers are cutting eight tons per acre."

The UP car is beginning its 14th year of bringing informative programs to western farmers. Its attendance record so far is 171,029.

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**Oregon State Says 1961 Farm Outlook About Same as '60**

Farm cash receipts, production expenses and net farm income should jog along at about the same level next year as this, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, extension agricultural economist at Oregon State college.

The demand for food and other farm products stands as a strong point in maintaining farm income in spite of a general easing in economic activity over the nation, Mrs. Horrell said. Population of the U.S. still grows at a rate of around three million persons a year and incomes remain high, she pointed out.

However, farm output reached another record high this year and large supplies of farm products continue to press down farm markets.

Here's what agricultural economists expect next year, Mrs. Horrell found as she studied reports from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Farm output will be even higher in 1961, if farmers have average or better growing conditions. However, farm prices should hold steady, bolstered by a strong demand for food, good export prospects and about the same level of price supports.

Costs should remain fairly stable. Little change is expected in prices farmers will have to pay for production items of non-farm origin; prices should be the same or lower for items from other farms; but interest, wage rates and taxes may move higher.

The prospects of large marketings, but not much change in prices received or prices paid, implies there will be little change in the realized net income of farm operators in 1961, Mrs. Horrell pointed out. And income from non-farm sources is likely to make up about one-third of the net income of farm people next year.

More information on farm prospects for 1961 and the outlook

**Potato Growers Found Violating Inspection Laws**

"Recent inspections indicate that some potato growers are taking advantage of high prices and not maintaining quality as required by state laws," says Hugh Taylor, chief of the division of plant industry of the state department of agriculture.

Taylor added that, in general, potatoes are of good quality and that growers are cooperating well with the department. But in some instances there has been failure to label the container or it has been falsely labeled, or the product has not been inspected at all.

Several lots of potatoes have been seized until they could be graded and properly labeled to meet the standards. The department has also had to file several complaints on more serious violations and has issued some warnings.

Producers, say department of regraded and properly labeled to fact that they must by law obtain inspection from the state department before the potatoes are offered for sale.

Laws also require that no person shall sell or transport potatoes unless each container is labeled with the true grade of potatoes in the container, the name and address of the grower or packer and the net weight.

There is one exemption. If potatoes are sold in less than one-ton lots, no inspection is required. But the containers still must be properly labeled. If the department inspectors find such potatoes do not meet grade as labeled, the seller is in violation for misbranding and, upon conviction, is subject to penalty as prescribed by law. Maximum penalty is \$500 or six months in jail.

"We are moving to eliminate the comparatively few cases of misbranding or lack of inspection for protection of both producer and consumer," Taylor says.

Growers not familiar with the law should obtain a copy from the department at Salem, any of its shipping point offices, or at the Portland branch office.

for market conditions of some of Oregon's main farm commodities are given in the current issue of the Oregon Farm and Market Outlook circular published by the OSC extension service. Free copies are available at county extension offices or from the OSC bulletin clerk, Corvallis.

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**Agriculture Dept. Lists Proposals For Law Changes**

The State Department of Agriculture will submit to the Oregon legislature a number of proposals for legislation aimed to cover loopholes or inconsistencies in present laws.

Compatible with the policy of Director James Short, none of the proposals embraces a new field. The entire packet deals with laws now effective and is designed to protect farmer and consumer interests or to recognize new developments.

These proposals are the result of conferences and studies with department officials and recommendations of affected groups.

The department is asking for more authority on auditing of warehouses. This came as a result of two warehouses defaulting in obligations to farmer depositors.

The department will propose that certification of an individual's report on claimed crop loss due to spray application be waived.

The department seeks to strengthen its present supervision of egg breaking plants through a proposal for full-time inspection.

A suggested amendment to the Produce Dealer's act will be offered. The department suggests it settle any claims of producers, directly with the bonding company. This, say authorities, would save time and costly court procedure now required.

Two proposed amendments will be sought for livestock auction market laws. One would eliminate duplication of bonds required by a yard posted under the federal Stockyard and Packers act and under the Oregon law. The other would authorize the department to provide free service to livestock sellers who have money coming to them from the bonding company if an auction market defaults.

More effective control and eradication of the common barbering plant will be asked. The department will suggest that frozen meat food products be put under the state meat inspection program. The department will also ask repeal of the present "cold" inspection under which farmers

Mr. and Mrs. James Farmer of Boise, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tuft and son of Salt Lake visited Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Farmer.

may submit carcasses not killed under ante-mortem inspection for post-mortem inspection if head and viscera are still attached.

More inspection of walnuts and filberts, higher first month interest charge on overdue bills, permission to reduce cost of publication on quarantines will also be on the legislative agenda.

A revision of the Grade A Milk Usage audit, clarifying what the producer and distributor can and cannot do, is an important proposal and will, according to officials, help to wipe out the question of constitutionality of the present act.

Amendments permitting better enforcement of and more effective service under the 50 or more laws under department jurisdiction will be asked. A complete rewrite of the present law on commercial feeds will be asked to put Oregon on a more cooperative basis with other states.

Changes will be proposed in the pesticides law to bring state statutes in line with federal statutes. The department proposes updating the Oregon food law, also in line with federal procedures, and a change of fat standards on frozen desserts.

Director Short urged interested persons to follow legislative progress of the department proposals and to make their opinions known to their legislators.

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