

Stored Corn Sought at Lower Prices

LINCOLN—State officials this week were seeking ways to keep Nebraska corn within the state so livestock feeders will not be shut out by high prices caused by the drought-stricken 1955 corn crop.

At an Omaha conference called by Gov. Victor Anderson a committee of Nebraskans was appointed to work with the United States department of agriculture on a problem basically caused by drought conditions which have blasted the corn crop.

State Agriculture Director Ed Hoyt was named as chairman of this committee whose immediate goal was to get release at cheaper prices of corn stored by the federal government under its

Commodity Credit Corporation loan program. Some of this stored corn is being shipped to other states while expensive feed may have to be brought here from elsewhere.

The only catch is that federal officials insist there is no way under the law that government stored corn can be sold at less than 105 percent of the loan rate.

With carrying charges added, this means about \$1.90 a bushel in Nebraska.

Yet feeders are complaining they can't afford the current support price of \$1.55 to \$1.59 a bushel. The price of cattle might be forced up enough that they could afford to pay this much for feed.

But if the corn crop is good in other states such as Iowa or Illinois, the Nebraska feeders will be hard put. The result probably would be a wholesale dumping of cattle on the market.

That was the reason Governor Anderson called the Omaha meeting.

But the committee appeared to have a tough nut to chew. For Marvin McLain of Washington, D. C., director of the grain branch of the U. S. department of agriculture, said laws would have to be changed before corn in government grain bins could be turned loose at cheaper prices.

In fact, such efforts have been slapped down in recent sessions of congress.

McLain explained, "You people should be aware there are a lot of producers of corn who have had their yields cut. They are depending on an increase in price to offset that in accordance with the laws of supply and demand. If Uncle Sam steps in and starts dumping government grain at cut-rate prices, you'll have as many people on your neck as you have now."

Too Little, Too Late—Actually, Governor Anderson and other officials may be trying to "lock the barn door after the horse is stolen."

Raymond A. McConnell, jr., editor of the Lincoln Journal, commented editorially, "Some day, and the sooner the better, Nebraska will wake up to the fact that the state does next to nothing—as a state—in water and soil conservation, although it's stakes in this are higher than those of just about any other state. Many states participate in a substantial way in the effort to attack drought conditions before they begin."

Nebraska leaves the job to the federal government and the private landowner, and calls a meeting of its congressmen when things go bad.

The editor said that the trouble talked about ways of "relieving some of the effects of the drought." But nothing was said about doing anything to "con-

serve water in a real long range effort to minimize drought conditions for the future."

This is not the first time that the drought question has popped up recently in Nebraska. A year ago the question arose in extreme southwestern Nebraska, particularly in Dundy and Hitchcock counties. A cry went up for help from the federal government, but federal officials ruled it was not serious enough.

Again in May of this year there was a cry for aid from the sandhills portion of central Nebraska. A rain broke that dry spell. But in every case the appeal has been to Washington, D. C., and there has seemingly been no disposition to tackle the problem at the state level.

Future Difficulties—Informed observers feel that Nebraska may have a number of decisions to make in future years on water problems. For example, the question of how many more pump irrigation wells can be drilled without interfering with the water table. This problem will be studied by a special legislative council committee headed by Sen. Don Thompson of McCook.

Another basic question revolves around whether water should be used for power or irrigation when there is a conflict. In some areas water can be used to create electricity and later put on land for irrigation. But in others a choice may have to be made.

The answer likely will be that steam and atomic plants should be used for power production and leave the water for the farmer.

Power Answers—Meanwhile the Central Nebraska (Tri-county) Public Power and Irrigation district has announced definite plans to construct a 100,000 kilowatt steam power plant in the Lever put area. This appears to be one concrete answer to the growing power crisis over which Governor Anderson called a conference last month.

Up to this point the question has been whether Loup River and Platte River power districts—the so-called "hydros"—would build the plant or whether Consumers Public Power district would enter this field. Traditionally the "hydros" have had the power generating facilities while Consumers has "piped" it to the customers. Consumers now contends it should have the right to generate power since with its good credit rating it could get a lower interest rate and therefore save money for Nebraska citizens.

Tax Facts—State Tax Commissioner Fred Herrington has ordered his field representatives to prepare "perimeter" comparison maps for each county. These would be maps of the sections along the border of each county, with a comparison of their assessed value and their sales value. Their usefulness would be in comparing a county with its immediate neighbors.

Herrington also ordered a start on a 10 percent spot check of federal income tax returns of business firms in each county to see how the figures compare with what the merchants told their local assessor. In the less populous counties an even higher percentage will be investigated. Assessors will be asked to see that a better job is done next assessing season.

Grand Jury—The calling of a grand jury to investigate the state penitentiary situation became mandatory with the filing of sufficient petitions in Lancaster county district court. A panel of 16 jurors will be selected and will meet in secret with the county attorney as prosecutor.

Although few expected any criminal indictments to be made, a report on the general situations as evaluated by a citizens group with the broad powers of a grand jury might prove significant.

Official Proceedings of the Holt County Supervisors

O'Neill, Nebr. June 28, 1955 10:00 A.M.

Holt County Board of Supervisors met as per adjournment. All members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Motion by Tomlinson, seconded by Frickel that the county levy \$2000 for the Holt County Fair and \$500.00 to match the Aksarben fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Barthel, seconded by Ernst the following resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION OF EXTENSION OF COUNTY LEASE AGREEMENT

I, Kenneth Waring, County Clerk of Holt County, hereby certify that on the 28th day of June, 1955 the following resolution was adopted by the County Board of Holt County, in regular meeting assembled.

RESOLVED, that the County Lease Agreement entered into by Holt County, with the Nebraska Tractor and Equipment Company of Omaha, Nebraska, dated the 23rd day of June, 1954, covering the rental of one Adams Model 660 Motor Grader s/n 666, One IHC Model TTD-14 Crawler Tractor s/n TDF-21666 equipped with Eucyrus-Eric Cable Bulldozer, adopted by the County Board on the 23rd day of June, 1954, and which was filed with the County Clerk on the 23rd day of June, 1954, as provided by law, be extended in full force and effect, as originally executed and adopted by Holt County, for a period commencing on the last day of July, 1955, and continuing to the 30th day of June, 1956.

RESOLVED, that the County Lease Agreement entered into by Holt County, with the Nebraska Tractor and Equipment Company of Omaha, Nebraska, dated the 1st day of July, 1954, covering the rental of one used Adams 8 "V" Type Snow plow Serial No. 238, adopted by the County Board on the 1st day of July, 1954, and which was filed with the County Clerk on the 1st day of July, 1954, as provided by law, be extended in full force and effect, as originally executed and adopted by Holt County, for a period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1955, and continuing to the 30th day of June, 1956.

I hereby further certify that the budget adopted by the County for the year current contains an appropriation for payments of the rentals due under and pursuant to the extension of the Original County Lease Agreement covering machinery of equipment as noted above, and that the following: Frank Cronk, Kenneth Barthel, Edw. N. Flood, A. M. Batenhorst, Clarence Ernst, Arthur W. Tomlinson and Alex Frickel, are the duly elected members of the County Board of Holt County.

I further certify that a copy of these resolutions was filed with me this 28th day of June, 1955 at 11 o'clock A.M., and duly recorded in the Official Records of the County as provided by law.

KENNETH WARING
County Clerk

Motion by Ernst, seconded by Flood that the bid of J. C. Bazelman being the low bid for painting in the Court House be accepted. Motion carried.

Motion by Batenhorst, seconded by Frickel that the bid of Glen Cobb for a truck for District No. 6, being the low bid, be accepted. Motion carried.

Motion by Flood, seconded by Ernst that the following schedules be left in Dist. No. 4. Motion carried. L. O. Rhodes and Roy Rhodes.

Motion by Tomlinson, seconded by Barthel to adopt the following resolution and to be published in all papers in the county. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED

that the Board of Supervisors propose to make the following additions, alterations, and chan-

ges in the Official County Road System of Holt County, to-wit:

1. To discontinue as a part of the County Road System, the part of County No. 386 described as: commencing at the point on the section line between Sections 4 and 9, at the West line of said numbered sections, running thence East a distance of three miles between said sections 4 and 9, Sections 3 and 10 and sections 2 and 11, all being in Township 31, North, Range 10, West 6th P.M. in Holt County, Nebraska, and that said described road shall revert to the Townships for supervision and maintenance.

2. That there be added to and made a part of the County Road System, the following described road, viz: commencing at the South line of sections 4 and 5, running thence North one mile between said sections 4 and 5, thence East between sections 4 and 5, section 33 and 4, section 34 and 3, and sections 35 and 2, all in Township 31, North, Range 10, West 6th P.M. in Holt County, Nebraska.

3. That a public hearing be had upon such proposal on the 12th day of July, 1955, at ten o'clock a.m. in the Board Room at the courthouse in said county, and that the Clerk shall cause notice of such hearing to be given by publication thereof for one week in all of the newspapers of the County.

12:00 Noon. On motion the board adjourned until 1:00 P.M.

O'Neill, Nebr. June 28, 1955 1:00 P.M.

This was the time set for hearing of the public road petition as presented by Gilbert J. Shald and signers. F. D. Lee appeared as Attorney for Peterson objector of said road. After the County Surveyor's report concerning the conditions of opening such road, and discussion with Stuart Township officials motion was made by Batenhorst, seconded by Frickel that the surveyor's report be considered and the prayer of petition be granted and notice be sent to land owners whose name does

not appear on petition.

Motion by Barthel, seconded by Frickel that the following resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is determined that there has not been sufficient funds appropriated in the County Budget for the year 1954-55 for the continued operation of the office of County Surveyor and that exceptional duties in such office have exhausted the funds available for the operation thereof, and it being determined that an emergency exists to meet the unanticipated requirements of funds for the operation of such office, and that it is essential to the preservation and maintenance of the administration of justice, the public safety, and public welfare within said County that an additional appropriation be made for the maintenance of the functions of said office.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT there be, and there hereby is, appropriated for the funds for the operation of the office of County Surveyor for the fiscal year 1954-55, the sum of \$359.67, from unappropriated funds in the General fund of said County.

Foregoing Resolution introduced by Barthel, who moved its adoption. Motion seconded by Frickel.

Roll call vote thereon resulted as follows: Aye: Barthel, Frickel, Flood, Ernst, Tomlinson, Waring. Nay: None. Whereupon the Chairman declared such resolution duly passed and adopted.

Motion by Tomlinson, seconded by Ernst that the following resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John Berger, Guardian of Lilly M. Berger, incompetent, duly appointed by the County Court of Holt County, Nebraska, has filed in the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, his petition and application for license to sell the following described real estate belonging to said incompetent, to-wit:

An undivided interest in and to all of the Northwest Quarter of Section 7; An undivided one-half interest in and to all of Section 6, and Northeast Quarter of Section 7, and East Half and Southwest Quarter of Section 9, all being in township 30 North, Range 10, West of the 6th P.M. in Holt

County, Nebraska, for the reason that the cash and personal property belonging to said incompetent, and the income from the said real estate, are insufficient to maintain said incompetent, and pay the taxes upon said real estate, and the debts and expenses of administering the estate of said incompetent, and that it is for the benefit of said incompetent that said estate should be sold and the proceeds thereof used for the purpose of maintaining the incompetent, and paying the debts and costs and expenses of administering and caring for her estate, and.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Nebraska, have investigated said matter and approve of such proposed sale, and deem it necessary for the best interests of said incompetent, now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Nebraska, that we deem such proposed sale proper and beneficial to the estate of said incompetent and approve the same and deem it necessary.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be certified by the County Clerk of

said County to the Judge of the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, in writing.

Motion by Frickel, seconded by Tomlinson that the salary of Chief Clerk in the County Clerks office be \$225.00 per month. Motion carried.

On Motion the board adjourned until July 26, 1955, at 10:00 A.M.

KENNETH WARING
County Clerk

FRANK CRONK
Chairman

(Continued next issue)

Boyle Wins 2d in Storz Fish Contest

James Boyle of O'Neill won second prize in the zone 2 channel catfish division of the \$2,500 Storz fishing contest, it was announced by Arthur C. Storz, vice-president of Storz Brewing company of Omaha.

Mr. Boyle will receive \$50 prize money from C. J. Gatz, Storz distributor in O'Neill.

Top honors in the contest were shared by a Lincoln woman and a Rapid City, S.D., man.

.. DANCE ..

AT O'NEILL

AMERICAN LEGION AUDITORIUM & BALLROOM

Saturday, September 10th

NOSMO KING AND HIS ORCHESTRA

Adm.: Adults, \$1; Students, 50c

DISPOSAL SALE

HAVING DECIDED to leave the state for the winter, we will offer the following described personal property at public auction, on the premises, located 2 1/4 miles east of Ewing on the Summerland Road and one-half mile south; OR six miles south of Orchard, 2 3/4 miles west and one-half mile south; OR three miles west of Clearwater, three miles north and 2 3/4 miles west, on —

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

— Sale Starts at 1 P.M. —

51 -- Head of CATTLE -- 51
Stock and Milk Type
Including Guernsey and Jersey Milk Cows, 2- to 6-Years-Old

- 2—Guernsey MILK COWS, giving milk, one purebred with papers
- 2—Guernsey and Shorthorn Cross COWS, milking now
- 2—Jersey and Shorthorn Cross COWS, one milking now
- 3—Shorthorn MILK COWS, two milking
- 4—Shorthorn COWS, broke to milk, with calves sucking this summer
- 6—Shorthorn STOCK COWS with calves sucking
- 1—Shorthorn STOCK COW, papered
- 5—Long Yearling Shorthorn HEIFERS
- 5—Short Yearling Shorthorn HEIFERS
- 1—Polled Shorthorn BULL, papered, 2-years-old
- 20—Shorthorn CALVES, 5- to 9-months

12-Head of FEEDER PIGS Weighing 125 Lbs.
100—Ames In-Cross HENS, year-old — 200—Top-Cross PULLETS (ready to lay)

McCormick-Deering MILKING MACHINE
Two Double Units with Solution Rack and Gas Engine — In A-1 Shape

HAY AND GRAIN, ETC.
1,300 Bales Second Cutting Alfalfa, fine, bright, green
150 Bushels 1954 Oats

TERMS: STRICTLY CASH OR SEE YOUR BANKER

MR. AND MRS. CARL CHRISTON
— OWNERS —
COL. MAX WANSER, Ewing, Auctioneer
WILLIE SHRADER, Ewing, Clerk

Legal Notices

(First pub. August 25, 1955)
Julius D. Cronin, Attorney
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate No. 4049
In the County Court of Holt County, Nebraska, August 19, 1955. In the matter of the Estate of Cecil A. Bergstrom, Deceased. CREDITORS of said estate are hereby notified that the time limited for presenting claims against said estate is December 15, 1955, and for the payment of debts is August 19, 1956 and that on September 15, 1955, and December 16, 1955, at 10 o'clock A.M., each day I will be at the County Court Room in said County to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.

LOUIS W. REIMER
County Judge.
(COUNTY COURT SEAL) 17-19c

(First pub. August 25, 1955)
Julius D. Cronin, Attorney
NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNT

County No. 3986
COUNTY COURT OF HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA. ESTATE OF MAY MCGOWAN, DECEASED. TO ALL CONCERNED: Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed for final settlement herein, determination of heirship, inheritance taxes, fees and commissions, distribution of estate and approval of final account and discharge, which will be for hearing in this court on September 14, 1955, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

LOUIS W. REIMER
County Judge.
(COUNTY COURT SEAL) 17-19c

DR. J. L. SHERBAHN
1/2 Block So. of Ford Garage
Complete X-Ray Equipment
O'Neill, Nebraska

409-Acre Holt Co. Ranch and Personal Property AT PUBLIC AUCTION
On premises, located 6 1/2 miles south of O'Neill, Nebr., on U.S. Highway 281, on—
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd — 1 P.M.

Personal Property Includes
65—Head of Cattle
Complete Line of Ranch & Haying Equipment
100—Tons of Number 1 Hay
Household Goods

Immediate possession can be arranged on this excellent Elkhorn valley ranch. For inspection of premises contact: VIRGIL LAURSEN, Broker, O'Neill, phone 434, or E. C. WELLER & ASSOCIATES, Auctioneer, Atkinson, phone 5141

MELVIN RIECK, Owner
O'Neill, Nebr.

O'NEILL DRIVE-IN THEATRE

FRIDAY-SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9-10
Double Feature
"ESCAPE TO BURMA"
A manhunt story
"CAROLINA CANNONBALL"
A comedy

SUNDAY-MONDAY-TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 11-12-13
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WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 14-15
"SEVEN ANGRY MEN"
Mystery and suspense
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NOTICE
The Holt County Board of Supervisors requests that all weeds along County Roads be mowed by September 30, 1955. If dirt windrows are left along road, please contact your Supervisor so that they may be removed for mowing.

Signed by:
County Board of Holt County