



# NEWS OF FARM LIFE

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## Oregon Turkey Cooperatives Set Roseburg Meet

### ANNUAL SESSION TO BE HELD JULY 16

#### Prominent Growers, Local Business Men to Speak; Banquet Included.

The Oregon Turkey Growers will be held at Roseburg, Saturday, July 16, to the Oregon Turkey Cooperatives' annual meeting and banquet. The Oregon Turkey Cooperatives is an organization composed of four groups of organized growers working together to supply Oregon markets and to act cooperatively in matters affecting the industry.

Prominent growers of the state, officials of the Northwestern Turkey Growers at Salt Lake, the central marketing organization, and local business men are expected to be speakers at the banquet program to be held in the evening.

The meeting to be held in Roseburg will open at 11 a. m. for the consideration of budget matters. The business session and election of officers will be held in the afternoon meeting, starting at 1:30 o'clock. The banquet, which will be open to the general public, will start at 7 p. m. All meetings will be held at the Umpqua hotel.

The association follows a policy of holding its annual meetings in the cities central to the respective groups making up the organization. Previous meetings have been held at Redmond, Hermiston and Medford.

O. C. Brown of Dixonville, president of the Oregon Turkey Cooperatives, is taking charge of arrangements for the forthcoming meeting.

## DEFOLIATING GAS LEAVES NO INJURY

CORVALLIS—Use of ethylene gas, which is given off by ripening fruit, to defoliate nursery stock before storage in the fall has apparently proved successful on the basis of one year's tests made by the horticultural department at the Oregon State college experiment station.

Hundreds of rose bushes defoliated by being subjected to the gas about four days last fall have shown no ill effects whatever of the treatment when planted out this spring, report Elmer Hansen and Henry Hartman, horticulturists in charge of the study.

Nurserymen in western Oregon have long sought a practical method of making nursery stock drop its leaves after being dug in seasons when mild weather has prevailed. Equal success was had by use of either synthetic gas or by placing apples or pears in a closed room with the nursery stock.

### LOCAL NEWS

**Visit at Knapp Home**—Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wilson and son, Frederick Jr., of Portland, spent Sunday and the fourth here visiting Mrs. Morgan's and Mrs. Wilson's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Knapp, on East Jane street.

**Back From Diamond Lake**—Dr. A. C. Seely, of this city, and Ernest Hildre, of Hildre, spent the weekend and fourth of July at the Seely lodge at Diamond lake. Mr. Seely spent the weekend in Myrtle Creek visiting her sister, Mrs. C. D. Buick, and returned here this morning.

**At Lookingglass and Melrose**—Mrs. A. W. Robinson and son, Paul, of Gresham, are spending a few days looking after their property in Lookingglass and are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Busenbark, Jr., at Melrose. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and sons, Paul and Walter, expect to take possession of their home in Lookingglass within the next fortnight.

**Here Over Week-End**—Mr. and Mrs. James T. Goodman and son, Jimmy, and daughter, Evelyn, of Portland, spent the weekend and fourth here with Mrs. Goodman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Payton. They were accompanied here by Miss Athalie Taylor, who returned to her home in Laurelswood, following a two weeks' visit at the Goodman home in Portland.

**Visiting in Eugene**—Cynthia Sue Turner, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Turner of this city, is spending the week at Eugene visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brand. Mr. Turner returned to Eugene today to resume his studies at U. of O. summer school, after spending the weekend at his home here. He will bring Cynthia Sue back to Roseburg Friday.

## FLAPPER FANNY By Sylvia

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"You goin' on a date soaked in that stuff?" "When I have to choose between mosquitoes and romance, I'll take citronella."

## FRUIT CROPS LOOK BEST IN FAR WEST

#### Price Index, However, Not Favorable; Big Increase in Wheat Indicated.

Prospects for major fruit crops are better in the far west than in any other part of the country, with export prospects better than usual, according to the current agricultural situation and outlook report just issued by the extension agricultural economist's office at Oregon State college. Loss of most of the early and much of the late fruits in Europe because of unseasonable cold weather has materially strengthened the export prospects for the 1938 American fruit crop.

Average domestic supplies of fruit are in prospect for the nation as a whole, but production will be unevenly distributed. A large pear crop is in prospect on the Pacific coast, where the output is expected to exceed the 16-year average by about 30 per cent. A record crop of dried peaches is in prospect for California, but in Oregon and Washington conditions were not so favorable at last reports.

**Price Index Drops**  
With the Oregon farm price index down two points to 62 per cent of the 1926-1929 average, the report shows that potatoes, apples, butterfat, wool, eggs, dried prunes and wheat are in the worst relative price position in that order. The price index as of mid-May declined two points from the month previous and was 31 points below the peak of April, 1937.

Overflowing granaries of American wheat are still indicated by every advance estimate. The latest forecast on winter wheat is for 760 million bushels, which is 211 million bushels more than the 10-year average of 1927 to 1936. In addition, spring wheat conditions on June 1 indicated a crop in excess of 260 million bushels. Thus the total wheat crop in the United States will probably be in excess of a billion bushels, or a surplus production over domestic needs of around 260 million bushels, without counting at least that much carry-over.

The complete report may be obtained at county extension offices.

## JOHN CONLEY DIES AT MYRTLE CREEK

John Conley, aged 73, died suddenly at his home at Myrtle Creek Sunday. Mr. Conley has lived in the Myrtle Creek community for many years, spending most of the time on his farm on Frozen creek, or his ranch on upper North Myrtle, near Buck Fork.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Charles Jones, a son, Larry Conley, both of Myrtle Creek; also five grandchildren; four brothers, I. M. Conley, Sams valley; Vernon, Ashland; James, Jacksonville; St. Conley, Bonanza; and five sisters, Mrs. M. C. Neal, Roseburg; Nancy Greggar, Port Orford; Mrs. Mamie Vinson and Mrs. Lila Tucker, both of Trail, and Mrs. Priscilla Bullack, Myrtle Creek.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the Myrtle Creek Methodist church, with the pastor, J. L. Wilson, officiating. The Roseburg Undertaking company is in charge of the burial service.

## SPORTS PROGRAM HOLIDAY FEATURE

#### Big Crowd Attends 2-Day Celebration Sponsored by Roseburg Eagles.

The fourth of July celebration sponsored at Winchester Sunday and Monday by the Eagles lodge of Roseburg proved a very successful event, both from the standpoint of attendance and entertainment.

The sports programs of the two days proved of particular interest. The softball game Sunday was won by Sutherlin, 18 to 8, from a pickup Roseburg and Oakland team. Sutherlin scored 10 runs in the first inning, before the hastily organized opposition began to click, after which the contest was played on even terms.

In the races Sunday, "Tab" Pemberton won the sack race and pillow fight, Charles Hiney won the egg race and two small boys, Walters and Rapp, won the three-legged race. A swimming race was one of the outstanding features on Monday's sports schedule. "Club" Church winning the speed event in a closely contested event. With never more than three feet separating the contestants in the 100-yard speed swim, Church put on a final burst of speed to win by half a length over Eddie Wyatt and Warren Sayers. Lucille Woody won the swimming race for girls by default.

In the other races of the day there were some very close and exciting contests, with the following winners: Bobby Lanke, 40-yard dash for boys under 12; Willis Dage, 50-yard dash; Irma Morgan, 100-yard dash for girls under 18; Alice Johnson, 40-yard dash for girls under 12; Bob Dage, fat man's race; Walter Dage, men's free for all race; Velda Goodman, women's free for all race; Junior Rosworth, potato race.

The softball game between Roseburg and Oakland teams, won by Roseburg, 11 to 5, was a much more interesting game than the score would indicate. Oakland scored a run in the second, while Roseburg went into the lead with three runs in each of the third and fourth innings and five in the seventh, while Oakland scored two in each of the fifth and seventh. Roseburg outhit Oakland, 15 to 19, and each team made four errors. Campbell pitched fine ball for Roseburg for six innings, yielding to Green who took over the mound duties for the seventh frame. Worthen pitched the entire game for Oakland. A sensational catch by Hiney at second base for Roseburg was the outstanding feature of the game. Hiney sent high into the air after a line drive. He hit the ball knocking it into the air, and caught it 10 feet away, before it hit the ground, to make the put-out.

## TOWNSEND COUNCIL TO MEET JULY 9TH

Henry Anderson, president of the Douglas county council of Townsend clubs, is urging all members of the council and all Townsend club members who can arrange to attend, to be present for a meeting of the council at the courthouse in Roseburg at 1 p. m. Saturday, July 9. The meeting will take up several detail matters referred to the individual councils by the national convention recently held in Los Angeles.

## RURAL AREA YOUTH FACING PROBLEMS

#### Survey Reveals Very Few Given Chance to Enter Chosen Vacations.

The number of "older young people" in rural areas in Oregon between the ages of 18 and 25 years was approximately 75,000 at the time of the last general census, about half of whom are out of school and unmarried. The situations, problems and interests of these unmarried rural young people have recently been studied as a joint effort of the national and state cooperative extension service at Oregon State college, and the mimeographed report of the study issued by the United States department of agriculture.

Bernard D. Joy, a former Jackson county boy who is now agriculturist at Washington, D. C., in the division of extension studies and teaching, and J. R. Beck, rural service specialist at Oregon State college, are authors of this first report ever made on older rural youth in Oregon.

**Few Enter Chosen Vocation**  
Eighty-nine per cent of the out-of-school youth in Oregon contacted in the study had not entered their chosen vocation. While only 29.4 per cent of this age group are continuing in school, 68 per cent of the out-of-school youth were high school graduates.

It has frequently been said that the young men and women in this age group had for the most part passed beyond contacts with 4-H clubs, or Smith-Hughes work, and had not yet found places in regular adult organizations. The extent to which this is true was clearly indicated in the Oregon survey, where it was found that although 65 per cent of the young people interviewed in this study had been members of 4-H clubs, only 10 per cent were then associated with the extension service, and 78 per cent of the out-of-school youth had no memberships in organizations except those associated with the church.

The report is based on actual interviews with more than 400 young people in representative farming areas in Tillamook, Lane, Clackamas and Union counties.

## SPRING PIG CROP TO SHOW INCREASE

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(AP)—The agriculture department estimated the 1938 spring pig crop was 13 per cent greater than that of a year ago and that the number of sows to farrow in the fall would be nine per cent greater than last fall. The spring pig production was estimated at 43,384,999 head, or 4,260,000 head more than last spring. Not since 1933 has the crop reached that figure, the department said.

The department estimated the number of sows to farrow this fall at 1,192,000, an increase of 349,000 over the fall of 1937. The department said average production in the fall would give a total 1938 pig crop of about 68,000,000 head, an increase of about 7,000,000 head over 1937 production.

## BRIX NUT GROWERS PLAN GRADING PLANT

MEMPHISVILLE, Ore., July 5.—(AP)—Oregon brix nut growers are planning incorporation and construction of a grading plant in a reorganization drive to command premium prices for their variety of filberts. Tentative plans of the cooperative association, made up of 75 Wallamette valley brix growers, called for a grading and packing plant to be established either here or at Newberg, said C. C. Stout, Newberg, president.

## TOMATO GROWERS SET LABOR PRICE

MILTON, July 5.—(AP)—Tomato growers of the Milton-Freewater, Walla Walla area have decided up-

## Jar of Peaches—Gettysburg Relic



When the smoke of Gettysburg's famed Battle of Peach Orchard cleared away 75 years ago the fruit trees of the Rev. Joseph Sherry were among the casualties. But a few peaches were unharmed and those were canned by Mrs. Sherry. That jar of peaches, still sealed, is shown here in the hands of Mrs. Charles H. Pfeiffer, granddaughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Sherry, who still lives near Gettysburg.

on a 30-cent-an-hour wage minimum for field labor. A delegation will confer with the state welfare board in an effort to secure reduction of the present 35-cent-an-hour wage for women packing plant workers. It is felt this reduction is only equitable in view of the crop yield is practically the same as last year, with little loss from blight, only 10 to 15 per cent of the crop being affected.

## FARMERS OF UNION WAR ON 'HOPPERS'

LA GRANDE, July 5.—(AP)—Grasshoppers of the same type which have raised havoc in the mid-west have been found in Union county and farmers have started a concerted effort to exterminate them before serious damage results. Poisonous bait supplied by the federal government is being spread in alfalfa fields near Union, where the pests have started to eat blossoms of the seed crop.

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## DEBT PAYMENTS MUST BE REGULAR

#### Right to Defer Under Farm Credit Law Expires on July 1, Bank Says.

The provision in the farm credit act of 1935 granting Federal Land bank borrowers the privilege of deferring payments on the principal of loans outstanding on June 3, 1935, expires July 10, 1938, E. M. Ehrhardt, president of the Federal Land bank of Spokane, announces. After July 10 Federal Land bank borrowers will be required to make regular payments on the principal of their loans on each interest payment date.

President Ehrhardt explained that farmers who have deferred such payments will need to make them later since they have, in effect, lengthened the terms of their loans. But they have the privilege of making additional payments on any regular installment date which may be applied toward paying off the principal sooner.

However, the temporarily reduced interest rates on all loans will continue until June 30, 1940. On most Federal Land bank loans through national farm loan associations the reduced rate is 3 1/2 per cent a year, and for loans made directly from the banks, 4 per cent.

## News of 4-H CLUBS

A meeting of the Umpqua Junior livestock men was held at the home of Labrie Ritchie last Friday evening. Each member of the club reported on his project and several had problems pertaining to his livestock to bring up. This club decided to hold its next meeting at the Little River forest camp Friday evening, July 15th. They will meet at the Healy service station in the afternoon. They intend to stay all day Saturday, which means in addition to a lot of swimming and games that they will have plenty of time to discuss livestock problems.

The club went down to the Ritchie alfalfa field where Labrie Ritchie has his thirty-two Duroc hogs, which are included in his 4-H club project.

Walter Marks of Riversdale, Labrie Ritchie of Garden valley, and Raymond Marr of Glide are working up a demonstration on hogs which they plan to give at each of the five Douglas county county

fair this year. The demonstrations will include giving information on what the meat packer expects when he buys hogs, something on the fattening and showing as well as judging of hogs, and also information on economical feeding of hogs.

The Rose and Flower Garden club of Days Creek met at the home of Wiltha Hutchinson on Tuesday afternoon.

After a very interesting business meeting, the members present went on an inspection tour with the local leader, Mrs. Fritz Snyder. The gardens of Gene Rhoads, Mabel Moore, Mildred Spore and Wiltha Hutchinson were visited. Later in the afternoon a swimming party was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Nettie Moore has enrolled in the canning club which was organized by Mrs. J. A. Rhoads last week.

## SPUD MARKETING OPINIONS STUDEID

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(AP)—Agriculture department officials studied today grower suggestions for a proposed permanent potato marketing program for 17 late producing states.

The suggestions were gathered at formal hearings held during June in California, Idaho, Colorado, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah, Washington,

Wisconsin and Wyoming. Under provisions of a tentative program already drafted, growers working in cooperation with the agriculture department could regulate the flow of potatoes into interstate commerce in years when price-depressing surpluses were produced. The program, made at the hearing, will be submitted to a referendum of about 1,250,000 growers in the affected states, probably in August. It must be approved by two-thirds of the growers voting.

**Leave for Home**—Mrs. Thomas Frye and two daughters, Marcia and Marilee, have returned to their home in Grants Pass, following the weekend in Roseburg as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wimberly.

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