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FSA GARDENS ADD TO CASH INCOME

Cooperating Families Save Up to \$250 Annually in Live-at-Home Plan.

Farm family gardens add from \$200 to \$250 to the cash income through reduced cash expenditures for the home food supply, according to records of families cooperating with the farm security administration in Douglas county, reports Genevieve Nettleton, home management supervisor in Roseburg.

Homemakers and the older children of the family who usually share responsibility for the garden make an important contribution to family income. Many families in the county have been able to meet all vegetable requirements of the family during both summer and winter through fresh or canned vegetables supplied by the garden. Potatoes and root crops for winter storage also make an important item.

The home garden is considered one of the biggest assets in the live-at-home program of families working with the farm security administration. An ample supply of fresh and canned vegetables is one of the important considerations in keeping food expenditures at a minimum, in providing an adequate diet and insuring the good health of the family.

Where good garden facilities are available several homemakers have supplemented the cash income of the farm through establishing roadside stands to market their surplus.

Families wishing assistance with their garden plans and problems may secure available information through the County Farm Security administration office, courthouse, Roseburg, Oregon.

News of 4-H CLUBS

Plans for the 4-H Marketing day program, which will be held in Roseburg Saturday, are completed and preparations will be completed before the program actually begins. There are at the present time 250 canyons received, so it is thought that there will be approximately 275 eighth graders who are 4-H club marketing members in town Saturday.

The morning's program will call for visitations to business houses as well as departments of the county state and federal government located here, and the serving of luncheon will begin at 11:30. Local leaders, in charge of Mrs. J. M. Bartley, president of the Local Leader's association, will prepare lunch. Dr. L. A. Dillard and Hugh Ritchie are to secure 50 pounds of winners. Mrs. H. J. Sullivan is to arrange with the milkmen for 20 gallons of milk bottled in half pint bottles and Coca Cola or orange beverage; W. C. Harding, secretary of the chamber of commerce, is to secure bread, a total of 600 slices; J. Roland Parker, county agent, will secure 50 pounds of beans and 2 pounds of salt pork; and Horace Berg and E. A. Britton will secure the ice cream, paper plates, and spoons.

The afternoon program will take the youngsters to their choice of the theater as guests of Mr. Donn Radabaugh, local theater manager.

4-H Corn club members have been preparing their ground for corn planting and are now checking on the need to be used.

County Club Agent E. A. Britton is recommending to these boys that they plow the ground at least 10 inches deep and see to it that the ground is well tilled over as well as well worked.

"In some cases," states Mr. Britton, "where there has been some corn and cover plowing, the ground should be plowed again because corn will not produce unless the soil is well worked."

Any club members still desiring seed corn should get in touch with the county club agent at once.

Word will soon be sent out to members planning to raise china pheasants this year regarding the time that eggs for setting will be received. The county club agent will also take some setting coops, brooding coops, and a feed pail out to the communities where club members plan to raise china pheasants for showing to these members.

Two new Camp Country clubs have been organized, both at Look Lugsung. An advanced group was organized under the leadership of Miss Edna Smith, high school teacher of that community. Officers of the club are: president, Virginia Manning; vice president, Elsie Manning; and secretary, Betty Ollivant. Other members are Mildred Ollivant, Virginia Schutte, Doris Manning, Elsie Allen, Betty Morgan and Betty Young.

A other club has been organized under the leadership of Miss Edna Smith with Betty Smith as president, Lela Hawley as vice president, and Lela Crow as secretary. Other members include Constance Elliott, Maxine Russell, Dorothy Krieger, Mary Thurman, Olive Peterson, Fern Haney, Betty Buckle, Virginia Depert, Maybelle Strickland, Joan Rodger.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

with Major Hoople



(By Doris Leonard, Millwood School, Umpqua, Oregon.)

The Woodland sewing club met at the home of Mrs. J. C. Leonard on Saturday. They sang some songs, had some yells and recited the pledge. They discussed the new and old business, deciding to make a hand bag next.

(By Marian Munson, Glenary.)

The Glenary Livestock club met Thursday at the schoolhouse. We sang "America" and had a few yells.

Mr. Hoople, our leader, looked at our livestock books, and we discussed our projects.

The Glenary Cooking club met Thursday at the schoolhouse. We discussed our cooking projects, and the leader assigned some of the cooking cards.

The Glenary So and So club met Friday at the home of Corvina McDevell. We sang a few songs and had some yells. Doris Lander and Marian Munson served sandwiches and cherries.

The Glenary Community club met at the schoolhouse on Friday evening. Mr. Scott Williams from Roseburg Junior high school and his pupils staged two fine one-act plays. The Glenary people gave one called "Three's a Crowd." The characters were played by Harry Deitch, Bill Proush, Earl Munson, Miriam Claypool and Marian Munson. After a short business meeting, cake was served.

(By Maxine Wright, Days Creek.) The Junior Foresters and the Forest Guards of the Days Creek school had a very fine trip Sunday morning, looking over their 160 acres of land and surveying it. After several hours of work and instruction, the group gathered with their local leaders, Mr. C. C. Hill and Mr. Elmer Ayres, to eat their lunch along the creek. Plans were made for another trip in the future.

The Poultry club of the Days Creek school had its regular meeting Tuesday. The future meeting date was set for Thursday. The material for the poultry project was handed out. A very good report was given by Melvin Welch on "Feeding for Egg Production." Arthur and Bill Ward gave one on the "Food Value of an Egg." Our local leader, Mrs. Howard Ward, gave a talk on "Marketing Eggs." At our next meeting, which will be April 6th, Henrietta Lam and Thelma Davis will report on "Feeding for Hatching Production" and Melvin Welch on "Care of Hatching Eggs." Maxine Wright and Alice Mae Welch will give a demonstration on "Selecting Hatching Eggs." These new members of this club are Marshall Matthews, Don Miller and Zelma Davis.

(By Albert Young, Cleveland.)

The Cleveland School Health club held a meeting on Thursday. The members reported on health topics, each member choosing its own subject according to the plan outlined at the previous meeting. Betty Scher reported on "Eyes," Betty Ann Taylor, "Colds and How to Prevent Them," Albert L. Young, "Prevention of Disease," Henry O. Krohn, Jr., "Food," Robert Meredith, "Safety," Stanford Nelson, "Posture," Helen Krohn.

CAMAS GRANGERS HOSTS TO VISITORS

CAMAS VALLEY, April 3.—Camas Valley grange, at its regular meeting Tuesday, enjoyed a visit from three members of Kellogg grange. The visiting party included Cornelius Miller, master of Kellogg grange; Mrs. Paula Anderson, lecturer; and Mrs. Christine Miller. The visiting master was conducted to the club and presided over the opening program. He later gave an interesting talk on grange work.

The business meeting was conducted by B. L. Penn, master of Camas Valley grange, and included interesting reports from the various committee chairmen.

An interesting talk by Mr. Krohn, violinist by T. W. Siegel and his son, Leslie, followed by a cracker-eating contest, won by H. C. Kelley, comprised the program arranged by Mrs. Nellie Siegel for the lecturer's hour. Mrs. Anderson of Kellogg directed the practice of new grange songs.

Refreshments were served in the basement of the hall at the close of the meeting.

Farm Brevities
Approximately 10,700,000 farm family and hired workers in the United States in 1938 produced 25 to 50 per cent more farm products than 12,200,000 workers did in 1929.

An acre of corn producing 50 bushels takes 75 pounds of nitrogen from the soil but an acre of clover or alfalfa puts approximately 100 pounds of nitrogen back into the soil.

Partners receive \$180 from livestock for every \$100 from crops in the 15 richest agricultural states and only \$20 from livestock for every \$100 from crops in the 15 poorest states.

United States wool prices dropped from 32 cents a pound in 1937 to 19.1 cents in 1938 and producers suffered a loss of nearly \$16,000,000 in income in 1938.

A. C. Clifton, foreman of a Texas ranch and authority on horses, says a horse needs only three hours of sleep in 24 hours and will "shed down and sleep any place if tired enough."

FLY PAPER USED TO BATTLE WORMS

SILVERTON, April 3.—(AP)—Tanglefoot fly paper has a new use! Entomologists from the Oregon State college extension division have been placing tanglefoot fly paper in berry rows in the north How-all strawberry country in an effort to determine some of the fixed habits of the worm which has made the lowland strawberry in this section unsalable and is now entering the flax growing world. The strawberry and flax worm, insect entomologists report, are members of the same family.

IRRIGATION PLAN LOANS AVAILABLE

Federal Program Open to Farmers, Ranchers in Douglas County.

Farmers and ranchers in Douglas county who desire to participate in the new water facilities development program offered by the U. S. department of agriculture should make immediate application to their county farm security administration supervisor or to this office, Ivan DeArmond, soil conservation service, Newberg, announces.

Plans and assistance under the program are offered for construction of such water use facilities as will promote the irrigation of suitable areas, DeArmond said. Advised officials are of the opinion that development of several irrigation facilities in adapted areas will indicate the possibilities for increased crop yields through irrigation practices. It is possible that initial work will include installation of facilities along the Calapooya river between Oakland and Umpqua to pump irrigation water from the river.

Loans At 3 Per Cent

Five to 20-year loans for construction facilities may be secured through the farm security administration at 3 per cent interest. Technical assistance in making installations and in drawing up plans for most effective water use will be provided by the soil conservation service. Federal and state agencies administering the water service will make available its benefits in Douglas, Wasco, Baker and Union counties by aiding in setting up four water use installations serving individual farmers, or two serving groups of farmers in each county, according to present plans, DeArmond stated.

Applications for participation in the program may be filed with Paul H. Helweg, FSA supervisor, courthouse, Roseburg, or with the Newberg office of the soil conservation service.

GET STRAWBERRIES QUICKLY VIA SEED

Practically all strawberries are grown from roots in order to bear fruit the same year, and also to insure true type.

The new Perpetual Runnerless Giant Alpine strawberry, known as "Baron Solenmacher," has been developed after thirty years of patient selection.

This species is noted for its enormous productivity and the surprising quantity of fruit the plants produce from early summer on to winter.

Seed sown in early spring will produce fruiting plants by September and October of the same year. The seed may be sown in boxes and handled the same as any other hardy perennial, transplanting to the garden bed when large enough to handle.

All strawberry plants are very ornamental when in flower and in fruit, and the Baron Solenmacher species offers striking decorative possibilities by reason of the fact that the delicious fruits are produced in separate strains of red or yellow.

The plants are perfectly hardy and perpetuate themselves from year to year. They do not produce bothersome runners.

PREMIUMS ON CROP INSURANCE ASSURED

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