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OREGON ABOUT FREE OF BANG'S DISEASE

Percentage of Cows With Malady Cut Two-Thirds; Less Compensation.

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.
SALEM, April 10.—(AP)—If Oregon's cows had sense enough, they would give the state department of agriculture a mousing vote of thanks for almost wiping out Bang's disease—a malady that for a time threatened to spread through a nation's cattle population.

But the cow, generally considered to have a relatively small amount of brain power, doesn't realize that in the past four years the department, cooperating with Uncle Sam, has reduced the percentage of cows having Bang's disease from 6.7 to 2.6 per cent.

The present loss to the beef cattle and dairy industries from Bang's disease, commonly known as infectious abortion, amounts to \$250,000 a year. The two industries, which have 945,000 head of cattle, are valued at \$25,000,000.

There is no cure for Bang's disease, so government agencies must kill the infected cattle. At first, livestock men were reluctant to kill them, but the payment of subsidies changed their minds.

Compensation Reduced

The federal government in 1934 paid \$20 for killing grade animals and \$50 for pure bred, but this was reduced to one-third the difference between the appraised value and the salvage value.

On May 1, a new program will become effective. The state, by a \$52,000 legislative appropriation, will pay \$4 for grade animals and \$6 for pure breeds. Counties are expected to pay up to \$5 for grade cattle and \$7.50 for pure breeds, while the federal government will match the total of state and county payments.

The maximum amount available would be \$18 for grade cattle and \$27 for pure breeds. Perhaps this won't be enough to compensate the owners for loss of their infected cattle, but it should go a long way toward preventing further losses from the disease.

Contagious to Humans

There is some danger of transmission of Bang's disease to humans, 20 persons having contracted it in the state last year. In humans, who get it through milk from diseased cows, it is called undulant fever.

In 1935 there were more than 25,000 diseased cows in Oregon, but by last year the number had been reduced to about 9,000. And more than 350,000 animals are tested by the department each year.

The department hopes to have as much success as it did in eradicating bovine tuberculosis. For instance, 27 per cent of all Multnomah county's cows had tuberculosis in 1912, whereas the figure now is

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one-half of one per cent.

Bang's disease is responsible for many calving losses, sterility and a reduction in milk production.

The western Oregon counties of Douglas and Curry have only one-half of one per cent prevalence of the disease.

BOX LABELS NEED NO REGISTRATION

SALEM, April 10.—(AP)—Oregon fruit and vegetable growers are not required by law to register their produce box labels. Frank McKennon, plant industry chief of the state department of agriculture said today.

A law passed by the recent legislature provides that if owners brand or register other boxes, they may not use or sell the equipment without written consent.

BUYS SOW FOR \$15, NOW HAS 13 PIGS

OREGON CITY, April 10.—(AP)—You've heard about the fellow who bought a horse for a few bucks and won a lot of dough in a race. Well that's the way George Long, farmer near here, feels today.

He bought a sow for \$15. Today it has a litter of 13 pigs, 11 of which survived. At \$5 each, you can see what kind of a deal Long fell into.

NEW ACCOUNT BOOK FOR FARMERS OUT

A new Oregon farm account book, containing many improved features has just been prepared by the farm management department at Oregon State college, and issued for general distribution by the extension service. Although the book is considerably enlarged it will be distributed through county extension offices at the same price as formerly—25c a copy.

The new account book is largely the work of G. W. Kuhlman, associate professor in farm management, who has made a study of farm account books from many parts of the United States. It is the belief of many that this new Oregon book is probably the most usable of any now issued in the country, and yet is simple enough to be kept without undue time and effort being required.

Full directions are included in the book on how to use the various sections, such as crop records, receipts and expenditures, farm-furnished living, farm inventories, farm summary, farm finance statement, and cost accounting as applied to individual crops. Any part of the book may be used by itself, or complete accounts may be kept.

HYBRID VARIETIES LEAD FIELD CORN

Oregon farmers planning to plant hybrid seed corn this season may obtain results of 1938 trials in a number of Oregon counties and at the Oregon State college experiment station by obtaining circular of information 199, from any extension office. The new circular is entitled "Yield Trials with Hybrid Field Corn" and is prepared by R. E. Force, assistant agronomist at the experiment station.

The results from the 1938 yield trials were rather spotted because of the unusually dry season, but these trials again confirmed the superiority of certain hybrids and demonstrated their advantage over the old open pollinated corn for most purposes.

Three Wisconsin hybrids, No. 455, No. 525, and No. 570, are recommended to western Oregon growers. Seed of these hybrids is now available in the state. Several other hybrids proved particularly good in certain sections of the state and others showed promise but must be further tested before being recommended.

BEST OAT, BARLEY SEEDS HARD TO GET

A scarcity of Victory oats and Hanchen barley for seed is being experienced throughout western Oregon this season as a result of the unfavorable dry summer last year, says D. D. Hill, associate agronomist at the Oregon experiment station. Added to the short crop was the fact that more of the oats than usual were used for feed, while considerable Hanchen barley was sold for malting.

Considerable Victory oats were raised in the irrigated central Oregon region and it is possible that supplies may still be obtained there, says Hill. No outside source of Hanchen is known. Where Hanchen seed cannot be obtained, the best substitute spring varieties for most western Oregon conditions are Oats No. 7 and Trebi, past experience shows.

FRUIT SHIPPERS GET SMALL RATE CUT

PORTLAND, April 10.—(AP)—Pacific coast fruit shippers didn't get as large a rate cut on fresh pears and apples to Europe as they asked, but they did get a cut.

Portland agents learned today rates on the fruits from the Pacific coast to the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany and Denmark will be trimmed from 5c to 15c a box by the Pacific Coast-European freight conference, effective when the 1939 crop begins moving.

The new rate to the United Kingdom and continent will be 77c a box on apples and \$2.50 on pears. At present apples carry an \$2.50 rate, pears \$2.50.

TWO BABY CHICKS ADOPTED BY DOG

PORTLAND, April 10.—(AP)—Pepper, a combination fox terrier and dachshund with a motherly disposition, this week adopted two baby chicks which the daughters of her owners brought home.

Dr. and Mrs. L. P. Lind said Pepper, who has had two litters of her own and has adopted indiscriminately from many branches of the animal kingdom, said the daughters to the chicks constantly, carries them gently in her mouth, licks them, and nips anyone who ventures closer to them than she approves.

Dr. Lind said Pepper once adopted a kitten.

NEW LAW GUARDS BOXES AND LABELS

SALEM, April 10.—(AP)—Oregon fruit and vegetable growers will gain exclusive use of their box and container labels on June 14 when the state begins to protect them.

On that day a new law, providing that growers register their labels with the county clerk and the state department of agriculture, will become effective, although the department hasn't given it much thought yet.

The growers must publish descriptions of their labels once a week for three consecutive weeks in the principal newspaper in his county.

Any person using another's label on the first offense will be subject to a jail sentence of 10 days to six months and a fine of 50 cents for each illegal container used. After that, the jail term would be 20 days to one year, and the fine would be from \$1 to \$5 for each illegal container used.

The department said it believed the law would apply to berry growers.

News of 4-H CLUBS

Miss Helen Cowgill, assistant state club leader, has written to the leaders association of this county, announcing that Miss Louise Schneider is available for conferences with leaders of clubs carrying home economics projects up to the first of July. Any leader of these clubs desiring help from the state office should get in touch with County Club Agent E. A. Britton, who will make a request for Miss Schneider's services.

On Friday evening of this week the junior high school players, under the leadership of Scott Williams, will put on an evening's entertainment for the people of Elgar and the Elgar school. Parents of that community are raising funds on that evening for use in sending 4-H club members to summer school at Corvallis.

4-H club leaders of Oakland will hold a meeting at the school on Wednesday evening of this week. The ladies are to provide doughnuts and the men coca cola. The business section of the meeting will include discussion of the various club projects, setting of completion dates, and various problems relating to club work.

The leaders of Oakland community are Mrs. Carl Brazier, Miss Janet Davidson, Mrs. Dorothy Kemp, Miss Kathleen Jensen, Miss Pauline Copeland, Miss Dorothy English, Miss Hazel Todd, R. C. Powell, J. A. Rites, H. F. English and Ward Todd.

The Kiwanis-grange meeting and program for this week will take place at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. L. W. Josse, chairman of the Kiwanis committee, announces that the Roseburg Kiwanis are providing almost all the program. A few Kiwanis members will be included. Following the program the Kiwanis grange and P. T. A. plan to hold a pie social. Funds earned

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By Twilla Schosson, Yoncalla
The boys of the Hayhurst Camp Cookery club went on a trip last Saturday up Bully creek. They had one visitor, Julia Ann Poole. Baked potatoes, sandwiches, bacon and eggs, cake, and fruit were served. The Hayhurst girls held their sewing club meeting at the home of their leader, Mrs. Edna Miller. They are doing very well in their work. The next meeting will be held at the home of Edna and Fannie Dell Phillips.

The Health club of Hayhurst held its meeting Friday. This club, also had one visitor, Earl Conkey. Their person for this meeting was "Sleep and Rest." We are looking our next meeting Friday at the Hayhurst schoolhouse after which will be held an Easter egg hunt for the children of the community.

By Maxine Wright, Days Creek
The local leaders of this community met at the club room Monday to discuss club work. Mr. Britton was present to answer questions and help with several problems that were puzzling the leaders.

Plans were made to hold an achievement program at our school on May 14th, at which time exhibits will be made of all projects completed. Clubs from other communities of the southern division of the county will be invited to join us with their exhibits. The exhibits will be placed and judged during the afternoon and a program given in the evening.

The Poultry club of the Days Creek school held a meeting Thursday. After the regular business part of the meeting, a demonstration was given on "Selecting Hatching Eggs," by Alice, Maxine Welch and Maxine Wright. Margie and Maxine Wright have decided to resign from the club because Mr. Britton notified us that pheasants weren't in as a poultry project. Rabbits have been taken in instead.

Henrietta Ulan, James Ward and Melvin Welch are on the program committee. There were several judging teams to judge some eggs. The next meeting will be April 15. John Wright, president, called the "Forest Guards" meeting to order Monday afternoon. James Ward, Melvin Welch, Margie Wright and Maxine Wright are on a committee to make the bylaws of this club. Melvin Welch was appointed yell leader and Dolly Widrig song leader. The next meeting will be held Monday, April 16th, at which time all members are to have their specimens collected off of two broadleaves and three conifers, and mount and label them on boards.

PORTLAND, April 10.—(AP)—Easter egg troubles didn't bother Mrs. M. O. Dunger, Outfield road, yesterday. One of her hens laid an egg which weighed seven ounces and was 2 1/2 by 5 inches around.

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Branded Products
The one thing of which a conscientious manufacturer is most proud is the BRAND under which his product is sold. He will guard and protect the product which he sells under his brand even at great cost if necessary.
He has several reasons for so doing. First, the protection of his customer. When they buy that particular brand, they know what to expect, and the manufacturer sees to it that they are not disappointed. Second, he has his pride in his brand to maintain, which is worth a lot to him personally. And this pride is intensified when other manufacturers attempt to imitate his methods or product. Such in fact, is the highest compliment that can be paid to a branded article.
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From all this, it may be assumed that the Douglas Flour Mill never has, and never will use any ingredient in feeds sold under these brands except those which will maintain the confidence so built up. And that is our promise.
As mentioned before in these columns, we have never made a feed to fit a price. We are often asked "Why is Blank's Feed cheaper than Umpqua or Sunrise?" The impression apparently gained by these people is that we are always going to sell for less money per bag than any of our competitors.
This is the wrong impression! We do sell you more value for your feed dollar than you can get anywhere else in Douglas county, but we know we or anyone else could make up a feed that would sell for less per cwt. That is not our aim, nor ever will be. If you want a cheap feed made, and have some of your own ingredients, bring in a formula, and we will mix it for you, but it won't be sold under our tried and proved Umpqua or Sunrise Brands.

WHAT IS FIELD SERVICE WORTH?
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FEED FRESH FEED, BUT FEED
Hey, Mom, any of those dried "taters" left over from last week? (And if there were, Sonny wouldn't want them.) We have heard of poultrymen getting feed in "dried" sacks of feed that was nearly a year old. Have any the points liked? as well as Sonny would like the week old dried spuds.
Feeds sold at the Douglas Flour Mill are always FRESH, and you should always feed just what they will clean up every day. They like fresh grub same as you do.

PERSONALS
Cody Long of Yoncalla is getting 1200 chicks, and intends to raise a bunch of capons. We think capons are a safe bet in this country.
C. W. Perry, Camas Valley road house, has a fine lot of Red chicks. He enlarged his brooder house six years to take care of his expanding flock.
Vint Weaver, Myrtle Creek, is planning on an increased flock of turkeys this year, and has the first one going now.
Johnny and Gerald Ogden, down on Quine's creek, are getting ready to build another large unit on their poultry ranch, and have 1000 sexed pullets to help fill it.
Miss (to new servant)—"Why, Bridget, this is the third time I've had to tell you about the fingerbowl. Didn't your former employer have them for the dinner table?"
Bridget—"No, mum, her friends always washed their hands before they came to the table."

Even though the grass is fine now, and the dairy herd, whether one cow or fifty, is giving, remember: mineral reserves must be maintained. Umpqua Milkmaker, or Sunrise Dairy ration now is a good investment, as it will insure a longer flow of milk.
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