

NEWS OF FARM LIFE

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OREGON RANKS 7TH IN TURKEY OUTPUT

Sales Bracketed With Two Others, However, in Top Average Price.

(Portland Examiner)

About 20,270,000 turkeys were raised in the United States in 1938. This production was two and one-half per cent larger than in 1937, but 5.2 per cent smaller than the peak production of 27,775,000 birds in 1934. The ten-year average, 1928 to 1937, was 21,870,000. During the ten-year period substantial increases in turkey production have occurred in all major geographical areas. They have been most pronounced, however, in the North Atlantic and East North Central states.

Following is a table showing the number of turkeys produced and the average price per bird for the ten big states:

State	Production	Average Price
1. Texas	2,582,000	\$1.09
2. California	2,427,000	\$1.18
3. Minnesota	2,146,000	\$1.84
4. Oklahoma	1,418,000	1.87
5. Iowa	1,388,000	2.03
6. N. Dakota	1,265,000	3.01
7. Oregon	1,146,000	2.36
8. Missouri	845,000	2.37
9. Ohio	584,000	2.05
10. Kansas	782,000	2.12

Oregon Quality Proven

Oregon is the seventh in quantity raised and the third high in price per bird. This goes to prove that the Oregon-produced birds are of very high quality. Only California and Ohio show a higher average price.

The average price per head of turkeys sold by farmers, varied from a maximum of \$2.18 in 1929 to a low level of \$1.03 in 1938. During the year 1938, New Jersey had the highest average price per bird, of \$4.14. In the same year the lowest average price per bird was for birds produced in Oklahoma and amounted to \$1.07. The differences in the average price probably are differences in the average quality and weight of the birds, also the availability of markets and costs of marketing, including transportation.

Output Trend Upward

Turkey production in Oregon, as well as throughout the United States, is expected to continue upward in 1939 and next turkey growers may have a reasonably favorable season when net returns are calculated. This is the conclusion reached in the annual turkey outlook contained in the current Agricultural Situation and Outlook issued by the OAC extension service and dealing with turkeys, potatoes, hares, bee hives and current farm price trends. Copies may be obtained free from any extension office.

The essential continuation of a stronger demand for turkeys and the probable abandonment of low prices are favorable factors in the turkey outlook. The government's survey of poultry intentions, released in mid-March, indicated a 27 per cent increase in the turkey crop this year compared with last. A year ago the government predicted a 6 per cent increase which was not fully reached by actual production in 1938.

Bad Factors Cited

Unfavorable factors are increases in competing meats, larger cold storage stocks of turkeys and larger brooding flocks to be marketed after the laying season is over.

Cash income from Oregon's turkey crop in 1938 was estimated at nearly four million dollars, making turkeys one of the state's most important new-laid crops. The report shows Oregon now ranks about fifth among the states in turkey production and has an output twice as great as in 1929 when the last general census was taken.

Turkey Men Takes Over Pheasant Raising Job

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 1.—(AP)—One of C. B. May's turkey men succeeded in locating the instinct this week but laid eggs of her own to incubate. So she wandered off, chased a Chinese pheasant hen from her nest of eight eggs and took over. May, Minnehaha district farmer, found his turkey on the nest atop an old stump. He decided to let her hatch the eggs.

of the Oregon state game commission, will be in Roseburg on Thursday of this week and on Thursday evening will meet with the China pheasant club members of the entire county at which time he will show moving pictures pertaining to China pheasant raising and will also talk to the members on pheasant work.

The Winston Clothing club held its last meeting on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Jamison, leader of the club.

Each member exhibited completed work on Division I and turning in a complete record book and story. Following the business meeting Mrs. Jamison served bananas and cream, cookies and punch.

The Drain Livestock club, under the leadership of J. L. Sneed, is meeting tonight at Mr. Sneed's home.

Laura Ritchie, Ray Doerner, Ray Owens and Lewis Insley, will accompany County Club Agent Britton to Prineville and assist in the meeting.

Club members of the South Deer creek school will exhibit their completed off club work at that school Friday which is the last day of school. They will also bring their exhibits to the spring fair in Roseburg on Saturday, May 13th.

Kellogg, grange is holding an entertainment tomorrow evening for the purpose of raising money for 4-H club scholarship funds. The Roseburg Kiwanis club and the Roseburg Professional Women's Guild will provide the entertainment, which will begin at 8 o'clock.

In the Benson school area, another 4-H club has been organized under the leadership of Mrs. E. O. Rand. The club will carry as its project the first division of clothing which will provide a summer program for the 4-H girls enrolled. The girls are Betty, Evelyn, Harold, president of the club, Edith Rand, vice-president; Audrey Rosalind, secretary; Margaret Pendergrass, Helen Bryd and Thelma Bryd and Thelma LaBlair.

Two new 4-H clubs were organized at Days Creek last week in order to carry summer work. Mrs. Fritz Snyder was selected as leader of both. One is a Rose and Flower club, membership, Josephine Wright, president; Dolly White, vice-president; Stude Crispen, secretary; Marie, Wright, Maxine Wright, Wilma Hutchinson, Violet Goin, Henrietta Tam and Juanita Isaak.

The other club, the "Hoe and Hoe" club, will carry a vegetable gardening project. It includes in its membership, Harry Wooster, president; Melvin Welch, vice-president; James Ward, secretary; Clifford Wooster, Irvin Wooster, Don Miller and Maurice Matthews.

(By Albert L. Young, Cleveland School.)

Thursday the Cleveland Hillbillies livestock club held a meeting at the home of the leader, Ray Doerner. There were two visitors at the meeting, Jimmy Britton of Roseburg and Robert Toppinga from Cleveland. There was no old business, so the meeting was turned over to E. A. Britton. The first thing brought up was growing carrots, radishes and some vegetables in troughs and strawberries in barrels. Other outstanding topics were the spring fair at the army in Roseburg, other fairs to come soon, the Wolf Creek CCC camp, and some interesting highlights on the Pacific International Livestock show at Chicago, which Mr. Britton, Laura Ritchie, Raymond Marr and Mrs. Unruh attended. Refreshments were served by Mrs. A. Doerner.

(By Bruce Douglas, Garden Valley.) The Garden Valley F. C. C. club met at the home of our leader, Patricia Douglas, on Friday. The care and planting of trees was discussed, also prices of different foods.

(By Mrs. Douglas, Garden Valley.)

OUR BOARDING HOUSE



Head Farm Boy



Starting from his home in Maine, Bob Ewell, 19, gets a taste of other parts of America, as he tours while president of the Future Farmers of America. After Nevada and California meetings, he will attend state conventions in Oregon and Washington.

The meeting was adjourned to enable the school period. Refreshments were served by our leader to Dean Fogel, Duane and Duffell, Pope, Tommy Winniford, Warren Graham and Bruce Douglas.

(By Bob Matthews, Benson School.) The "Hopeful" Rose and Flower Garden club was organized Wednesday at the home of Mrs. J. M. Bartley, who was selected their president. Bob Matthews was elected vice-president, Betty Ann Matthews, secretary, and Joyce Bartley, treasurer. Other members are Bonnie Jean Tyrer, Donald Tyrer and Kenneth Sarum. The bulletins were distributed and explained. Bob Matthews and Joyce Bartley, former club members, taught the new members the National 4-H club pledge.

The club name "Hopeful" was chosen because the ground is still

LOCAL FFA GROUP SHOWS UP NICELY

Roseburg representatives made good showings in various activities connected with the annual state convention of the Future Farmers of America at Corvallis, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Roseburg chapter was represented by Merritt Burt, newly-elected president; Ray Doerner, secretary; Dick Young, treasurer; Wayne Albertas, reporter; George Berg, Wallace Cox, Robert Davis, Robert Risberger and their adviser, Homer W. Grow.

Fifty chapters were represented at the convention by 550 delegates. The program included election of officers, campus tour, contests, awarding of keynote chapters and state farmer degrees, college sports, track, baseball and football.

In the tractor drawing contest, Robert Risberger placed third; Merritt Burt placed fourth in crop identification and Robert Davis won third in farm accounting.

NEW DESIGNATIONS GIVEN OREGON EGGS

SALEM, May 1.—(AP)—Oregon housewives will have to get out of the habit of calling eggs "specials, extras or standards," the department of agriculture said in pointing out that a law changing egg grades now is effective.

Special eggs will be known as grade AA, extras as grade A, standards as grade B, while a new designation permits the sale of soiled eggs as "grade B, soiled." Trades, which are not permitted to be sold at retail, will be called grade C.

Size designations will be over-size, large, medium, small and under-size. Director of Agriculture J. D. Mickle said the grades were changed to "improve consumer understanding, and to conform with standards which the federal government probably will adopt."

TRAFFIC SAFETY TOPIC AT POMONA

Grangers Hear Address by Motor Vehicle Officer at Camas Valley.

A program on traffic safety, featuring an address by John C. Korrek of the state motor vehicle department, marked the meeting of Douglas County Pomona grange at Camas Valley Saturday. Attendance at the meeting was somewhat below average, due to the fact that many farmers are busy with young turkeys and other pressing farm activities.

Granges represented were Camas Valley, Melrose, Riverside, Evergreen, South Deer Creek, Myrtle Creek, Glide, Kellogg and Sunnydale. Arthur Brown, state deputy, and Mrs. Brown were visitors from Salem.

The business session opened at 10 a. m. and was given over principally to reports. Paula Anderson, lecturer reported on a recent lecturer's conference held in Roseburg. Fred Goff, county deputy and chairman of the agricultural committee, urged that petitions, in connection with the proposed referendum on the change in the state primary election law, be completed and mailed immediately. He also reported on the county-wide pest hunt, and urged attendance at the state meeting to be held in Salem May 5 in connection with a proposed prune marketing control program.

Ruth Lawson of Camas Valley was obligated in the Pomona degree.

The Pomona charter was ordered draped in memory of Robert P. Robinson of Wilmington, Del., treasurer of the national grange, who died last month.

Delegates Elected Mr. Goff was elected delegate to the grange mutual fire insurance company annual meeting, to be held during the session of the state grange at Corvallis June 12 to 16. T. E. Busenbark, Pomona master, and Mrs. Busenbark, were elected delegates to the state grange convention.

It was decided to hold the annual Pomona grange picnic at Kellogg, the date to be fixed by the executive committee.

The next regular meeting of Pomona grange will be held at Sunnydale grange at Drain, July 22, at which time the lecturer will hold

Major Hoopie

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LAMBING SEASON BRINGS ON MISERY

SILVER LAKE, April 30.—(AP)—Come snow, coyotes, poison or famine, the lambing season in northern Lake county will start May 1—and with it the troubles of sheepmen.

Listen to their woes: The spring drought has checked weed growth, which provides most early forage on ranges. Consequently sheep are eating larkspur and dying.

Water holes, usually full at this season, are drying up.

Days have been windy, nights freezing.

Scarcity of feed drives ewes too far from their lambs, causing many wobbly-legged offspring to become orphaned.

But, nevertheless, sheepmen are busy assembling supplies and making willow and cheesecloth flags to scare coyotes from the ewes and lambs, because, with May 1, there will be about 50,000 new lambs silvering and bleating in an unfriendly world.

Visits Here—Miss Margaret Schaerer, who recently moved to Eugene, spent the week-end in this city visiting relatives and friends.



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News of 4-H CLUBS

County Club Agents: A. Britton received word from Gene Simpson of the Oregon state game commission that the China pheasant eggs would be available before May 15. Those club members raising China pheasants and having hens ready to lay will be glad to see that they will be getting a good hatch before long and will be able to ship their young in the middle of the month, returning home by early evening.

C. A. Lockwood, assistant advisor

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