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FIGURES SHOW HIGH PRODUCTION COWS

Annual Report Offered by Dairy Herd Association of West Douglas.

The annual report of the Western Douglas Dairy Herd Improvement Association for the year ending February 1 shows many high producing cows in the 18 herds under test. H. A. Lyster had the high producing cow, Dolly, with 377-130 lbs. of butterfat.

Of 170 cows completing the year's test, 36 produced 250 lbs. or more of butterfat. The production average of all cows under test for the full year in the association was 5478 lbs. of milk and 278 lbs. of butterfat, with a value of \$55.40 per cow. The association's leader, George Smith, found comparing average production records the five high producing cows and the five low producing cows that the high producers averaged 8882 lbs. of milk to 3948 lbs. for the low producers.

Of 216 lbs. of milk, the high producers averaged 216 lbs. of milk, the low producers averaged 144 lbs. of milk. The high producers averaged 27.8 lbs. of butterfat, the low producers averaged 14.4 lbs. of butterfat. The high producers averaged 54.78 lbs. of milk and 2.78 lbs. of butterfat, the low producers averaged 27.36 lbs. of milk and 1.44 lbs. of butterfat. The high producers averaged 54.78 lbs. of milk and 2.78 lbs. of butterfat, the low producers averaged 27.36 lbs. of milk and 1.44 lbs. of butterfat.

Officers of the Western Douglas Dairy Herd Improvement Association for the past year were H. A. Lyster, Earl Murphy and A. O. Gustafson. Treasurers were Delmer Jost and George Smith. Officers for this year are H. A. Lyster, A. O. Gustafson and P. E. McAllister and George Smith is leader.

News of 4-H CLUBS

The last local leaders' meeting for this summer will be held at the home of County Club Agent E. A. Britton this evening. This will be an outdoor meeting around a bonfire. Roseburg leaders are interesting in this meeting and will provide refreshments in the Dutch lunch style. Tables will be arranged containing cheese sandwiches, cold sodas, pretzels, nuts, wafers and doughnuts and at the end of the table a table will be found with a tablecloth and a tablecloth. Each guest is to make his own selection and help himself.

Several things of importance are to be taken up at this meeting. Probably the first item will be that of completing plans for the three spring fairs to be held this year. Other items of business will include 4-H summer school arrangements and the 4-H club summer camp program.

At this evening's meeting entertainment will include Miss Jane Masters in some readings, Jack Jones and Jimmy White in accordion and saxophone numbers, and Clyde Board, principal of Roseburg high school, in a talk on leadership.

Another new club has been enrolled in the Benson school area. This is a Camp Cookery club, which will be led by Mrs. Claude Baker of 123 E. 2nd Ave. N. At a meeting last week Harold Casey was elected president, Paul Weaver vice president, and Paul Casey secretary. Other members of the club are Mrs. E. Southwick, Raymond Downing, Richard Downing, Leo Downing, Clinton Atterbury, Frank Weaver, Bill Myers and Verney Baker.

Green school sent in an enrollment for a Camp Cookery club last week. This club includes 14 members led by Mrs. Agnes Wilcox. Membership of this club includes Violet Parkhurst, president; Thelma Downey, vice president; Mildred Downey, secretary; Richard Claypool, Robert Gould, Rachel

Parkhurst, Charles Lofte, Olive Lewis, Georgina Johnson, Marya Brown, Esther Adams, Rita Davis, Arthur Bohme and Yvonne Batts.

Five girls of the Fullerton school formed a Hobby club and selected Mrs. P. O. Ackley for their leader. These girls are Arnie Green, president; Virginia Astley, vice-president; Ann Carter, secretary; Jeanne Ackley, Janice Jackson.

The first two members signed up for 4-H club summer camps are Brownie Brown of Schuick school for the boys' camp and Dolores Spackman of Hillard for the girls' camp. From interest shown, a large attendance at each of these camps is expected.

From Clatsop trail school comes enrollment for four different individuals. Harry Hill is carrying a dairy project. Arthur Dixon decided to carry a beef project, and Roland Hill enrolled for a project in sheep. Elaine Hill is carrying on a chicken project. These people are encouraged in their work by Mrs. Katherine Cory, leader of the school.

Considerable interest has been manifested in the Dress Style review to be held in connection with one of the spring fairs this week. The girls will exhibit all their articles of clothing as required, but will be given an opportunity in the evening to go to a dressing room and prepare for the review. Girls will model dresses and suits made in division II, III, IV and V of cutting. The review will be judged by Mrs. Louise Schneider of the state club headquarters office.

Lynn Hodges of Lookingglass has returned home from Salt Lake City, where he has been working for the last several months, and states that he is taking up where he left off in a hog project in 4-H club work. Lynn states that he has traveled around considerably during the past year and is now well satisfied to come back to Douglas county and "stay put."

The next Kiwanis-Grange program will be held at Lookingglass tomorrow evening. The program will be held in the Grange hall in addition to the regular program usually given. The Roseburg Men's Club will sing a series of numbers. Following the program, ladies of the Grange will sell refreshments, the proceeds to go to the 4-H club scholarship fund.

On the Magna Wright Days

The Junior Rangers of the Days Creek school held their regular meeting last Monday. Mr. Hill passed out a course of studies on surveying which will serve as textbooks for this subject. Recently Mr. Britton and Mr. Hill conferred and decided on the requirements of this club. It was voted that we could not complete and exhibit for the spring fair. After the regular meeting, some field work was done.

The girls of the Rose and Flow-er (Gardening) club met at the Days Creek school Monday. The members are planning and working the plot of ground that they cared for last year. Plans were discussed for the spring fair.

The members of the Days Creek Forest Guards met Wednesday night an extensive exhibit is planned to be put on for the spring fair on May 11 by these boys and girls.

Friday afternoon a 4-H Canning club was organized by the Days Creek school, with Miss Josephine Wright as local leader. Marjorie Wright, who was chosen president, will carry division III. Alice Mae Welch, vice-president, will take division II, and Maxine Wright, secretary, will take division I. Violet Goin will carry division I, Josephine Wright, local leader, will take division IV. This project will be carried through the summer.

Tuesday afternoon the Days Creek 4-H club leaders met at the school to discuss the delegates for 4-H summer school. Plans for the fact that some of the records had not been obtained from the county club agent's office, the delegates have not been selected yet.

The weekly poultry meeting of the "Peg Centre" club members was held Thursday. Henrietta Chan gave a report on "Chickens," and Zelma Davis on "Sanitation of Brooder Houses." A talk was given by Mrs. Ward.

By Bob Matthews, Benson school

The Hopedale Rose and Flower Garden club of Benson school met Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. M. Hartley. The opening song was "The More We Get Together." Mrs. Matthews led a yell and the

WALNUT BLIGHT SPRAYING ADVISED

WASHINGTON, May 8.—(AP)—The agriculture department announced yesterday it would pay a subsidy of 4 cents a pound to the walnut industry to convert 6,000,000 pounds of unshelled walnuts into shelled walnuts for sale in regular market channels.

Shelled walnuts bring a smaller return to producers.

The walnut industry of California, Oregon, and Washington, operates under a marketing agreement which limits the quantity of unshelled walnuts which may be sold to interstate commerce, and requires the remainder of the supply to be delivered to a walnut control board for sale in export or domestic marketing channels.

The subsidy is designed to displace surplus not removed under an export program.

OREGON HELPS SET NEW 4-H RECORD

Oregon with more than 25,000 4-H club members enrolled in 1938, of which 2,383 were new last year, helped break the national record for club enrollment with an all-time high total of 1,282,025 members. H. C. Seymour, state club leader in the O.R.C. extension service, has announced. Since 4-H club work became national in 1914, 7,309,690 different young people have received this training. More than 10 per cent of rural boys and girls reaching the average age for club work were enrolled in the organization last year. In Oregon \$3.29 per cent of the projects started last year were completed.

club pledge. All members answered roll call by giving one-minute talks on their gardens. Lois and Jack Tyler discussed the cutting and care of flowers. Subjects for next meeting's discussion were assigned to the members. The meeting was adjourned to look at the members' gardens. Bob Matthews gave a complete demonstration on the preparation and planning of a seed fair.

By Paul Murphy, Roseburg

The Nimbly Thimble club and a meeting Friday at the home of the leader, Mrs. Mabel Wilson. Mrs. J. M. Hartley inspected our publishers, tea, lemon, aprons and dresses. She found a few errors and advised us to fix them before the fair Saturday, May 12. After Mrs. Hartley had checked our sewing, Mrs. Wilson served ice cream and cake. We decided to have another meeting next Friday, the day before the fair, so Mrs. Hartley could see if we had corrected errors.

By Ann Casbeer, Benson school

The Chattering Squirrels of Benson school 4-H group met at the home of Mrs. Howard Casbeer for their regular meeting Friday. The group was led by slipping by Jack Hinkley. The group then built bonfires for a simple experiment, which was greatly enjoyed by all. It was decided if the weather was nice the Chattering Squirrels would meet at the Casbeer home and from there go to the creek and learn how to bait eggs over a camp fire. This group hopes by the time this project is completed to be able to cook a complete meal over the campfire and make biscuits for a king to eat.

By Paul Casey, Benson school

At the meeting of the Camp Cookery club of Benson Harold Casey gave a demonstration of his collapsible potter oven. Frank Weaver and Raymond Downing were appointed to scramble eggs for the next meeting. Paul Casey and Paul Weaver are on the local making committee. Verna Baker and Clinton Atterbury will make the chocolate.

NEW SQUASHES TREAT FOR TABLE



CROWNNECK, PATTY PAN SQUASHES AND VEGETABLE MARROW.

Summer squashes and vegetable marrow are becoming staple articles of the summer table after a slow progress towards popularity. They must be cooked quickly and lifted and drained before they are integrated. Served with butter they have a delicate flavor and are much liked when known. Another excellent way and one which preserves the substance of this rather intangible vegetable is frying in batter-like eggplant, which it much resembles in delicacy of flavor.

The marrow is a variety of summer squash growing to huge size. They may be used when only a few days old and a few inches long. Baked and served with a butter sauce, they are a revelation in tenderness and flavor.

The culture is the same as for cucumbers—warm, well-drained soil, thoroughly enriched and with a plentiful supply of moisture. The same variety of bugs menace the marrow and summer squash that attacks the melon and cucumber and winter squashes. Protect by the same methods and poisons. Plant marrow and summer squashes only after the ground warms up.

RAIN URGENT NEED OF WESTERN CROPS

WASHINGTON, May 8.—(AP)—The weather bureau reported early crops, particularly winter wheat and corn, would be damaged by drought conditions in the western great plains.

A lack of moisture was said to be seriously affecting crops in west central and southeastern Texas, central and western Oklahoma and western Kansas. The bureau said there had been considerable deterioration of winter wheat in the latter state. Elsewhere wheat was said to be in fair condition.

Rain is needed, the bureau said, for winter crops and pastures in Wyoming, Utah, Idaho and Oregon as well as the great plains area.

VALUE OF AMERICAN FARM LANDS DROP

WASHINGTON, May 8.—(AP)—The value of American farm land dropped 1.8 per cent during the year ending March 1, the bureau of agricultural economics said.

The decline, blamed on lower prices of agricultural products, halted a six-year upward trend.

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EARWIG BATTLING SEASON ARRIVES

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Home owners and gardeners troubled with earwigs should begin control measures without delay. Large numbers of young earwigs can now be found around walks, under stones, and debris in the yard as around the garden, according to J. Roland Parker, county agricultural agent. To keep down infestation, young earwigs should be poisoned before they reach sufficient size to climb into shrubs, flowers and vegetable plants.

A satisfactory poison bait for earwigs consists of 12 lbs. bran, 1 pound sodium fluoride, 100 cc. sodium fluoride, and 1 quart of fish oil. The bran and sodium fluoride, if used, should be thoroughly mixed together, then add fish oil slowly and thoroughly mix.

It is best to keep the mixed bait in a metal container as paper bags, sacks, or wooden containers will absorb much of the oil from the bait. The bait should be placed in small piles about the foundations of buildings, along walks, around shrubbery, or wherever earwigs are found. No more than a small pinch or a heaping teaspoon full should be spread in any one place. Persons using the above formula for killing earwigs should take care to see that the poison bait is kept away from children, dogs, cats, poultry and other livestock. The bait is only effective if it can be kept dry. After rains new bait should be placed if the earwigs are giving trouble.

Anyone desiring printed instructions for making or using of poison earwig bait can secure a copy by calling at the county agent's office or writing.

TURKEYS TURN IN TWOFOLD PROFITS

McCook, Neb. (AP)—It might well be said that Max Amann, 14-year-old boy near here, made two crops where there might have been none. Max wrote an essay and won some turkey profits. The growing turkeys ate the grasshoppers that

COOKING FROZEN FOODS EXPLAINED

Proper cooking, in addition to obtaining maximum satisfaction from the rapidly growing locker storage movement, delegates to the Northwest Frozen Foods Locker association conference were told at their second annual conference held at OSC late in April.

Ordinary methods of cooking vegetables are not always the best for frozen foods, according to Mildred Boggs, foods research specialist of Washington State college. Standard meat cookery is more applicable to both fresh and frozen meat, the delegates were told by Agnes M. Kolshorn of the foods nutrition department at OSC.

Miss Boggs, who has been conducting extensive research in frozen vegetable cookery in cooperation with the United States department of agriculture frozen foods laboratories at Seattle, recommends steam or so-called waterless cooking for most frozen vegetables. As short a cooking time as possible is best to conserve food values and flavor, although, where it is important to retain exceptionally good green color, short boiling may be used though at the sacrifice of some flavor.

Frozen vegetables, with the exception of corn on the cob and spinach which freezes into hard blocks, retain more nutritive qualities if cooked immediately and allowed to thaw on the stove. It is particularly important to steam corn on the cob rather than boil it, the said, in order to prevent its becoming water-soaked.

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RANGE PROGRAM'S DEADLINE CITED

Douglas county farmers are reminded by Leo Sparks, chairman of the Douglas county agricultural conservation committee, that June 30 is the final date for ranchers to file request for prior approval of range building practices offered under the 1939 range conservation program. He said that approximately 150 ranchers in this county will take part in the program, carrying out practices designed to promote conservation and continued good range management. Among popular practices in this county are deferred grazing, spring development and reseeding.

All range building practices must be approved by the county agricultural conservation committee. Request for prior approval of practices should be made to the county agent or the office of the Agricultural Conservation association.

Approximately 1,000 Oregon ranches, representing 5 million acres of range land, are taking part in this year's program, according to word received by the county agent.

RECORD HOLSTEIN COW WORTH \$4,000

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—Johanna Hester Prilly, a Holstein Friesian cow owned by Thomas Haas, gave enough milk in the last year to supply a family with a quart a day for 50 years. Her record was 41,414 pounds. The animal is valued at \$4,000.

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