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DROUGHT AFFECTS WHEAT AND CORN

Crops Deteriorate, Ground Too Dry for Planting; Officials Uneasy.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—With the droughts of 1934 and 1936 still in mind, federal farm officials are expressing considerable uneasiness over a shortage of moisture in a broad expanse of midwestern wheat and corn areas.

They are afraid weather history may repeat itself. In those previous drought seasons, summer droughts followed dry springs. This spring has been marked by unusual dryness in a tier of states extending from North Dakota and Minnesota on the north to western Texas and New Mexico on the south.

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News of 4-H CLUBS

In advance of next year's summer school scholarship program, E. E. Henninger, of Henninger's Mart has offered six 4-H club scholarships to the three granges of Douglas county turning in the greatest volume of dollar purchases from any of the Henninger's stores in the county.

The two 4-H clubs at Glendale plan on holding a picnic June 1. The projects of each of these clubs in clothing and cooking have all been completed and record books been turned in. The girls of these clubs plan to carry on advanced work next year.

A new contest has been arranged for 4-H club members growing pigs. This will be held at the Oregon State fair under the sponsorship of the Valley Packing company. Each 4-H pig club member may enter one animal in the contest.

The purpose of the contest is to teach 4-H club members the type, weight, quality and finish of pigs best suited for our markets, and to encourage the production of this kind.

The animals will be taken alive to the fair, where they will be judged on the hoof on Monday, then slaughtered by the packing company and judged on the hook Wednesday.

According to E. A. Britton, county club agent, a number of the girls have been made by boys and girls and their parents to enroll in a 4-H club summer camp. Mr. Britton states this camp is for 4-H club members and only those in good standing, and unless conducted as such would be crowded beyond capacity. The camp for boys will begin June 25 and end July 2 and the camp for girls will begin July 2 and end July 8 of morning of the 9th.

Although the 4-H club summer school has not completed for Douglas county, it is estimated that approximately 20 Douglas county members will attend. Mrs. Curtis Calahan of Ellenbower and Mrs. Dorothy Kemp of Oakhill will serve as chaperones for the girls and George Clark of A. Britton and John Bailey of Smith River will work as leaders for the boys.

Word has been received from H. C. Seymour, state club leader, that Douglas county girls will be housed at the Delta Fair Delta house, with the Misses Joy McDonald and Irma Humphrey as chaperones. This will house as many as 25 if necessary. Letters have been sent out to members of the Douglas county delegation advising them to bring and what to take. Full information will be given each one within the next two or three days, especially regarding the time and place of meeting before leaving next Monday morning.

Quite a number of 4-H club members who expected to raise china pheasants for this year are very much disappointed because they could not secure eggs for setting as promised by the state game

OUR BOAPDING HOUSE



FATTED CALF AND SHORN LAMB

HM-M-A DELIGHTFUL VINTAGE, WAITER! IS THAT TH' FOURTH BOTTLE OR TH' FIFTH?

B-2-2-SNAW ZOOO-PUNK-ZZ-R RENEGADE/SPLIT-T: THAT DEPRAVED BANDIT JAKE, WINING AND DINING ON THE \$300 PROFIT FROM MY PRECIOUS ARCHLITE! EGAD! I HAVE BEEN MUNCHED! MUMBLIN'

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Major Hoopie

CAN YOU MAKE OUT THAT SNORE STATIC, TIM? HE'S BEEN MUMBLIN' IN HIS SLEEP FOR TWO DAYS YESTERDAY IT WAS SOMETHING ABOUT BEING LED LIKE A SHEEP TO TH' STOCK YARDS!

ZAWMP ZUG

According to E. A. Britton, Gene Simpson of the state game commission promised him delivery of pheasant eggs for May 15 but to date only six cases, or a total of 1728 eggs, have been received. None were received during the past week. Unless eggs are received this week, it will be necessary to cause a number of club members to abandon the project through no fault of their own.

(By Maxine Wright, Days Creek)

Due to the fact that all grade school classes are taking tests and preparing for the close of school, all Days Creek club meetings have been postponed until later.

The Junior Rangers forestry club have had instructions on the use of the compass on several occasions this week.

The club members of this community who were fortunate to receive scholarships to summer school are busy making preparations and are anxious to get started on their trip.

(By Bob Matthews, Benson school)

The members of "The Hopetal Rose and Flower Garden club" met on Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. M. Bartley. After repeating the club pledge, roll call was answered by telling how seed flats were coming and how many kinds of flowers were up in the gardens. The boys then showed the bugs they had collected, such as sawflies, sawbugs, leafhoppers and beetles, also their methods of control. The girls demonstrated "How to Arrange Flowers in a Vase." The club now has a new member, George Strader.

(By Mabel Jane Matthews, Myrtle Creek)

The Good Luck club of Myrtle Creek with their local leader went on a picnic May 5. The club had its regular meeting Saturday. Most of the girls have finished their luncheon cloths and started on their bags and cushions. The club wasn't started until late in March, so that is why the girls are so late in getting their things completed.

(By Marian Johnson, Glenora)

The Sewing, Cooking and Backstitch Sewing club members finish of their work and submitted their record books.

The eighth grade graduation was Friday at the Glenora school. The program was as follows:

Invocation — Rev. Mr. Brittain
Piano solo (Spring Song) — Marian Johnson
Address — Rev. Mr. Brittain
Piano solo (Maiden in Blue) — Gertrude Launder
Salutatorian address — Marian Johnson
Song "Stages of the Summer Night" — 4th and 5th grades
Class will — Herman Dossing
Class presidency — Earl McDonald
Valedictorian address — Doris Launder
Presentation of diploma — Miss Rowdree
Recessional

The (Glenora school enjoys) its picnic Thursday at Hooten's picnic grounds. Baseball was played in the afternoon. Those attending were Naomi Crossman, Corvessa McDonald, Edna Pruswell, James Cunningham, Herman Dossing, Earl McDonald, Marian Johnson and Doris Launder.

(By Paul Carr, Roseburg)

At the meeting of the Gaieties, Mrs. E. Southwick gave the club a surprise by announcing that his father would take us to Horse Prairie for an overnight camping trip. We had a meal made and planned by the boys. The meal consisted of biscuits, cocoa and scrambled eggs.

At another meeting of the Go-

getters Thursday, plans were made for our trip to Horse Prairie. The boys made a meal and nobody seemed to have any ill effects. The meal consisted of macaroni and cheese, ginger-bread and a drink.

Chemical salt preservatives for fence posts are among the most practical treatments found for extending the life of fences, according to a progress report on a "post farm" maintained by the school of forestry at Oregon State college.

The report by T. J. Starker has just been published as No. 9 in the bulletin series of the engineering experiment station. It is entitled "Preservative Treatments of Fence Posts."

Information in the bulletin is obtained from a "post farm" established here in 1927 in connection with the Peavy arboretum. On a plot of ground uniform in character 47 series of posts were established on which data have been kept ever since.

Several series of untreated posts have been removed by peat rot, Cottonwood, alder, madrone, big leaf maple and Douglas fir, untreated, failed in that order. Charred Douglas fir had an average life of 70 months, compared with 54 months for the untreated Douglas fir, indicating the futility of charring as a preservative treatment.

None of the salt-treated posts has failed since they were set in 1925, and other records are available which up to 15 years' life has been obtained with Utah Douglas fir posts so treated. The method consisted of making a mixture of dry corrosive sublimate and common salt. A tabular statement of this mixture is placed in a 4-inch hole bored about 6 inches above the ground line, slanting downward. The hole is then closed with cork or wood.

It is essential that the post be treated green so moisture will dissolve the salts and carry them through the fibers of the wood. This makes possible cutting the posts along a fence line in many cases, thus saving transportation costs. No particular skill or experience is required in making the application.

The bulletin also describes the open-tank process of treating posts with oil. This is considered the most thorough method of treatment that is practicable on the farm.

An interesting meeting of the Douglas County Public Health association has been planned for a Saturday noon potluck supper, June 8, at the Methodist Episcopal church in Roseburg.

Speakers will be Dr. G. C. Beltinger, superintendent of the state T. B. hospital, Salem; Miss Alice Wilcham, acting secretary of the state T. B. association; Portland; and Mrs. Harriet Hruschak, field nursing consultant.

Many people from all parts of the county plan to attend the supper and meeting. Mrs. Carl Wiley is chairman of the supper and the program is being arranged by Thomas Hartfield, president. Election of officers for the new year will be held. The public has been invited to attend the meeting.

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CATTLE RAISERS SWAT ROOSEVELT

Argentine Beef Purchase, Rulster Bill Veto Not Liked by Assn.

MYRTLE POINT, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—Two resolutions censuring President Roosevelt were passed Saturday at the concluding session of the 26th annual Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers' association meeting.

One was for his recommendation that United States military forces buy Argentine beef, the other for vetoing the McCarran anti-rail bill.

It's plain to me President Roosevelt is not very sympathetic to our industry, why I do not know," said Hubbard Russell, Los Angeles, president of the American National Livestock association.

An extended mule deer season, bigger bag limit and open season on does were recommended by L. H. Douglas, assistant regional forester. Cattle and deer do not conflict on winter ranges, he said, but deer have increased so rapidly available browse are being eliminated.

Eighteen other resolutions were adopted by the stockmen, including:

Endorsement of a state sales tax to offset property taxes; opposing future trade agreements without congressional approval; opposing modification of the embargo on cattle from countries infected with hoof-and-mouth disease; inclusion of Indian cattle brands under state brand rules; requesting the state to arrange for reciprocal brand inspection with Nevada; urging the game commission to extend mule deer seasons in Lake, Klamath and Willows counties; placing all public grazing lands under one agency; doubling the present 25-cent per car levy for advertising meat; and opposing a proposed national park in the Snake River canyon.

Pendleton was selected as the 1940 convention city and all officers were re-elected. They were W. R. Snider, Paisley, president; Wayne Stewart, Day, first vice-president; Jack Tippet, Enterprise, second vice-president; C. L. Jamison, Canyon City, secretary.

GRASS EXPERIMENT TOUCHES OLD MYTH

ASTORIA, May 29.—(AP)—The Greek gods held that any cow eating loose grass would produce milk that would kill the consumer into convulsions of the past and make the future nothing but pure joy.

The men in charge of the Astoria experiment station feel pretty sure the Greek gods were stretching it, but they are raising some loose grass anyway and may soon offer it for the approval of Oregon hoas-

ses. If the milk produced through this point, fodder does what the Greek gods said it would do, so

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WARNING ISSUED ON CHERRY FLIES

CORVALLIS, May 29.—(AP)—

Cherry flies are out and at work, warns S. C. Jones, assistant entomologist at the OSE experiment station, who recommends immediate spraying of all varieties at once. Unsprayed trees are likely to have such a high percentage of worms in many districts that the fruit will be unsalable.

CAMAS EGGS TO BE HATCHED IN HAWAII

CAMAS VALLEY, May 29.—Chicken eggs from the F. R. Brown poultry farm at Camas Valley are to be hatched in the Hawaiian islands as the result of arrangements handled through a California hatchery.

Eggs from the Brown farm have been shipped to a California firm which recently ordered a case of eggs for shipment to Honolulu for

hatching purposes. Due to the difficulties and time required in shipment the order specified that the eggs must be saved over a period of only two days and shipped to San Francisco on the date of the sailing of a fast passenger vessel to the islands.

RECORD SESSION OF 4-H PROMISED

Another record-breaking 4-H club summer session is in prospect at Oregon State college June 5 to 16, when a total of about 2000 club boys and girls and local leaders will be on the campus for an intensive two-weeks program of studies and activities.

H. C. Seymour, state club leader, says that despite the increased enrollment and the fact that some state grange convention delegates will be in Corvallis during the second week of the 4-H session, adequate facilities will be available to handle the group.

Oregon conducts what is generally recognized as the largest two-weeks 4-H club summer session in the United States.

Ten original radio plays written by Oregon 4-H club members will be broadcast over KOAC during the summer session, with members of the club delegations serving as radio actors and actresses, announces James Morris, KOAC announcer, who is in charge of this fifth annual contest sponsored by the state station.

Two safety plays will be broadcast during the noon farm hour June 7 to June 14. The eight winning plays in the general contest will be broadcast at 7:30 o'clock daily except Sunday, starting Wednesday, June 7.

Move Home—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McDonald and family have moved from 240 South Stephens street to 401 South Pine street. Their house was moved to the lot on Pine street where the Christian church stood a number of years ago.

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