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WILLAKENZIE WINS DISTRICT SONGFEST

Lane County Grangers Will Enter State Contest at Fair in September.

Willakenzie grange of Lane county took all first places in the district song contest, sponsored by the Oregon State Grange at Hinesdale grange hall Friday night. The contest was for grange singers in Lane, Douglas, Crook, Curry, Josephine and Jackson counties.

The best grange songbooks of each district will meet in a state contest to be held in connection with the Oregon State fair.

Prizes from \$10 to \$25 will be given by the fair to the winners in six classes: women's soloists, men's soloists, duet, trio, quartet and chorus. Grangers of which the winners are members will receive plaques from the fair.

Results Listed

In the contest held here Friday night, under the direction of Mrs. Paula Anderson, Panama grange lecturer, the results were as follows:

Men's soloists—John Debernans, Willakenzie grange, first.
Duet—Helen and Nellie Rutherford, Willakenzie grange, first.
O. C. Houser and Roy Wickstrom, Melrose grange, second; George and Angelina Rempols, Northbayside grange, Coos county, third.
Quartet—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kinsale, Mrs. Mary Kinsale and L. L. Miller, Willakenzie grange, Lane county, first; Billy, George and Angelina Rempols and Edwina Sletstrem, Northbayside grange, Coos county, second.
Chorus—Willakenzie grange—Misses Nellie and Helen Rutherford, Mrs. Glenn Romo, Mrs. Mary Ann Muzan, Hattie Walla, Hazel Kinsale, Mary Kinsale, Ella Marie Baker, Cora Hyland, Kenneth Kinsale, Carl Rutherford, Charles Poole, L. L. Miller and D. H. French.

Mrs. Charles A. Brand, Mrs. Ida Thomas and Mrs. Evelyn Friedrichson, acted as judges.

To Revive Old-Time Songs

The contest will revive the songs of the gay twenties, as the rules require that all songs entered must have been written before the dawn of the 20th century and that singers must appear in costumes appropriate to the periods in which the songs were written. The purpose of the contest is to revive old-time community singing.

The finals will be held on farm organization day, September 8, at the state fair, which opens on September 1, Labor day.

News of 4-H CLUBS

According to County Club Agent J. A. Britton, quite a number of older club members in the county are interested in the 4-H club contests held each year at the state fair. Mr. Britton states that he is also interested in having them find out about the contests and take part in them as well. Every 4-H club member who takes part in the state fair 4-H club contests receives admittance to the fair, two nights lodging and six meals at the 4-H club dormitory without expense to them as they are there as guests of the state board of agriculture.

Many members, too, are taking advantage of the invitation to exhibit their products at the fair. Mr. Britton states that he expects to take a good load of exhibits there.

This date of the fair this year are September 4 to 19, both dates inclusive. The Douglas county club agent has again been selected to manage the 4-H club dormitory for the third year.

Four 4-H club livestock members left this morning to join with boys from western Lane, Coos and Curry counties in a livestock judging tour of Coos county.

They visited the S. R. McCarver farm near North Bend on Thursday for dairy cattle judging this afternoon. They will be camping at the Red Creek farm camp tonight. Tomorrow they will be at the Peterson Bros. ranch at Astoria before noon to judge beef cattle and in the afternoon at the Herman Detlofsen farm near Myrtle Point for sheep judging. They will arrive home Tuesday evening at 5:30 on the 4:00 and will spend the night at the home of Mrs. J. E. Lapham, Myrtle, sponsors of the livestock judging tour of Douglas county.

Those who have gone on this tour are Ole Helms, Tom Zetter, Turman and Glen Hughes, Guy Moran, Jack Manning, Nelson Zachary, Perry Zetter, Jerry Zachary and Jim Hinton.

The Douglas county boys who went on the Willamette valley livestock judging tour last week reported a very beneficial as well as a fine time on the trip. They looked over some of the finest stock and best farms in the northwest— even south of the valley. County Club Agent J. A. Britton and Smith-Hughes instructor H. E. Crow accompanied the boys on the trip.

Dates for 4-H club members to

All's Well—Now



Drops of water become precious jewels in the drought-ridden northeastern states. Here a farmer near Ellenville, N. Y., holds a shotgun in his lap as he mounts guard over his well after night raids by less fortunate neighbors.

FLAPPER FANNY

By Sylvia



"I wasn't so-careed to sleep out here, Fan. I j-j-just hol-lered to be sure you were all right."

Five community fairs for Douglas county as follows:
Sutherlin—August 24 and 25.
Canyonville—August 26.
White—August 28.
Toke—August 29.
Train—September 12 and 13.
These club members who all ready exhibited at the spring fairs will not exhibit the same product at the community fairs. Livestock, eggs, canned clubs and other club exhibits will be exhibited at those community fairs. All premiums on both spring and fall fairs will be paid at and during such community fair.

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ADVICE GIVEN ON CONTROL OF BORER

Method of Application of P-Z to Peach and Prune Pests Described.

Control of the western peach and prune root borer can be easily and cheaply secured by the use of para-dichlorobenzene, commonly called by the trade name P-Z. The chemical comes in white crystals and is applied about the base of the tree during the latter part of August to the first of September. Treatment is more effective when soil temperature is 55° or above and soil moisture is low.

The method of application is simple. The surface of the soil should be leveled about the base of the tree in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the soil below the surface. All large masses of gum that may be present at the base of the tree should be removed. Loose dirt then may be piled around the base of the tree and leveled off to give a surface of 1 1/2 to 2 inches above the normal level of the ground on which to spread P-Z crystals. The crystals are placed in a fine ring around the base of the tree. In making the application, crystals should be about 2 inches distant from the trunk and carefully done. The ring should not be over 1 inch wide and the material not placed too close or too far from the base of the tree. If the crystals are placed too far from the tree, the toxic effect of the gas is greatly lessened. On the other hand, if the crystals are placed too close to the tree, injury to the tree is likely to result.

When the crystals have been applied in a ring about the tree as directed, it should be carefully covered over with a few shovels of loose earth and the mound so formed should be well soaked down to prevent the escape of the gas from the crystals into the air.

Tree Age Important

The quantity of P-Z crystals in controlling the peach and prune root borer varies with the age of the tree to be treated. From 3-4 to 1 ounce of P-Z is sufficient for an ordinary tree 5 years of age or older. For trees 4 to 5 years old, 3-4 ounces is sufficient, and for trees 1 to 3 years, 1 ounce is generally used. To prevent possible injury to young trees, it is advisable to break down the mound about the base of the trees 4 to 6 weeks after application. Some growers believe it is advisable to break down the mound even on older trees, but if the chemical is properly applied, no injury is likely to occur even though the mound is not broken down.

The peach and prune root borer in the adult stage is a clear winged fly and often can be seen flitting about in the orchard during the latter part of June and early July. The eggs are laid during July but the fly may continue to deposit a few eggs even until early fall. The eggs are ordinarily laid on the trunks of the trees, generally within 12 inches of the ground. Each female is capable of laying from 500 to 800 eggs. Eggs hatch within about 10 days and the young larvae then makes entrance into the tree near the surface of the ground.

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FARM SALES GAIN, LAND BANK SAYS

Sales of Oregon farm lands by the Federal Land bank of Spokane in the first six months of 1939 showed a 14 1/2 per cent gain over the same period last year, E. M. Ehrhardt, president, announced this week.

Reasons for the gain are found in the greater interest being shown in real estate by tenants, adjacent farm owners and investors, and in the vigorous effort being made by the bank to return its properties to private ownership, he said.

Sales also are being made with more cash down this year than last, Ehrhardt reported, an indication of the confidence buyers are showing in the future of Oregon agriculture.

There are several reasons for the healthy condition of the farm real estate market, it was pointed out. "Land is realistically priced on the basis of normal yields and average prices," Ehrhardt explained. "Values have not been touched by any speculative fever, yet commodity prices are bound to rise in the future, and when they do, land prices will rise with them."

WEST CROPS FACE EAST COMPETITION

LA GRANDE, Aug. 7.—(AP)—The western states must produce a high type of diversified crops to meet eastern agricultural competition, F. O. Hart of Denver, federal bureau of reclamation engineer, said after surveying the Grande Ronde valley irrigation project.

"The east is becoming an active competitor of the west, even in livestock feeding, so that feed crops will tend to become less profitable here," he commented.

"It's the same with other western farming phases. Experts say the west's solution is either development of cities as big as either the east or production of a high type of diversified crops."

GOOD FUTURE FOR WOOL PRICES SEEN

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., Aug. 7.—(AP)—Wool prices "should hold well" next year if there is no unskated slump in consumption and tariff reductions, President J. A. Reed of the Wyoming Wool Growers' association predicted at the opening of the association's convention.

"Low inventories and current demand will absorb all this year's crop before the next year's crop is available for delivery," he said.

MAGAZINE SALES AID GRANGE FUND

RIDDLE, Ore., Aug. 7.—At last Thursday's meeting of Riddle grange, Gladys Williams, head of the home economics committee, reported that a sum of about \$15 was

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OREGON HOP TRADE HITS DULL WEEK

PORTLAND, Aug. 7.—(AP)—The Pacific coast hop market was steady to firm but the Oregon trade was dull for the last week, the department of agriculture said today. Oregon production was estimated at 18,416,328 pounds, California 9,692,994 and Washington 9,281,131.

Oregon 1938 hop sales included a carload by the stabilization corporation at 25 cents per pound. No sales of older growths and no new contracts were reported.

Dealer bidding ranged 22 to 23 cents per pound for 1939 crop regular type clusters for future delivery but growers declined to offer at those prices. The 1937 hops were quoted nominally at five cents a pound but no transactions occurred.

Oregon crop prospects continued favorable and the harvest will start about August 15.

TOWNSENDERS TO HEAR WETTERMAN

Roseburg Townsends club, No. 1, will hold its meeting this week on Thursday evening, at the Douglas hotel, instead of on Tuesday night, the usual meeting date. The change is made in order that the club members and friends may hear Charles W. Wetterman, national representative for Oregon who will speak in the club and present his "Vocoflms." These pictures are different than those recently shown in library park. It is announced. In the absence of Mrs. Mable P. Taylor, president, Mrs. James Sawyers, vice-president, will conduct the club meeting.

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