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SUTHERLIN LISTS FAIR PREMIUMS

Preparations Being Made for Banner Exhibition; Horse Barn Added.

SUTHERLIN, Aug. 14.—The premium list for the Central Douglas fair, to be held at Sutherlin Thursday and Friday, Aug. 24 and 25, has been completed and is ready for distribution. Persons interested may secure copies from Charles Bentley, chairman, or from Sutherlin business houses. Copies also will be placed in the hands of fair officers and chairmen in the various communities contributing to the fair.

The fair management is anticipating a large number of exhibits and is making preparations to take care of all entries in the usual manner.

Space will be provided in the main building for the 4-H club exhibits. Antiques and craft work for boys and girls will be housed in the Community hall. Exhibitors desiring to make granges or community displays are asked to notify the management, as space must be prepared in advance. The same also holds true for farm exhibits. Those desiring to enter cattle are advised that the animals must be tested for Bang's disease and be insecticide. A horse barn has been added to this year's equipment, which will eliminate crowding in the barn and give an opportunity for better care.

The sports program will be under the management of the Development club and an interesting entertainment is promised.

Roseburg Band to Play
The Roseburg Municipal band will be present on the 25th for its annual concert at Sutherlin. The band concert for several years has been an outstanding feature of the fair.

Following the usual custom, an auction will be held at 4 p. m. on the last day of the fair, where exhibitors may place their displays on sale if they desire. Proceeds may be retained by the exhibitor or donated to the fair to help defray the expenses of promotion. A non-exhibitor may take advantage of the sale, subject to the usual fee of the auctioneer. The sale will be conducted by Auctioneer D. E. Barnes.

Persons desiring to exchange trucks or trailers may leave a description of the animals with the chairman of the livestock division. A trade will be made if possible. Space will be provided if the owner wishes to display animals.

OREGON CORN SHOW DATES ANNOUNCED

With December 1 and 2 definitely set as the dates for Oregon's third annual statewide corn show, committees headed by Charles W. Smith, assistant county agent leader, are working already on various arrangements intended to make this the largest and most educational show of its kind.

The extension service and experiment station of Oregon State college have been asked to cooperate with the original sponsors in staging the show at Corvallis from noon on.

Detailed closing dates for exhibits, time of judging, etc., will be announced in connection with publication of the program list early in September, says Smith. Tentative plans, however, call for exhibits to be received the first day of the corn show week, following many county shows. O.S.C. students will assist in placing exhibits to be followed by judging, all prior to the official opening of the show the Friday after Thanksgiving.

An educational program will be held in connection with the show, and resolutions are being made for 4-H clubs and Smith-Bartholomew clubs to hold judging contests. Results and exhibits of the O.S.C. hybrid corn judging contest will be shown in connection with the regular show. This contest included cost of production and rate of yield figures.

MORE STORAGE FOR CORN HELD NEEDED

DES MOINES, Ia., Aug. 14.—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace announced yesterday that a single drought comparable to 1934.

"We need more storage capacity for corn," he said in an address here. "The 27,000,000 bushels now under lease is somewhat smaller than the amount of 27,000,000 bushels that proved to be inadequate in the situation created by the drought of 1934."

MELON SNATCHERS TO PAY WITH TOIL

MEDFORD, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Pete Central Pines, Medford, found guilty of raiding a watermelon patch be-

Grower Urges Cooperative Market Plan



The above picture, taken in a Douglas county pear orchard, is not designed to call attention to a picture, but to give a visual that depicts a great price differential. The picture shows pears are fully ripened in other parts of the state.

The grower, in whose orchard the picture was taken, asked to be left unnamed, stating that while he does not lack pride in his orchard, he believes there are many others in the county equally as good and that his one desire is that representation such as that shown above may stimulate growers to a more active role in securing a price in keeping with the quality of the product.

Nature's Gift
"It was a serious fault of nature that she did not arrange the ripening time around the shipping date," said the grower, "but she did not arrange the ripening time around the shipping date."

"I believe that there are many orchards in Douglas county producing equally good fruit and it is most lamentable that buyers were able to obtain a good share of the fruit at only 50 per cent of what it would be worth if it were not for the fact that it was not in season."

"It is true that the growers get together to share out of a pool of associates which would not be possible if each grower had his own market. It is the fact that the growers get together to share out of a pool of associates which would not be possible if each grower had his own market."

INVENTIONS WILL BE FAIR FEATURE

Oregon's 1939 state fair, which the management is carefully building up as "the show window of our state," will portray not only the industrial, livestock, horticultural and cultural progress, but also the local children of the state's new inventions will be well. But there is no political significance.

These new deals are in inventions which Oregon and northwest residents have made and which will be shown at the fair by J. T. Anderson, industrial coordinator of Portland. This is the second year the inventors' show has been held at the fair, and new and interesting items—ranging from tiny gadgets to big machines, are included this year.

The inventions will be shown in motion pictures and a number of them will be displayed also in a special exhibit. The National Association of Manufacturers is co-operating in the inventors' show by exhibiting a film depicting progress of America from early days to the present.

Mr. Anderson also states that any Oregon resident having an invention he or she wishes to show at the fair may do so by writing to him in care of the state fair at Salem.

U. S. ASKED TO BUY SURPLUS BUTTER

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—(AP)—A. T. Reinberger, general manager of the Dairy Products Marketing association, announced financial cooperation, announced the director of the DPMMA had recommended to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace the immediate purchase of 49,000,000 pounds of butter.

Reinberger said the directors suggested the purchase be made at present market prices or at somewhat higher levels, if necessary. The purchase, if made, probably would be extended over some period of time, Reinberger said.

Butter men estimated the purchase of 10 million pounds of butter would cost about \$9,000,000 at present market prices.

OREGON'S FILBERT CROP SETS RECORD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—The crop reporting board announced the Oregon filbert crop, estimated at 2,910 tons, is expected to be the largest of record. Oregon's total production was estimated at 4,400 tons, compared with 3,500 last year.

The board also said production of nuts in Washington, Oregon and California was estimated at 29,000,000 pounds, 11 per cent larger than the 1938 crop of 25,231,000 pounds.

Connecticut (the largest) and Texas (the second) were given filberts of 1,000,000 and 800,000 pounds, respectively. The condition here is reported to be good.

APPLE AND CHERRY PRODUCTION UPPED

Nation Has Smaller Peach and Pear Crops; Prune Output Estimated.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—(AP)—The crop reporting board forecasts a commercial apple crop of 1,020,000 bushels for 1939, compared with 82,395,000 bushels last year and a 104 year (1927-38) average of 96,469,000 bushels.

Larger than average supplies were indicated in all geographical regions except the south central and western states. In the western area, including both the Pacific coast and Rocky mountain states, the 1939 commercial crop was reported five per cent smaller than the 1938 crop and 15 per cent less than the 10 year average.

The board said conditions on August 1 indicated the western crop would produce only about one-third of the total commercial crop. Prospects were especially good in the north central states where the prospective commercial crop was double that of 1938 and 44 per cent above average.

Peach Crop Smaller

The board estimated this year's peach yield would total 61,164,000 bushels.

Smaller sizes than usual in the California clingstone crop and some reduction in production in Washington, the board said, just about offset improved prospects in most of the other western states. California production was estimated to be 23,835,000 bushels, including a clingstone crop of 15,643,000 bushels, and freestone crop of 8,792,000 bushels.

A record cherry yield of 184,580 tons was predicted by the board.

The forecast was 28 per cent larger than the previous record crop of 144,726 tons, produced in 1927. The 1938 crop was 140,879 tons.

The board estimated production of 56,760 tons of sweet cherries this year, and 97,820 tons of sour cherries.

Prunes Estimated

Estimates of the 1939 yield by tons included: Washington 26,800; Oregon, 24,100.

Indicated production of California dried prunes was placed at 187,000 tons (dry basis) compared with the 1938 crop of 234,000 tons and the 10-year average of 208,000 tons. Total production of prunes for all purposes in Idaho, Washington, and Oregon was estimated at 201,700 tons (free basis) compared with 137,000 tons in 1938 and the 10-year average of 160,320 tons.

Exports of prunes production (in tons fresh basis): Oregon, 148,400; Washington, 35,700.

The nation's 1939 pear crop was placed at 30,645,000 bushels compared with 32,473,000 bushels last year and a 10-year average (1928-38) of 25,489,000 bushels.

Estimated 1939 production based on August 1 reports compared with 1938 production was given for the principal pear growing states as follows (in bushels): Washington, 5,860,000 and 4,200,000; Oregon, 1,367,000 and 1,249,000.

STATE FAIR OFFERS PRIZES TO 4-H'ERS

Trips to Treasure Island Dairy Show Included in List of Awards.

Four teams of Oregon 4-H club boys and girls who place first in special contests at the Oregon state fair in Salem September 4 to 10 will win trips to the National Dairy show on Treasure Island in late October. The fair management has announced. Each county is entitled to enter one team in the 4-H dairy production, manufacturing, consumption and cattle judging contests at the state fair. Youths who place in the next four positions will receive cash awards.

This contest series is one of several special prizes for the 4-H exhibitors this fall. An innovation also this year is the Valley Packing company dressed hog carcass contest, awards for which total \$50. This event is designed to teach clubbers the type, weight, quality and finish of hogs best suited for markets and to encourage production of this kind. Entries open to all club members of the state, will be judged on the hoof the opening day of the fair, Labor day, and two days later will be judged on the floor.

The junior livestock breeders, including both the 4-H and Future Farmers of America, will have entirely new barns this year in which to house their stock, as a 265-foot addition, has been constructed to the already mammoth stock barn. The addition will house the junior entries, and brings total length of the stock barn to 722 feet. The barn will house 5000 head of cattle, sheep and swine.

Future Farmers from eastern Oregon will make their first livestock exhibits at the state fair this year, and all told the F.F.A. entries will be by far the largest of any previous year.

Those 4-H club members who place highest on the Willamette Valley Livestock Judging tour are Clara Meredith, Orla Rogers and David Jacoby of Lookingglass and Clyde Maupin of Kellough. Out of a possible 1200 points, Clara Meredith placed first with 855 points, while Orla Rogers and David Jacoby tied for 2nd place with 840. Clyde Maupin's score was 810 for 3rd place.

On the Coos County tour Felix Zoster of Lookingglass placed first with 830 points out of a possible 1100. Jim Britton of Roseburg, second, with 815, and Tom Zoster, also of Lookingglass, 3rd with 790 points.

Ray Doerner, Cecil Pierce and Dick Young of Cleveland are preparing to enter the poultry judging contest at the state fair this year. Ray Doerner and Dick Young are also preparing a poultry demonstration which will have to do with the production of poultry. They will enter the poultry demonstration contest at the state fair.

The Douglas County Livestock Judging team to compete in the 4-H Livestock Judging contest during the state fair will be made up of boys from one of the Lookingglass livestock clubs, Clara Meredith, who placed first at the Willamette Valley Livestock Judging tour, Orla Rogers, who placed second, Kenneth Andrus, and George Mars. They will make up the team of three members and one alternate.

Members of the Glendale Livestock club will meet Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the swimming hole just below the home of G. D. Talcut, their club leader. This is to be the last meeting of the club year. Each member will make a report of his project and plans for exhibiting at the Glendale fair to be held August 23rd will also be discussed.

In spite of warnings sent out through the columns of this and other papers and over the air, people are still falling for magazine solicitation games in which solicitors claim to be affiliated with the 4-H club movement. According to E. A. Britton, county club agent, reports have come in that a Bobby Anderson is soliciting for magazine subscriptions with the idea of getting points enough to win a contest so that he would be sent to the Chicago International Sports Show Free. According to reports the young fellow is representing himself as a 4-H club member and soliciting from somewhere up around Portland with relatives here in Roseburg and Douglas county. This is untrue.

Mr. Britton states that no 4-H club members are authorized to enroll for anything outside of their own community and request that any solicitor representing himself as a 4-H club member and soliciting for the 4-H club cause be requested to show credentials which must be signed by him. He also requests that anyone meeting any of these solicitors report to him so that he can check on them.

John McKean, son of Mr. and

Mrs. E. A. McKean of this city and now employed by the state game commission, is here for the purpose of liberating 4-H club raised chukar pheasants.

This morning Mr. McKean and his two assistants and the county club agent liberated pheasants raised by Don Wilson, Marceline Moore, and Ella Mae Cloak. They say Creek where they want to liberate the pheasants raised by Don Wright, Majorie and Maxine Wright, and Wilbur White. They also picked up those raised by Mabel Jane and Roberta Matthews of Myrtle Creek. This afternoon they will take those raised by Lu Britton of Roseburg, Ward Todd of Oakland, Eunice and Connel Davis and Glen and Jake Larson of Sutherlin, and Byrie Stephens of Oakland.

It is expected that they will liberate something over 1000 birds today. Those birds which are younger will be liberated during the latter part of the month.

(News by Emma Leah Winniford, Garden Valley.)

The Garden Valley Girls' Camp Conkey club enjoyed a delightful overnight trip August 9th. We went down to Egan's beach for a swimming party. Later we went to Umpqua to a camping place on the river. Supper was prepared and eaten. After dishes were washed, we told stories.

In the morning we got up and went to the river to wash. After breakfast was eaten and dishes done, we went down to the river to play on the rocks. This went along until 10:30 and we had to go home. Members present were Jean Ritchie, leader, Thelma Graham, president, Emma Leah Winniford, vice president.

After swimming we had our supper and two guests had caught up with us. They were Raymond Willard and Delmar Christian. They ate supper and played games with us. Then Raymond honored us by singing for us. We are sorry those boys don't live in Roseburg so they could join our club.

(News by Jo Ann Casbeer, Roseburg.)

It has been a long time since you heard from the Squirrels but you know vacation is here and we have been taking ours. We have had 11 of the most interesting meetings and I am sorry that they are over for awhile. You know the old saying, "every good thing must come to an end." I think all of us have learned a lot from our project, even the leaders, too. Mrs.

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