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AAA ELECTIONS IN DOUGLAS LISTED

Local Committeemen and Convention Delegates Will Be Chosen.

Community elections being held throughout the county on Friday, October 27, mark the first step in organizing the Douglas county agricultural conservation association for its work in supervising the 1940 AAA program, according to J. Roland Parker, secretary.

A total of 20 community committeemen and alternates will be elected in ten communities at the meetings Friday. Delegates also will be named to represent each community at the county conservation convention, to be held in Roseburg on November 8, when the three members of the county committee will be elected.

Since the federal conservation program, in which 1935 farmers of the county participated, will continue practically unchanged in 1940, the major organization feature will be the elections. In many cases it is expected that committeemen now serving will be re-elected, the secretary said.

Officers of the Douglas County Agricultural Conservation Association this year are: Leo Sparks, chairman; R. F. Nichols, vice-chairman; and R. R. Clark, alternates are Eugene H. Fisher and D. N. Husebark.

Eligibility Rules. All farmers taking part in the AAA program are members of the county conservation association and may vote in the community elections. Certain regulations govern those eligible to become committeemen, delegates or alternates.

They must be farmers of livestock ranchers; they must have qualified during 1939 for a conservation payment; they may not hold federal, state or major county office; they may not be candidates for such offices; and they cannot be employed by any political organization.

"These elections indicate how completely farmers are administering their own farm programs," the secretary said. "The county committee is in charge of the general program in the county, and the community committee help bring it to each individual farm. Through the elections, farmers name their own members of these administrative committees."

Meeting Places. Following is the schedule of community election meetings, which will be held on Friday, October 27, at 1:30 p. m.

District I (Cow Creek), Azules Grange hall.

District II (Riddle), Guild hall, Riddle.

District III (Dry Creek), Days Creek schoolhouse.

District IV (City Creek), City Creek city hall.

District V (Roseburg), Roseburg city hall.

District VI (Canas Valley), Canas Valley schoolhouse.

District VII (Oakland), Turkey hall.

District VIII (Sikton), L.O.O.F. hall.

District IX (Grain), Grain Community hall.

District X (Hosetown), Reed's post council chambers.

News of 4-H CLUBS

A health club enrollment was received this week by the county agent from the Oak Knoll district near Ellettsville. Enrollment covered twelve members who elected Armin Clemens president, Theodore Rifer vice-president and Vern Clemens secretary. Mrs. Ernest H.

4-H Work Wins Them Trip to Fair



Patricia Glenn and Willard Crow, both of Roseburg, outstanding 4-H club girl and boy from Douglas county, photographed at the Pacific International Livestock exposition held recently in Portland. They attended the show as guests of the Douglas National bank of Roseburg and the First National bank of Portland in the fourth annual achievement and leadership contest sponsored by the Portland institution.

The entire group of 74 winners, representing every county in Oregon, received every courtesy while in Portland and enjoyed the full three-day program arranged for them by their host.

In addition to daily exposition exhibits, high points of the program were a group dinner at the exposition grounds, followed by attendance at the horse show and a tour of Portland, including visits to the Jantzen Knitting mills and one of the large daily newspaper plants; a banquet and dance, and a trip to the Swan Island airport.

Wade, teacher of the school in serving as leader of the club. Three members of the club who are in the eighth grade are enrolled in the marketing project.

On Thursday evening of last week, sixteen members of the "Empire Livestockman," a 4-H livestock club, met at the home of County Club Agent E. A. Britton. During the meeting each boy made a report on his project as carried during the past year and stated what he expected to do with his project during the coming year. Record books of the project were turned in.

The boys have decided to make a week-end camping trip to Roseburg beach Saturday and Sunday, November 18 and 19. They will be accompanied by the large boy scout cabin located on the bluff just above the beach.

On Wednesday evening of last week the Parent Teachers club of Canas Valley school discussed ways and means of conducting a 4-H club work at the community this year. They had as their speaker County Agent Britton. Some parents have already expressed their desire to lead 4-H clubs and hope that they will be organized soon. Mr. Brown, principal of the school, is cooperating with the Parent Teachers club.

The advanced forestry club of Days Creek, led by C. C. Hill, principal of the school, has planned the Diamond Lake trip for November 2, 4 and 5. In all probability the forestry service will cooperate with the club and have a forest ranger on hand to instruct them in forestry during the trip. Another forestry club at the same school, led by Ernest Ayres of the 7th and 8th grade room, is planning a trip on the same date, but for a shorter period of time. They expect to have their plans completed shortly.

By Maxine Wright, Days Creek

DAIRY PRODUCTS IN OREGON INCREASE

Butter Heads List, Cheese Close 2nd; Ice Cream Figures Hard to Get.

SALEM, Oct. 23.—Dairy products manufactured in Oregon in 1938 showed an increase over the previous year in every department, with the most marked boost in creamery butter, cheese and evaporated and condensed milk, according to final figures just released by J. D. Mickle, director of the state department of agriculture. The figures were compiled by the USDA agriculture marketing service in cooperation with the SDA.

In 1938, 194 Oregon creameries manufactured 217,295,211 pounds of creamery butter, or 1,777,569 pounds more than in 1937. Cheese manufactured totaled 29,355,945 pounds or 1,917,295 more than in 1937. Milk of the cheese output, 19,942,543 pounds, was American in character, cheese made from whole or skim milk. Butterfat used in the manufacture of cheese totaled 6,775,880 pounds.

Last year, 33,399,540 pounds of condensed or evaporated milk was produced against 27,413,541 pounds in 1937, or a gain of 5,985,999 pounds.

Ice Cream Gain Smallest. Of the major items, ice cream made the smallest gain, with 2,449,005 gallons manufactured in 1938 against 2,346,569 the year before. However, the ice cream and sherbert picture is not quite complete, because it is impossible to get an accurate check on the production of counter-freezers in the state.

Other items on which final figures are out include: Cottage, past or baker's cheese, 1,655,109 pounds, representing an increase of 25,916 pounds over 1937; dried or powdered skim milk, and buttermilk, 7,421,728 pounds, an increase of 244,167 pounds; whey and casein manufactured, 6,005,200 pounds; butterfat, 57,527 gallons.

The report shows farmers of the state received \$7,612,253 last year for 42,971,487 pounds of whole milk delivered. Material in the milk delivered figured 20,249,675 pounds.

NEW SPRAY KEEPS APPLES ON TREES

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE, AP Science Editor, BRITTSVILLE, Md., Oct. 23.—A spray that prevents apples from falling off the trees is announced by the U. S. horticultural station here.

Decreasing falling of apples is one of the growers' great problems. As the fruit approaches the maturity and color for harvesting, in numerous varieties the danger of dropping becomes more acute. Orchardists gamble every day they let the fruit stay on trees.

The new spray contains a few drops of a chemical that promotes plant growth. These growth substances have been discovered at Rice & Meyers.

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Drop Almost Nil. The spray reduced the falling of Williams Early Red apples from nearly total loss of the crop to almost no loss. By actual count trees that had dropped from 64.2 per cent to 90.8 per cent of their apples, dropped only a little more than one per cent.

The chemical used was naphthalene acetic acid. Its concentration was one-thousandth of one per cent. Later tests with a spray containing only 25 ten-thousandths of this acid resulted in marked inhibition of dropping of several varieties of apples.

NEGRO FINED FOR FIRING BULL'S TAIL

LAUREL, Mo., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Marion Woods, a negro farmer, was fined \$15 by Judge Libby for setting fire to a bull's tail to get him out of a field.

Woods was charged with cruelty to animals after Elmer Kling, owner of the bull, complained to authorities. Kling said the bull never recovered from the injury.

OREGON SEED SPUDS SOLD TO ARGENTINA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—(AP)—Informer circles report Argentina had purchased 100,000 crates of seed potatoes in the United States, 75,000 in Oregon and Washington and 25,000 in Maine.

RIVERSDALE GRANGE HAS GOOD PROGRAM

Riversdale grange held its regular meeting Oct. 20. An interesting program was presented by the agricultural committee, headed by W. L. Love, Mr. Shore, of the Roseburg grange supply talked on the milk control bill, also the grange cooperative. Others taking part on the program were Mrs. M. H. Shook, Lucie Crook, Colleen Moore, Barbara Ogle, Priscilla Potvin, Patricia Douglas, H. A. Calhoun. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Shook, Vivian and Vera Domenico, Harry Marks.

Plans were made for a Halloween masquerade party, to be held Friday, Oct. 27. Prizes will be given for the best costumes. The community is invited to attend and each grange lady is asked to bring a pumpkin pie. The game committee consists of Mrs. M. H. Shook, Mrs. Shuster, Mrs. Parkinson. The decoration committee is comprised of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Moore, Jim Hees, Lee Calkins.

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All members are urged to attend the next regular grange meeting Nov. 3. Election of grange officers for next year will be held. Each lady is asked to bring lunch for two in a paper bag.

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