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Oregon Seed Crops In Wider Demand

Oregon seed growers are expected to be called on to supply an increased domestic demand for field and vegetable seeds for the next few years at least, as a result of the European war, which has cut off many of the normal sources of supply according to a recent statement issued by the U. S. department of agriculture.

Seeds chiefly affected include crimson clover, white clover, ryegrass, orchard grass, and hairy vetch, all of which are produced in this state. Oregon is also expected to become a major production center for sugar beet seed, according to best information gathered by O.S.C. experiment station men.

A by-product of this changed situation in regard to seed is a ruling recently made in regard to the federal seed act, which will permit the sale of the year's crop of Kentucky bluegrass and various kinds of bent grass without the requirement that they meet the regular germination standards under the new federal seed law. It is pointed out that both of these kinds of grass seed go through a rest period immediately after harvesting, during which they show low germination in standard tests even though they will have high germination later. By suspending the rules for eight weeks it will permit the sale of these grass seeds of the current crop for use this fall as early-sown seed from 1939 is below normal in some areas.

Broad Breasted Turkeys On Display at St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 22.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Monette of Yamhill, Ore., are here to exhibit their broad-breasted, bronze turkeys at the 24th annual convention and exposition of the International Turkey Club association.

Reese V. Hicks, IBCA executive secretary, estimated that 25,000 persons will see the Monette turkeys during the four-day exposition which started today.

Permit to Use Special Prune Container Given

The state department of agriculture last month drew an order extending permission for use of a special 25-pound pyramid container for prunes. The container is 12 inches to 5 inches deep, 12 1/2 inches wide and 16 1/8 inches long, all inside measurements.

THE SPIRIT OF 76

By JOHN CLINTON

I used to be rabid on the subject of Sunday driving. My wife used to almost blast to get me in the limo-15-mouth and out into the highway. But no more! I've found a trick!

It's this—start out on the main highway and turn at the first unfamiliar road you come to. Then drive along it till you come to another unfamiliar road and try that one!

You may wind up in someone's west forty, or in the driveway of a ranch house. But what do you care? The kick is in never knowing what's coming next!

You'll be surprised to find what adventures you'll have. I've found whole sections of country that I never dreamed existed. I've found blossoms, deserted houses, and once, even a ghost school house with an arithmetic lesson still on-erased on the mauling blackboard.

What I'm getting at is—just jump in the car and let her find her own way. Pretend you can't read the road signs.

Incidentally, you'll probably find that it will be even more fun if you use 76 gasoline, because 76 has a way of keeping your engine purring along so smoothly you'll forget that you have an engine.

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Mechanized "Scarecrow" Sounds Off



The mechanized scarecrow moves to California's farming fields with this tin can device invented by J. Day Salinas rancher. The cans, suspended by strings from a revolving, color-bar reflect rays of the sun, clank when they touch one another and are effective in keeping crows and other birds from Day's fields.

News of 4-H CLUBS

Four-H club livestock numbers are signing up now for the three livestock judging contests. The first of these fairs is known as the Willamette tour and will be taken to Lane and Linn counties. The registration for this closes Thursday evening of this week. So far two boys have signed up for this tour. There are eight boys signed up for the Coos county tour, which will begin Sunday, August 1. This group includes: Victor Swearingen, Tom and Carl Schatzenbeck, Travis Hines, Albert Stibbs, William Barton, Arthur Bartlett and James Rayner.

For the first tour, which goes to southern Oregon and the northern tip of California and begins Wednesday, August 7, the following have signed up: Ray Doerner, George Marsh, Don Brumbach, Dean Fogel, Lyle Russell, Ovid Rogers, Clara Meredith, Neil Talbot and Dick Woods. Registration for both the Coos and southern Oregon tours ends August 1.

One of the other 4-H club girls who expects to enter the senior home economics contest is Eunice Davis of Sutherlin. Eunice, according to the records kept in the county club agent's office, first started 4-H club work in 1939, at which time she carried a clothing project. She has been successful every year since and now has a total of twenty projects completed. Eunice has attended summer school at Corvallis twice, was chosen as the Douglas National bank representative to the Pacific International Livestock exposition in 1938, and has been selected to represent Douglas county at the Oregon State fair this year. During the past two years Eunice has, with another older girl, led a 4-H club of younger members.

During these eleven years continuous club membership Miss Davis has carried projects in clothing, home cooking, camp cooking, camp cookery, canning, home-making, health, marketing, chickens, turkeys, sheep, forestry and China projects. In order to get proper grounds work in sewing, she carried the first division of clothing four different years. It is expected that Eunice will give a good account of herself in this year's senior home economics contest at the state fair.

Eunice's brother, Cornell, has been in club work for the same length of time and has completed thirty-nine projects, which gives the Davis family the 4-H family record in Douglas county.

According to a letter received from Harold Marx, secretary of the Glendale Livestock club, the club has one more meeting to hold before the various projects are completed. This meeting will be held preceding the state fair in order to complete plans for showing their stock. The group has invited County Club Agent Britton to meet with them and to join with them in a swimming party following the meeting.

Cover Crop Seed Moving to Dixie

Fresh from harvest in the Willamette valley, a carload of Australian winter field pea seed was on its way last week to Somersville, Tenn., representing the first cover crop seed purchased in Oregon this year by the federal government. It is for cover crop expansion program. The peas tested 98 per cent purity and 90 per cent germination, thus qualifying for top price of 3 cents a pound.

Under the AAA plan, the federal government is offering 3 cents a pound for first quality winter field peas and 2 cents a pound for top quality hairy vetch seed. This guaranteed price has given Oregon growers the incentive to expand acreage of the crops to an estimated 70,000 acres of field peas, and 50,000 acres of hairy vetch. They are under no obligation to sell to the government, and may sell on regular markets if prices offered are higher than those quoted by the AAA.

Seed purchased by the AAA will be distributed in the deep south under the grant of aid plan. This means that farmers who have earned agricultural conservation payments can receive cover crop seed and have the cost deducted from their payments. Cover crops are being encouraged in the south to prevent erosion on cotton lands.

Loan Fund to Aid Tenants To Buy Farms Allotted

WASHINGTON, July 22.—(AP)—The farm security administration announces allotment of \$50,000,000 for loans to be made to tenants during this fiscal year for the purchase of farms.

The distribution of funds was based upon farm population and the percentage of tenants in the states. The administration estimated about 5,000 farm tenants, sharecroppers and farm laborers would purchase farms under the new program.

Loans will be made in counties designated by the secretary of agriculture upon recommendations made by voluntary state farm security advisory committees. In all, 1,699 counties were designated. Among the allocations by states, the approximate number of loans to be made in each state, and the number of designated counties in the state, was Oregon 124,832; 29.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that on the second Monday in August, being August 12, the Board of Equalization will convene in the Assessor's office in the Court House in Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, for the purpose of examining the Assessment Rolls and correcting all errors in valuations, description and quality of land, lots and other property assessed by the assessor and it shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at that time and place appointed.

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Advice Offered On Peach Rot Control

Peach growers will find sulphur dust or wettable sulphur effective in controlling brown rot in their orchards, not only while the fruit is maturing but after it is harvested. Showers of last week may be expected to increase the losses from brown rot unless protective measures are taken, according to J. Roland Parker, county agricultural agent.

Sulphur dust or wettable sulphur should be applied two or three weeks before harvest, or at any time when there is danger from infection from brown rot due to rains or high humidity. Liquid lime sulphur or dry lime sulphur sprays should not be used as these sprays are caustic and will cause severe burn to foliage and fruit.

The use of wettable sulphur sprays and sulphur dust apparently helps to control the 12-spotted cucumber beetle, which has been doing serious damage. The beetle eats into the blossom end of the peach when it begins to ripen, destroying the fruit for market use.

Azalea Grange Has Interesting Meet

AZALEA, July 22.—Forty members were present at the regular grange meeting Monday night. Irene Gilman was installed as Flora in place of Opal Eastman, who has moved away. It was also decided that each member would donate 25 cents towards the Red Cross fund. The lecturer, Mrs. Cora Rogan, presented an interesting program, as follows: Song by the group, led by Doris Fair, accompanied by Floyd Ames at the piano; guitar solo by Charles Page, Jr.; group of songs by the girls' chorus; guitar solo, Curtis Nichols; solo by Lotis Fair; harmonica solo by Dorothy Tumber; guitar solo, Floyd Ames. Several selections by the group closed the program. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tripp and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gadsdecke.

ODDITIES

Pane on the Neck
LOS ANGELES—Forty cases of plate glass topped over Merle Browne, 25-year-old paint store employee. Miraculously, the cases formed a cave over his body and he escaped without a cut.

Double Theme Song

KANSAS CITY—Grant Ege, music store manager, received this letter and a money order from an Iowa farmer: "Please send me phonograph records of 'God Bless America' and 'Let the Rest of the World Go By.' That's how I feel about things."

Around the County

Days Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sumner and daughter, Donna, were attending to business matters in Roseburg Friday. While there Mrs. Sumner and Donna enjoyed "Twenty Mule Team" at the Indian theatre. Jack Higgins and his son, George, were business visitors in Roseburg Thursday. Roy Byrd recently purchased the Chevrolet formerly owned by Bruce Ritter.

R. B. Boyd and Bill Mills, who are employed in constructing a new fire guard house at the South Umpqua falls spent the week-end at their respective homes. Mrs. Alva Matthews and her son, Maurice, returned Tuesday morning from southern California where they had been for the past ten days. While gone they went as far south as Tia Juata. They also visited Mrs. Matthews' sister whose home is at Ingleswood as well as another sister who lives in San Francisco. Miss Jean Ferguson of Roseburg is enjoying her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson. Miss Ferguson is employed at the telephone exchange in Roseburg. Jay Wright and his sons, Harry and Isaac, attended to business matters in Roseburg on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hill took Mr. Hill's mother, Mrs. W. G. Hill, to Dixonville Thursday. She will spend several weeks there at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. C. Brown.

Among those attending the showing of "Twenty Mule Team" at the Indian Theatre Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Ulan and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Michaels. Dan Goin home included Mrs. Goin's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodson, and their family of Boise, Idaho. They left early in the week for Seattle, Mrs. Goin accompanying them. She planned to visit her father, who is ill at a Seattle hospital. There were numerous people from this vicinity transacting business in Canyonville Saturday. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Canine and son, Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Welch and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hill and daughters, Caroline and Patty, Lyb Space, Miss Nettie Moore, T. L. Weaver and Wade Worthington.

The Gauke balling outfit which has been operating in the Pacific Post vicinity has returned here. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hill were business visitors in Roseburg Wednesday morning. En route home in the afternoon they stopped at Canyonville to attend the funeral for Arnold Eash. Others attending from here included Mrs. T. L. Weaver, R. A. Moore and Earl Sumner. R. E. McFall and his son, Nell, of Camas Valley were callers at the Archie Ferguson home Tuesday. They received delivery of one hundred and fifty friers while there. Earl Sumner recently enjoyed a visit from his sister, Mrs. Walter Philburn, of San Francisco. Mrs. Philburn, of San Francisco, Mrs. Ray Patrick of Tracy, Calif., and Mrs. Carl Buselman of Seattle. Mrs. Buselman came the day after the Fourth and while here she and Mr. and Mrs. Sumner and their daughter, Donna, made a trip to the upper Cow creek country where she made her home about twenty-five years ago. On Sunday they joined the rest of their brothers and sisters for a reunion at the Jess Sumner home at Sumner. It was the first time in nearly thirty years that all the brothers and sisters had been together. On the following Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Philburn and their sons, Walter, Jr., and Gerald, and Mrs. Patrick and her daughter, Pauline, came from Dillard where they had been visiting. They stayed until Friday when they left for their homes. Wednesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Sumner, Mr. and Mrs. Philburn and Mrs. Patrick went to Battle Point to visit a cousin, Mrs. Floyd Lindsay. Considerable building activity is in evidence at present at the South Umpqua Falls CCC camp near Tiller. A large new supply building is being constructed. It will be approximately the size of the building now used for storing supplies and will house all army supplies such as clothing, etc. The building being vacated will be used as a recreation hall. There is also an addition being made to the sign shop. There will be space for the storing of lumber as well as for a wash rack for trucks. The Osburn bridge across Elk creek a short distance above the Tiller ranger station has been completed and will be of great benefit in case of fire in that vicinity. At the close of the last enlistment period forty-three men left camp to enter other lines of work. They are being replaced by men now enrolling.

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Food Processing Bulletin Issued

Probably no publication at Oregon State college is more in demand at this time of the year than the bulletin on "Home Food Preservation," which includes instructions on canning, drying, salting, smoking and storing various kinds of food products.

For the second time this publication has been revised and brought up to date, and now the "third edition" is off the press and ready for free distribution to Oregon citizens. Many authorities at the college have cooperated in the preparation of the bulletin, which has Lucy A. Case, extension specialist in nutrition, as the principal author.

"In this bulletin we have tried to give details and schedules which will bring successful results if carefully followed," says Miss Case. "Final success, however, will depend upon painstaking care in following each step. This is particularly true with respect to processing temperatures. It is important that the temperatures prescribed be high enough so that foods are adequately processed in the required time."

The bulletin includes directions for canning vegetables, fish, and meat. Processes described include hot water bath, pressure cooker, and open kettle methods. One section deals with drying fruits and vegetables, another with curing, and one with miscellaneous methods, such as storing vegetables. A handy tabulated list gives a quick reference table for canning vegetables, fruit, meats, poultry and fish.

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Strange Insect Attacks Peaches, Filbert, Hops

GERVAIS, July 22.—(AP)—An unrecognized, winged insect has wrought extensive damage in peach and filbert orchards and hop yards, Mission bottom farmers complained.

Holes drilled in the seed have made large quantities of peaches unfit for marketing. Growers said spraying and dusting had not prevented loss of leaves on filbert trees and hop vines.

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