



FARM and GARDEN NEWS



Summer Term For 4-H's At Oregon State College Is Held To 1,800 Scholarships

Everyone a scholarship winner. As in past years, that will be the boast of the 1949 4-H club summer school to be held on the O.S.C. campus June 14 through 24, announces L. J. Allen, state 4-H club leader, who adds that county attendance quotas have now been set.

County attendance quotas are necessary to limit the enrollment to a top figure of 1,800 boys and girls. This figure is the largest number that can be handled in existing housing and by available personnel, Allen explains.

Method used to determine quotas is based on completion of club projects in each county during the 1948 club year.

Total 4-H club enrollment in the state is 26,000 or greater. Many times the enrollment of 1,800 boys and girls would attend summer school, the state leader states, if all who wish to attend could be accepted.

Again this year all 4-H summer school students will be youngsters who were awarded scholarships by business organizations, service clubs, fair boards and individuals. Value of each scholarship is set at \$23 which includes meals and lodging for the 10-day period.

To be eligible for summer school, club members must be at least 12 years of age. As in past years, all facilities of the college health service will be maintained for the youngsters as well as a special banking service to care for delegates' money. High quota in the state is set

for Marion county with 110. Three counties, Clackamas, Linn and Washington, will each be allowed a total enrollment of 100 club members.

Youngsters will be chaperoned by local club leaders, county extension personnel and college students, most of the latter being former 4-H club members, Allen adds. Those attending summer school will arrive on June 14, and will leave for their homes June 24.

Rex Wheat Free Of Smut But Too Hard To Mill

A favorite Oregon wheat variety, Rex, received a black eye in a recent wheat variety popularity poll conducted by the North Pacific Millers Association, reports Rex Warren, O. S. C. extension farm crops specialist, who is a member of a three-state smut control committee. The poll was taken to find out trade wheat variety choices based on needs and preferences.

Rex, comparatively smut-free but a notoriously difficult variety to mill, failed to receive a single trade vote. Warren states. Among varieties favorably regarded by millers, Alcel and Elgin were prominently mentioned. Both of these wheats, however, are susceptible to smut, the number one wheat disease problem in the Northwest.

New varieties are being developed by experiment stations in Oregon, Washington and Idaho which are believed to have acceptable milling qualities as well as being relatively smut-free. Milling tests will be run this year on several new varieties at the regional milling test laboratory established recently at Pullman.

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OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams

Bull Jumps Into Silo; Owner Too Busy To Rescue

EAST FULTON, O.—(AP)—Farmer John Gorsky's 1,000-pound bull jumped into a silo, but Gorsky doesn't seem worried. He wanted to finish planting corn before it rains. So he planted, while Bill, the pure-bred Shorthorn bull, munched feed in the silo.

The bull jumped through an opening, 22 to 24 inches, as Gorsky's sister, Lucille, led the animal into the barnyard. The floor of the silo is 5 feet below the opening.

Asked how he intended to get Bill out, Gorsky replied: "I haven't had time to think about it. I got to get this corn in first."

Gorsky can turn to newspaper files for plenty of suggestions. Last February when Grady, a cow, jumped into a silo near Yukon, Okla., newspaper readers sent in suggestions by the thousands.

Grady was greased and shoved out of her silo.

Glide Student Initiated Into Agricultural 'Frat'

Oregon Chapter of Alpha Zeta, national honorary fraternity in agriculture at Oregon State College, initiated Cecil D. Pierce, of Glide at an initiation ceremony May 18.

To qualify for membership a student must be enrolled in the School of Agriculture, shall have completed two years of his four-year college course, be in the upper two-fifths of his class, and be possessed of those qualities of leadership and character as to make him of future value to agriculture.

The objects of the fraternity are to promote agriculture; establish, foster, and develop high standards of scholarship, character, leadership, and a spirit of fellowship among all its members.

Seattle Man To Preach At OSC Baccalaureate

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Dr. Cecil Ristow, pastor of the University Methodist Church of Seattle, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the class of 1949 in the opening of annual commencement ceremonies here Sunday, June 5, at 11 o'clock.

Because of the huge graduating class this year, numbering about 1450, only the administrative council and others having official duties will attend this service from the faculty. Commencement exercises proper will be held in three sections: Sunday evening at 8 o'clock and Monday at 10 and 2:30. All four services will be broadcast over radio KOAC.

Farm Leaders In House Drafting New Program

WASHINGTON, May 23.—(AP)—House farm leaders are drafting a new farm program expected to keep in effect much of the present price support system.

There were strong indications that the Agriculture Subcommittee, headed by Rep. Pace (D-Ga.), will reject both (a) the Truman administration's "production payment" bill and (b) the Aiken Law passed by the Republican Congress last year.

The Aiken Law, due to go into effect in 1950, calls for a 60 to 90 per cent of parity "flexible" price support system. The administration plan would let certain prices drop below support levels to give consumers the benefit of lower prices—with the U. S. treasury making up the difference to farmers.

The House members were expected to produce a bill based on the present system of rigid 90 per cent of parity price supports for major crops. With continued production controls. It might authorize some experimental production payments as proposed in the administration bill.

Kenland Clover Seed Yield Heavy

Here's a case of big interest returns. Federal agronomists allocated 120 pounds of a new strain of red clover seed, Kenland, to Oregon in the spring of 1947. Five farmers in Jefferson county planted the state's entire amount of foundation stock seed. At harvest time 1948, relates E. R. Jackman, O.S.C. farm crops specialist, the original 120 pounds of seed had increased to 12,175 pounds. This year, 160 different Jefferson county farmers as well as farmers in other Oregon counties and other states have acreages of the new Kenland strain red clover.

The original plants were made in rows in order to "stretch" the seed. There were no failures, Jackman reports. By 1950, seed of the new red clover strain will be available by the carload. Kenland red clover is finding

Only Four In Five Farms Pay Off, State College Survey Discloses

While four out of five Oregon farms covered in a farm management survey made a profit last year, the other fifth failed to show any return for the labor and management of the operator. Average return was \$4500.

These findings have just been announced by E. A. Hyer and M. H. Becker, members of the O.S.C. experiment station staff in farm management, who gathered information on 81 farms, all of which in 1948 had some acreage devoted to grass seed and pasture crops.

Among the farms surveyed were operations which showed a capital investment range from \$25,000 to \$205,000. The 81 farms averaged a capital investment of \$75,000 at 1948 price levels and required the services of two full-time workers to handle an average of 443 acres, 230 acres of which were in crops.

Hyer and Becker explain that labor income is money returned to the owner or farm operator for his own labor and management. Range of labor income varied from a low of minus \$7,500 to a high of \$23,000 in the farms studied. The average was \$4500.

Farms included in the survey were either devoted to the production of seed and grain, dairy products or were general farms, the farm management staff related.

Average fertilizer purchase last year for the farms studied was

\$739, showing a big increase over pre-war figures when the average annual fertilizer purchase was less than \$100.

Operators surveyed placed an average of \$250 per month or \$3,000 per year as the value of their own labor and management. Hyer and Becker point out that 5.9 percent was the farmer's average return on investment. This figure does not include value of home-raised products for the table.

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Everybody loves fried chicken, and now is the time of year it tastes the best. AND, as they say, "It's an ill wind that blows nobody any good." Unfortunately for the fryer producer, and fortunately for the housewife who is looking for something that will make good eating for the family and still leave enough in the pocketbook for taxes, fryers are among the cheapest meats in the list.

So, as our good deed for today to the housewife, we advise buying a nice fat fryer, and giving the family a swell treat at a low price. Anyway, if you don't get it cheap, it isn't because the grower got paid too much for his part.

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A cowboy down around Tillamook was cussing the Indians for being so dumb. "Why, they are so dumb," he said, "I met an Indian the other day riding a fine horse, with a swell saddle and bridle—I bet it was worth \$100. And you know what? He offered to trade the whole outfit to me for a quart of liquor!"

"I suppose you made the trade," surmised his friend.

"Well, H— no! That was the only liquor I had, and I was 40 miles from a liquor store!"

1st lawyer: "You're a cheat!"

2nd lawyer: "You're a liar!"

Judge: "Now that the attorneys have identified themselves, we will proceed with the case."

UNCLE HANK SAYS

"YES SIR, A DOG IS JUST ABOUT THE BEST FRIEND A MAN HAS—AND LIKE MOST FRIENDS, THEY ARE ABUSED A LOT."

On That Bum Feed

We were intending to pass this department this week. But we heard one we knew you would enjoy. Bob Minter, living near Tyee began gathering the scattered turkey eggs last winter;—you know how they are— and finally had 350 eggs. Brought them to the hatchery, 13 were candied out infertile, and the balance hatched into 294 husky poults. We didn't figure the percentage, but we figure it was darn good breeder's mash.

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Another Shower
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And we had to get another bag of that good "SUPERMEAT" for our dog. He loves it, and it doesn't cost much.

He: "Aw, please!"
She: "Nothing doing!"
He: "Just once?"
She: "Positives not!"
He: "But, Mom, every other kid in town is barefooted."

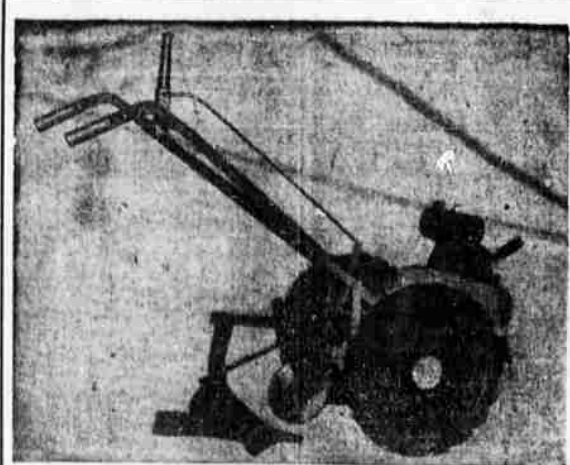
That Turkey Talk

All the prophecies from Uncle Sam, and the "Turkey World," and the turkey growers beginning to beg for "SUPPORT PRICES" on turkeys, makes us wonder! They say maybe we'll have a 50% increase. And storage turkeys are priced so high they don't move too good.

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