

Show Of Fat Lambs Slated Here In June

A fat lamb show will again be held at Roseburg, after an elapse of several years due to the war and lack of suitable facilities. The Douglas County Livestock association is sponsoring the show in co-

operation with the county fair board. The fat lamb show will be held Saturday, June 17 at the county fair grounds. Premiums totaling \$300 will be offered for pens of

five and single fat lambs. Three classes are being provided for this year's show, and include pens of five and single fat lamb in the open classes and for single fat lambs in the junior class for 4-H club and FFA boys.

Substantial premiums are being offered considering limited funds available for holding the show. Pens of five fat lambs will compete for 15 places. Prizes for pens of five start with \$35 for first, \$25 for second, \$20 for third and \$17.50 for fourth and fifth. Pens placing sixth to 10th will receive \$15.00 and from 11th to 15th place \$10. Single fat lambs in both the open and junior division will compete for premiums ranging from \$5 for first to \$2 for tenth place.

Junior exhibitors will be permitted to exhibit in both the junior and open classes but will be required to have different animals for each class.

Exhibitors will be responsible for getting their animals to and from the fair grounds. All exhibits are to be in pens and ready for judging by ten o'clock the morning of the show and may be removed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Sheepmen planning to make entries are requested to file entry slips with J. Roland Parker, county extension agent and secretary of the Douglas County Livestock association.

Crop Insurance Is Joining Ranks Of Big Business

CROP INSURANCE—is joining the ranks of big business in Oregon," reports E. Harvey Miller, chairman of the Oregon State PMA committee. Miller states that farmers in the nine Eastern Oregon wheat counties have insured 40 percent of the eligible wheat acreage to a value of 7 million dollars. Umatilla county has the highest insured value with 49 percent of the eligible acreage insured to a value of slightly over 3 million dollars. Morrow county is second with 58 percent of the eligible acreage insured up to 1 1/4 million dollars. The insured value in the other wheat counties is: Sherman county with 35 percent of the eligible acres insured to \$10,000 dollars; Wasco county 35 percent of the eligible acreage insured to 644,000 dollars; Gilliam county has 26 percent of the eligible acreage insured to 526,000 dollars; Union county has 47 percent of the eligible acreage insured to 483,000 dollars; Walla Walla county with 42 percent of the eligible acreage insured to 293,000 dollars; and Baker county with 25 percent of the eligible acreage insured to 198,000 dollars.

Jefferson county has been approved for wheat crop insurance applicable for the 1951 crop. Preliminary work is now underway in that county in preparation for acceptance of crop insurance policies. It is expected that salesmen will be in the field soon to write policies for the wheat farmers in Jefferson county.

The state chairman explains that wheat crop insurance is a non-profit all-risk insurance which guarantees the wheat farmer a cost-of-production return if his crop should be destroyed from any natural cause. Premiums paid by farmers are used only for the purpose of paying any losses that occur in the county. The cost of administration is provided by the federal government. Premiums not needed to pay losses are credited to a county reserve, and when this reserve meets a minimum which can be expected to pay the normal losses the policy holders receive up to 30 percent reductions in their premiums.

Miller said that a new type of crop insurance was introduced to the Northwest for the first time this year. Multiple insurance is being tried on an experimental basis in Linn county on the 1950 crops. Multiple insurance provides an all risk insurance on the cost-of-production basis for several crops grouped under one coverage. In Linn county eligible crops are: wheat, barley, oats, common rye-grass, all vetches, Austrian winter peas, and mixtures of these crops. The premium rate is based on the diversification of these crops. The more of the crops the farmer grows and the more nearly equal the acreages of the crops the smaller

U. S. Employment Of Homosexuals To Be Probed

WASHINGTON — (AP)—A Senate appropriations subcommittee has unanimously approved a resolution calling for a congressional investigation of the employment of homosexuals by the federal government.

The inquiry was proposed by Senators Hill (D-Ala) and Wherry (R-Nebr). It was endorsed by the district of Columbia subcommittee of the appropriations group.

Wherry handed the subcommittee a report quoting Metropolitan police estimates that 3,750 homosexuals now are employed by the government in the nation's capital.

Lieut. Roy Blick, head of the district police vice squad, told the subcommittee last March 23 that between 300 and 400 of the homosexuals holding federal jobs were employed by the state department.

Wherry said all of the government officials who testified before the subcommittee agreed that homosexuals are "bad national security risks" because of their susceptibility to blackmail.

Lower Prices Seen If Farm Supports Cut

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—If the U. S. government eliminated farm supports, says a Chicago industrialist, the average American might save 15 per cent in food and clothing bills.

But a federal official defended farm supports as necessary. Richard F. Uhlman, president of the Uhlman Grain company of Chicago, said end of supports would save consumers \$7,500,000,000.

"Likewise," Uhlman added, "retail costs of clothing might be 7 per cent lower were it not for the maintenance of cotton liners at artificially high levels by government supports."

Frank K. Woolley, vice-president of the Commodity Credit corporation, said the purpose of supports was to try to bring agricultural economy into line with the industrial and labor economies.

Farmers want supports, Woolley declared at a conference of commodity prices and public policy sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania, "because they feared they could not stay in business long by selling on an unprotected market and buying on a protected market."

Carl E. Bostram, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, suggested that the U. S. freeze present surpluses for use in emergencies or for new industrial purposes. He didn't elaborate.

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Farm Income Forecast Under 1949 Totals

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Cash in come for the nation's farmers this year will be well under 1949 totals, the agriculture department reports. Cash receipts from marketings in 1950 may total around \$25,000,000,000—compared with \$27,000,000,000 last year, the department forecast.

The reason? "Prices farmers receive for their products have generally been below those of a year ago, while their costs have declined only slightly," the department said.

"This situation is expected to continue for the rest of the year." Although there are some exceptions, most states showed a drop in the cash receipts their farmers received from marketings in the first three months of this year compared with the same period in 1949.

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