

French Alfalfa Named 'Talent' by Co-op Committee

The promising alfalfa variety known as French alfalfa in southern Oregon variety trials has been officially named Talent alfalfa by the Oregon State college experiment station committee on new crop varieties and seed increases are now underway to insure early commercial release of the variety.

Talent was selected as the variety name in honor of the community where trials have been conducted and its founder, A. P. Talent, who once owned the land

on which the alfalfa was developed. The name was suggested by the agricultural committee of Jackson county and experiment station and extension service officials of that area.

Original seed of this variety was brought to America from southern France in 1936 by the United States Department of Agriculture. Harry A. Schott, senior agronomist for the USDA who is stationed at the college, was responsible for securing seed for variety tests at the Southern Oregon Branch Experiment Station.

Initial trial seedlings were made at Talent in the spring of 1936 along with comparison plots of a number of standard alfalfa varieties used in the Rogue River valley. Plots were observed for eight years by the state experiment station and USDA officials and during that time the Talent variety proved outstanding from the standpoint of maintenance of stand, rapidity of regrowth and resistance to disease, especially to leaf and stem nematode.

Individual plant selections from the original plantings were made by F. C. Reimer, former superintendent at the branch station, and L. G. Genter, assistant superintendent, and these selected plants were propagated. Seed from plantings of these plants was later allocated to reliable seed growers in the Rogue River valley for seed increase purposes.

Nearly 1200 pounds of seed was produced in 1948 and that seed is now being used for further seed increases and for initial trials at other branch stations in the state and at experiment stations in other western states. Nearly 125 acres of Talent alfalfa will be harvested for seed this year.

Talent variety is at present recommended only for the Rogue River valley. Trials in other sections will be conducted in future years.

MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN SANITATION FIELD

A marked advancement in sanitation improvements in all levels of Oregon's dairy plant during 1948 is reflected in the annual summary of inspections made by the division of foods and dairies of the state department of agriculture.

Last year, according to this summary, in the fluid milk field 693 shippers were given the unconditional approval of department inspectors. This is more than double the 304 shippers approved in 1947 and over 15 times as many as were approved in 1946.

An equally fine record was made in the producer-distributor and milk plant fields. Of the former, 80 were given department approval in 1948, 20 more than in 1947 and 47 more than in 1946. Seventy-six milk plants were approved last year, compared with 14 the year previous.

In the field of dairy sanitation, the state men made 3,872 inspections in 1948, or an average of 5.6 inspections per farm. Inspections of milk distributor plants numbered 964 or 6.2 per distributor; and 839 inspections were made in the 178 dairy manufacturing plants licensed by the state, or 4.7 inspections per plant.

Kitchen Knives
When buying kitchen knives it pays to get those with good quality steel in the blades. Also it pays to examine the way the blade is set in the handle. This helps determine how much force it is safe to exert on the handle in cutting.

MT. VIEW

(Mrs. C. A. Peterson, reporter phone 18-F-11)

Mt. View Extension Unit club will meet Friday, February 11 at the Ethel Thomas home instead of meeting at the Voss home due to weather conditions.

Neighborhood Neighbors club will meet at the home of Mrs. Edna Brumfield, Wednesday, February 16th instead of at the Cockran home.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Anderson of Portland came to get their three small daughters who have been staying at the Clarence Peterson home for three weeks. They returned Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kangel have gone to St. Helena to visit their son Ray and family.

School was dismissed for two days this week due to the heavy snowfall and slippery roads.

Mt. View Trailer Camp Cabins are all full now as Mr. and Mrs. Townsend and Mr. and Mrs. Church have moved into the cabins.

Columnar Pads—The Sentinel.

SILK CREEK

(Miss Dorothy Poynter, reporter)

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams of Opheim, Montana, were overnight guests last Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Thornburg. Mr. Williams and Mr. Thornburg are cousins.

Mrs. Halle Cochran returned home Wednesday from Bend, Oregon, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Cook and family the past ten days.

The school election on the proposition of issuing bonds for funds to improve the building and equipment, was held Thursday, as announced. The count was 37 yes to 2 no.

Eva Lynn, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McMurrick, has been quite ill with an infection from a cut on her left knee, but is much improved.

Mrs. Thelma Summers has been appointed teacher in the local school by the district school board, to finish out the present term, Mrs. Hilma Williams having resigned.

Jim Brain, of California, was

here last week looking out for his brother, Oscar Brain, who is quite ill, and who was taken to Eugene for a physical checkup by physicians and returned to his home, where he is said to be in serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Augard, of Cottage Grove, were visitors Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George McMurrick.

Snowfall in this community the past week was something for the record, being nineteen inches on the level Monday.

R. L. Bales Moved Up to Regional Scout Executive

Roger L. Bales, Scout executive of the Oregon Trail Council Boy Scouts becomes deputy regional Scout executive of Region XI covering Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska with offices in Portland, effective March 1st. J. R. Bruckart, council president announced Tuesday.

The Council professional field staff has been increased from two

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to four field executives, and the districts within the council developed to nine. The council circus, a pre-war annual affair, has been revived to a major activity. Plans for development of Lake Melakwa at the McKenzie Pass summit as the council's principal summer camp are well under way.



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