

## Time To Treat Strawberry Weevil

Last week Gus Schnideau, who owns a home and large flower gardens on the north bank of the Rogue river, brought in a can full of little white grubs about a fourth to half inch long. We identified these as being the grubs of the strawberry weevil, which is a very common pest in this area on most all ornamental plants. These grubs are now going into the pupa stage which is the time to treat or spread bait about the crowns of the plant. This bait is sold by most feed and seed dealers, however, individual gardeners can mix their own bait if they prefer. A bran bait which has been very successful, consists of bran, 100 pounds; molasses, 5 pints; sodium fluorsilicate or sodium fluoride, 5 pounds; water, approximately 5 gallons. These are mixed together in this proportion. It takes from 50 to 100 pounds of bait to treat an acre. The mixture may be made up in any amount using the above formula as a guide.

On new ground which has not been planted, Aldrien at the rate of 5 pounds per acre or chlordane at the rate of 10 pounds per acre may be dipped into the soil before any planting is done. These chemicals will serve as repellent and keep the strawberry weevil out of the soil for several years. On established plantings it is difficult to work these materials into the soil. Gardeners who are interested in more detailed information on strawberry weevil and other garden pests may wish to secure a copy of extension Bulletin No. 450, Insect Pests About the Garden, which is available free at the extension office.

The following new bulletins are now available at your county extension office in Gold Beach. They are:

1. The Control of Diseases and Insect Pests of Cherrys Cir. of Information No. 478.

2. Sprinkler Irrigation Costs and Practices Station Bu. 532. This bulletin describes the different types of sprinkler systems, types of soil where these sprinklers are most adopted, the amount and rate per acre of irrigation applications and a description of the various types of systems now on the market.

3. Another bulletin which is available at the county extension office is "How to Build a Farm Pond." This may be for irrigation or for ornamental or game fish purposes. The bulletin discusses how to build a pond and where to locate the pond, making the pond watertight, establishing the still way and finishing the pond and stocking the pond with fish.

4. Another new bulletin of interest to all Curry county stockmen and farmers is the 1953 edition of the Field Crop Recommendations for Oregon. This bulletin is Station Bul. 533. It divides the state into seven sections with Section 1 being the coast area and gives recommendations according to the different areas. The bulletin discusses the forage and pasture plants, cereals and recommends the best variety for this area. These bulletins are all available at the county extension office free for the asking. 4-H Forestry Club Organizes At Gold Beach

Last Friday Rusty Lafferty visited the Gold Beach grade school to get the boys who would be interested in joining his 4-H Forestry club, which he is getting under way this week. Seventeen boys from the seventh and eighth grades joined the club, so Rusty was afraid to go down into the sixth and fifth grades because he felt his club was full. I know there are a number of boys in the fifth and sixth grades who would like to carry a forestry project, so we are now looking

for a forestry leader for them. Anyone interested in helping these boys with forestry work are invited to contact us at the extension office and we will be very happy to help you get your club organized and under way.

*Lily Growers' Meeting*  
Slated For April 20 and 21

Last Thursday the Specialty Crops committee met at the home of Cecil Watt at Harbor and perfected the program for the annual lily growers' meeting to be held April 20 at Harbor and for the speaking program which will be presented at the meeting of the Pacific Lily Growers' Association on April 21. Speakers the first day will include Al Roberts, associate horticulturist, O.S.C., speaking of the Pollible Causes and Control of Gorse. Mr. Roberts has been doing considerable work on this, both in the field and at the college through the greenhouses, and will have some interesting subject matter for the lily growers at that time. Harold Jensen, nematologist, who has been working on the nematode situation here in Curry county for a couple of years, will discuss nematode, their control and identification.

Burten Wood, head of the Ag. Economic Dept., O.S.C., will discuss a cost of production study for lily bulbs which has been requested by some of the lily growers, and Paul Carpenter, marketing specialist, O.S.C., will discuss the Principles of Cooperative Marketing as might be applied to the lily industry. This should be a very interesting meeting and one which lily growers will want to attend.

A program the second day which will be the meeting of the Pacific Bulb Growers Association will include talks from Frank McKeenan, chief of the Division of Agriculture, speaking on the inspection service as will be carried out in Curry county this year. Charles Grayshel, from Harbor, who has been working with the daffodil growers in the marketing of daffodil blooms, will discuss some principles which might be carried out in advertising and merchandising of lily bulbs. And Dave Shaw, who represents the lily growers in the development of the Lily Growers' Bill, will discuss House Bill 577 and its influence on the marketing of lily bulbs. Neil Stewart from Beltsville, Maryland, is expected to be in the area about this time and he has been invited to discuss the work he has been carrying out in Beltsville, Maryland. He is one of the leading authorities on Culture of Easter Lily Bulbs.

The Harbor Lily Growers' Association is planning an evening social program on the evening of April 20. Mrs. Walam has been placed in charge of refreshments and their committee is developing an interesting social program for that evening for all in attendance at the meeting.

### THANK YOU

Our sincere thanks to Mrs. Gladys Lindskoug, who assisted in the office of The Pilot on Monday, and Mrs. Bee Miller, who helped with the final assembly of the paper on Thursday.

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## Timely Topics From Sylvia Lee

By SYLVIA C. LEE

### Remodeling—

Remodeling clothes for the family is the subject for April Home Extension Unit meetings which will be conducted by the county extension agent, Mrs. Lee. Simple remodeling problems like a new set of collar and cuffs or a new scarf may be all that is needed to make a good but old dress a joy to wear. Then, there will be major remodeling problems which will include some thought before attempting the time and effort consuming task. Each member is asked to bring to the meeting a garment which she is considering remodeling.

### Merry Kitchen Cooks Met—

The Merry Kitchen Cooks, Gold Beach, a 4-H Cooking I, met Saturday and organized their group with six members. Mrs. Alice Bowman, leader; Joan Perkins, president; Karen McKay, vice president, and Alice Bowman, secretary.

This group will meet every two weeks up the Rogue river at the Bowman residence.

### Flameproof Finish—

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### Slip Cover Your Umbrella—

One of the more recent revised publications, "Recover your old umbrella," is available at the county extension office with about ten detailed drawings to show you just how to do this bit of rejuvenation. And it does give you a chance to match up your accessories by recovering the umbrella yourself.

### How To Start a 4-H Preservation Club

If you are of 4-H age and want to learn canning or freezing of foods, get four more boys and girls of same age that are interested in preserving food too. There should be five members to be a standard club. Ask an adult to be your leader, then notify your extension agent when and where you are meeting and Mrs. Lee will make arrangements to be there with the necessary material to form a club and get you started in your project.

If you are interested in canning or freezing foods is best to get started at the beginning of the season in order to have a good variety of foods in your exhibit and to learn the different methods of preserving foods.

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## Green Guard Poster Contest

Curry county Green Guard members are being invited to take part in the ninth annual state-wide fire prevention poster contest sponsored each year by the Keep Oregon Green Association.

The hundreds of local Green Guards, the youth auxiliary of the Keep Oregon Green Association, may enter contest posters from April 1 to April 30, according to Mrs. V. V. Young, Curry County Keep Oregon Green chairman.

Green Guards will be divided into two divisions, Junior division including all members from 8 to 12 years of age, and the Senior division including those from 13 to 16 years.

There will be four 5 cash prizes in each division. To the two division first place winners there will be a \$10 prize. The winners will be presented with their cash awards by their local county Keep Oregon Green chairman.

The size of the poster will be 11 by 14 inches. Only one poster may be submitted by each Green Guard and must be on their own work. On the back of each poster the Green Guard must print

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their name, address, age and school they attend. All posters will become the property of the Keep Oregon Green Association after judging.

There are now over 50,000 boys and girls enrolled in the Oregon Green Guard.

Green Guards must use a fire prevention theme and the posters will be judged on originality, relation to educational phases of fire prevention and artistic qualities. They may be in cut-outs, water colors, poster paint, oils, pastels, or wax crayons.

All entries should be sent to the Keep Oregon Green Association, P.O. Box 471, Salem, Oregon.

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