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Farmers to Sign For 1944 Crop Goals Wednesday

Yamhill county farmers in the Willamina section operating under the triple A are being advised that the date for the sign-up for crop plans for 1944 will be Wednesday, April 19th at the city library. The hours will be from 1 P. M. until 9.

Goals for crops will be set in this survey in order to assure the nation that there will be no serious shortage of any vital crop and it is highly important, according to officials that farmers sign up in this survey.

Practically all of the available farm land in Oregon will be in crops this year, according to an analysis by the agricultural economics section of the Oregon agricultural Extension service of prospective plantings data from the U. S. department of agriculture. The production pattern, however, will be materially changed compared with 1943.

Outstanding is an increase of nearly 25 percent in the Oregon wheat acreage. On the other hand, the combined acreage of the feed grains—oats, barley, and corn—is expected to be 9 per cent smaller owing to reduced barley acreage. No change is indicated in tame hay acreage in Oregon.

Churches Give Program At High School

The churches of Willamina cooperated in the presenting of an Easter program at the high school on Friday, for the student body. The program opened with group singing, followed by talks by J. A. Hutchins, Wesley Graves, and Raymond Gregory. The special music consisted of a duet by Kathryn Ray and Dana Mattocha and an accordion solo by Mrs. Raymond Gregory. Mrs. Wesley Graves illustrated in color the tomb of Christ. Helen Jahn was pianist and Harlan Woodruff presided.

Auxiliary Sponsors Blue Star Program

Ladies Auxiliary 70 of Plywood local 213 will sponsor a Blue Star Program honoring all mothers and wives of boys and daughters in service or Merchant Marines, from local 213, April 19, at 7:30 P. M. at the Rebekah Hall in Willamina. If you are a mother of wife of a service man, who formerly worked in the plywood plant or whose father now works in the plant, you are invited to be our honored guest for the evening.

Free moving picture, speaker, singing and comedy will be on the program, and refreshments will be given to the children.

All members of local 213 and their families are invited. Esther Laux, Correspondent

Humming Birds Meet At Ellis Home Saturday

The Humming Birds met at the home of Mrs. Ellis Saturday afternoon. There were 9 members present. Instructions were given on how to make a table cloth. Everyone enjoyed the refreshments and games that followed. There will not be another meeting until the 22nd of April because of Easter events. Virginia Nelson

Tuesday Is Last Day For Registration For Primary Election

If you have moved or are now in the precinct or became of age since the last election you will have to register or you will not be permitted to vote in the coming primaries. Also it may be said that young voters who will be of age before the general election may vote in the primaries even though they have not attained their majority prior to the primaries. This is on the basis that since they will have the right to vote in the election they should also be permitted to choose the candidates.

April 18th, Tuesday, is the last day for this chore and you better check up, if you have any question and get lined up to vote.

Local Girl Joins A's Forces of W.A.C.S.

Ruth Lee Beach, daughter of Mrs. Grace Beach reported in Portland last Saturday from where she went to Des Moines, Iowa, for training in the air division of the W.A.C.S.

Ruth, who has been employed in Salem, visited with her mother and other relatives here last week and announced her engagement to John Dierks, a Salem boy who is an aviation machinist's mate and is stationed near Olympia after having seen service in the South Pacific the last 27 months.

Miss Beach is a graduate of Willamina High School.

Free Methodist Church To Continue Evangelistic Services

The Free Methodist church announces that they will continue their Evangelistic services each night.

Rev. H. S. Lower is the evangelist and he has announced a list of subjects from which he will speak and they are inviting the general public to hear these sermons.

Beauty Shop Prices Due For Advance

Beauty shops in Willamina will advance prices in the near future largely it is reported, because of the steep advance in taxes of beauty and cosmetic specialties. Local prices have not been raised recently and it is because of a desire to have them correspond with prices in general vogue that the changes

Choir Honors Director At Surprise Party

The choir and other members of the Willamina Church of Christ surprised their choir director, Mrs. L. V. Emmons by honoring her at a small party Thursday night following the regular weekly choir practice.

A pink perfection camelia plant was presented to Mrs. Emmons in appreciation for her faithful and excellent leadership of the choir for the past four years.

Thirty-five friends enjoyed the fellowship and also refreshments of cake, jello, coffee, and punch.

The Sunday school classes of Mrs. Allen Beck, Mrs. Leo Mitchell, Sr., and Mrs. Dave Duncan held an Easter egg party in the basement of the Church of Christ, April 7th.

Local Boy Learns Art of Butt Stroke in Combat



At the Marine Corps rifle range, Camp Matthews, California, Private Chester P. Vance, 19, whose wife, Mrs. Betty Mendenhall Vance, and parents reside here, practices the butt stroke with his rifle. He is undergoing seven weeks of basic training with the Marines. This will be followed by assignment to a combat unit of specialist school.

Recruiting Officer Will Large Scout Troop In Make Official Call At High School Tuesday

A. C. Friesen, navy recruiting officer from the Salem district was a visitor in Willamina Monday scheduling dates when he will be back to interview prospective candidates for the navy Recruiter Friesen will be in Willamina again next Tuesday, April 18 and will be at the Willamina High School at 1 P. M. to answer any questions and talk with interested boys about the navy's new technician training program.

Arnold Koutonen Family Guests Here Over Easter

The Arnold Koutonen family were guests here over the Easter weekend with the Hendrickson family. Mrs. Koutonen and daughter Betty Lou came on Wednesday previous and was accompanied by Mrs. Val Paulson and daughter Lorraine. Mr. Koutonen came on Easter, arriving here at 1 o'clock, after having left Chicago the night before at 9 o'clock. The Koutonen's returned Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Paulson and daughter having returned to Olympia on the previous Friday.

The Primary and Junior departments of the M. E. church were entertained at an Easter party, Saturday, April 8th, in the church parlors.

Grade Crossing Accidents Show Increase Despite Curtailment of Driving Speeds

Motor vehicle accidents at railroad grade crossings have shown startling increases so far this year, according to figures released by the safety division of the Secretary of State's office today. Here is the picture:

Fatalities—Up 500 percent, with six persons killed during the first two months of 1944 compared to one for the same period of 1943.

Injuries—Up 250 percent, with 14 persons injured compar-

ed to four a year ago. Accidents—Up 90 percent with 40 crashes reported compared to 21 a year ago.

"This tragic increase in grade crossing accidents apparently is due in large measure to failure on the part of drivers to exercise proper care at crossings," according to the safety division. "Most of the accidents involve trains hitting vehicles, indicating that drivers are attempting to drive across the tracks in front of approaching trains."

Lt. James Smith Awarded Medal For Highest Service

Lieutenant Jimmie Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith has been awarded the air medal and Oak Leaf clusters as well as the distinguished flying cross for his outstanding services in the United States Army Flying service.

Jimmie's record to date is four years in the armed forces, of which nearly two have been spent in the Army Air Corps as a bombardier, heavy bombardment, and as such has completed twenty-five missions over German territory, the last three being over Berlin, besides several missions in the Mediterranean theatre of war.

For these services he has been awarded the air medal and oak leaf clusters and the distinguished flying cross.

He has since been relieved of combat flying and assigned to duty as an instructor in the E. T. O.

Willamina citizens, jealous of their heroes, were very much alarmed over a story in a nearby newspaper last week, claiming Jimmie as a citizen of that city. However, Lieutenant Smith has never resided anywhere but Willamina and when he left for the army was an employee of the local postoffice.

Church Of Christ To Present Special Concert

The Willamina Church of Christ will have a special concert Sunday afternoon when a male quartet from the Northwest Christian College will present a program of harmony and solo numbers. The singers will also be present and participate in the morning service according

LITTLE STORIES OF THE SERVICEMEN

Cpl. Robert T. Brady, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brady of Willamina, is now Chief Radio Engineer on a B-17 at Avon Park, Florida.

Johnny Long, Merchant Marine, who is stationed in Portland, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Scogg over the weekend.

Sgt. Kenneth Shetterly, Jr. and wife and young son Eric, arrived home Sunday evening on a fifteen day furlough. Kenneth is a top sergeant at Ft. Ord which is a replacement depot. On his return Mrs. Shetterly will remain in Oregon, visiting her parents at Astoria.

Roy McNamar is expected home the last of the month from Farragut, Idaho, from where he will be graduated the 26th. Roy was in the hospital when his buddies with whom he started the work completed theirs and resulted in his being delayed in finishing on regular schedule.

Pvt. Paul Franklin left, Wednesday of last week for Camp Carson, Colorado, where he is stationed. Paul went by plane to Frisco and from there by bus. A wire from him from Denver early this week said trains were stalled by heavy snows and he was unable to proceed to his station. Paul was accompanied to Portland by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Franklin.