FFA Program Trains Boys

Forest Grove Agricultural Project Successful

(By J. E. Blinkhorn)

Teaching of vocational agricul-ture in the high schools of the state has become increasingly pop-ular in the past few years until each year sees more departments

Last year there were 43 departments and this year there are two more at least. Vocational agriculture departments operate under the federal Smith-Hughes law and the federal Smith-Hughes law and succeeding acts of congress, where-by federal aid is given the school district in carrying on the program, provided the work is kept up to or above a certain standard.

Vocational agriculture has been taught in the Forest Grove high school since the fall of 1921 when Herman E. Lafky, a graduate of Oregon State college, taught a class of 15 boys in plant husbandry, and the boys in plant husbandry. The 18 boys in animal husbandry. The first year Lafky also taught a class in teacher training, but in following years his entire time was used in the teaching of agriculture, as at the greent time. at the present time.

There have been only two other teachers of agriculture in the high school since then. After five years of teaching, Lafky was succeeded by Russell M. Adams in the fall of 1926. He left in the fall of 1935 to take over instruction in agricul-ture in the Corvallis high school, where he also is critic teacher for Oregon State college in the training of teachers for Smith-Hughes work. Adams was succeeded by the present instructor, J. E. Blinkhorn, also

Oregon State graduate. The teaching of agriculture in the high school has been the in-struction of boys in agriculture with the end in view of having them become successfully established in farming, aiding and advising those farmers already en-gaged in farming and assisting in gaged in farming and assisting in agricultural improvement. This has developed into a rather full and definite program of teaching in the high school, evening schools on selected subjects for interested farmers, participation in community agricultural enterprises, and in some place part-time schools for out of school farm youth.

Early recognition of the need for a spirit of unity and more social life in the school was the reason for the formation of a club during the first year, constituted of mem-bers of the agricultural department and they chose the name of "Hicks' Club." As an organization they took trips to the state college, the state fair and to the Pacific In-

This organization of farm boys national organization of farm boys studying agriculture under the Smith-Hughes program, known as Future Farmers of America. This has been their name ever since and the aim has been to develop the ability to work together and the ability to work together and some failures and some who merely break even as in all lines of endeavor, the student's course in the This organization continued unthe school year, definite objectives to be attained by the local chap-

During that year.
During the past two years the Forest Grove chapter successfully completed the goal set as a state program of work, in recognition of ch, a certificate of honor the "Keystone" rating which is granted by the state F. F. A. only to those departments completing each item of the state program of

work.
Only six chapters out of 43 received the honor last year. As an example of what the local F.F. A. program of work consists, I ast year's program called for the following: A parent and son banquet, participation in an F. F. A. cooperative, participation in stock judging, parliamentary, public judging, parliamentary, public speaking and vocational contests throughout the year, five services to be rendered the community, home beautification and improvement ment, appearance on programs of local organization, participation in a radio program over KOAC, and several other similar things.

The teaching of agriculture is done in the high school by means of a farm project four-year course during each year of which a farm

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Shown left above in his former role as Mary Edith Weston, England's best woman shotputter, Mark Weston, right, is now a husband after being changed into a man by a sex operation two months ago. Miss Alberta Bray, a "girlhood" friend of Weston's, was the bride. They were married in Plymouth, England.

project is carried by the boy, the project being in harmony with com-munity agriculture and the home farm, and increasing in scope as the boy continues his course.

Four annual farm crops, agriwhich this four-year program falls.

the high school he is guided by the Bailey Sells His instructor, and in class discussion through practically every phase of the usual farm enterprises common to the community. In addition he has sufficient work in the farm shop along lines of ropes, leather. soldering, wood working and black-smithing to give him the skills necessary in repairing and con-struction useful and desirable on the modern farm.

In studying he has the latest books, bulletins and farm magabooks, bulletins and farm blooks, bulletins and farm blooks zines as references, and is taken on many field trips to show the accomplishment of these proper accomplishment of these practices in his locality. Then he advised and guided in applying these practices in his own pro-ject work at home. This carries out the Future Farmers' motto: "Learn to Do by Doing."

In addition, the teacher of vocational agricultural holds evening schools when and where desired in the school district on topics selected by those interested in so meetings. These usually are weekly meetings and extend over two and a half to three months of the winter when farm work is slack. Ten or 11 such schools have been held in te Forest Grove community in the last 10 years covering a variety

During the summer the visiting boys and their projects t assist them on the farm, instruc-tions, summer school or confer-ence, an annual outing for the F. F. A. members, arranging exhibits at the county and state fairs, and picking and transporting judging teams for three county fairs and the state fair, together with much community work, keeps the agricul-ture teacher busy.

Future Farmers of the Forest Grove chapter have had many honors in the past due to the qualhonors in the past due to the quality of their work in project or contests with other schools. Three of the students in past years have been judged outstanding in their school work, F. F. A. work and projects, and have been given the honor of State Farmer, an honor much sought after but hard to atmuch sought after but hard to at-

LIED TO SAVE HOUSE

"No such men here!" So lied Rahab, the harlot, living there on the city walls of old Jericho. General Joshua had sent two spies to report on the lay of the land over that side of the riv-Jordan. Jericho hears that the spies are within the city and her house there on the wall must be searched. She hides the two and adds her lie—"No such men here!" Then when the searchers have gone she brings the two untared. she brings the two out and strikes bargain.

Says she-"The terror of you is cultural engineering and farm management are the broad headings upon the city. We have heard for upon the which this four-year produces of how out in the bone-dry upon the city. years of how out in the bone-dry desert your God has fed the tribes of Israel with manna from heaven; how night by night those years a During the year each agricultural student has an average class period of 90 minutes daily. In addition he carries out on his home where the strongholds on a story another the strongholds.

Home Through Ad

E. R. Bailey, service station operator at Second and Baseline, has sold his residence on North Fifth avenue to Charles F. Williams of Butte, Mont. This is the second home that Bailey has sold in Hillsboro through advertising in the Argus, the "great market place of Washington county." Hundreds of afters have ty." Hundreds of others have, through experience, found that the classified columns of the Argus are the quickest road between buyer and seller.

The Baileys will occupy their new home, now under construc-tion north of the junior high school, late in October.

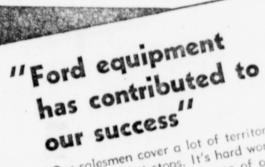
honor this harlot with her tongue honor this harlot with her tongue of deceit and lies? There is but one answer; she had that spark of saving faith, God looks in on the heart and when he sees that spark of saving faith, there is nothing he will not do. Yeş—One bit of faith in God's mercy brings him in with his mighty saving power.

But God does not wink at sin; he never forgives until a death has taken place; eternal justice must

be satisfied; his holy law be vindicated. How then shall his law and justice be satisfied and at the God found a way. He brought out a guiltless, sinless One to die under the law in the sinner's place—He gave his only Son to be the sinner's Substitute. So Christ died for Rahab the harlot that side of the Cross and for you and me this side. So we say it again—Right now, right where you are, confess yourself a sinner lost and be cleared on the ground that Christ bore away your guilt.-George N. Tay-Beaverton.-Paid adv.



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