

Club Exhibits at County Fair to Mark Close Successful Year

(By L. E. Francis, Ass't. County Agent) Four-H club exhibits at the county fair today, Friday and Saturday will mark the close of another successful year of activity for 300 Washington county boys and girls representing 50 clubs in the livestock and crops division, reports L. E. Francis, assistant county agent.

The activities of the past year were open by the annual Chehalem Mountain 4-H potato banquet which was held in December, 1935. This banquet has become an annual affair and has gained considerable prominence among the club members and potato growers of the Chehalem Mountain district. As a

club is also offering a scholarship to the 1937 4-H summer school for the boy, who does the outstanding piece of work during the current year. A class for home beautification exhibits has been added to the 4-H premium list by the county fair board.

Francis further points out that a new project in rural electrification has been organized for senior 4-H club members. Ben Faber, rural service agent for the Portland General Electric Co., is assisting in this work. This is a course of instruction on the use of electric power on the farm. In addition to the regular meetings and discussions a series of tours are being held in order to give the members an opportunity to see and study electric power as it is actually being put to use.

Seventy of the Washington county club members attended the annual 4-H club summer school at the Oregon State college in June. Forty attended on scholarships which were awarded by business firms and community organizations over the county. The Washington county delegation made an outstanding record during the summer session, having seven of its members elected as the heads of living groups at the summer school and also with nine of its members winning high honors in the various judging and news writing contests which were held.

The general quality of the livestock owned by the club members this year is much superior to that of former years, remarks Francis. Purebred livestock has been purchased from the outstanding breeders of Washington county and nearby counties. In addition to purchasing high quality purebred stock club members have also been taking advantage of offers of these breeders of the use of their sires for breeding with the result that some fine young stock is being raised.

The successful activities of the building construction club of the Hillsboro union high school, M. M. Romig, leader, during 1935 has resulted in increased interest in this project and the organization in the past year of two additional clubs. Out at the Hillsboro junior high school, under the leadership of Walter L. Henry, and the other at the Durham school under the leadership of J. Berstadt.

An important part of all 4-H club activity is the exhibiting of the projects which represent the year's work, and in many cases the result of several years' effort. These exhibits constitute the 4-H division of the Washington county and Oregon state fairs. As a result of exhibiting and the various judging and demonstration contests outstanding teams as well as outstanding individuals are selected to represent the county in statewide, sectional and national contests. In past years Washington county has held a prominent place in these contests, states Francis. The quality of club work this year as well as the interest of the parents, leaders and members indicates that the county and state fair will see Washington county club work well in line with the 4-H motto "Make the Best Better."



L. E. Francis, assistant county agent, who is in charge of boys' 4-H club work in county.

result of this banquet, the annual potato tour which is also sponsored by this club and the influence which these activities have had on the community, this group was awarded the honor of being the outstanding 4-H club in Washington county for 1935.

Crops club work was further promoted, states Francis, by the new co-operative marketing program for the 4-H Minnesota 13 seed corn. This new plan placed on the market a uniform grade of seed corn with an unusually high germination test and carrying a special 4-H label. The reputation of this high-quality seed has grown until it has reached midwestern centers and inquiries were received last year relative to the purchase of some of the local 4-H corn. Demand for this seed far surpasses the supply.

Pig club work is credited with the largest increase for the past year. There were four pig clubs with a total enrollment of 27 members and in addition, three individual members. Approximately 60 head of hogs representing the Chester White, Duroc Jersey, Poland China, and Berkshire breeds are owned by these club members.

Interest in the home beautification project was revived in the past year when the Hillsboro Garden club sponsored the organization and leadership of a group of seven Hillsboro boys who are enrolled in this project. The Garden

Gray for Fall



Fall fashions show an increasing trend toward tones in gray. This youthful, one-piece sports frock, worn by Pat Paterson, film player, will be found in the wardrobe of the well-dressed college girl this fall. The frock is of gray wool, topped by a belted jacket of gray and green plaid tweed. Her bag, shoes, and gloves are gray antelope.

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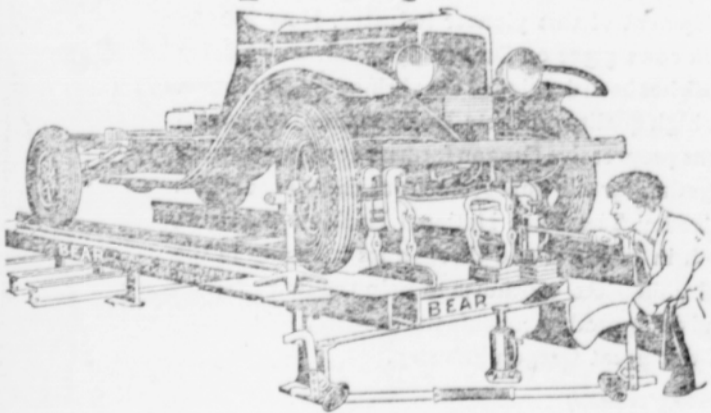
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