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BETTER FARMING

WHEAT GROWERS' EXCHANGE DEALS BEING ADVANCED

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The American Farm Bureau Federation is considering plans for the organization of a National Wheat Growers' Exchange...

STOCK OWNERS HOLD MEETING



The Washington County Guernsey Breeders held a meeting and picnic at the home of A. B. Flint, near Hillsboro, recently. They are all enthusiastic Guernsey owners, eyeing the fine stock of the county.

They know about consuming conditions in China and Japan. They have to know all there is to be known about wool supply and demand conditions, for it is up to them to set an intelligent price...

"How can the wheat growers use the California system? The first thing to do is to get a minimum percentage to sign up on a five-year contract basis. At least 350,000,000 bushels of wheat ought to be signed up for at least a five-year period...

"On the national wheat board which sets the price, Sapiro would have in addition representatives from the state associations on basis of production, three men from the United States department of agriculture and one man from the federal reserve bank...

FARMER FALLS DOWN

"Sapiro says that the farmer is splendid as a producing specialist, but rotten as a marketing specialist. Don't let the farmer forgo the cooperative handles to run a marketing organization...

SPECIAL NEEDS SEEN

"Sapiro thinks that there is a special brand of cooperation for different kinds of products. In the case of non-commodity products, for instance, the big problems are warehousing and financing."

"Sapiro gave an interesting example of how the California Prune Growers' Association is four years old, and controls 85 per cent of all the prunes. They buy only from their growers, who have signed up on a long-time contract basis. There are 13 directors of the association, all of whom are prune growers themselves...

"Throughout Sapiro's entire talk there breathed an unusually fine spirit. Sapiro honestly believes that the brand of cooperation he is advocating in California is as good for the consumer as it is for the producer, and that the only one to be harmed is the middleman and speculator...

"There was a number of representatives of packers, commission men, board of trade men, etc., listening to Sapiro in the usual, intelligent manner, and after the meeting was over they circulated among the farmers in a quiet way dropping words of wisdom where they might do the most good."

Racing to Feature Grays Harbor Fair; Opens September 1

Bliss, Wash., Aug. 14.—The Grays Harbor county fair is scheduled for public September 1. In addition to the exhibits which give promise of being better than ever before, and the regular horse racing program there will be new features in the way of auto racing and auto polo. The horse racing program will start the first day of the fair instead of on the second as has been the case in previous years...

The superintendent is busy getting material in shape for exhibits and ask cooperation of the farmers and of the public in general.

The better babies department will be continued under supervision of Mrs. W. E. Patrick. This was one of the most popular features of last year's fair.

Read the advertisements on the farm pages. They contain many helpful hints on better farming. In answering advertisements always mention The Journal.

Farm Population In Lewis Beating Increases in Cities

Centralia, Aug. 14.—Increases in population in the farming districts averaging much larger than in incorporated towns feature the Lewis county census report, received from the census bureau in Washington.

The farming precincts surrounding Centralia, and Chehalis, especially, show heavy growth, increases in some instances running as high as 100 per cent. On the other hand, the figures for incorporated towns in the county show but little increase in 10 years, while Toledo, Winlock and Vader show losses. Morton is given an increase of 26 for the 10-year period, while Paoli shows a gain of 23. Napavine precinct in 1910 had a population of 1204 but the incorporation of the town of Napavine since that time took much territory away from that precinct and the town's population for 1920 is shown as 340.

Lewis county's increase in the past 10 years is 4512, and for 20 years 21,533.

Kerosene Emulsion Recognized Remedy Against Plant Lice

Kerosene emulsion is a recognized remedy against plant lice and other sucking insects which damage by sucking the plant juices, and which cannot be destroyed by arsenate of lead or Paris green. The emulsion is easily made at home. A stock solution consists of two gallons of kerosene, one quart of soft soap and one gallon of water.

Diagnose the soap in boiling water and while still hot pour into the kerosene, then churn and agitate the mixture until it has the consistency of thick cream. This stock solution will keep indefinitely and should not be diluted until ready for use. One part stock to 15 parts water is about the right dilution for soft-bodied insects. As a spray for the chewing and biting insects, add one teaspoonful of arsenate of lead to each gallon of the diluted emulsion.

Irrigation System Installed on Farm; Chehalis Is Tapped

Centralia, Aug. 14.—An irrigation system has been installed on the Bryden-Moses farm on Fords Prairie, which is located adjacent to the Chehalis river. A seven horsepower pump is placed on level with the water which is lifted a distance of 21 feet up a bank bordering the river at the rate of 266 gallons a minute. Seven hundred feet of furrows have been built, which will water seven acres of land, and in the near future this amount of flume will be greatly increased. With the ability of flooding this several times a year during the dry season, production will be greatly increased. Kale and corn will be grown on this land to be used for the Bryden stock.

The irrigation system was installed by Hubert Miller, a senior in engineering at Washington State college.

Inspection Trip of Extension Work Ends

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Aug. 14.—Paul V. Maris, director of extension at O. A. C., and C. J. Hurd, assistant state county agent leader, have completed an inspection trip of extension work in the counties of Northern Oregon. The need of extension activities to meet requirements of progressive farming, and steps that are being taken to meet it in various counties received special consideration.

This meeting is of great importance and every state farm bureau president and secretary is urged to arrange a large attendance of county farm bureau officers and state federation officers. It is hoped the agricultural extension service will be well represented. Representatives of farmers' organizations other than farm bureaus in the states concerned will be welcome.

WASHINGTON FAIR TO BE BIG EVENT

Salem, August 7.—The Salem Fruit union was formally taken over by the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association this week, according to announcement by Robert C. Paulus, president of the association. The property of the union consisted of a packing plant for the handling of fresh and dried fruits, and a steam dryer.

Plans for the new prune dryer which the association has under course of construction at Dallas have been changed so that instead of a 16-tunnel dryer the new plant will be a 22-tunnel affair.

The association announces plans for the construction of a fresh fruit packing plant at Forest Grove in addition to the prune packing plant already under course of construction there.

The association now numbers some 1450 members with more than 27,000 acres of fruit and berry land included within the organization.

Conference to Take Up Vital Problems Facing Agriculture

At the request of state farm bureau federations and representatives of the agricultural extension services in Rocky mountain states, the American farm bureau federation is calling a conference in the Hotel Utah, Salt Lake, August 20 and 21.

At this conference will be discussed the vital problems now confronting agriculture. Special attention will be given problems of farmers in each section. Details and methods of the organization of county and state farm bureaus and cooperation with the state colleges of agriculture will be given a prominent place on the program.

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Fresh Eggs for Breakfast From Your Own Back Yard

Do you know how easy and economical it is to raise enough poultry for your family's use right in your own backyard?

A few hens or pullets cost comparatively little to purchase, and the scraps from your table together with a small amount of grain will provide all the food they will require. A house for them can be built from cheap lumber in your spare time or you can buy a portable house all ready to set up for a very small sum. A little pleasant interesting labor in caring for them and you have put your backyard to producing something.

In these days of high costs such a suggestion as the above is worth following up. You can find the poultry you want by reading Journal "Want" ads regularly. The Journal is the recognized poultry medium of the Oregon country and carries more of this class of advertising than any other Portland paper. All of the better breeders use Journal "Want" ads regularly. Read them and select your stock today.

If you don't find what you want, insert a small "Want" ad in The Journal—say about 15 words—at a cost of only 24 cents, and you are sure to get it.

COUNTY BREEDERS HOLD BIG MEETING

Washington County Guernsey Breeders' association met recently at the A. B. Flint place, near Hillsboro, and had an enjoyable time, a good program and a delicious and bounteous luncheon. W. A. Goodwin was elected president; A. B. Flint, vice president and J. L. Batchelder, secretary-treasurer.

E. L. Westover gave the breeders an inspiring talk on the merits and points of the Guernsey and on organization. The meeting adjourned to inspect the Guernsey herd of Hessa, near Hillsboro. A. B. Flint is one of the enthusiastic breeders of Guernseys in Oregon. He has lived on his farm near Hillsboro 50 years, and he always keeps up to the minute in good methods in dairying.

The Washington county herds are fast becoming famous. There is keen, friendly rivalry among the breeders in other counties, who have determined to make their localities the baning counties for the Guernsey.

The Clackamas county association has some live wire members, too. An interesting feature of the breeders of Oregon is that so many of them are the women, wives of the dairymen and breeders, are just as enthusiastic as are the men.

Flint always says his wife is his best friend and helper and gives her full credit. He is a director of the Oregon Dairymen's league, was member of the state legislature, is a Shiner, an Odd Fellow, a Granger and a typical, all round, big hearted dairymen and breeder.

Sunflower Ensilage Palatable to Stock

In many sections where corn cannot be grown successfully sunflowers have become very profitable as a silo crop. The ensilage made from sunflowers is very palatable to the stock and when fed produces about the same results as corn ensilage. Through this section it has not been generally conceded that sunflowers will be a more profitable crop. This has yet to be proven. Are you going to plant an acre this year to try it out for your own satisfaction?

Sunflowers have been highly recommended for replanting in the corn field where the corn fails to grow. Where

100 BANKS TO AID LIVESTOCK MEN IN OREGON COUNTRY

More than 100 banks in the agricultural sections of Oregon have joined in a statewide cooperative movement for the encouragement and stimulation of the livestock industry along the best scientific lines. These banks have pledged their support to Chairman C. D. Rorer of the agricultural committee of the Oregon Bankers' association in financing the purchase of purebred breeding stock by farmers and stock-growers of their respective communities who could not otherwise afford purebred stock or foundation stock for their flocks and herds.

The pledge applies particularly to farmers and stockmen who will visit the Pacific International Livestock exposition at Portland in November, and who would like to buy pure-bred animals on exhibition at the stock show, but who will need financing in order that they may purchase the animals selected.

MOVEMENT PRAISED
"This splendid and concerted cooperation by the banks of the state will be invaluable in the development of Oregon's livestock industry," said General Manager O. M. Plummer of the Pacific International Stock show last night, "and similar cooperative movements will probably be inaugurated in Montana, Idaho, Washington and California. The importance of such support by the financial institutions of the whole coast country cannot be over-estimated. In our advance premium list and preliminary classification booklet, which will go out to about 5000 breeders and stockmen on September 1, we are carrying the announcement that the bankers will cooperate with the farmers, together with the list of banks which have pledged themselves to finance the farmers in their respective districts. This will undoubtedly greatly stimulate the attendance and interest at the stock show and will result in greatly increased sales of pure-bred stock and foundation stock for Oregon farms."

Medford Cooperative Exchange Growing

Medford, Aug. 14.—The Jackson county farm bureau is hustling to keep pace with its rapidly growing business. Since last January the business of the bureau's cooperative exchange has grown from where one farm was doing all the work until at the present time six persons are required to take care of it. In addition to handling livestock the exchange now handles from its warehouse spray materials, feeds, chickens, hides, veal, dressed hogs, eggs and stock and hay, etc. This business expansion makes the farm bureau exchange one of the largest business establishments in Medford.

Have you prepared a few eggs in your glass solution while they are cheap, for cooking purposes next winter when they are high in price? Ask the county agent or write the poultry specialists at the agricultural college for printed instructions.

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