

### Conservation Fund Increase Told by Miller

An additional \$140,650 has been made available for assisting Oregon farmers and ranchers with soil and water conserving practices under the 1946 agricultural conservation program. E. Harvey Miller, chairman of the state PMA committee, announced Wednesday.

Oregon's share of the funds provided by congress for conservation practice payments to farmers in 1946 has been increased to \$2,933,650 as compared with the original allocation at the start of the year of \$2,813,000.

Miller said that the additional funds will be allocated to counties whose original allocations are not sufficient to cover all of the conservation-work for which farmers have requested assistance. He indicated that county agricultural conservation committees will be asked to use the extra funds to increase minimum farm allowances on farms where the most conservation can be obtained.

The operators of some 33,500 Oregon farms have filed farm plans requesting practice payment assistance amounting to more than \$5,000,000. County committees are asking operators to report any changes in the intended practices listed on the farm plans, which were made out last spring.

### Willamette Valley Farmer

News and Views of Farm and Garden—BY LILLIE L. MADSEN.



Miss Vesta Marks, secretary of the Clackamas county Jersey Cattle club is shown accepting for her club the L. A. Hulbert trophy presented each year to the county club putting on the best spring show. Nine counties competed this year with Harold Ewalt of Oregon State college as judge. James Svith, formerly of Salem, but now of Grants Pass, made the presentation as secretary of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club, Sunday at the state picnic held at Champoug.

### Culling Time At Hand, Says Ben Newell

Low production birds can well be removed from the laying flock at any time of year, advises Ben A. Newell, assistant county agent, who has arranged two culling demonstrations for August 16.

August, however, is the month when special care is given to examining each bird and judging her ability to produce and lay through the fall and winter months. Birds that start to molt in May and June need to be culled at once, for probably it will be four to six months before they lay again, while a hen that will lay until September or October will molt rapidly and be back in production in four to six weeks. Persistent producers are the high producers, says Newell, and make the best breeders and second year layers.

Feeding for summer production involves a high consumption of a well balanced laying mash. Birds will eat more mash if a fresh supply is kept in the feeders at all times. The vitamins, animal proteins and minerals in the mash stimulate egg production and the scratch grains produce body heat and fat. For this reason, laying hens should consume 60 per cent of their ration in mash and 40 per cent in grain by weight in warm summer weather. Feeding what wet mash the birds will clean up in 20 minutes fed at noon may help to increase the consumption of feed.



Ralph Cope, 20-year-old Langlois Jersey breeder who was presented the trophy at the State Jersey club picnic Sunday for having the highest producing cow in the Oregon State Jersey Cattle club this past year. His cow produced 843 pounds of butterfat in 305 days and his 41 Jerseys averaged 627 pounds for the test period.

### Polk Schoolman Does Well With Royal Annes

By Beulah Craven  
Statesman Staff Writer

MONMOUTH — Josiah Wills, Polk county school superintendent, has harvested 82 tons of Royal Anne cherries from 45 acres this season, the crop grossing between \$18,000 and \$20,000.

Wills hastens to add that expenses totaled approximately \$8,000, for spraying, dusting, use of dusting machine, picking, hauling to market and state compensation insurance for hired help. His profit is noteworthy, as the crop was raised on land which he bought for \$10 per acre.

About 18 years ago, Wills—who was county superintendent then—also learned that a tract of 480 acres of land in McTimmonds valley, about 11 miles southeast of Dallas, was offered for sale by the United States National bank of Portland. He investigated. The soil was red shot, the buildings old and not livable, the land had been logged, and it was all higher elevation than around Dallas.

Cherries Pay for Farm  
Having an agrarian urge, Wills bought the tract for \$4800, and paid a lawyer \$200 extra to certify the abstract. He sold some ceder timber, but aside from that the farm earned nothing for 10 years. In that time he set out his cherry orchard, spending all spare time in seasonal improvement.

During the war the cherries have paid for his ranch many times over. He gives credit to the

county agent for information and advice, and especially does he value the aid received from his membership in the Willamette Valley Cherry Growers' association.

His Crop Is Later  
His orchard, at an elevation of 1000 feet, begins to ripen just when the crops on lower levels have been picked, so he has no trouble to obtain pickers.

Wills has never figured in the value of his own time and labor as his avocational venture has made an interesting experiment. It indicates that perhaps every type of soil has some useful purpose if enough time, patience and effort are expended to bring it to fruitful production.

### Berry Disease Is Noted in Yamhill

King berry growers this year in Yamhill county have noted a large number of ill-shaped berries, says Louis Gross, county agent. The disease starts at blossoming time, says Gross, and is very widespread in Yamhill county, appearing worse in 1946 than in 1945.

The best control of this disease at the present time is to apply lime sulphur, two gallons per 100 gallons of water, in August.

Another good practice, says Gross, is to cut away the old vines immediately after harvest and destroy these. There is also some gain made by putting in the new vines on the wires in the fall rather than leaving them on the ground all winter.

### BREEDERS HAVE 149 MEMBERS

The Linn-Benton Dairy Breeders' association completed its first half year of operation on July 31

### Farm Calendar

August 8 and 9—Third annual pullorum testing and flock selecting school at Corvallis.  
August 9-11 — Mt. Angel Flax Festival.  
August 10 — Willamette valley ram sale, Bryant park, Albany; Oregon Poultry Improvement association, Corvallis.  
August 14-17—Tillamook county fair, Tillamook.  
August 16 — Poultry culling demonstration 10:30 a.m. at D. L. St. John's at Gervais; 2 p.m. at J. T. Bullock's, three miles south of Liberty on Rosedale road.  
August 16 — Oregon ram sale, Pendleton.  
August 18 — Marion County Jersey Cattle club meeting at Lewis Judson home, Salem.  
August 20-21 — National ram sale, Salt Lake City.  
August 23 — Rural fire district election, Odd Fellows hall, Montfort.  
September 2-8 — Oregon state fair, Salem.

with 149 members having 915 cows, reports Ralph Moreau, technician. An additional 227 cows have been signed but are not yet included in the association because of non-payment of capital stock certificates.

### CORRECTING WEAK SHELLS

Vitamin D is very important to the production of good egg shells, report poultrymen. Weak and rough shells are usually the result of lack of vitamin D, oyster shells or insufficient sunshine. To correct this, have accessible at all times plenty of coarse oyster shell and double the amount of fish oil in the mash until the shells become stronger.

### Ranch Ramblings

By the Rural Reporter

Some 350 head of rams are expected for the 20th annual Oregon Ram sale, August 16, at the Round-up grounds in Pendleton, says Walter Holt, secretary of the Oregon Wool Growers' association, in charge of the sale.

Suffolks, Hampshires, Suffolk-Hampshire crossbreds, Lincolns and Ramboulets will be consigned by Dave Waddell of Amity, Floyd Edwards of Albany, Floyd T. Fox of Silverton; Gath Bros. of Turner, J. J. Thompson of Salem, Oren Cox of Philomath, A. T. Eoff of Salem, Jim Hewitt of Richard, H. Clayton Fox of Imbler, Eastern Oregon Experiment Station at Union, Cunningham Sheep company of Pendleton; John Withers of Paisley, H. J. Speckart and Paul E. Knautz of LaGrande.

Holt will be assisted in sale management by Vic Johnson, Umatilla county agent. Auctioneer will be Colonel Earl W. Walter of Elmer, Idaho.

But coming before the state sale is the Willamette valley sale to be held at Bryant Park, Albany, Saturday. There are 101 registered yearling rams and 24 registered yearling ewes to be sold.

The third ram sale slated is the Southern Oregon Ram sale to be held at Lakeview on September 9, the week following the state fair. Details on numbers and breeds have not been announced yet.

Dairy farmers who have not as yet applied for their dairy production payment for the months of April, May and June are reminded that August 31 is the final date for filing their application with the county AAA committee. The dairy payment program ended on June 30 but payments on milk and butterfat sold during the second quarter were not affected.

T. T. Jacobs and family, who attended the Oregon Jersey Cattle club picnic at Champoug Sunday have entered 12 Jersey cows for the state fair Jersey show.

### Clover Field Good Because Of Preparation

A visit to the farm of R. B. Thornton in Moore's Valley during the past week revealed the significance of thoroughly preparing the soil before planting clover. Thornton limed the field before putting in his seed and it is now turning through and getting much speedier growth than elsewhere in the fields where no lime was used. The old saying that clover fields should look like basket demands before planting still rings out, says Thornton. The test was plowed June 1.

Lucas states, Yamhill county agent, that a group of guest agents last week inspected the farm.

### FERTILIZER UPS FLAX CROP

But Dietz of Canby is bragging about his flax crop this season and says that flax growers, he believes, ought to use it in excess.

The 400 acres of extra quality flax seed of ammonium sulphate and phosphorus are the best in the county, says Dietz. He planted 20 acres of flax on 20 acres of ground, also planting at seeding time. This last application is broadcast by hand while going the drill, facing backward.

More flax in atmosphere, but it does not contain enough oxygen to allow a man to breathe.

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