

### Willamette Valley Farmer

## Oregon Adds Ponds to Her Stock Farms

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More than 5,000 dams and livestock water have been constructed on Oregon farms and ranches in the past 10 years with AAA practice program assistance, records show.

But the construction of ponds was begun before the AAA practices were here in the Willamette valley.

One of the pretty sights on the R. L. Andrews ranch east of Pratum on Garden road is the quarter acre pond built there 25 years ago. The pond has, since it beginning, been enlarged and deepened, but it was started fully a quarter of a century ago.

The pond is fed by a spring and seasonal rains. It is built on a natural slope and dammed by native rock, making a rustic picture in its barnyard setting. The water is used for irrigating gardens and watering stock.

Mr. Andrews reports that it has always had sufficient water in it up to August 1 but after that time "you could really say it had much more than a trickle."

**Pond was Deepened**  
Last autumn a bulldozer was brought in and the pond deepened in hopes it would hold water throughout the dry season. A fall, more than six feet high, forms the spillway and here the only cement in the pond has been used.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrews came to the Waldo Hills place 10 years ago and since have been busy repairing and improving the 100-acre ranch first owned by Squire Dunbar. The house itself was built in 1852 and much of the original building still is in use. Wooden pegs were used in making the doors and the woodwork about the fireplace and these were left unmolested by the Andrews. Mrs. Andrews, who teaches school eight months out of the year, has kept her furnishings in line with the pioneer home.

**Change Farming Practice**

Like many other Waldo Hills farmers, Andrews has found that in earlier years the soil here grain-farmed too much. Little by little the Andrews farm will be turned to grass. Already 12 acres of chewing fescue have been planted, and hopes are to double that this year. Some alfalfa fescue will also be added.

With the increase in grass planting, the sheep flock, now numbering only 20, will be increased, said Andrews. Eventually he hopes most of the farm will be grass and sheep.

At present a few head of cattle are also kept and their number will be increased too as pasturage is increased.

One nice thing about the pond, Andrews points out, is that it is located in a spot which would be damp and more or less swampy all winter long. The pond, which holds the water most of the dry season, takes care of the heavy spring run-offs, with the spillway directing the overflow water into a natural creek.

## Turner Women Give Party for Husbands

TURNER—Mrs. Ray Grim and Mrs. Chester Stewart entertained with a card party Saturday night at the Stewart home honoring their husbands on their birthday anniversaries.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Grim, Joanne, Richard and Ralph of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart of Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Stewart, Lawrence, Joanne Wickert of Jefferson; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Klockstad, Gary and Buddy, Henry Bower and Lawrence, Gary Stewart, Jon, Marianne and Linda Grim, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grim.

## Ranch Ramblings

By Rural Reporter  
Jersey breeders in the Willamette valley are on the increase, reports coming from the national Jersey Cattle club office show. Recently added to the list of Oregon breeders are in Polk county, Kenneth Dalton at Monmouth, R. R. DeArmand at Independence, and John P. Friesan in Dallas. Down in Linn county, new Jersey breeders including Louis W. Lench of Lacombe, L. Misener, herner of Scio and Jesse Roth of Albany.

The acreage of all cane fruits, except loganberries, has been increasing in Oregon since 1944. Increases have been greatest in gooseberries, boysenberries and black raspberries, and comparatively slight for red raspberries and cultivated blackberries.

Hans Burkhofer, who has been employed by the Stanley Harford ranch near Pullman, Wash., and Mrs. Burkhofer have come to Linn county and are now living on the former Poage ranch which they recently bought. There are also two young Burkhofers, Marilyn and Duane.

A registered Jersey cow, named Flower Girl on Gaymoor farm, owned by Mr. and Mrs. John I. Gale, Canby, was the outstanding cow in the Clackamas county Dairy Herd Improvement association for the month. She made the unusually high production of 110.8 pounds of butterfat in the first 35 days of lactation.

Testing of all beef cattle for communicable diseases is now compulsory in Yamhill county under an order signed by the Yamhill county court. The action was taken after 116 cattle owners had signed a petition requesting the order.

## Linn Starts Work on Fair Buildings

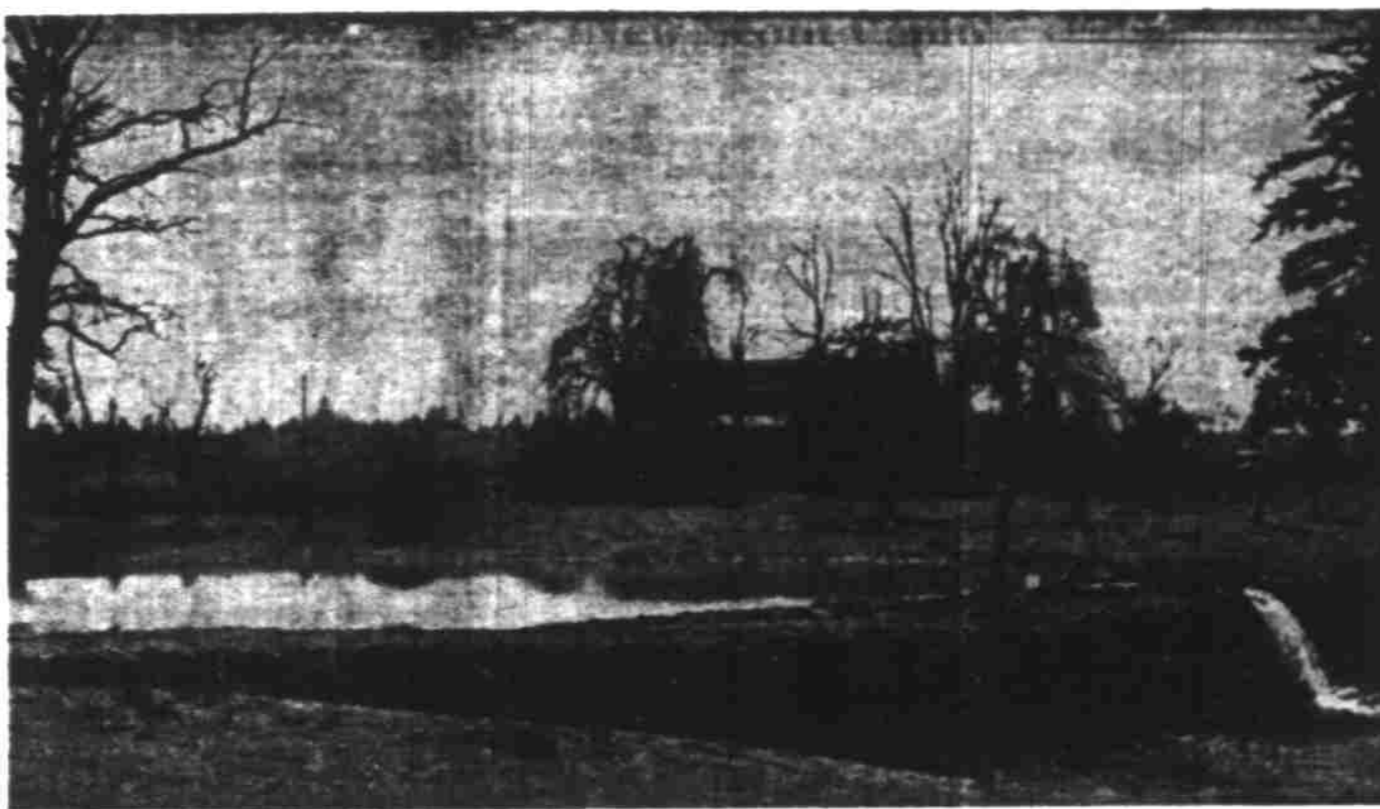
Linn county fair board has launched construction of the first of several buildings to be erected on the board's 10 acre tract near Albany's Waverly lake. Work was started as a result of farm organizations asking that adequate facilities be provided for junior fair activities.

The fair board will provide all materials and has contracted with John Cargick of Albany to supply labor. The initial building is for the purpose of housing livestock. The over-all dimensions are 140 feet wide and 180 feet long. The main section will have supporting piers, but a section 36 by 140 feet is being made with a truss roof to provide ample space for an auction sales ring.

Hopes are that construction will be completed in time to accommodate the Willamette valley purebred ram and ewe sale on August 7, and the fall 4-H fair on September 1, 2 and 3. The capacity is figured at 175 head of cattle and 300 head of sheep and hogs.

The fair board members are L. E. Arnold, Lebanon, Ned Callaway, Brownsville, and R. A. Talbot, Albany, with O. E. Mikesell, Linn county agricultural agent, as secretary.

**CONSERVATION PAYS**  
"No matter how you figure," says Robert Mitchell, chairman of the Polk county agricultural conservation association committee, "conservation costs something—usually money. And if we let things go, we'll pay for our conservation many times over—and we won't get it. The cost will be greatest if the job is neglected for then it will be paid in high priced food for poorer quality and reduced quantity."



Ponds like the one pictured above are being built all over Oregon's agricultural landscape. While in some instances they are used, in part, to entice wild ducks, they are more often used for farm stock, water storage for irrigation purposes and other farm uses. This one is at the E. L. Andrews ranch in Waldo Hills and is partially utilitarian and "a little bit" Mr. Andrews says, scenic. To passing motorists it is entirely the latter, as it forms a delightful setting for the historic home, built in 1852, discernible in the background.

## New OSC Unit Organizes to Handle Funds

PORTLAND, March 24—(AP)—An Oregon State college foundation, formed to manage private funds given the school, was organized Monday.

E. B. Aldrich, editor and publisher of the East Oregonian, Pendleton, was elected president. Albert Bauer, Portland manager of the Kaiser interests, was elected vice president; R. M. Kerr, Portland attorney, treasurer, and Dr. A. L. Strand, OSC president, secretary.

The first annual meeting will be during June commencement week at Corvallis.

Persons contributing \$1,000 or more are to be founders. Money will be used to promote activities and projects aside from those supported by state funds. The foundation reported \$10,900 in cash gifts. Among those participating in an advisory capacity today was Robert Shinn, Salem, chairman of the foundation committee of the alumni association.

## Farmers Union Social At Gervais Nets \$22

GERVAIS—Farmers Union picnic social Wednesday night netted \$22 with Peter Jensen as auctioneer. Films of "Tour of Cooperatives in Europe" were shown. Reports on the state convention and by David St. John on the progress of the telephone cooperative association here were given. Serving were the Arthur Morgans, William Collards and Clarence Sundets.

## Gervais Residents Visit in Wren, Ore.

GERVAIS—Mayor G. J. Molsan, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Stevens, drove to Wren Tuesday to visit at the Ira Vincent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pankratz of Wolfpoint, Mont., are on their wedding trip and visiting the Henry Stegers.

Mrs. John Henry, a returned Friday from the Woodburn hospital.

## Lincoln Community Men Will Give Style Show

LINCOLN—Men of the Lincoln community are presenting a style show, at Lincoln community club when the Community center association is entertained Friday night at the school house.

Those interested from the communities of Spring Valley, Zena, Brush College and Lincoln are invited to attend. Committees on arrangements include Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Hammer and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phillips.

## Silverton Schedules Its Annual Class Play

SILVERTON—Junior-sophomore play will be given at the high school auditorium April 15, 8 p. m. It is a comedy melodrama, "For Her Child's Sake, or Her First False Step."

Merl Frizzell is director and in the cast are Jean Barkhurst, Bob Howell, Marjorie Leonard, Marianna, Sunset, Lawrence Hobart, Janice Johnson, Jeannell Gottenberg, Ray Meyers, Cathalena Rice and Martha Storrust.

## Gervais Women Are Hostesses for Groups

GERVAIS—Mrs. Lloyd Seely entertained the 18 members of the Firemen's auxiliary Thursday night. Guests were Mrs. Robert Mills, president of the Salem auxiliary, and Mrs. Baggett, also of Salem.

Junior Women's club observed its first anniversary when members had dinner at the Marion hotel in Salem and later a theatre party. Mrs. Ray Kuhn will entertain in April.

## Husbands Entertained By Brush College Club

BRUSH COLLEGE—Mr. and Mrs. Karl W. Harritt were hosts for Brush College Home Ec club at a 7 o'clock supper with husbands of members as guests.

Plans were discussed at the business meeting, at which Mrs. W. D. Henry presided, for an all day meeting in April when aprons will be made for the annual bazaar for the grange building fund. Games and contests occupied members after the business meeting.

## Prospect Community Club Is Entertained

The Prospect Community Women's club met Wednesday with Mrs. C. W. Steevley. Dessert luncheon was served by the hostess to Mrs. R. E. Cartwright, Mrs. A. Darran, Mrs. A. Archibald, Mrs. F. Bacon, Mrs. Don Storm, Mrs. B. Rains and Mrs. C. Steevley.

Next meeting will be a no-host supper at the schoolhouse April 3 at 7 p. m.

## Treat Pastures This Year, Says Linn County Agent

The backward growing season and the high price of grain and hay make a pasture fertilization program practical this year if materials can be obtained, reports O. E. Mikesell, Linn county agent.

Farmers following a regular pasture fertilization program report a doubling of forage production and a two weeks advance in the pasture season. This is particularly true where some of the fertilizer on grasses seems to give the best results while a combination of nitrogen and phosphate is recommended for grass and legume mixture pastures.

The rates of application will vary with the vigor of the pasture and the soil types, but generally 30 pounds of actual nitrogen per acre is needed on straight grass pastures. The addition of 40 pounds of actual phosphate per acre on grass pastures containing legumes is beneficial. An annual application of 300 pounds of superphosphate per acre is recommended for irrigated ladino clover pastures. Where superphosphate cannot be obtained, an application of landplaster is recommended.

## Mill City Residents Visit in Seattle, Wash.

MILL CITY—Kenneth Chance and Elmer Stewart spent the weekend in Seattle.

Mrs. J. C. Kerber has returned home after major surgery at Salem Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown and son of Salem were guests of Mrs. Ralph Budlong Wednesday night. While in town they attended "Cornasoppin."

## Sunnyside Birthdays Observed with Parties

SUNNYSIDE—Observing the birthdays of Irving Bunsse and Clayton Bunsse with a party at the home of the Ray Heckarts were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Voss, Byron and Cheryl of Newberg, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Voss of Albany, Mrs. Bertha Heckart, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bunsse, Donald, Dale and Richard Bunsse, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bunsse, Larry Heckart and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Heckart.

## Californians Buy Chesley Mehama Place

LYONS—Mr. and Mrs. Keith Zimmerman of Long Beach, Calif., who have been visiting the Paul Gerath and Harry Parlin homes, have purchased the Hari Chesley place in Mehama and will reside here.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Koffler are the parents of a son, born March 15. Koffler is a barber and they recently moved here from Woodburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hiatt, with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Thomas of Stayton, were in Lebanon Sunday looking after property interests.

Friends and neighbors met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nash Saturday for a house warming.

Santiam Valley Grange held its social meeting Friday night. Dancing furnished the entertainment, with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Muzachenko and Wilson Stevens furnishing music.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Kirkland are the parents of a daughter, Paula Jean, born at Salem Memorial hospital March 20, weight six pounds, 13 ounces.

Frank Kimery and Joyce Mead, who were married at Vancouver, Wash., Saturday, March 20, are receiving congratulations from their friends.

## New Residence Is Constructed

CENTRAL HOWELL—The new residence under construction for Mr. and Mrs. Ed Haslebecker has been plastered and they are looking forward to its completion in a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kuesel recently spent several days with their son-in-law and daughter, the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Neal, in Portland.

Sunday dinner guests of the Alpheus Schars were Mr. and Mrs. John Otto, Anne and John, Jr., of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schars and Jerry West.

A new house has been started

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on the old Sinegar place by the new owners, Mr. and Mrs. Rehm. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde DeSart are improving and enlarging their house and have installed electric heat.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roth spent Sunday in Portland and visited a brother-in-law, Rev. Homer Leisy, and both's sister, Mrs. Ed Leisy, both recovering in hospitals following surgery.

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## VOTERS ATTENTION

Registration Deadline April 20!

Here are the classifications of eligible voters who should register to vote in the May Primaries

1. NEW RESIDENTS—Both those who are newcomers to the state and those who have moved from one precinct to another.

2. VETERANS—Even if the veterans voted overseas in the last general election, they must re-register to vote in the May primaries. When veterans voted overseas in the last general election no parties were designated, hence the importance of their re-registering now because in the primaries they vote by party.

3. MANY VOTERS—Those who failed to vote in the last two elections will have to re-register. The poll books have been cleaned out and brought up to date.

4. FIRST VOTERS—All those who have attained the age of 21 since the last elections and who will be eligible to vote if they are 21 and registered before the registration deadline, April 20.

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