

WILLAMETTE VALLEY FARMER

News and Views of Farm and Garden --By LILLIE L. MADSEN

Good Drainage Brings Higher Farm Profits

Increased farm production and possible greater profits are the results of good drainage, according to Art King, conservation specialist at Oregon State college, who spoke before the Polk county farm drainage meeting.

Charles Evans, chairman of the meeting, reported 80 persons interested in better land drainage attending the all-day meeting.

Three Dams Completed
Colonel Donald G. Elget, executive officer of the Portland district, U.S. army engineers, spoke on the flood control phase of the Willamette Basin project.

Ingram stated that the Lewisville dam is not included in the bill. He further pointed out that authorization does not include an appropriation for work. These appropriations are obtained by request of the people and the congressional delegation after authorization is granted.

Claude Holsington, Polk county PA secretary, reported a large increase in open ditch and tile drainage in Polk county in 1949. Approximately 8,900 rods of open ditch and 35,000 rods of tile were placed in operation in the county.

Farm Calendar

- January 26 — Marion County Farm drainage meeting, Mayflower hall, 10 a.m.
- January 27 — Linn County drainage meeting, Veterans Memorial hall, corner 5th and Lyon streets, Albany, 10 a.m.
- January 27 — Yamhill Pomona grange, Newberg chamber of commerce, 10 a.m.
- January 27 — Annual meeting Polk-Marion Cherry Growers association, Mayflower hall, Salem, 1:30.
- January 28 — Annual meeting Oregon Jersey Cattle club, Keizer hall, North River road, Salem.
- January 30-February 1 — Western Oregon Livestock association annual meeting, Corvallis, 11 a.m.
- January 30 — Mt. Angel Cooperative Creamery annual business meeting.
- January 31 — Yamhill County South 40 field tour of Northwest Malting company and Vancouver Grain company, Vancouver, Wash.
- February 3 — Eighth annual nutrition conference, Oregon Feed and Seed dealers associations, OSC.
- February 4 — Fifth annual Oregon Swine Growers bred gilt sale, Oregon state fairgrounds, 11 a.m.
- February 6 — Oregon Polled Hereford association dinner meeting, 7 p.m., Senator hotel, Salem.
- February 8 — Annual meeting DHIA, Rickreall grange hall, 10 a.m.
- February 9-11 — Fourth annual Hop Growers convention, Salem, Marion hotel, 9 a.m.
- February 9-10 — Annual grange lecturers school, Memorial Union building, OSC.
- February 10 — Second annual Mint Growers meeting, museum building, Oregon State college.
- February 11 — Marion county silage forum, Mayflower hall, 10 a.m.
- February 18 — Oregon Swine Growers bred gilt sale, La Grande.
- February 18-25 — National FFA week.
- February 21-23 — State convention, Oregon Farmers Union, Veterans of Foreign Wars building, Salem.
- February 24 — Hop Growers conference, 208 Memorial Union building, Corvallis.

Triplet Lambs Arrive Early



CLOVERDALE — Karleen Drager, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Drager of the Cloverdale district, is shown doing her best to corral her three new triplet lambs for The Statesman photographer shortly after their arrival this week. Even their busy mother on the left decided to get in on the picture—after due persuasion. The triplet arrival, a rarity even in sheep circles, came in the midst of an early lambing season which prevails this year. All are registered Suffolk. (Photo by Lester F. Cour, Statesman Valley editor.)

'Rocking the Baby' May Return with Medical Approval

LINCOLN, Neb.—(INS)—"Rocking the baby" is coming back into scientific acceptance.

Dr. Morris Fishbein, former editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association, told this University of Nebraska students in a recent address.

Smut Spread Blame Laid to Dwarf Smut

Ninety percent of the wheat smut increase in the Pacific Northwest last year was due to dwarf smut — a variety which cannot be controlled by seed treatment — it has been estimated by Dr. C. S. Holton, USDA cereal chemist stationed at Washington State college.

NEW OFFICERS NAMED

Newly elected officers of the Clackamas County Livestock association are Walter Fisher, Carus, president; Marcus Vetter, Monitor, vice president; and Maurice Weston, Liberal, director.

'Possible Taxes' Scare Residents Of Monte Carlo

PARIS—(INS)—The tiny principality of Monaco is known for its famous gambling casino in Monte Carlo, its beautiful scenery and an eight-century old policy against direct taxes.

Polk Plans DHIA For Rickreall, Feb. 8

Dairymen are urged to attend the annual meeting of the Polk county Dairy Herd Improvement association, which will be held Wednesday, February 8, in the Rickreall Grange hall.

McMinnville Creamery To Give 4-H Banquet

The 4-H club banquet for all livestock club members sponsored annually by the McMinnville Cooperative Creamery will be held Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rickreall Grange hall.

MALES MAKE MORE GROWTH

Males make more economical gains than females in raising broilers or turkeys. The males grow faster than the females, and the faster the growth the higher the efficiency of feed utilization.

Infant Death High in Pigs Says Lindgren

This little pig went to market; this little pig stayed home—and quite possibly died.

Paraphrasing the popular nursery rhyme, Harry Lindgren, Oregon State college extension animal husbandry specialist, points out that farrowing season is on hand, and that four out of 10 pigs born in this country never reach the nation's dinner tables.

Not only is the loss represented by cash at market time, but at least 14 per cent of all hog feed is wasted as a result of feeding hogs that die on the farm.

To insure added hog profits, the specialist has outlined a five-point plan which he says will cut pig losses and benefit every hog grower.

Various scientists express the view, Lindgren explains, that every pig fattened dead costs the grower 140 pounds in wasted feed.

Klemans of Keiser Build Their Own Handy Small Silo

A silo for farms with four to six cows has just been put into use by Max Klemans and his sons in the Keiser district west of Salem.

Ranch Ramblings

A top-notch production race between "Frannie," a registered Holstein owned by Dr. J. B. Harrison of Eagle Creek, and "Babe," a registered Jersey owned by Rex Ross of Mt. Angel, has just come to a close end.

HOLSTEIN MAKES RECORD

A m-o-n-g registered Holstein-Friesian cows in Oregon, whose recently completed production records were recorded by the Herd Improvement Registry department was one owned by Walter M. Brog, Salem. This cow, Bess Houwtje Veeman, made 603 pounds of butterfat and 18,810 pounds of milk in 331 days of two milkings daily at the age of 4 years and 8 months.



New officers for the Marion County Jersey Cattle club were elected Sunday at the annual meeting at Mayflower hall. Standing from left to right are Fred Davis, Woodburn, director; Floyd Bates, Salem, president, and Leonard Lee, Salem, vice president. Seated are Ted Hobart, Silverton, secretary and Mrs. Arthur Buysier, Woodburn, assistant secretary. (Statesman Farm photo.)

Ghosts Travel Rome Busses

PARIS—(INS)—People who believe in ghosts shouldn't ride on bus tops.

Anyone who doubts this should take note of a Rome dispatch to the Paris newspaper Figaro.

Yamhill's 87-Year Old Tile Still Works

The highlight story told at the Yamhill drainage meeting was that told by George Zimmerman of Yamhill.

Fiery, Smarting Itch of Common Skin Rash

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Breeders Sign 32 Gilt for Swine Auction

Twenty-two breeders have consigned 32 registered bred gilts to the 5th annual Oregon Swine Growers sale at the state fairgrounds in Salem Saturday, February 4, 11 a.m., reports F. L. Zielinski, St. Paul, sale chairman.

Nine breeders are represented with breeders to include, Chester Whites, six head, Glen Hawkins, Shedd; Alton Marshall, Mullino; Elton Watts, Silverton, Leonard Forster, Tangent, Spotted Poland Chinas, two head, Wilmer Lyon, Junction City, and Elmer Stangel, Wilsonville, Berkshire, five head, Richard Schaefer, Salem; Oregon State college, E. L. Sewell, Molalla. Poland Chinas, three head, Wendell Willard, Dayton; F. L. Zielinski, St. Paul, Leonard Forster, Tangent, Durocs, eight head, Jim Lorenzen, Silverton; Edwin Ridder, Sherwood; Homer Zielinski, Gervais; Guy Hansen, Junction City; C. E. Stretcher, Beaverton, and Marvin Robertson, Sherwood. Yorkshire, three head, F. L. Zielinski, Elmer Stangel, Minn-nesota, one head, Hugh Severin, Prospect, Herefords, two head, Earl Drury, Fall Creek, and Harold Schmidt, Newberg, Hampshires, three head, Lyle McKinley, Shedd, and F. C. Putman, Hillsboro.

New Lincolns Set to Go on Exhibit Friday

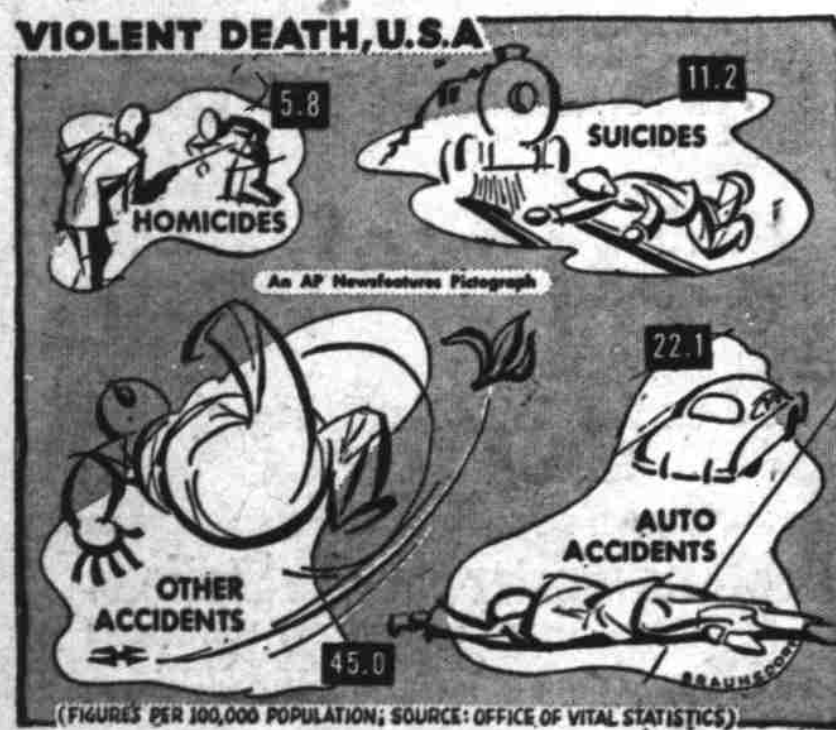
DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 25 — Heralded with the slogan, "Nothing could be finer than the 1950 Lincoln and Lincoln Cosmopolitan cars will bow to the public tomorrow in more than 1,400 showrooms across the nation, including the Warner Motor Co., at Salem, Ore.

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ANCIENT HISTORY

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—(INS)—The untold history of Illinois for centuries before the coming of the first white man is embedded in five feet of soil atop Starved Rock in Starved Rock State Park, near Ottawa. Archaeologists last summer found there traces of progressive Indian occupations stretching back for thousands of years, possibly as early as 3,000 B. C., or earlier.



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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Give Us Back Our Sidewalks, Slim!

I wrote that over an article in the Clarion last week, but I didn't like doing it. After all, the man it was aimed at—Slim Henderson—is a good friend of mine.

Slim came into quite a windfall last month, and bought the old Clarke place. The deed gave him title to all the land—right down to the street. Then Slim started to take up the sidewalk to make his lawn look better.

I felt it wasn't fair to the town and said so in my article. Next morning Slim comes around and wants to know what I mean—getting folks riled against him. I felt ornery myself, and we had quite a set-to over the whole business.

From where I sit, that was foolish. Once we'd cooled off (over lunch and a bottle of beer at Andy's Tavern), Slim decided the sidewalk should stay—for the common good and I promised next time I'd take a good look at the other fellow's point of view before writing any articles about him!

Joe Marsh

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