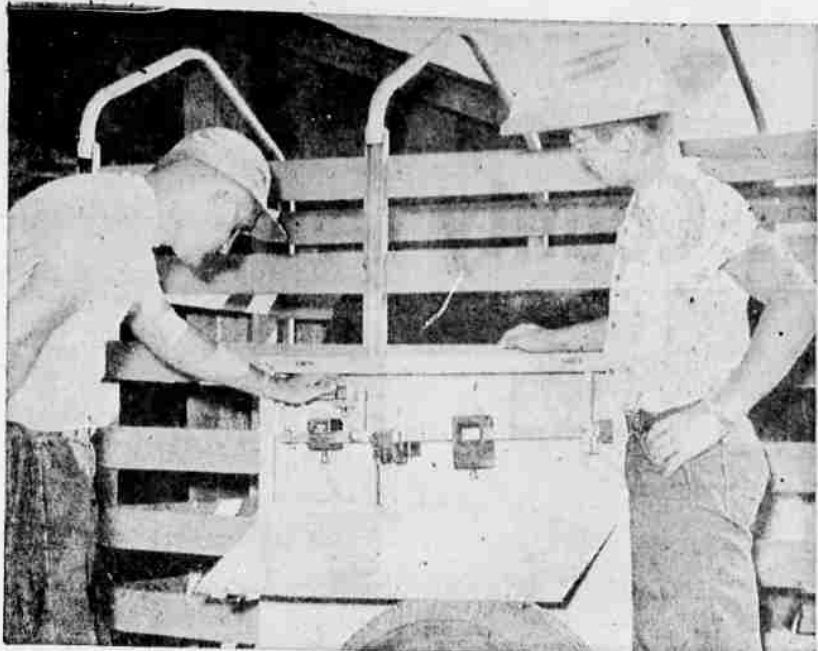




PORTABLE SCALES — Charles Porfily, right, Future Farmers of America instructor at the Redmond Union High school, weighs Mike Harrington's steer on the new trailer scales, Central Oregon Production Credit association donated \$300 toward the \$500 cost of the scales. The Federal Land Bank contributed the other \$200. The Fairbanks-Morse scales will be used by FFA and 4-H club groups. The scales will get an official trial at the fat stock show sponsored by the Kiwanis club Friday night at the fair. (Bend Bulletin Photo)

Fair Showman Must Train As Hard as Movie Actor

The 4-H beef project book says "Lead strap or rope should be folded or coiled neatly and held in right hand or in both hands when leading. Hold lead to keep animal under control at all times. . . always lead from left of animal. . . lead slowly, walk forward, keep animal's head up. . . lead in a circle large enough to keep him well posed. . . show beef animal with feet squarely under it. . . never stretch or allow animal to stand with front feet back and hind feet forward. . . give the judge full view of your animal at all times."

When you see the 4-H boys and girls and FFA members in the show rings at Deschutes county fair, you can be sure most of them have cared for and worked with their animals many months beforehand.

The same will be true, of course, for the 4-H and senior horse drills, horse shows and horsemanship contests.

The program of events may be a little bewildering to the person not familiar with the processes of

judging livestock and showmanship contests. For instance, a beef, dairy animal, sheep or swine may be judged blue ribbon or champion in its class, but would not necessarily win a showmanship contest. The two competitions are, in fact, practically unrelated.

Show For Fun
The livestock 4-H clubbers (and FFA members) will enter certain animals for judging which they feel come closest to fulfilling the requirements for top quality of their breed. They also take part in showmanship contests — with other animals they have trained specially — for the fun and competition in the show ring.

In showmanship the judges consider how well the animal has been trained to respond and how its owner manages both his or her animal and himself or herself in the ring. The animal itself might grade low in quality, though it must be neat and clean of course.

For each of the classes of 4-H livestock there is a project booklet, written by qualified persons. The

books contain specific, plainly stated information to guide a young stock raiser from the time he acquires his animal to the final showing or judging.

In the 4-H sheep project, for instance, the purpose is — "to learn how to select and raise good sheep. . . to accept responsibility for a live animal of your own. . . to learn to keep and use records. . . to learn how animals live and produce their young." Advantages: "Oregon climate and soil produce good pasture for sheep. . . sheep can be handled by boys and girls too small to handle larger animals." Suggestions: Manage wisely. Make your animals comfortable. Be sure they have shade, fresh water, salt, freedom from insects. . . be kind to your sheep. Teach them to trust and respect you."

Showman Must Be Sharp
Then, characteristics of various breeds are given, breeding, lambing, care of ewes and lambs, disease and insect control, proper feed and pasture, shearing and care of fleece, raising "bummer" lambs, fitting and showing — "work with your sheep until it is gentle and will lead or stand as you desire. A few minutes a day for several weeks is much better

than several hours a day just before the fair!"

The appearance of the showman is important. "Be sure your hands, face, fingernails, clothes and shoes are clean. Have your clothes pressed and your hair combed. Jeans, slacks, or pedal pushers with a shirt, blouse or T-shirt are OK."

In showing the sheep, "lead your sheep into the show ring with your left hand under its jaw and your right hand on the dock. Always face the judge so he has full view of your sheep. . . be careful not to obstruct judge's view of other sheep in the class. Be alert. Be courteous and pleasant."

Important characteristics: "Remember — choose long, deep, wide ewes that carry their width the entire length of the body, and that stand on comparatively short, strong legs and close to the ground. A normal jaw on a sheep will have teeth meeting the pad close to the front of the jaw. . ."

Trained Pig? Yes, Indeed!
For fitting and showing a hog — "Practice moving him daily with a cane. . . by placing the cane on the side of the head. . . touching him behind to move forward. . . and in front of his face to stop him. . . Daily handling is a 'must' to properly train a hog."

Cleanliness and a balanced ration are very important in raising hogs. You want a pig that will gain on the least feed. . . A broad head that is well proportioned. . . the body should be deep. . . avoid a long, rangy pig and the very short, fat type. . ."

The dairy project book discusses such things as selecting and raising the calf, normal growth of dairy cattle, care and management of producing cow, DHIA, steps in producing high-quality milk, how dairy products are marketed.

Like the other booklets, the dairy project book carries interesting and useful pictures, charts and sketches — the parts of a dairy cow, proper methods of dehorning, measuring heart girth, proper feed and pen, how to keep production records.

Wash Ears, Fluff Tail
Clipping is important — but necessary clipping should be done a month before the fair. "The night before showing wash the ears and switch. Braid the tail just before entering the show ring. . . give your animal a liberal feed of good hay the morning of show day. . . take the chill off drinking water."

Be sure your animal is absolutely clean before leading into the show ring. Use a clean halter, properly adjusted to the animal. You should be neat and clean, too.

Be ready when your class is called. . .

Some of the characteristics of a good beef animal are: hindquarters deep and wide, deep body with parallel top and bottom lines, strong top line and full loin, short neck and broad short head.

Herdsmanship is another important part of club members' exhibits, and it, too, is judged. Herdsmanship involves knowing how to feed and care for livestock properly — and doing it; keeping exhibit attractively displayed at all times. . . having a place for feed, equipment and personal things and

keeping them there. . . being regular and prompt with each day's feeding and cleaning. A good herdsman ties his animals securely so they are comfortable, yet not loosely enough to back into the alley or disturb other animals. A good herdsman is friendly and helpful toward visitors and other herdsman, knows his animals and is ready to answer questions about them, keeps alleys neat and clean.

Deschutes county farms averaged 71.1 acres in 1925; only 45.5 acres in 1954.

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Of the 1,837, 280 acres of land in Deschutes county (1954 census figure) 1,599,470 were not in farms. The rest are mountains, desert, forests not on farms, cities, etc., such as airports and rifle ranges, to give golf courses only a mention.

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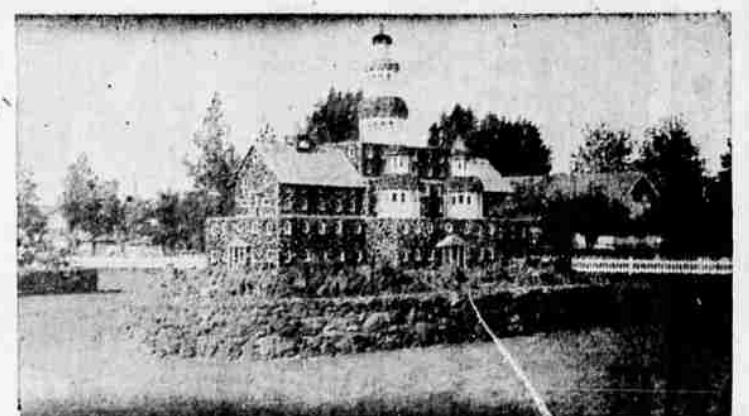
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