

## Viola Happenings

LaFaye Fouts

The Viola Community Club will hold a pot luck supper, meeting and evening of fun on Saturday, Feb. 21. Supper to be served promptly at 6:30 P. M. Anyone in the community is invited to join the fun. The Community Club has been sponsoring Square Dance Lessons on Monday evenings under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Al Alm of Portland. 22 couples are signed up. Dancing starts at 8 P.M. and continues until 10 P.M. After which refreshments are served by the kitchen committee for the evening.

The Viola Extension held a meeting last Tuesday; the lesson being on hair styling. The first lamp shade making class will be Monday, Feb. 23 at the Community Club starting at 10 P.M.

Mrs. Carl Illig went to the Emanuel Hospital for major surgery Monday of last week. She will be there from 10 days to 2 weeks. Her mother Mrs. Jeanett Rethen is staying to take care of the two ill boys, David 13 and Paul 5.

The Cascade Riders are busy selling tickets for their building fund dance to be held at the Redland Grange hall on April 18. Tickets are sold for \$1, which also entitles the buyer for a chance at the door prize which is \$100. Credit at the Redland Grocery Store owned by Chuck Mansfield.

The Cascade Riders are also planning their 3rd annual horse auction to be held in April and the trail ride in May.

Feb. 9 the men of the club held a work day and sided the outside of the club house and put in new windows.

Harold Fischer of Fischer's Mill and Ernie Kaymmayer of Springwater were chosen as two of 75 in the Willamette Valley to be visited in connection with the seed marketing research project to be conducted by the Oregon State College, Dept. of Agricultural Economics. The purpose of the research is to provide information which will be helpful to

seed cleaning owners and managers in improving their efficiency and reducing costs. There are 350 commercial and farm cleaning operations in the Willamette Valley and they are an important part of the seed marketing process.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carnes loaded their station wagon with the following children Sunday, Feb. 9 and they all enjoyed a trip to the Oaks Skating Rink: Danny Fouts, Ronnie Carnes, Romona Tracy, Phyllis and Vivian Hodgkiss, and Mike and David Reichner.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie have been busy helping Jonn's Aunt Sara who fell recently and broke her hip. She is doing as well as could be expected.

Herb Fouts spent sometime in the Oregon City hospital recently with a lung infection.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie spent Feb. 10 taking the County Agent Hog Growers tour of Lincoln County.

Paul Koenig, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Seavy of the West Linn Inn, spent last week end visiting Jim Fouts.

The Junior Choir of the Viola Community Church held a Valentine party at the Viola Community Club last Saturday evening under supervision of Rev. and Mrs. Verne Renaud. A number of games were played and a lot of refreshments were eaten by the group. Each child brought a game and conducted it for an evening of fun.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Breitmayer and children enjoyed Sunday dinner at the West Linn Inn last Sunday.

Teddy Skinner is the proud owner of a half Arabian mare. Teddy hopes to have his new horse trained to compete in the riding club games this year and to play polo. He had the unfortunate experience of raving his horse, Friday break his leg last year, and has looked a long time before buying a horse that could take its place.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bennett attended the annual banquet at the Benson hotel last Saturday eve of the Northwestern group of the Tuscannia survivors. The Tuscannia a regular Army transport was transporting troops during the first World War. It went down off the coast of Scotland on Feb. 5th with over 2000 hands on board. 123 men were lost. Each year the survivors meet on the Saturday nearest the 5th. They came from Honolulu, Cascade Locks, Eugene and points over the Northwest. This is the first time the wives have accompanied their husbands, but this year the 30 couples who attended enjoyed

the evening so much that the wives decided to have a meeting each year too right along with their husbands. After the banquet a member from Eugene showed color slides of a 7 months tour of Europe.

## NOTES BY THE WAYSIDE

By J. J. Inskeep, County Agent

Grandpappy used to say 'It's a question as to whether insects or man will finally dominate the world.' In fact a lot of other grandpappys said the same thing. So much so that the saying became common, and much repeated everytime a new one appeared to make the farmers life more miserable. When DDT came on the scene these sagas of calamity simmered down for a time. And then when strains of resistant insects appeared they took up the time worn cry once more 'You see' they yelled, 'We told you so' And maybe they are right. At least all in the know fully realize that we must keep up a barrage of scientific research if we are to keep ahead of the insect world to feed an expanding human population.

That is if an old, ever present, and largely unknown critter doesn't upset the apple cart with a rear attack while our attention is focused on insects. This formidable worm is called the nematode. If he were a little larger his description could be used to scare naughty little boys half out of their wits. In his throat is a forked spear which he extrudes to attack plants and animals on which he preys. Why haven't we recognized the nematode for the rogue he is? Well, largely, we guess because most of his numerous species are microscopic in size so he escapes the notice of all but a few college professors and the like. And then we didn't know what to do about him anyhow so we ignored him. Since he is neither an insect nor a disease both entomologists and pathologists have avoided the nematode.

Then why bring it to mind now? you ask. Certain of the larger chemical companies who aren't directly responsible to the taxpayers also took up the cudgel against this creature with the wicked spear-headed tongue. They hired some of the best college researchers and told them Lookit, get busy on this unseen demon before it's too late. In addition they have financed many college research projects in one way or another.

Late in January one of these corporations staged a work shop in Portland on nematodes attacking plants. The corporation called in the nematologists from all over the United States, Hawaii, Canada, and one from Australia to bring those interested up to date on our nematode enemies and their control.

The study of nematodes, called nematology is a lifetime calling. One who is a student in the field of nematology is called a nematologist.

We could not for a moment provide a very comprehensive report

on nematodes, even if we were capable which we are not. However, you may find of interest a few gems of knowledge extracted at random from our Portland workshop notebook.

Nematodes of one sort or another are found in every nook and cranny of this old globe. Dr. Gerald Thorne, University of Wisconsin, is generally accepted as a leading nematologist in the United States. His presence added much to the Portland workshop. He reports finding several nematodes at the tip of Longs Peak in Colorado at an elevation of 14,000 feet. They were present in thin layers of soil lodged between granite outcroppings.

There are, perhaps, as many species of nematodes as there are of insects. Some, like the dagger nematode, are found widely dispersed and attack many plant species including fruit tree roots. Others have a limited number of host plants. Some are beneficial, attacking other nematode pests.

Nor are plants the only hosts. Many of the intestinal worms of all sorts of animals, including man, are nematodes. During World War I, I was sent to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, along with a trainload of West Virginia draftees. Some of them looked to be over 50 years of age. Actually they were under 25. The hookworm nematode was responsible for this condition. Army physicians quickly cared for this situation. The transformation to youth and vigor within a period of a few weeks was remarkable.

The Portland workshop was devoted to plant infesting nematodes. Certain nematodes attack plant roots, others attack bulbs, stems, crowns or leaves. Some enter the host plant, others attack the outside.

Nematodes are transferred from place to place in plants, water or soil. Some cause tremendous crop damage, others little damage.

No one could even hazard a guess as to the many kinds of economic nematodes found in Clackamas County nor to the extent of the damage they cause. We do know of a few of them. The Narcissus bulb nematode and its control is common knowledge in the industry. Another attacks grass roots including chewing fescue roots. Still another finds its way to the tip of chewing fescue plants where it damages newly set seeds. These infected heads cause acute poisoning when fed to cattle. Growers burn chewing fescue stubble to keep this nematode under control. There are nematodes attacking strawberry plants, red clover plants and probably to a limited extent every crop we grow. It is obvious that their depredations are limited or we couldn't grow any-

thing. Certain nematodes are controlled by crop rotation. Others are not. One of the speakers reported keeping a number of a particular species at a temperature of minus 112 degrees for two years. At the termination of that period some were alive and healthy.

During recent years soil fumigants have been used successfully for nematode controls. Conditions for fumigations are exacting and the cost too high for

crops with a low per acre return. Right now we are harassed with a surplus of farm croos. But the scientists are looking to what may be a short time hence when we may look for a shortage. They face long battle to maintain an adequate food supply. It will not be waged against insects alone. In fact, the nematode map be a

more relentless opponent, to say nothing of maintaining soil fertility and creating better crop varieties.

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