

Wasco News

By Pauline Broughton

Proud grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Royse left last week for Eugene to get acquainted with their new granddaughter, Marcia Lynn Hockley, who weighed in at 7 pounds 7 ounces October 27. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hockley. Mrs. Hockley will be remembered here as the former Carmen Royse. Other grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Garner of Eugene. The new arrival has two maternal great-grandmothers, Mrs. Edith Missman of Britt, Iowa and Mrs. Augusta Royse of Wasco. This is the latter's fifteen great-grandchild.

At the Wasco Methodist church Loyalty dinner held Sunday, Nov. 1 the Rev. Cortland Cambric, pastor of Hughes Memorial Methodist church in Portland, was the guest speaker. Featured on the program was music provided by an instrumental sextet which included Catherine Thomas on the trumpet, Reatha Coats, clarinet, Leroy Belshee, saxophone, Clyde Fridley and Harold Winegar, trombones, Larry Eddings piano, Doug Dutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Dutton, played a trumpet solo, and a male quartet composed of Clyde Fridley, Robert Nisbet, Larry Eddings and Stanley Gordh sang two numbers. Mrs. Eddings was their accompanist. Seventy percent of the needed funds for the church building, was pledged during the evening.

Annie Fulton chapter, OES, held a Friendship Night meeting October 27. Florence Jaeger of Condon, associate grand conductress, was an honored guest. Other honored guests included past matrons from Grass Valley, Moro and other chapters in this area. After a brief program which included musical numbers and readings, refreshments were served from a beautifully decorated table to the members and visitors present.

The Tuesday bridge club met October 29 at the home of Mrs. Ethel Van Gilder. Present were Mesdames Idah Everett, Rolland Johnson, Mabel Haven and Arthur Smith. Mrs. Johnson won high score with Mrs. Smith low.

Mrs. Elva Dehler and daughter, June Alsop of Moro, left last week for San Francisco, where they will visit their son and brother, Joe Hines.

Rev. Ernie Wilson, who was to have presided at the first Quarterly conference held at Wasco Methodist church Monday, was stricken by an acute attack of appendicitis while enroute to another scheduled meeting last Saturday. Rev. Wilson had reached Biggs Junction when he became ill, and was returned to The Dalles for hospitalization.

The annual PTA variety show

will be held at the Wasco grade school cafeteria November 6. The show, which features local talent, will begin at 8 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward VanGilder of New York, who have been recent house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sargent, left last Thursday for California. They will remain in that state until after the Rose Parade in Pasadena at New Years. After leaving Pasadena, the VanGilders will go to Florida for the remainder of the winter.

The MYF mid-Columbia sub-district rally will take place at Wasco Methodist church Nov. 8, beginning at 3:30 p. m. The Wasco group will provide the dinner at 5:30. There will be a worship service beginning at 7 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Marian Rebeahs lodge met October 28, with 11 present. During the meeting the following nominations were made: Floyd Haines, noble grand; Donna Lane and Jean Winegar, vice-grand; Flossie Haines and Jean Winegar, secretary; Virginia Melzer and Juanita Long, treasurer.

Mrs. Pauline Broughton, crew leader for the farm census operation now in progress, completed her school of instruction for enumerators October 30, and is now busy in the field, where she will supervise the 14 enumerators needed in Sherman, Wasco and Hood River counties. It is hoped the task can be completed before bad weather sets in. It will help each farm operator will complete the questionnaire recently received in the mail, and have it ready when the enumerator calls on him.

The Wasco PTA will hold its annual fund raising show this Friday night at the grade school starting at 8 p. m. The show is entirely by local talent with numbers given by the room mothers, the teachers, the churches, the little German band and others.

Oregon In History

October 30, 1838—I was appointed by the meeting to go to Vancouver to obtain supplies for the Mission. I found Mr. Douglas who is now in charge equally as accommodating as Doct. McLoughlin has been. A boat was named and sent with our supplies to Walla Walla and arrangements made for the company to bring them up for the future. . . . Providence has again smiled on us this year also in giving us bountiful supply of wheat corn potatoes and other vegetables. The Indians also have enough to give them a wish to cultivate more largely another year. Some of them tell me they will not wander after this season but their entire settlement cannot be expected to long as so many inducements exist to cause them to rove.

Letter of Dr. Marcus Whitman

County Ramblings

County Agricultural Agent

OSC Sheep & Wool Days
November 13 and 14 have been set as Sheep and Wool days at OSC. The program conducted by the animal husbandry department was planned in conjunction with the Oregon Wool Growers. Program will include specialists from the industry; USDA sheep breed laboratory, Dubois, Idaho; and OSC. Tentative program is available from the Sherman County Agent's office.

A new implement to get more water down into the soils is being tried experimentally in Sherman and other Columbia basin counties. The equipment is on loan to Oregon Agricultural Experiment station by the manufacturer and is known as a vertical mulcher. Last week additional trials were established in Sherman county on the Charles Burnet farm west of Moro. Last spring an initial trial in this area was established on the Bill Todd-Ragsdale land across from the Sherman branch station. Charles Smith, with agricultural research, stationed at Pendleton, is in charge of the experiment program with this machine.

The machine is made by the M & W Gear company, Anchor, Ill. It operates by chopping and shredding an 80 inch strip of stubble or other crop residue and blows it back around and behind a subsoil shank. The mulcher will make a slot 18 to 30 inches deep, 8 inches wide at the top and 2 inches wide at the bottom. Purdue university scientists did the initial work toward development of the idea to stuff crop residues into a subsoil trench to hold them open longer.

Results, success and practicability in our wheat area are uncertain at this time. The trials on the Todd, Burnet, and Fraser places should help give us some of this information.

The new Oregon Beef Council has delayed start of collections of volunteer contributions for its support until December 1.

The seven-member council announced the one-month delay following its second meeting, held in Salem October 15.

Ted Hyde of Bly, chairman said the council does not want to start collections until it feels cattle owners throughout Oregon are familiar with the new program, which was authorized by the 1959 legislature.

In the interim, the council members will carry information to all county and state cattle and farm associations it can reach before December 1. All auction markets, one of the points of collections, will also be reached to explain the program and seek full cooperation. The council activity in promoting Oregon beef will be supported by 10 cent contribu-

tions authorized by cattle owners as animals go through any brand inspection points in the state.

Fall Wheat Spraying
Spring spraying has been the general recommended time for annual weed control in winter wheat. In some areas, however, weeds are an early problem. Where an early weed infestation threatens to seriously damage the stand of wheat, a fall or early winter spray may be advisable.

In situations where a fall spray is necessary, 2,4-D amine, isopropyl, butyl, or low volatile esters may be used at $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ pounds per acre. Wheat should be in good growing condition with 3 to 5 stools. Fall spraying should be used only where early tarweed, filarie, or purple mustard germination creates serious competition.

Beef Cattle Improvement
Weaner cattle on the L. E. and Larry Kaseberg ranch were weighed and graded last week with the help of Dean Frischnecht, livestock extension specialist, OSC. Larry is cooperating in the Oregon Beef Improvement program. This program is set up to give equal emphasis to weight at a given age and conformation.

Of major importance is the calf record. Cows and bulls are rated on the basis of the calves they produce. Most cow men are interested in both quality and quantity of calf produced. Both effect the total income from the enterprise and both are considered in the beef cattle program.

To successfully carry out a production testing program, each animal must be permanently and individually identified. Either registered or commercial cattle can be used. The program, likewise, has its most value in analyzing and selecting animals within each ranchers herd. Tagging each animal, birth day, and age of dam along with scales are necessary.

Foreign Trade

"Oregon crops affected positively by foreign trade in 1957 accounted for approximately two out of every three dollars received by Oregon farmers from marketing in that year," is so stated in a report on "Foreign Trade Interests in the State of Oregon." This was prepared by Bureau of Business Research at Eugene in cooperation with the Library of Congress and OSC. Foreign trade is more important to wheat growers than others so real credit for this work needs to be given to the growers own Wheat League and Commission.

Look Ma... No Pins!

Your baby can relax!

No more pin-pricks from a fumbling father, over-anxious mother or baby sitter when diapers are being changed!

We can thank a Swiss inventor named George de Mestral for coming up with the idea of the Velcro fastener which is now making its appearance on countless American products.

Did you ever walk across country and have burrs stick to your clothing? Inventor de Mestral returned from a hunting trip in the Swiss mountains one day and got to thinking about the annoying burdock burrs that clung to his clothing and his dog. Examination under a microscope showed the hundreds of tiny hooks that grabbed into loops of thread or animal hair.

Well, Velcro works the same way but it took the inventor nearly ten years to apply the idea to the new fastener. There are two strips of DuPont nylon — one is faced with tiny nylon tabs on top, the other with tiny nylon loops. When pressed together, the hooks and loops lock — and will not open until you peel them apart.

The introduction of Velcro on the Presto Chango diapers by Riegel has made the greatest ad-

vance in diaper history. They're the easiest diapers to put on. No pins, no snaps, no buttons, no folding — just touch the Velcro tapes to close, lift to open. They are pre-folded and sewn with four layers of heavy-weight jersey in the center giving extra absorbency.

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The Velcro tape does not suffer at all when washed with the diapers — and it will last the lifetime of the diaper. An independent testing laboratory opened and closed the new fastener 32,000 times with no appreciable loss in holding power.

Ever since man began to wear clothes he has been searching for an ideal fastener. Those which have made their appearance until now had drawbacks — they either popped off, got stuck or stuck you!

Babies, who until now have either got stuck or had to sleep on hard metal pins or snap buttons, can now sleep in diapers held together as if by magic with Velcro fasteners.

If the American diaper brigade could but express themselves coherently on this issue we'll find out just how much they'd want to put up a monument to de Mestral!

Press tabs for snug fit water they'd want to put up a monument to de Mestral!

clean water, shade or shelter against the weather, proper sanitation, and a fortified ration that will build the unborn pigs without needlessly fattening the sow. Ample pasture should be provided and if possible, it should be clean, well-drained soil. Bred sows should be kept separate from other hogs and livestock, whether on pasture or not. Animals should know the individual who will be visited regularly so that they will be with them at farrowing time.

The farrowing stall which the sow is to use should remain idle as long as possible between use by sows. The stall should be scraped clean and scrubbed with a disinfectant solution and a good practice is to perform this duty immediately after a sow and litter are removed, rather than just before placing the clean sow. Accurate breeding records are important in order that the manager will know when his sows are five to six days from farrowing. He will also observe in the sow herself unmistakable signs that her time is near.

About five days before farrowing, the sow should be washed thoroughly with soap and water and then with disinfectant before placing in the pen. Handle the sow slowly and gently at all times, keep the pen as clean as practical for the next few days and if possible, disinfect her underline again just prior to farrowing.

Use sufficient bedding in the pen, but avoid an excess amount. Material used should be clean, dry and absorbent. Straw is not too absorbent, but if readily available can be used but make sure it is short.

Hog Cholera Vaccination

The Livestock Auction Board of the State Department of Agriculture has established rules for hog cholera vaccination. Modified live virus vaccine for hog cholera can be used at any sales yard, at the discretion of the veterinarian. At the same time regulations are being issued by the State Department of Agriculture which prohibit the use of virulent live hog cholera virus in any way, shape, or form, by anyone, anywhere in Oregon, at any time.

Back Tags

A system of identifying dry and cull cattle by the use of back tags has been initiated at several slaughter plants and auction yards according to L. E. Bodenweiser, state veterinarian. The system is designed to identify the point of origin of cattle for several purposes. The tags are to be applied to dry and cull cattle by the brand inspector at the point of origin, auction yard or slaughter house.

The tagging should be in full swing at all auction yards after November 1, 1959, and the use of tags will become effective at all slaughter plants on January 1, 1960. The tags are to be placed on dry and cull cows only. The main purpose for this tagging is to blood test dry and cull cattle at slaughter for credit toward identification of clean and reactor herds and recertification of herds, counties, and areas.

Brood Sow Management
Brood sows require very little special care during the gestation period. But this care can have tremendous influence on the size and health of the litter and the profit of the swine operation. The essentials are pasture for exer-



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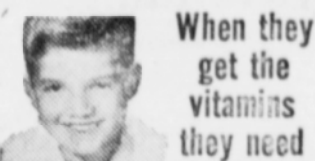
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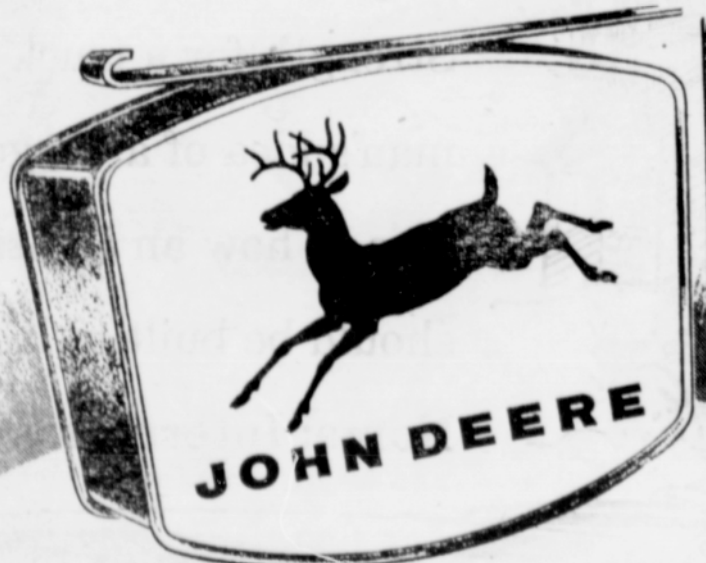
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