

**Rufus News**

By Mrs. George Fox

The entertainment committee of Rufus Grange put on a Cake Walk Feb. 14. Mrs. Bill Baum had charge and she was assisted by other grangers on the committees. The women brought the cakes, and Mrs. Baum had thirty chairs placed in a circle with a number on a Valentine attached to each chair. The chairs were filled then began to walk to music and when it stopped a small child drew a numbered Valentine from a box and that one got the cake. The children enjoyed this as well as the adults, and it netted the treasury \$53.43. After the cakes were gone there were several readings, Mrs. Baum had a preschool group do the Hokey Pokey dance. A mixed group of little first graders and older children did the Virginia Reel. There were several square dance numbers by the older grade children of Rufus school. Bill Baum had charge of the record player. Mrs. Robert Byrd and Mrs. Bill Macnab played the piano for the Cake Walk.

After the program all were served cake, punch and coffee. The children are asking "when are you going to have a Cake Walk again."

The April 26th lesson is on Life Insurance and will be at the trailer home of Mrs. Kenneth Bleakman who lives in Fleck Orchard Camp. The May meeting will be "Short Cuts to Hot Meals." Sonja Petersen reporter for the 4-H cooking clubs 2 and 3, the Busy Bakers met Feb. 15 with Mrs. Robert Byrd, their leader, at her home. A visitor was Donna Eberhart of Rufus. A discussion on preparing and serving dessert for potluck dinner at grange on March 1 was held. It was decided to serve cake and Mrs. Byrd will furnish jello. In the future Janet Smith will demonstrate salad making. Due to the weather in January most of the girls couldn't make it to the meeting.

Rufus Grange entertained members from Hood River, Wasco and Sherman counties at their regular meeting Feb. 15. Honored guests were Harry Wickman, Wasco county Pomona master, Charles Abbot, subordinate master of Parkdale, Dale Stump, subordinate master of Mill Creek Grange, and Orlov Martin, Sherman county Pomona master. Also Reube Elder, subordinate master of the Pine Grove Grange.

Mrs. Rolland Johnson, master, presided at the meeting. Rolland Johnson gave an agriculture report, Mrs. Harland McDonald a legislative report, Mrs. Otto Petersen, Home Ec. chairman, said Rufus Grange is giving a dinner for OEA and the school boards of Sherman county Feb. 22. George Fox on education said Rufus hired a new 7th grade teacher, Mr. Ziegenhagen from The Dalles. This will give Rufus a teacher for each grade. Rufus Grange is saving Sales Slips and turning them to Mrs. Roy Shafer. Bill Hucl told the new members about the Grange insurance.

It was reported that Mrs. George Drinkard suffered a fall at her home in Wasco. A new son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Zimmerman Feb. 14. They are new members of Rufus Grange.

Mrs. Bill Baum, lecturer, had charge of the program which began with all singing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" to the oldest married couple (50 years of marriage this May) who were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sather of Moro. It was discovered that during this

**ASC Concerned About Leases**

The County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office called the attention of county grain farmers to four key provisions in the regulations, which concern the relationship between farm owners and tenants in the 1962 wheat stabilization program and barley feed grain programs.

The SCS County Committee Chairman Delmer Smith, said in the statement that these rules and regulations of the new law are as important to the landlord as they are to the tenant. He said that government forms, to be signed by a farmer participating in either of the programs, cannot be approved by the County Committee if any of the provisions are violated.

The first provides that the land lord or operator shall have given the tenant full opportunity to participate in wheat and feed grain programs.

Secondly, the rules state the County Committee cannot give its approval, if it determines that the landlord has, in anticipation of the program, reduced the number of tenants on his farm.

Thirdly, approval cannot be given for a farm to participate in the program if it is found that there exists between the landlord and the tenant any agreement of contract unfairly exacted, or required by the landlord because of the landlord's prior knowledge of coming participation in the program.

Under the above regulation, a landlord could not force a tenant to turn over to him payments earned under the program; the tenant's status could not be changed, which preclude him from receiving a payment due him; the size of his acreage could not be reduced; his rent could not be increased; nor could his share of the crop be reduced.

The fourth rule says that the County Committee shall withhold its approval of participation in the program if it finds that any other scheme or device has been adopted which would deprive the tenant of any payment which otherwise be coming to him as a result of his taking part in the program.

Year 1962 there were two other couples who will celebrate their golden wedding also. They are Mr. and Mrs. Art Smith of Wasco and Mr. and Mrs. Orinstead of The Dalles. Mrs. Baum had made a large heart and the Sathers were in the center of it when they were honored. Mrs. Otto Petersen recited "My Doll" and she was made up with a short skirt and a hair ribbon. "Cruising Down the River" was sung by the group while Mr. and Mrs. George Fox took a boat ride. A reading "Washington" was read by Mrs. Harland McDonald. A game "Valentines" by group. After getting pieces of Valentines together which told of the name of the song each group sang. This was a lot of fun for our visitors. The program ended with all singing "I'm looking Over a 4-Leaf Clover" and "When You Were a Tulip."

The secretary Mrs. Atlee Wilson took the count of visitors and there were six from Mill Creek, four from Chenoweth, 18 from Cherry Park, two from Pine Grove, 12 from Parkdale, and eight from Harlandview. There were 31 Rufus Grangers out that night.

**Some Counties Get Work For Relief**

**Payments To Indigents**

Work for relief projects were in operation in 25 Oregon counties and 15 cities in January, approximately 1,110 men assigned, reports to the State Public Welfare Commission from the county commissions show. There were 88 men who had been working on the projects who found employment in private industry and were removed from relief rolls.

Oregon's program which has received much national publicity and been adopted by other states, employs able-bodied men on General Assistance or ADC-Unemployed Parents assistance in work projects operated by county courts or boards of county commissioners and cities. The local government units provide supervision, equipment and accident insurance. Eligibility and hours of work on the project are determined by the county public welfare commissions, and are based on the amount of assistance the recipient and his family is receiving.

Projects include such work as brush cutting, maintenance of public buildings, cemeteries and roads, land clearing, park development, surplus commodity distribution and tree planting.

Cities that had either launched Work for Relief or were soon to start included: Albany, Beaverton, Cottage Grove, Dallas, Eugene, Hermiston, Lakeview, Nyasa, Ontario, Malin, Merrill, Minnville, Silverton, Sweet Home and Vale. Brookings, Empire and Fossil had indicated interest.

Counties operating were: Baker, Benton, Clackamas, Columbia, Clatsop, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Deschutes, Harney, Hood River, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Linn, Malheur, Multnomah, Polk, Umatilla, Wallowa, Wasco, Washington, and Yamhill.

**Income Tax Information Free**

Farmers in this area can get some valuable information free of cost. A. G. Erickson, director of the Internal Revenue Service for the Oregon district, advised today that a "Farmer's Tax Guide" could be obtained from agricultural agents or the nearest Internal Revenue office.

This guide explains most of the income tax rules which apply to farmers and those who have tax questions about farming. It should be of assistance, he said, to farmers when they prepare their 1961 Federal income tax return. The booklet is written in plain language and contains numerous examples to show how the rules work in actual situations.

A check list of farm income and expenses appears on page 18. A filled-in income tax form with explanations begins on page 4. Farmers can use this example when they run into particular tax problems.

**Winbreaks Do Help**

Windbreaks can improve the livability of the farm, protect field crops, gardens and orchards, cut livestock feed costs and benefit wildlife.

This is one of the points made by "Trees Against the Wind," a Pacific Northwest Cooperative Extension publication recently revised and just off the press. Copies of the new bulletin are now available from county extension

offices. Supplies of the first version of the publication were exhausted some time ago.

"Trees Against the Wind" covers such subjects as how to plan and design a windbreak, long with recommendations as to the kind of trees to use and the preparation and care needed to grow a windbreak that will do the job for which it is intended.

The bulletin was originally prepared by the Agricultural Extension Services of Oregon State University, Washington State University and the University of Idaho in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service, Oregon Board of Forestry, and the forestry schools at the three universities. The revision was made by the Idaho interagency forestry and biology committee.

Technical assistance on tree planting problems can be obtained from county extension agents,

state forestry and fish and game departments, and from local offices of the Soil Conservation Service and Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

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