

County Ramblin's

By Sherman County Extension Agents

White Wheat Marketing

Various farmer and industry organizations are concerned with maintaining our white wheat market with Japan. The problem is of great importance to growers and grain dealers. The following letter was written to Pacific Northwest Grain Dealers from D. D. Hill, Western Wheat Associates, the wheat growers regional marketing organization, in foreign wheat trade.

When the Pacific Northwest Crop Improvement Association met in Pendleton on May 8, 1963, industry representatives indicated concern about the adequacy of sufficient high quality wheat in 1963 to meet the market demand. Low protein club wheat has come to be accepted by the Japanese and Philippine markets as the standard of quality for certain types of flour; these markets have indicated an interest in the amount and quality of low protein club and soft white available in the Pacific Northwest this year.

It was proposed by industry that a determined effort be made this year to segregate the various lots by quality and to maintain preserved identity of the superior and inferior lots. Western Wheat Associates, at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors, officially approved this action by industry and has approved a program to enlist grower cooperation in this undertaking.

Foreign market development activities of Western Wheat Associates includes programs in hard currency countries such as Japan and the Philippines and the P.L. 480 countries such as India and Pakistan. These programs have enabled our foreign staff to ascertain the needs and the likes of the particular markets with considerable accuracy. During recent years most of the wheat shipped from this area has been graded as Western White which has been rather uniform as to quality. The percentage of club wheat in Western White has pretty well reflected the percentage of club wheat grown in the

area, about 60 to 70 percent. Most of this has been low protein, and it has been well liked, especially in the hard currency markets of Japan and the Philippines. Western White has also been acceptable in India and Pakistan, but this largely because of the color and not because of its intrinsic quality. All of the local production in these countries is of white varieties, so there is a natural preference for white wheat. For their uses a somewhat higher protein and a stronger gluten would probably be more desirable.

Following the outbreak of stripe rust and the distribution of the high yielding Gaines variety, the character of the white wheat produced in the Northwest has changed sharply. Not only is there less club and more common white, but the increasing use of nitrogen fertilizer has tended to raise the protein content to the point where some lots are no longer acceptable in many markets.

The Japanese and the Philippines buyer has become increasingly interested in the protein content of the club and soft white wheat from this area and has insisted that about nine percent is about the maximum he would consider. Presumably they would accept Gaines if the protein content was below this figure. However, there is still another aspect of the common soft white wheats that eventually must be considered, namely, viscosity. In the opinion of many technicians the low viscosity of the commonly grown white varieties, Gaines, Burt, and Brevor, is a good deal higher than that of the clubs, and therefore, these varieties are not likely to satisfy the increasingly discriminating Japanese and Philippine market. On the other hand, these varieties would meet the needs of India and Pakistan better than the club types. With this situation in mind, Western Wheat not only encourages industry to proceed with plans to segregate the major wheat types at country points, but would also encourage the reservation of the club types for use by the local mills and to supply Japan and the Philippines. It would appear logical, therefore, to send the Burt as well as the higher protein Gaines and Brevor and the high protein club to the P.L. 480 countries.

With this situation in mind Western Wheat has recommended that: (1) Western White contain at least 50 percent club; and (2) Burt and other Hard White types of high viscosity be excluded. It is recognized that supplies of low protein club may be in short supply, but it is felt that every effort should be made to supply the local mills and the hard currency markets with the desired quality of wheat insofar as possible.

It has been reported that Australia has offered 100,000 tons of more white wheat with a maximum of 8.5 percent protein. In order to assist in the assembling of the better quality wheats, the wheat commissions and the grower associations of the Northwest states are exploring methods of obtaining the quick protein test and are encouraging growers to obtain advance information on the

protein content of their crop as early as possible. Great progress has been made in developing a market for quality wheats from the Pacific Northwest. It is the feeling of Western Wheat they want and need. For the next few years this may be difficult. Until such time as new varieties that are disease resistant, high yielding of desirable quality are available, full cooperative of growers and dealers will be required. The record of cooperative efforts in the past would augur well for success in this instance.

Cost Accounting Considered A Must For Road Operations

Meeting in Prineville, on a joint committee of Oregon county officials, county engineers and general contractors declared that proper cost accounting for county road operations is a must for good, economical road administration.

The group voted unanimously to recommend to the Association of Oregon Counties that a survey be set up immediately to determine the status of cost accounting systems in the various individual counties and to find ways and means to assure the establishment of better systems.

It was reported that most of the counties contend that they now have good cost accounting systems, however one prominent county engineer expressed the opinion that all but a very few of the counties are confusing ordinary accounting systems with the more specialized cost accounting - he pointed out that ordinary accounting merely gives figures to show detailed costs of each separate operation.

The group gave solid recognition to the fact that cost accounting is the only source of accurate information on whether or not the county is spending its road dollars in the most economical manner.

This joint committee is made up of the Roads and Highways committee of the Association of Oregon Counties, the Roads and Highways committee of the Oregon Association of County Engineers and Surveyors.

Himmerling Attends Ag Conference

Future plans for the Oregon Department of Agriculture, the department's image and a review of the departmental activities were covered at a conference of dairy and consumer services and plant division employees of the department last week in Salem.

Dick Himmerling, nursery inspector serving Sherman County, was among those attending the conference.

Looking ahead for the department, State Director of Agriculture James F. Short, the first speaker for the conference, told the group the department would be alert to improving services within the scope of its assigned responsibility, but there was no thought of artificial expansion in the department.

The director included in his list for the future an expansion in the efforts in the consumer services field, including truth in advertising, labeling and factual weight labeling; and the two-year study of interstate compacts directed by the legislature. The latter is directed at the possibility of compacts with nearby states that would permit movement of products without federal supervision.

Discussing department services, Short said he is convinced the public is best served by the agencies closest to home and whenever possible government service should be held at state level. He noted that he had consistently striven to improve state services where there was a duplication of state and federal service, with the idea of checking erosion of state services and recapturing of services.

Use Reminder For July Licenses Due

Car owners whose licenses expire in July should use the renewal reminder mailed to them by the Department of Motor Vehicles when renewing by mail or at a field office.

Instruction for using the renewal are printed on the reverse side of the form.

The department suggested car owners renewing at field offices should renew early in the month to avoid waiting lines the last few days before plates are due to expire.

New Turf at Oregon State Fair Progressing For Eight-day Meet

The 1963 thoroughbred racing program at the Oregon State Fair at Salem will be held on a brand new track. Work on the new track is progressing rapidly, to be in complete readiness for the eight-day meet scheduled for Aug. 30 through Sept. 7, the dates of the Fair itself.

The Fairgrounds race track is being enlarged to five-eighths of a mile in length. It has been a half-mile track for many years. The addition in size will provide wider turns and a longer stretch.

But Lone Oak will be even more "lone" for a while, since all trees have been removed from the north and south ends of the oval. However, plans have been made to eventually populate the racing area with picturesque shrubbery and flowers.

Also the jockeys' quarters at the track are being remodeled and enlarged.

There will be 10 thoroughbred races per day during the Fair, with post time for the daily card at 1:00 p.m.

Total purses for the thoroughbreds will be \$50,000 this year, a new all-time high. There will be at least \$1,000 race per day.

Between 450 and 500 racing animals will be quartered at the Fair grounds for the annual meet.

Fund Raising Meets Campaign Success

The fund raising campaign of the American Red Cross has been completed in our county for about two months now.

As the water safety program goes into effect the chapter is again reminded of the many friends in Sherman county who contributed so generously to make this service possible and available to all boys and girls. The many and varied services—blood bank, first aid, disaster assistance, nursing services and water safety to name a few—are unique with Red Cross.

These programs are successful because the American people believe in them and support them with their gifts. Therefore the local as well as the national chapter is grateful for all contributions.

This year a total of \$1193.07 was collected. The credit for such good work goes to the six captains: Sue Fox, Betty Thomas, Gladys Cochran, Mavis Olsen, Florence Schilling and Thelma Sather and their 43 volunteer workers. Again Red Cross says "thanks" to you.

Shriners' Hospital All-Star Football Game August 17

Headquarters for the 16th annual Shriners' hospital all-star football game, scheduled for Aug. 17 in Multnomah stadium Port-

land, have been opened at 1119 S.W. Park Ave., with Mrs. Jo Ryan again in charge.

The game pits the states' outstanding senior high school players of last year against each other on a State versus Metropolitan basis. The rival 27-man squads will report here Aug. 4 to begin 2 weeks of intensive practice.

Mrs. Ryan reminded that mail orders for tickets are being accepted at headquarters now. All seats are reserved at \$3, \$2 and \$1.

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The point is this: People used to make fun of our car, now they have fun with it.

Which helps explain why our joke file's been getting a bit low. So, if you've heard any good VW quips or sayings or jokes, why not send them on?

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed executrix of the estate of Harold L. White, Deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as required by law, to the undersigned at Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated and first published June 28, 1963.

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MABEL WHITE
Executrix
Jones & Brown
623 Public Service Building
Portland, Oregon
Attorneys

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNTING

All persons having objections to the final accounting of Malcolm Earl McKinney, Executor of the estate of Minnie West Cole, deceased, shall file same before the 22nd day of July, 1963, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m., which is the time fixed for the settlement of said account and the County Court Chambers in the Sherman County Courthouse at Moro, Oregon, is the place fixed.

MALCOLM EARL MCKINNEY
Executor
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The Dalles, Oregon
Attorneys for the Estate
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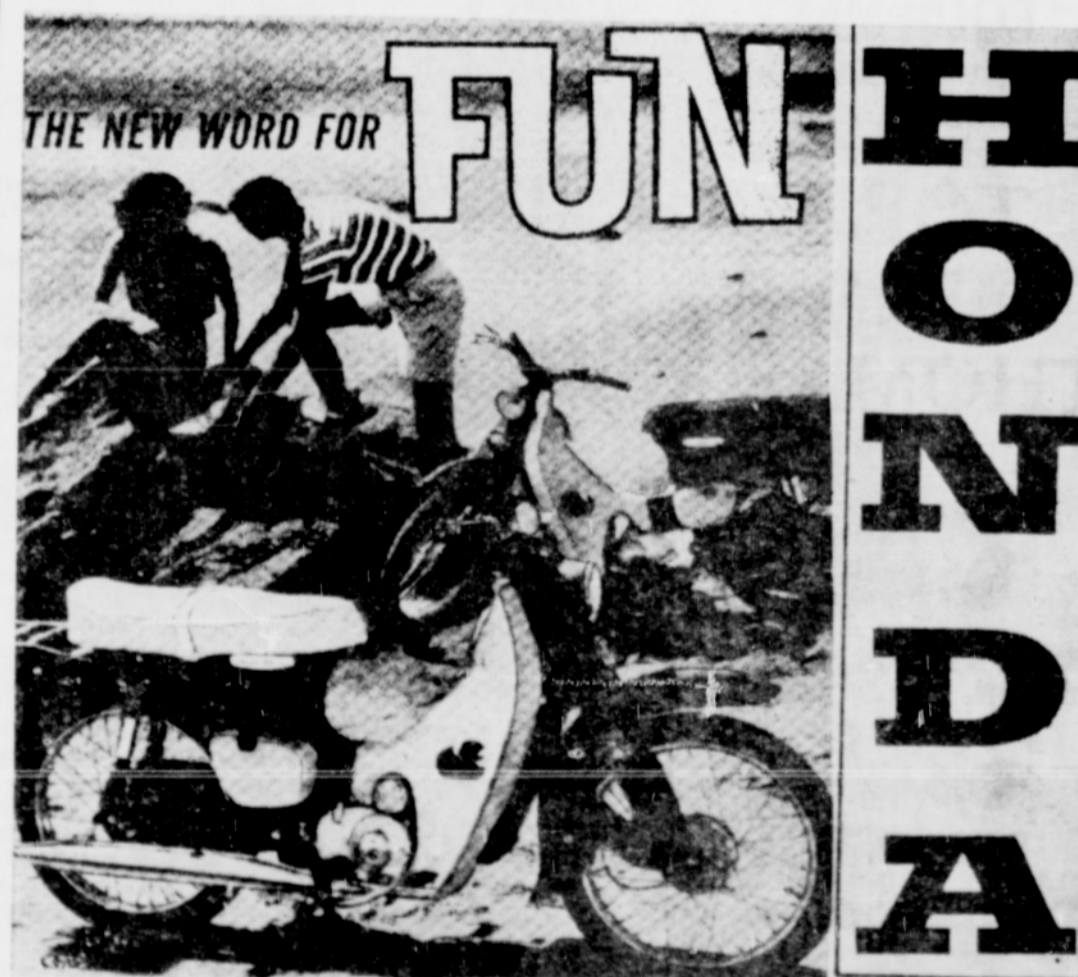
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