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SIGNAL HONOR FOR EVANS VALLEY'S SAM SMITHS

The Sam Smith ranch house yard is to be landscaped by governmental experts as an example to other ranchers.

The ranch on Evans Creek will be the scene of the public demonstration on Friday, April 11.

This was announced last week by C.B. Cordy county extension agent who said the Smith place was selected "on the basis of the house most representative of its community."

The government landscaping project was started in 1948 when a lecture was held for farmers and Mrs. Ben Garener's place at Eagle Point was landscaped.

In 1949, Mr. Cordy reported, another lecture was held at which time it became apparent that lectures alone were not filling the homeowners' needs.

In 1950 five homes were landscaped.

At some of these the yards were staked out but no plants set. One home, however, was completely landscaped and the plants set in place.

This type of demonstration was effective, so in 1951, work was restricted to that type.

Three homes were landscaped in 1951. They were the Don Bohner home at Central Pt. The W.S. Lair home in Medford, and the L.C. Williams home in Ashland.

"This year," Cordy said, "we are revising the program and will landscape two homes and will hold one public meeting for a discussion of landscape principles."

"In addition, one or two days will be reserved for people to come in and discuss their individual problems with Prof. I.B. Solberg."

"In this program, the Extension Service provides the services of a trained landscape architect who draws up the plans and with the cooperation of the homeowner decides where to plant each plant, the homeowner's likes and dislikes being given full consideration."

"The plants have to be provided by the homeowner, but he is free to purchase them from any nursery he wishes."

"The yard layout and planting of the shrubs is done at a public meeting when all of the people in the community are invited to watch."

WCSS MEETING AT GOLD HILL

This month's W.C.S.S. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Ada Dusenberry, with Mrs. Dora Burnett, Mrs. Ethel Smith, and Mrs. Eva Jean Smith acting as co-hostesses.

Those present were: Mrs. Dorothy Eskew, Mrs. Nora Wait, Mrs. Etta Carter, Mrs. Ethel Martin, Mrs. Nora Bailey, Mrs. Nina Dusenberry, Mrs. Golden, and Rev. and Mrs. Dierdorff.

A regular meeting was held with Mrs. Eskew giving a report on Prayer Day held in Medford, which she attended.

The meeting was followed by a dessert luncheon.

The next meeting will be a potluck luncheon held at the church, and all members are urged to attend to assist in cleaning the church in preparation for Easter.

Margie Bayless On California Trip

Vern Bayless, who with his wife, Margie, own and operate the dry goods store that bears their name in Rogue River, believes there is a plot against him.

His wife had no sooner left for California to visit their daughter, than new merchandise began coming through his door.

He has a hunch his "podner" knew all a long that it was a comin'.

Schmidts Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Don Schmidt, owners of the Coronado Motel on N. Highway 99 from Gold Hill, left Thursday to spend a few days in Portland.

They were accompanied by their three sons and while gone plan to visit Mrs. Schmidt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Portner of White Salmon, Wash.

Mrs. Frank Baker of Rogue River is up and around after a month's illness.

"At this same time some of the basic landscaping principles are also discussed."

"Anyone interested in getting individual help from Mr. Solberg should bring photographic and a scaled drawing of the place."

"This gives the architect a much better chance to see what type of situation the homeowner has in mind, and he is able to offer much better suggestions."



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