

Lane County Farmers Union News

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GOOD LAMB CROP FOUND IN COUNTY

Sheep Meetings Being Held This Week in Various Communities By County Agent; Flocks in Fair Condition.

The Lane County flocks are in fair condition and there has been a good lamb crop, according to County Agent, O. S. Fletcher who has this week been conducting a series of sheep meetings in the county. With him are H. A. Lingren, of O. A. C., who lectures on wool production, C. J. Hurd, O. A. C., on cooperative marketing and G. H. Thompson, of Marion county, agent of the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers association.

Meetings are being held this week in all parts of the county. Fair attendance is reported.

While some of the flocks have not stood the winter as well as they might in general the sheep are in good condition and have borne a good crop of lambs. The medium wool breed of sheep found on most of the farms here are best adapted and show the highest return to the farmer, believes Professor Lingren.

Back to the Office

Boss: "No one can sit quiet and produce profits."

Easy Mike: "I don't know so—how about the hen?"

One Better

Giddy Gal: "We have a wooden-legged man in our town."

Kidder: "That's nothing—a June bride up in our town has a cedar chest."

NOTICE

WHEREAS in chapter 127, general laws of Oregon, enacted in 1915, it is declared to be the duty of every person, firm, copartnership, company and corporation owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge of or dominion over any land, place, building, structure, wharf pier or dock which is infested with ground squirrels and other noxious rodents or predatory animals, or as soon as the presence of the same shall come to his, their or its knowledge, at once to proceed and to continue in good faith to exterminate and destroy such rodents by poisoning, trapping or other appropriate and effective means; and

WHEREAS gray digger ground squirrels (Citellus douglasii) are noxious rodents in Lane County, Oregon. Now, therefore, all such persons, firms, copartnerships, corporations and companies owning or having dominion over land in said Lane County, Oregon, are hereby required to take steps to exterminate said gray digger ground squirrels (Citellus douglasii) within thirty days from the date of the first publication of this notice. If such steps are not taken, a person or persons appointed by the county court of said Lane county will enter upon said lands and proceed to exterminate said gray digger ground squirrels (Citellus douglasii) and the cost of said extermination will be levied against said land.

The county agricultural agent hereby designates Monday, April 13th, as a day to be known as "squirrel poisoning day" throughout the said Lane county, and it is hereby recommended that poisoned barley, as prepared by the undersigned and representatives of the Bureau of Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, be used for the purpose of such extermination. Such poisoned barley may be secured from the undersigned at his office in Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, at approximately the cost of preparation.

Date of first publication of this notice April 7th, 1925.
(Signed) O. S. FLETCHER,
County Agricultural Agent.
A-9-16-23.

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Editorial

William M. Jardine the new Secretary of Agriculture recently made the following statement to the National Council of Farmers Co-operative Marketing Association:

"As a means of bringing about more orderly production and marketing I can not overemphasize the need for strong, efficiently managed, cooperative marketing associations.

"Cooperation is an effort to create a better system of marketing, to produce and market products that conform to demand, and to distribute these commodities with the least possible cost. Its most helpful feature comes from the education in business which farmers obtain in their efforts to conduct cooperative associations efficiently.

"Indeed the whole movement rests on the support given it by individual farmers."

The last paragraph should be taken personally by the members of Farmers Unions. Only by the support of each member, is the Farmers Union going to thrive and prosper and its cooperative enterprises succeed. One way to give this individual support is to attend your local meetings and your county meetings, to give freely of your time and thought and efforts. Our next county meeting which will be at Cottage Grove Friday, April 17, promises to be a very interesting and instructive one and every member, whether a delegate or not should attend.

HADLEYVILLE LOCAL

The Hadleyville Local met Thursday night April 2, for the social meeting.

There were about seventy-five to enjoy the good program and the refreshments. All went home feeling as though the evening was well spent.

At the next social meeting the subject for discussion will be, which is the most destructive, the gopher or the gray digger.

It is hoped to see as many out as can come. The amusement committee will try and have something that is worthwhile.

CRESWELL LOCAL

The Creswell Local held a basket social on their usual meeting night in the Woodman hall.

The "Country Kids" orchestra from Walker played a number of selections and Miss Leona Land sang a song very much appreciated by all. Lucille Morgan, Katherine Wright and Francis Horn gave readings.

The baskets sold well, and to avoid the "Wee Small hours" about one hundred people hurried home, feeling it had been an evening well spent.

CANARY LOCAL 189

The regular monthly meeting was held April 5 and a profitable session was enjoyed by all present. Brother Shollenberg gave a very able talk on platform scales and Brother Morton did the same on testing of dairy herds.

Sister Austin is recovering nicely from an attack of scarlet fever under the able care of Dr. Edwards of Florence. We all join with her family in wishing her a speedy return to complete health.

Brother Bester is reporting excellent results from his new 500 egg incubator. Have you visited the Bester poultry farm? It is literally "carved from the wilderness" and is a splendid example of pure, unadulterated grit, and while there be sure to ask your kindly hostess to show you her really fine collection of Alaska curios gathered during her service as missionary in that far off territory.

Dutton's sawmill at Westlake burned to the ground Friday night about 12 o'clock. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss, estimated at about \$25,000 is fully covered by insurance. Nothing definite is yet known about the rebuilding of the mill.

The dance at Siltecos Saturday night, April 4, was well attended and a good time is reported by all present. Michalsons and Ray Martin of Fiddle Creek furnished the music.

Brother Passage's fame as a boat builder has spread until he is obliged to employ help on the farm while he devotes his time to boat-building.

Sunday school at the hall was well attended. The special music by Miss Herrington was much appreciated by all. The attendance shows a steady gain each Sunday.

Brother Grant Fisk is getting a good amount of plowing done. He says the new separator is giving complete satisfaction.

Brother Shollenberg is home from the logging camp for a while getting his spring work underway.

Brother Les Austen and his boys are making an excellent showing on their ranch, in the line of general improvements.

The Union unanimously endorsed Brother Russ's candidacy for the position of thistle inspector during the coming season.

The poison barley sale has met with a hearty response here.

Our librarian has some excellent circular letters from state market agent Spence on file at the hall. You are invited to read them.

Neighbor Scott's new bungalow shows up to good advantage from up and down the valley.

Remember our library at the hall is open at 12 on Sunday. Round table discussion of questions of general interest at 1 p. m. Special song service at 1:40. Sunday School at 2 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Early gardeners are up and doing well, considering the condition of the season.

It does one good to note so many improvements on the farms up and down the valley; new fences, new buildings, old buildings repaired, broad stretches of plowed land, orchards pruned, all bear witness to the fact that we have the finest valley in the world, bar none; and a class of people just as fine as the valley they occupy.

The Dutton logging camp brought in another donkey engine from across Siltecos Lake, Monday, to speed up the logging work.

Something new in personal stationery. See our cabinets of letterheads and envelopes. Sifted for individual use or club stationery. At the News Office.

Yes—OH YES

"I went down to Atlantic City the other week—and oh boy—you should see the Volstead bathing girls there." "Whatchamean. Volstead bathing girls?" "They're 100% dry."

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, Dentist, Vitus building, Springfield, Oregon.

MT. VERNON LOCAL

The regular business meeting of the Mt. Vernon Local was held Wednesday, April 1, at the usual meeting place, with about forty members and several visitors present.

The building committee submitted a new plan which seemed to please every one and work will begin in earnest in the very near future.

We are having good meetings and every member is urged to attend each time.

The Ladies Auxiliary met the fourth Wednesday in March and put in most of the day making blocks for a quilt, eight members were present.

The Mt. Vernon Thimble Club met Thursday, April 2, at the home of Mrs. I. N. Francis. The day was spent in sewing and conversation. A special feature was the splendid dinner served at noon by Mrs. Francis, with the assistance of Mrs. L. Davis. The next meeting of the club is at the home of Mrs. C. I. Gorrie Thursday, May 7.

The Mt. Vernon Local extends sincere sympathy to the families of John and James Cooley for the loss of their father, William H. Cooley, who passed away Wednesday, April 1.

OUTLOOK IS PROMISING FOR 1925 PRUNE PRICES

Offers for the 1925 Oregon Prune crop should open at a very fair price says C. J. Hurd, marketing specialist for the state college extension service. For the first time in several years no surplus will be carried over. Both the Oregon and California crops should be cleaned up shortly and since a large part of the 1924 crop has been sold for export, jobbers and retailers should enter the 1925 buying season with practically empty shelves.

Better economic conditions in Europe and prospects for continuous employment of labor in the United States are other factors that argue well for the prune grower, Mr. Hurd believes.

Oregon and Washington have a near monopoly of Italian prunes, but this variety has to compete with the petite prune produced in California. The Italian has an advantage over the petite in size with almost a monopoly on 29's, 30's and 35's. The state agricultural economic conference and later Willamette valley conference urged Oregon growers to put forth a special effort to produce these large sizes.

"Keeping the orchard in good physical condition and using proper care in harvesting will go far toward supplying the sizes and good quality needed if best prices are to be obtained," says Mr. Hurd. "Owing to the exceedingly dry season last year, some growers are reporting light blooming prospects, which should mean fewer prunes to the tree and consequently larger sizes.

"The recommendation of the state economic conference that no more prunes be planted should be rigidly adhered to, but every effort should be made to maintain the present orchards at maximum production."

FARM REMINDERS

Oregon poultry houses can be kept free from insect pests by liberal application of whitewash on the walls, reports the experiment station. Spraying is better than brushing it on, as force of the sprayer gets the liquid in the cracks and crevices that are not usually reached by the brush.

Gooseberry growers intending to send berries to the canneries must not apply sulfur in any form to the developing berries, states H. P. Bars of the plant pathology department of the Oregon station. Sulfur causes a gas formation in the cans, so canneries will not accept fruit treated with sulfur.

Green feed may be given to chicks as soon as they will eat it. Swiss chard lettuce, lawn clippings, or sprouted oats cut in one-quarter inch lengths are good Oregon green feeds, accord

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- N. A. Horn, Cottage Grove, Door Keeper.
- H. C. Jackson, Waltherville, Conductor.
- O. L. Clement, Chaplain.

DORENA LOCAL NO. 190

U. S. Bales, who was hurt at Rajada during January is home from the Eugene hospital now.

A. N. and B. Land were in Cottage Grove Tuesday on business.

Elmer Doolittle from Star is moving into the bungalow by J. H. Kirks store at Dorena.

There was no endeavor at this place Sunday evening as most everyone attended the revival meetings at Wildwood.

Norval Newel and Mr. Wright and son Everett of Cottage Grove visited at the W. A. Land home Sunday.

Mrs. Dave Baker who has been in Portland visiting her grandson David Robinson, who is in the hospital there returned to her home here Tuesday morning.

A short program and an egg hunt will be given at the church Sunday morning for the children, after Sunday school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hands visited at the home of Mrs. Hands' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mosby from Friday until Sunday.

Mabel and Phillis Mosby and Elmer McCuller of Cottage Grove visited Sunday at the J. B. Mosby home of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Volgamore and children of Wildwood visited Mrs. Volgamore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Teters of this place Sunday.

Florence Land and Louis Dodge visited Tuesday at the Jim Spahr home of Star.

ing to the experiment station.

Dry lime-sulfur dissolved in water is a convenient substitute for commercial liquid lime-sulfur the Oregon station reports. It is somewhat more expensive to apply than lime-sulfur solution of equivalent strength. However, it is commending itself to those who cannot readily obtain the liquid lime-sulfur or who have to haul it a long distance. The excellent quality of some of the dry lime-sulfur on the market is leading to an increased use of this material among commercial growers.

Brown rot infection at blossoming time starts from the spore cup stage on the ground. Plowing early with repeated harrowing throughout the blooming period is the best way of fighting the early infections. Experiment station circular 53 on brown rot will be sent free upon request to O. A. C.

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ENGLISH WALNUTS NEED FAVORABLE LOCATIONS

"Plantings of English walnuts in Oregon should be made only in the most favorable locations," replied C. E. Schuster, assistant horticulturist at the state college experiment station when asked his recommendations for the extent of walnut plantings. "It is my opinion that there will be an over production of walnuts in the United States in the future. It may be several years, but the present plantings and the rate of increase indicate undoubtedly a saturation point in the walnut industry."

Figures given by Professor Schuster show California has 166,000 acres producing 35 per cent capacity. The production at the present time is approximately 50 million pounds. These figures show California to have more walnuts planted at the present time than is needed to supply the entire United States.

"To be able to withstand the conditions of low prices that are the result of overproduction," added Professor Schuster, "high producing orchards at a low cost per pound basis will be necessary. In order to obtain these high producing orchards it is essential to plant only on the best locations."

A favorable location has soil 5 to 6 feet deep, preferably deeper—well drained, free from frost as possible, and located on an elevation or slope. The variety recommended is Franquette grafted on a California black walnut rootstock. The trees are planted 50 to 60 feet apart.

JASPER LOCAL

A few of the members of our local are working on a program to be given in the near future.

The Sunday school and church are going to have a rally day next Sunday, Easter Sunday. They want seventy-five or more if possible.

There will be a special sermon given by Rev. Patterson, an instructor at the E. B. U. He has preached here before and the people want him back again. There will also be special music. Mrs. Masters will sing a solo. Everybody is invited.

Mrs. Mary Sanders is still very sick. Mr. and Mrs. Palmateer of Eastern Oregon are visiting at the home of Mrs. Palmateer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Humphrey of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Ruthven and son Arthur and Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Jones and son were invited to a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Humphrey last Sunday, given in honor to Mr. Humphrey.

The Jersey herd of Maurice Hills was increased last week by twin calves.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Stewart returned from California just week. Mr. Stewart is much improved.

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