

# Lane County Farmers Union News

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## NEW FACTS IN CANNING USED IN SHORT COURSE

Canning fruits and vegetables so they will "stay put" will be studied and practiced by a half hundred Pacific northwest cannerymen in the O. A. C. horticultural products laboratories February 1 to 19. Many of these men are highly skilled commercial canners back for the second or third year to pick up the latest in canning from the college investigations.

Economy of processing as well as quality of out put is sought in this work and put at the disposal of the practicing canners. The amount of heat essential to sterilization, suitable equipment, the right degree of sweetening, preparation of raw materials, and care of completed products, are made the subjects of countless investigations and demonstrations.

Work involving the fundamental principles of canning will be given the first week, followed by more specialized phases of canning in the last two weeks. This is to take care of the new as well as the old members of the class, which is expected to number 50 or more. The course is in charge of E. H. Wiegand, head of the products department, and his assistants. Special speakers are J. O. Holt, manager of the Eugene Cooperative cannery, and Milo R. Daughters, an O. A. C. scientist now chief chemist of the Sprague-Sells corporation of Illinois.

### UPPER WILLAMETTE

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Phelps entertained at dinner Sunday noon Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Elkins of Eugene and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hays of Pleasant Hill.

Mrs. J. A. Titsworth of Midvale, Idaho, arrived at Pleasant Hill Sunday, January 24, to spend several weeks at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Curtis.

C. E. Jordan attended the quarterly convention of the Lane County Farmers' union at Springfield, Friday, January 21.

Chas. Curtis of Pleasant Hill received a shipment of fine white Wyandott hens from Idaho Sunday, January 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Langhary and daughter, Muriel, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph P. Laird at Eudendale.

Mrs. T. F. Kabler and daughter, Mary Catherine, were up from Elkton Saturday and Sunday. Catherine, who is suffering with a bad cold, will remain at Pleasant Hill with her father, Mr. Kabler and two sons, Donald and Douglas, who have been ill with the flu are able to be out again.

E. B. Tinker assisted by Roy John as electrician has installed a 1500 Watt Kohler electric light and power plant, lighting the house, barn, yard, farm buildings and chicken coops.

Mrs. I. F. Circle celebrated her 76th birthday on Friday, January 22. Although not a pioneer of Oregon, Mrs. Circle has pioneered all her life and is enjoying the best of health at the present.

As the Trent local of Farmers' union has ceased to meet regularly, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jordan have joined the Creswell local.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodward of Pleasant Hill have traded their ranch for property in Kansas.

From last reports Thomas Handaker, brother of Mrs. W. L. Bristow, is improving in the Pasadena sanitarium where he has been undergoing treatment for nervous collapse.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Olson of Pleasant Hill have traded their ranch for of Enterprise have ordered acetalsene lighting and heating plants for their ranches.

Word has been received from Floyd John, who recently joined the army.

Local Reporters

Canary	J. L. Northrup
Central	Ray Bower
Cloverdale	Mrs. L. J. Gatchell
Coast Fork	Mrs. Geo. Kobalbeck
Creswell	Mrs. M. A. Horn
Dorena	Mrs. Ada Jennings
Heceta	Mrs. B. Baker
Hadleyville	Mrs. M. Gillespie
Jasper	Mrs. Grace Jones
Lorane	Mrs. C. M. Foster
McKenzie	Harry C. Jackson
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. V. A. Reynolds
Silk Creek	Bulah Smith
Trent	E. B. Tinker
Vida	Mrs. W. E. Post

that he arrived safely at Missoula, Montana where he will be stationed at the present time.

Several boys have sent in applications for the Leopold Schepp foundation pledge.

### FARM POINTERS

**Blueberry Culture in Offing.**  
Blueberry culture is being tried out in two small plantings near Waldport, according to experiment station worker's reports. This is a test to see whether the hardy eastern variety used will do well under Oregon conditions.

"Blueberries are now bringing \$12 a crate here," says W. S. Brown, professor of horticulture. "This, however, is no indication of the commercial value of the crop, because of the limited supply now available. When reasonable production comes this price will not rule."

There are only a few scattered plantings of blueberries throughout the state. One planting of about one-fourth an acre in Clatsop county is now large enough to be producing. Crops borne on that planting make it appear as though blueberry growing may become a profitable industry under those conditions, although it is too early to say anything definitely, believes Professor Brown. Not for several years will the experiment station be able to make a report on blueberry culture in this state.

**In pruning cherry and walnut trees.**  
Oregon farmers practice thinning out, as these trees are thick and tall, making them difficult to handle. Orchardists are advised by the experiment station to thin out the bearing wood so that the light can get down through the trees.

**Large Lamb Profitable.**  
A large percentage of lambs reduce the Oregon cost of production more than any one other factor, says the experiment station. Important ways to increase the percentage are to keep the ewe flock healthy and at lambing time to give the new drop close attention. A little attention often saves the lamb if it arrives weak or with its nose covered with mucus preventing its proper breathing. A 10 per cent lamb crop for every flock at weaning time is the aim of successful growers.

Many of the poor results from the application of fertilizers come from late spring application when the moisture for the proper solution of the fertilizer is lacking, says the Oregon experiment station. Early ordering fertilizer supplies avoids this situation. Seed clover on winter grain is a successful method of starting clover on Willamette valley lands having good drainage.

Too many Oregon growers are stingy with the use of seed potato, es, re-

## C. W. Allen of Vida Heads County Union

A. R. Shumway is endorsed for U. S. Senator at Meeting Held Here; Fight Against Canadian Thistle Is to Be Waged More Vigorously

With a representative gathering of farmers from a part of the county present, the Lane County Farmers' union met in annual session in Springfield Friday, endorsed A. R. Shumway of Milton for United States senator, elected C. W. Allen of Vida president of the union for another year, made plans for a more vigorous campaign against the Canadian thistle, and attended to numerous business matters.

The corps of officers named to conduct the affairs of the union for 1926, with President Allen are: W. I. Seals of Eugene, vice-president; Mrs. George Kappauf of Cottage Grove, secretary-treasurer; Walter Morgan of Creswell, conductor; H. H. Smith of Eugene, doorkeeper; O. L. Clemens of Walterville, chaplain.

Ralph Laird, of Creswell, the retiring president, presided at the sessions of the annual conference Friday. Mr. Laird has served for three years as executive head of the Farmers' union, and was given a vote of thanks for his services. Mr. Shumway, a member of the state executive board of the union, installed the new officers.

The endorsement of Mr. Shumway for senator followed a talk given by the Milton man in which he discussed various phases of the problems of the farmers, and their relations with the government. The resolution of endorsement stated that the Lane County Farmers' union goes on record "unqualifiedly and enthusiastically endorsing Mr. Shumway's candidacy,

knowing him to be well qualified by education and experience and a man who not only will serve the best interests of the farmer, but the best interests of the state of Oregon."

Following a talk by John Wadtil, of the Linn county union, in which the need of a strict enforcement of the Canadian thistle control law was urged the union passed a resolution to the county court asking that the Lane court to get in touch with the Linn county court for the purpose of cooperating in the control measure.

**State Officers Present.**  
Herbert Egbert, president of the State Farmers' union, was present, as was Mrs. George Jones of Monmouth, state secretary. Their report of the year's activities in farming circles showed the unions to be in good condition, and was flattering to county officers throughout the state who have given whole-hearted support of the state officials.

Mr. Shumway, in his talk, went on record in favor of prohibition, and urged a vigorous enforcement of the dry laws by the courts. He discussed the matter of government protection in government costs, and said legislative bodies are working on the problem.

Retiring President Laird, thanked the county officers and the various locals for their support during his years as executive of the union. He declined nomination for the presidency for a fourth term.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Creswell. Standing committees for the year will be named in a few days by President Allen. The meeting lasted all of Friday, and was considered one of the best ever held by the union. At noon a luncheon was served.

## FARMERS TO HAVE INSTITUTE AT WALTERVILLE FEB. 5TH

A one-day farmers' institute will be held in the Farmers' union hall at Walterville on Friday, February 5 under the auspices of the McKenzie local of the Farmers' union. That organization has appointed a special institute committee composed of H. C. Jackson, Lester Milligan, and M. J. Chase to cooperate with County Agent O. S. Fletcher in planning and conducting the institute. A basket dinner will be served at noon.

The program for the institute is as follows:  
10:30 "Boys and Girls' Club Work"  
Arnold D. Collier, county club agent  
11:30 "Poultry Production Problems."

H. E. Cosby, extension poultry specialist, O. A. C.  
12:00 Basket dinner.  
1:30 "Feeding Dairy Cattle."  
N. C. Jamison, extension dairy specialist, O. A. C.  
2:30 "Foods."  
Miss Lucy Case, extension nutrition specialist, O. A. C.  
3:15 "County Agent Work."  
O. S. Fletcher, county agricultural agent.

The committee in charge states reports the experiment station. The average planting rate for the state is eight to 10 bushels an acre. With good seed of small to medium size, 15 to 18 bushels. With best results, and with large seed not less than 24 bushels an acre.

Late fall or early spring irrigation with flood water is successful in order to use the soil as a reservoir where other storage does not provide a full water right, says the Oregon experiment station. "Off season" irrigation is practiced with any water available when the soil is not frozen and is receptive. Surface drainage provided through turnouts prevent sheet water from freezing on the surface, thus insuring any growth such as alfalfa.

Knowing the plant food value of fertilizers is essential to economic purchase, said R. H. Robinson, chemist of the Oregon experiment station through the extension service radio at O. A. C., Corvallis. The materials of the fertilizers be classed as either organic or inorganic.

The organic materials are products of the packing house—tankage, fish-meal, bone meal, blood meal and sheep manure. They vary greatly in composition, which should be known to the buyer. The inorganic ingredients are also present in varying degrees that determine the real value of the fertilizer.

## OFFICERS OF LANE COUNTY FARMER'S UNION

- Ralph Laird, Creswell, President.
- Will Wheeler, Trent, Vice-President.
- Betty Kappauf, Cottage Grove, sec. Treas.
- N. A. Horn, Cottage Grove, Door-keeper.
- H. C. Jackson, Walterville, Conductor.
- O. L. Clement, Chaplain.

## THURSTON NOTES

Vida basketball team won over the Thurston team last Friday evening. Next Friday evening Pleasant Hill teams will play the Thurston teams on the local floor.

Miss Hazel Edmiston, who is teaching at Norton, spent the week-end with home folks.

Next Saturday evening Leaburg is going to bring the play, "All a Mistake" to the Thurston hall.

Mrs. Day Morgan from Wendling is at the home of Charles Taylor. Her infant son is ill with pneumonia.

Ferry Price and Jay Grant, who are attending O. A. C. at Corvallis, spent the week-end at their homes here.

John Hastings from Eugene called on his brother, Charlie, Monday.

A. W. Weaver took a load of potatoes to town Tuesday.

Mr. Heinie, who has moved to the Morgan place north of Springfield, spent Tuesday in Thurston.

Mr. Genes and Mr. Weeks have rented the King ranch.

The Thurston Ladies' aid motored to Eugene last Thursday and spent the day with Mrs. Jennie Edmiston.

Mrs. Flora Price and Mrs. Inus Shough attended Sousa's band in Eugene last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Sparks returned to Blue River the first of the week.

## SEWING CLUBS FORMED FOR SEASON'S WORK

A sewing club may be organized in Springfield soon, according to Arnold Collier, county club leader, who has the application of Ruth Olson, an eight grade student for the work. The girl was the first prize winner in sewing at the Lane county fair last year and declares she wishes to take up advanced sewing by herself if no club is organized.

Another sewing club has been organized this year at Cedar Flats. The Cedar Flat club last year was the first to finish the course, says Mr. Collier. Mrs. Edith Page is the leader.

A sewing club has been organized at Lowell with the following members: Hazel McBeo, Gladys Porter, Pauline Stiers, Aerial Chasbro, Norma Nelson and Iris McMaisters.

With a dozen members a club has been formed at Walterville under the leadership of Mrs. Lulu Burt. The members are Ruth Wilburn, Augusta Hanson, Vera Easton, Margaret Tipton, Gail Easton, Lulu Kickbush, Lucille Milligan, Elizabeth Dowdy, Mary Sneed, Evelyn Kickbush, Pearl Webster and Eva Mae Wilburn.

After spending several days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arch Shough.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Bertsch and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baugh and family took Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edmiston.

Mrs. Margaret Campbell from Leaburg spent the week-end with her son, Frank and family.

Mrs. Frank Campbell had some dentistry work done in Eugene last Tuesday.

Hubert Gray, who has been working in the logging camp at Wendling, laid off last week on the account of an injury in his back he received while at work.

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# Free Tractor Service Clinic

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FORD GARAGE, 5th and A. St.  
Springfield

## Wednesday, February 3rd

Every Farmer and Tractor operator should attend this free demonstration on the operation and care of the Fordson Tractor. This valuable instruction is free and every question will be answered.

### Following is the Day's Program

8:00 A. M. to 9:00 A. M.—General preparation—arranging tools, seats, etc.	1:00 P. M. to 3:30 P. M.—Continue talk on—
9:00 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.—Disassembling of tractor.	1. Radiator cooling system, principles involved and why.
10:30 to Noon—Talk on construction, covering Fordson principles and why they are used, bringing out such points as accessibility, servicing, care, operation, and will cover:	2. Air washer—all features.
1. Wheel construction.	3. Carburetor and manifold.
2. Frame construction.	4. Ignition system and magneto.
3. Differential construction.	5. Belt pulley.
4. Transmission construction.	6. Motor construction.
5. Clutch construction.	7. Lubrication.

Questions pertaining to servicing and care of above 12 items will be answered.  
3:30 to 5:00 P. M.—Assembling of tractor.

# Wanted

## Eggs and Poultry

### Sher Khan

662 Oak Street Eugene, Oregon