

# Lane County Farmers Union News

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## SEED IMPORTANT ITEM IN INCREASING POTATO YIELD

A progressive corn farmer does not plant the nubbins left in his crib after he has fed or sold the bulk or his crop during the winter. He has long since learned the value of good seed corn. The same farmer, on the other hand, does not always use equally good judgment in selecting seed for his potato patch. Too often he plants the culls and inferior potatoes which are left in the bin after the good ones have been sold or eaten. He has not learned the value of good seed potatoes.

"The first requirements in good seed potatoes," says William Stuart, potato specialist of the United States Department of Agriculture, "is that they be as free as possible from disease, at least of those diseases which can not be destroyed through treatment in either the hot or cold corrosive sublimate or formalin solutions." Good seed, he says, must also possess good vigor, high productive capacity, and be true to name and to type of variety. While such factors as the preparation of the land, its fertilization, the proper spacing of the seed pieces, and the cultural care given the growing crop have an important bearing on the yield, none, he says, if of such prime importance as the character of the seed.

Perhaps the best way for the average farmer potato grower to be assured of good seed is to purchase "certified seed." There is abundant evidence that certified seed is improved seed, and that it will yield much more than common or uncertified seed. Reports to the department from a number of experiment stations in the United States and Canada, based on 11,627 test show an actual increase of 46.4 bushels per acre for certified seed over uncertified seed. Individual test showed an increase of as much as 219 bushels per acre by the use of certified seed.

Increased yield is not the only favorable result from the use of such seed, says Mr. Stuart. The crop from good seed will invariably grade a higher per cent of No. 1 stock than will that from poor seed. The difference may often be so great as 20 per cent, but even if it should be only 10 per cent it materially enhances the value of good seed.

Oats and Canadian peas are crops to be sown in March and early April in parts of Oregon where there is not enough acreage of legume hay, according to C. R. Hyslop, agronomist at the experiment station. In western Oregon the white Canadian variety has been very good, while in eastern Oregon Carleton and Kaiser have been particularly successful. In some warm sections, as Douglas county and other southern counties, and in some of the Snake and the Columbia river valley sections where the elevation is low and the growing season hot, soybeans may be worth while.

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## FARM POINTERS

Oregon farmers who use the swill pail for feeding calves or who hang the pail on a post between feedings without washing it will soon be looking for a cure for calf scours, according to the experiment station. The dirty calf pail is one of the chief causes of scours. Pails washed thoroughly after each feeding and sterilized either with steam, or scalding water and inverted in a clean protected place until time to use them again will eliminate this factor as a cause of scours. Warm weather makes this precaution very necessary.

Few persons who have not a sufficient acreage of legume hay there is still time to plant oats and Canadian field peas. In western Oregon the white Canadian variety has been very good, while in eastern Oregon Carleton and Kaiser have been particularly good. In some warm sections like Douglas county and other southern counties, and also in some of the Snake river valley and the Columbia river valley sections where the elevation is low and the growing season hot, soybeans may be worth while.

Losses of sheep and lambs are prevented by avoiding areas infested with death camas, sometimes called "lobelia" in Oregon. All parts of the plants are poisonous especially the bulbs which are pulled up and eaten by the sheep. The experiment station recommends the eradication of death camas by digging the plants at flowering time. The bulbs are carefully destroyed after digging, as they remain poisonous after death.

If Oregon dairymen use pails with a partly covered top, 50 or cent of the impurities that would otherwise get into milk are kept out, notes the experiment station. It is important that all utensils which come into contact with milk and cream be kept clean at all times.

**The Reckless Age.**  
"I suppose old Jim Tucker is as stingy as ever," remarked the former resident on a flying visit to Dinkysville.  
"Gosh, no!" exclaimed the native. "Jim's gettin' to be a reg'lar spend-thrift. Why, he even gets his hair cut at the barber shop now!"

## Community News

By Special Correspondent

### UPPER WILLAMETTE

At the eleventh annual convention of the Lane County Christian Endeavor society held at Cottage Grove last weekend, Allan P. Wheeler of Pleasant Hill was elected president and Miss Lottie Bendshadler chairman of the prayer meeting committee.

The Pleasant Hill Christian Endeavor society went in a body to the county Endeavor meeting at Cottage Grove Sunday afternoon and evening. The "Hole Nutty Family," will entertain at a April fool party Thursday night at the home of Miss Lottie Bendshadler.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. English, who formerly lived at Pleasant Hill, will be interested to know that they are again at their home in Lebanon after having spent five weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Leavitt at Newburg, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tinker motored to Willamina and Salem Tuesday visiting different poultry ranches.

The freshman reception will be given Friday, April 2.

The musical students of Mrs. Belle Wimmer and the students of oratory will give a point recital at the Pleasant Hill high school Saturday night April 3.

Ernest Schrenk received a shipment of 1000 baby chicks last week.

### THURSTON NOTES

Miss Mildred Price spent Wednesday in Leaburg, the guest of Mrs. Alberta Weaver.

Perry Price and Jay Grant, who are attending O. A. C. at Corvallis, spent several days last week at their home here, it being their spring vacation.

Mr. Ziegler left for Canada last Monday to look at his property there, his family will remain here. He expects to be gone most of the summer.

Mrs. Alberta Weaver from Leaburg spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mathews.

Father O'Hara from St. Mary's church in Eugene lectured at the hall here Monday evening on the "Rural Life."

There was an old fashion dance at the Thurston hall last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Price from Noti sent Sunday in Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McKlin from Springfield visited Mrs. McKlin's sister, Mrs. Roy Edmiston, last Sunday.

Rev. Patterson from Eugene delivered a very interesting sermon at the church last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Ray Baugh has been ill for several days with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rennie and family motored to the fish hatchery last Sunday.

William Goff from fish hatchery, sent the latter part of the week with his grandparents here, Mr. and Mrs. Rennie.

There will be an Easter program at the church next Sunday morning followed by a basket dinner and preaching in the afternoon. There is an effort being made to have 75 present at Bible school.

Miss Flossie Herrington, who is attending normal at Monmouth, spent the spring vacation here with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Henson.

**Birthdays Party.**  
One of the largest social affairs Thurston has had for some time was a birthday party given at John Price's last Thursday evening. Mrs. Price gave it as a surprise on her husband, John Price, daughter, Mildred, and son-in-law, Arch though she also invited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor from Eugene whose birthdays were in the same week; also Rena Edmiston and Nathalie Edmiston, whose birthdays were only a few days away. It was a neighborhood affair and between 75 and 100 guest were present after a social evening of playing games and visiting. Ice cream and cake was served. Mrs. Frank Taylor invited them to celebrate their next birthdays with her.

### Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses were issued during the past week by the county clerk to Ralph Moshburg, Veneta, and Mabel Neal, Walker; James Horning and Alma Sears, both of Cottage Grove; Herbert Greene, LaGrande, and Blanche Isaacs, Pendleton; Conrad Keene, Cottage Grove, and Minnie Marie Lindsay, Creswell.

CALL AND SEE Dr. N. W. Emery on prices on plant and other work.

### WILLAMETTE

Mrs. A. S. Wilson of Eugene visited with her sister, Mrs. Jay Fish, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bogart of Junction City spent Sunday with Mrs. Bogart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Fish.

Miss Chloe Wooley of Springfield was a dinner guest at the A. C. Travis home Sunday. In the afternoon Misses Frances and Emma Jane Travis accompanied their guest to orchestra practice at the U. of O.

Mrs. Will Spencer of Eugene was a Sunday visitor at the Ed. Robertson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cook of Oakridge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Fish.

Lucille Raines is suffering from an attack of chicken pox.

Miss Carol Chase has returned to Corvallis to resume her work at the O. A. C., after spending the spring vacation at her home here.

Mrs. S. A. Jones of Portland, arrived Saturday for an indefinite visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Anderson.

Mrs. Clarence Chase sponsored a silver tea for the benefit of the Sunshine club, Friday afternoon. Those who enjoyed the pleasant event were: Mesdames W. H. Anderson, Lester Cyr, U. G. McElhany, H. E. Wylie, Greta Buckingham, W. R. Hardy, Cole, Jay Fish, W. J. Penga, A. C. Travis and Misses Lucille Wylie and Middleton.

Mrs. Stone and daughter, Hazel, of Columbus, Ohio, who have spent the winter months in San Diego and Los Angeles, arrived last week to visit their cousin, Mrs. Helen Doty, secretary at Chase Gardens.

Bud McClintick of Eugene visited with his friend, Joel Holton Sunday.

In honor of Mrs. C. I. Anderson of Eugene, who leaves this week for her new home in Bend, Oregon, Mrs. W. H. Anderson sponsored a delightful bridge party Monday evening. Those

present were: Mrs. C. I. Anderson and daughter, Jane, Mrs. S. A. Jones of Portland, Mrs. Lizzie Forrest and daughter, Ethel, of Eugene, Mrs. Maude Watson, Mrs. Isaac Stevens of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wyman of Springfield and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Anderson and son, Forest.

Kenneth and Lucille Wylie of Willamette University spent the spring vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wylie.

H. K. Chase has purchased a roadway twenty-five feet wide on the west side of his farm, from Frank Bailey.

The Willamette Telephone company held a special meeting at the home of G. H. Neel, vice-president Monday evening. Steps were taken to have an expert examine the phones that have been causing trouble.

V. L. Applegate, state dairy inspector, was visiting dairy herds in this vicinity Friday.

### KING AND BARNARD SEEK JOB OF COUNTY JUDGE

Alta King, Eugene attorney, and County Judge C. P. Barnard, have both filed their declaration for nomination to the office of county judge with the county clerk. Mr. King seeks the democratic nomination and Judge Barnard the republican.

A desire to carry on the policies he has inaugurated is said by Judge Barnard to be his principal reason for seeking reelection. He is now in his sixth year as county judge.

Mr. King was city recorder of Eugene for a number of years, and is chairman of the Lane County Democratic Central committee.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the Estate of Frank J. Zimmer deceased, have issued out of the county court of Lane county, Oregon, to the undersigned executrix, and that all persons having claims against said estate should file the same duly verified with the undersigned at the office of S. D. Allen, Hovey Building, Eugene, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated April 1, 1926.  
MARY JANE ZIMMER, Executrix.  
S. D. ALLEN, Attorney for Estate.  
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### COUNTY AGENTS REPORT BETTER DAIRY CATTLE

Eastern Oregon irrigated sections are rapidly coming to the front as dairy centers, according to information received by the college extension service through its county agricultural agents. Crook county, says W. D. Tucker, county agent, last year produced nearly 90,000 pounds of butterfat, which is practically twice the quantity produced the year before.

Three carloads of pure bred Jerseys were brought into the county last year and 19 pure bred dairy bulls were placed at the head of as many herds. Not a single Crook county dairyman is using a scrub sire now, Mr. Tucker asserts. The county economic conference, held at Prineville in February, 1924, estimated that there were 20 scrub dairy bulls in use at that time and recommended that they be eliminated.

Klamath county is another irrigated area that is assuming importance as a dairy region. Four years ago there were about 1700 dairy cows in that county, ranging from fair to good in productive ability, says C. A. Henderson, county agent. He made a survey in 1925 that showed 3200 cows in the county, most of them being of very good producing ability. During the last four years, Klamath county dairymen have purchased more than 300 head of calves from members of the Tillamook cow testing association. Every calf was sired by a pure bred and from a cow producing better than 300 pounds of butterfat a year. Interest in cow testing association work is growing and a few dairymen with pure bred herds are considering official testing.

These two counties are typical of dairy expansion that has occurred in recent years on all eastern Oregon irrigated areas, particularly in Josephine, Deschutes, Umatilla, Malheur, and Baker counties.

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