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Good Work, Band

AN individual or organization may once just by accident do something better than they are normally capable of doing. But when an individual or organization consistently does a thing well, well enough to be rated superior, then the feat can hardly be considered accidental.

So consistent has the Heppner school band been in obtaining superior rating in competition, four consecutive years in fact, that our people may well feel the band is eligible to compete under the more exacting requirements of a regional festival.

The band came out on top most recently at La Grande last week end, and that fact gives them the right to go to Portland next month to be judged along with superior bands of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Already general public acclaim has been given the trip. Individuals have proffered cars for transportation, the city has given \$25 in cash, the county has given use of the fair pavilion for a benefit dance, and the firemen are sponsoring a smoker to help.

The trip will be expensive. But it can be put across. It should be put across to justly reward band and director for their good work. Let's give the band a boost to regional and national prominence.

Time Now to Control Whitetop, Says Agent

Control of perennial noxious weeds including Russian knapweed, white top, and morning glory should begin soon, according to C. D. Conrad, county agent.

Conrad states that most of the white top in the county is nearing

the bloom stage and if steps are not taken to prevent seed maturity new infestations are sure to develop.

Sodium chlorate which has been used successfully on knapweed and morning glory has given erratic results on white top in Oregon, and in general cannot be recommended for this weed. Cultivation is the only practical control method, and it requires about three years to get the last plants.

Cultivation is also the most practical method of eradicating knapweed and morning glory where the acreage is large, but for smaller patches sodium chlorate applied dry at the rate of four pounds to the square rod gives good results and is the cheapest effective chemical at the present time. Planting infested areas to alfalfa or crested wheat grass helps to hold most weeds in check and where clean culture cannot be practiced and the areas are too large for the use of chemicals this method is advised.

Sodium chlorate can be secured at cost through the county agent's office and to aid in putting it on a new chemical spreader has been secured which will be available for those who wish to use it.

Farmers who have not secured their copies of the new noxious weed bulletins at the county agent's office should do so. These bulletins go into considerable detail in describing the weeds and the various methods of control.

4-H Clubs In County Now Total Twenty-One

Three 4-H clubs at Pine City and a sheep club at Lexington have recently been organized bringing the total number of clubs in the county at 21.

The sheep club at Lexington, led by Bert Peck, has the following members enrolled: Ellwynne Peck, Tad Miller, Joe Way, Don Peck, Buddy Peck, Bill Padberg and Buster Padberg.

Members of the livestock club at Pine City include Herman Ebsen, Bernard Doherty, Wallace Ebsen, Gordon O'Brien, Pat O'Brien, Ray Ayers, Bobby Schiller, Bob Gronvold, and Malcolm O'Brien.

Twelve girls enrolled in cooking and canning at Pine City are not to be outdone by the boys. Two of these girls, Lilly Rauch and Cecelia Healy, are serving as local leaders of their clubs with Elsie Rauch, Pauline Rauch, Harriet Helms, Ina Rauch, Kathaleen Daly, Mary Agnes Daly, Rosetta Healy, Betty Finch, Helen Finch and Anne Lindsay enrolled.

PLANS COMPLETE FOR SCHOOL DAY

Track Meet and Music Festival to Bring County Children Here 28th; Committees Named

Final details of organization for the annual all-county school music festival and track meet were released this week by Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, county school superintendent. The event will be staged in Heppner Friday, April 28, a week from tomorrow, with track meet between grade school pupils beginning at 9:30 in the morning, and the music festival at 2:30 in the afternoon. The festival will be held on the school lawn, weather permitting.

Mrs. Rodgers appointed all necessary committees this week, including a committee to prepare and serve hot chocolate to all those who bring lunches. A community picnic lunch is planned at noon, and all townspeople as well as visitors are urged to participate. The place will be announced next week.

An exhibit of work will be shown all day in the various grade rooms at the school.

A gate charge of 10 cents will be made at the track meet to defray expense of ribbons which will be awarded winners. No admission charge will be made for the music festival.

The whole day is planned to be a gala occasion for county schools, a day filled with fun and frolic heightened by physical competition and music, says Mrs. Rodgers. In the several years the event has been staged it has grown in interest and popularity, and this year is expected to draw one of the largest crowds ever.

A highlight of the festival will be the appearance of the Heppner school band playing its contest numbers. Ensemble singing by all pupils, singing by boys' choruses and girls' choruses in the several divisions, and mixed choruses in each division will make a highly enjoyable program.

Hermiston Derby Set for May 27-28

The second annual Hermiston derby has been set for May 27-28, announced Ben O'Connor and Jack Smith of that city in town this morning promoting the event. There will be two days of horse racing under the pari-mutuel system at the Her-

miston fair grounds, sponsored by Hermiston Fair association. Better horses and bigger purses are promised, as well as other attractions.

The derby is an open-entry event, with all comers welcomed, said the promoters. Dances at Hermiston April 29 and May 13 will help provide funds for the race meet, they said.

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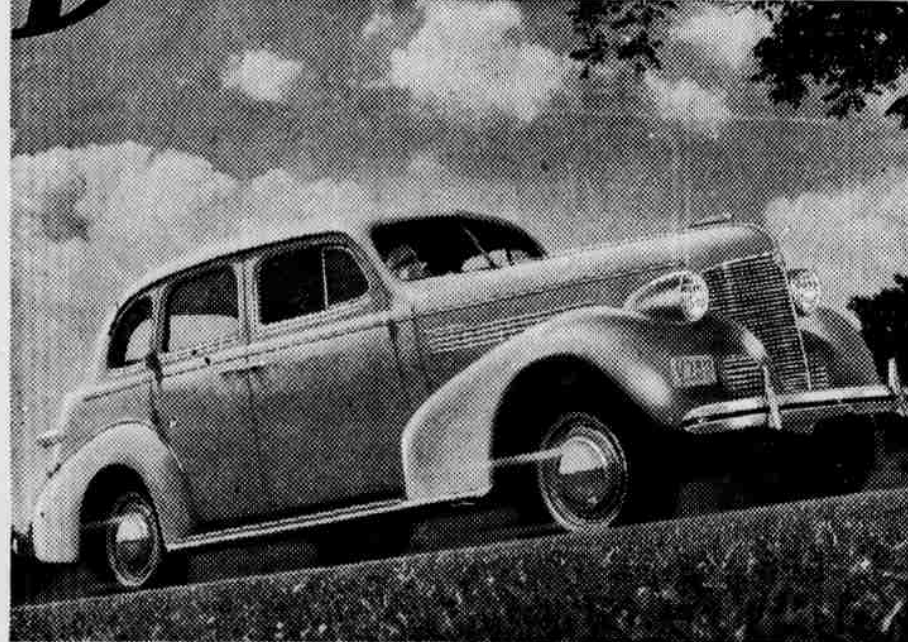
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