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## From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

W. W. Weatherford, Heppner livestock man who is chairman of the marketing committee of the Morrow County Livestock-growers Association, represented this group at a regional meeting held in Baker, Oregon, Tuesday. Regional meetings are being held in preparation for the Livestock Marketing Conference which will be held in Corvallis on January 6 and 7. The conference will deal with various phases of livestock and marketing and will include representative groups from all phases of the industry including consumers, producers, buyers and sellers of livestock, packers and wholesalers, retailers and labor. Mr. Weatherford would like your ideas and suggestions on livestock and meat marketing as he attends the various meetings preparatory to the state conference.

A few weeks ago we distributed copies of the first issue of the Oregon State Experiment Station's bulletin entitled "Oregon's Agricultural Progress". This bulletin will be issued quarterly and sent to farm people who wish to receive it. Copies were sent from this office to all agricultural leaders of the county with a card requesting their name to be placed on the mailing list which had to be mailed to the Bulletin Clerk at Oregon State college. There are some people who did not receive this agricultural bulletin who have looked at a copy here in the office or at their neighbors' home who are interested in being put on the mailing list.

If you are one of these people, we would be glad to arrange for you to receive this bulletin regularly. Just stop in at the office or mail us a card and we will request that your name be added.

During the past few weeks calves are weaned, some being sold and some going into feed lots or on to the range to be wintered over, we can't help but notice the big improvement in the quality of these calves compared to a few years ago. Only a few years ago it was almost impossible to find good quality feeder calves suitable for 4-H or FFA boys to use as a fat project. Now, there are few herds but what have calves of quality good enough for feeding out as a top quality animal.

Last week, Don Greenup sold his entire calf crop of over 200 calves with an average of 480 pounds. Approximately a hundred of these calves that were figured in for that weight were from first calf heifers. Smaller herds of calves have even done better than that. In looking at Luke Bibby's calves, today, we found his entire calf crop of the very highest quality.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Epstein were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wells during the weekend.

Mrs. Roy Johnson of Pendleton visited with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edger, on Saturday.



### FIFTY YEAR WAR

The Biennial wrap between the sports fishing crowd and the commercial fishing interests was reviewed this week when representatives of Oregon Wildlife Federation filed an initiative petition that would eliminate commercial fishing for salmon in tidal waters of coast streams, except that fishing for chum salmon would be allowed in Tillamook Bay each November.

Initiated fishing measures on the ballot in Oregon are about as old as the initiative measure itself.

Two of the first initiative measures the voters had to decide on was proposed by fishwheel operators. It affected gillnetters. On the same ballot there appeared a measure sponsored by gillnetters. It would slash the fishwheels.

Those were the happy days for the sports. They had the commercial fishermen doing all their conservation work.

After the closing of the Willamette and Rogue rivers to commercial fishing the fishing interests had things, mostly, all their own way, even to having a design every three feet of a life-sized salmon woven into the carpet that covers the floor of the Senate chambers of the Capitol.

If the proposed measure is to appear on the ballot at the next general election the sponsors must get 37,404 signatures of registered voters by next July 1.

**ASSAIL SCHOOL OUTLINE**  
At a meeting of the State Board of Education in Salem this week an "educators committee" expressed sharp and widely varying views of the 14-year-old outline now in use in the schools of Oregon.

"Something should be done about the peaceful revolution that has taken place in the United States in the past 20 years that was based on the Communist Manifesto," said Mrs. F. E. Epton, a D. A. R. member of Portland.

Edwin C. Berry, Portland, said, "The outline should stress the idea that America can stand some improvement, that some American traditions are not good, and the outline has a tendency to lump all races together as if all were alike."

Dr. Claude Fawcett, representing Oregon members of the National Association of Manufacturers, said the outline doesn't teach students how to live in an industrial society, but praised the report as a whole.

**UNEMPLOYMENT HIGH**  
Unemployment in Oregon this year has slipped back to the 1949-1950 level. Long cold spells shut down lumber operations early in the year and seasonal increases in unemployment started last month, about a month earlier than usual.

Four per cent of workers under state unemployment insurance are now out of obs. This is double the national rate.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From files of the Gazette Times November 15, 1923  
Mrs. Stella K. Drake of Portland, grand worthy matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, will make an official visit to Ruth chapter No. 32 of this city on Friday, November 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd and daughter Annie of Butterby Flats were visiting in Heppner Friday and Saturday. Master Jackie, a student of Heppner high school returned to Cecl on Saturday for a few hours before his studies begin again on Monday.

Mrs. Martin Reid of Heppner called on her friend Mrs. Biddle in Ione Saturday afternoon.

By outclassing and outplaying Heppner on their home field on Saturday afternoon, Lexington stands without a rival as high school champion of Morrow, Gilliam and Sherman counties.

### Specialist Urges Cattle Dehorning

Cattlemen will receive more money for their animals, have more space to feed, and have less injury in close quarters if all their cattle except bulls are dehorned, says John Landers, animal husbandry specialist at Oregon State college.

Feeder buyers will pay \$1 to \$2 more per hundred weight for cattle without horns, states the specialist.

Landers observes that less weight seem to be lost from dehorning cattle in the fall than in the spring when they are yearlings and thinner. There also is less trouble from flies at this time.

Calf dehorning should be done in the spring before animals are put out to range, according to Landers. Less loss weight will result at this time, he explains.

### ANOTHER RECORD BUSTED

An all-time record for Oregon highway budgets was established this week when the commission sanctioned a \$72,000,000 construction program for the coming year. This is about 10 million dollars higher than this year's budget.

### FLUORIDED WATER TEST

The Oregon State Board of Health has ordered its dental department to begin a fluoride experiment with 2,500 Springfield grade students.

This test is scheduled to start November 15. It is hoped it will reduce decay in children's teeth by at least 40 per cent.

It is reported to be the most extensive test of its kind ever undertaken.

### ALWAYS DRUNKEN DRIVERS

Oregon State Police reports for the first four months of the fiscal year show a steady but low fluctuation of the number of arrests made for drunken driving. They ranged from 119 in July to 108 last month.

Fines in July totaled \$21,638 and sentences totaled 2272 days. Last month fines totaled \$14,971 and sentences totaled 1200 days.

For the four months fines averaged \$160 and sentences 15 days.

### SOLON'S JOBS LIMITED

The Oregon law does not permit legislators to serve on school boards, Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton ruled Friday.

The request for the opinion came from State Representative Kenneth Goodall of Oswego. Goodall said several other legislators serve on school boards and confesses he has been serving on his local board.

"My decision was based on Supreme Court opinions that no legislator can hold a position in the administrative branches of the state or local governments," Thornton said.

### State Traffic Deaths Down During October

Oregon traffic accidents claimed 35 lives last month, bringing the 1953 death toll through October to 321, Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry reported today. Fatalities totalled 363 at the same time last year.

Newberry said the October death count was lower than expected and marks a substantial reduction from the 44 fatalities recorded in October a year ago. Last month's listing includes five persons who died in a two-car collision in Eugene the state's worst single accident of the year to date.

The secretary warned that much of the gain will be lost if the November count should match the 51 killed in November

of 1952, blackest traffic-killing month last year. He said past records show a consistent death upsurge in fall and winter, much of it is traceable to drivers who fail to adjust their driving to early darkness, slippery roadways and generally adverse weather.

### PAINTING DECORATING

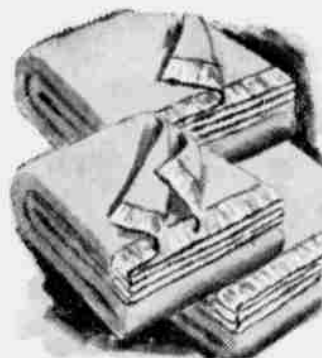
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