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## From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

Many times we hear livestock men say that they would not seed crested wheatgrass for pasture. Their reason for not liking it is that they can not get their cattle to eat it. Of all the grasses in this entire country, crested wheatgrass is the most adaptable to all soils and climate. It is used throughout the entire United States, of course more is seeded in the drier areas as it is one of the few grasses that are able to produce with a small amount of rainfall. A rancher who will disagree with those that do not

like crested wheatgrass is Harvey Smith, who lives west of Ione. Mr. Smith says that he could not get along without it and a few days ago while visiting at his ranch, cattle were congregated on crested wheatgrass and doing very well. Harvey says that they have not left the crested wheatgrass fields since they were turned on them.

The success from getting the most from crested wheatgrass seems to be constant grazing and keeping it eaten down to prevent course seed stocks that are unpal-

atable. Of those ranchers who I visited with who are well pleased with crested wheatgrass all agree that it must be grazed closely and none feel that it can be overgrazed to the point of killing out.

On the Harvey Smith ranch, crested wheatgrass is being seeded on every bit of ground that can be worked and a seed bed prepared. Many times we hear the statement that there is no more land for expansion and production. Mr. Smith has proven this as he clears sagebrush and rabbit brush ranges and reseedes to crested wheatgrass. He has many hundreds of acres yet that will be seeded as time permits. Much of this is on overgrazed range land which has never been plowed before. The amount of feed that crested wheatgrass is producing for him has allowed him to increase his cattle herd and to have early spring pasture that balances very well with his ranch where summer pasture is supplied by irrigation from Rock Creek.

As gardening time rolls around, vegetable gardeners will be on the job as soon as soil conditions permit. The important thing now is to map out garden plans to be ready when the soil is right for working. You can save a last minute rush by having seed supplies, fertilizer and equipment ready to go. But don't rush wet soil or you may get a bumper crop of clods and poor soil conditions throughout the summer. This office has some splendid garden circulars that treat each phase of gardening from varieties and quantities of each vegetable to grow as well as insect and disease control on through to harvest time. Our supply of small fruit circulars which treat the various aspects of raising strawberries, raspberries, grapes and so forth include much information for an amateur gardener. You can get copies of any and all by calling at the office or dropping us a card.

If you haven't marked down April 22 on your calendar, do so now. It is the date for the annual spring meeting of the Morrow County Wheat Growers Association. It will be held at the Lexington Grange hall beginning at 7:30 p. m. An interesting program has been arranged for the evening, including a report on farm legislation fresh from Washington D. C. by Bob Taylor, administrator Oregon Wheat Commission; a report on league activities by Kenneth Smouse, the president; an outline of the Oregon Wheat Growers League home economics program by their home economist; as well as committee reports from local committee chairmen. The Date is, April 22nd.

Just recently the government announced a step that brightens the price picture for 1955 wheat. Another 100 million bushels of government stocks have been set aside from the marketable supply of wheat. This brings the total "set-aside" to 500 million bushels, the legal limit. The "set-aside" is important because it affects the marketable supply,

of Heppner for Maynard to have his hand rewrapped by the doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matteson celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary, April 6th. Supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kingman and Floy Strange.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith and children are visiting at the home of Mrs. Smith's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Van Detta.

Jack Erhardt from Portland, Brown Roach and Don Gilman from La Grande, are visiting at the home of their parents, during Easter vacation.

Mrs. Elmer Matteson was taken to Heppner Saturday, April 9 by her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kingman, for medical care. She will remain at the hospital until Wednesday at the least.

Mrs. Eva Belenbrock made a hurried trip to Monument on Sunday.

"Brother Elk", the Junior class play, will be given next Wednesday, at the Star Theater. The following people make up the cast, Jim Thompson, Jack Hynd, Anita Hughes, Kathleen McDaid, Charles Notson, Velma Fell, Gene Pyle, John Turner, Stephen Thompson, Robert Tash, Irene Lovgren and Margaret Prophet.

Miss Lois Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Reid, spent a few days at home the past week, being absent from her school during the Easter vacation.

Messrs Woodson and Sweek, prominent lawyers of Heppner, were visiting the beauty spots around Cecil on Sunday.

which in turn regulates support prices. As grain is added to the "set-aside" its cuts the salable supply, cushioning the price cut in prospect for next year. Prices after 1955 can vary from 75% to 90% of parity depending on the supply. A reduction of 100 million bushels could affect the support level as much as 4% or 10 cents a bushel.

A recent report from representative Jack Smith and Marlon Weatherford, who are in Washington D. C. for the Oregon Wheat Growers League, was made regarding their domestic parity plan demonstration. To acquaint more senators and congressmen with the details of the domestic parity plan these men staged a demonstration inviting everyone interested to attend. They reached 50 or more congressmen and senators. For those who have not seen this demonstration, we recommend it. Grange Agriculture Committees who meet quarterly with the county agent have this demonstration planned for an early grange meeting.

## Monument News

By Martha Matteson

Mr. Lee Slocum and Mr. Maynard Hamilton took the pump from the Mellor place to Pendleton for repairs, returning by way

Dale Matteson arrived home April 10 to visit his parents. He has been employed at Forest Grove, Oregon.

Andy Beardsley took the Skeem Teens on a hay-ride Thursday evening on the old road behind his ranch. They also had a weller roast while there.

Miss Jessie Matteson was an overnight guest in Heppner at the home of Margaret Hughes April 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kingman and Elmer Matteson spent Easter Sunday visiting Mrs. Matteson in the hospital in Heppner. She is improving and hopes to be home soon. Jessie Matteson returned home with them.

Miss Floy Strange spent Easter in Lebanon with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Asher and family, of Spray visiting their relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern McCarty and

family spent Easter in Kennewick, Wash.

Mrs. W. O. George left Monday for Portland where she will remain until Friday, she will then go to Seattle to attend the regional conference of Soroptmist clubs being held there April 16-17.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

## Learn How to Pull Together

Saw a kid go by the Clarion office on a brand-new coaster wagon yesterday—and it reminded me of when my brother and I were about forty years younger.

Our folks weren't poor, but there wasn't enough to buy two wagons for Christmas. We got one between us. Dad made a rule that we each could have it for a week—but the boy with the wagon was responsible for keeping the kitchen wood-box filled.

Seemed a bargain to Bud and me—at first. But soon we discovered it was no more fun playing

alone than working alone. It wasn't long before we were sharing the wagon in return for sharing the chores.

From where I sit, you can't enjoy a privilege yourself if you're going to deny it to others. There are some folks who want the right to enjoy their favorite beverage—but would deny me my right to an occasional glass of beer. I doubt if such people get their full "share" of happiness, though.

Joe Marsh

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## STAR THEATER, Heppner

Admission Prices: Adults 70c, Students 50c, Children 20c including Federal Excise Tax. Sunday shows at 2 p. m., other evenings at 7:30. Boxoffice open until 9.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, April 14-15-16

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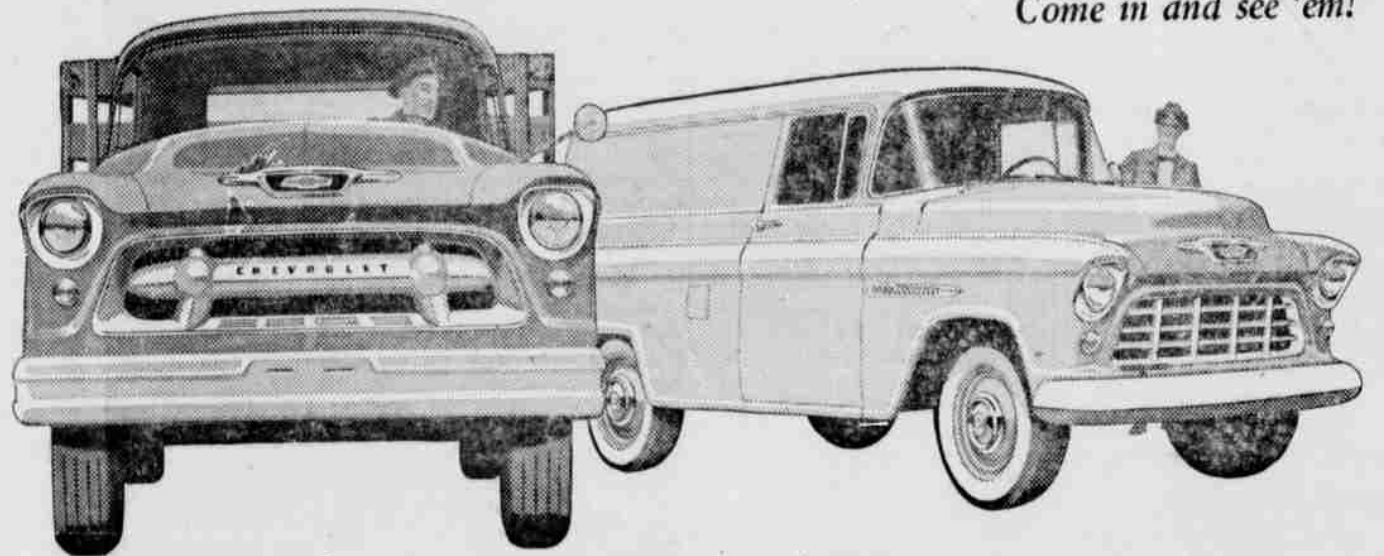
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Thursday-Friday-Saturday, April 21-22-23

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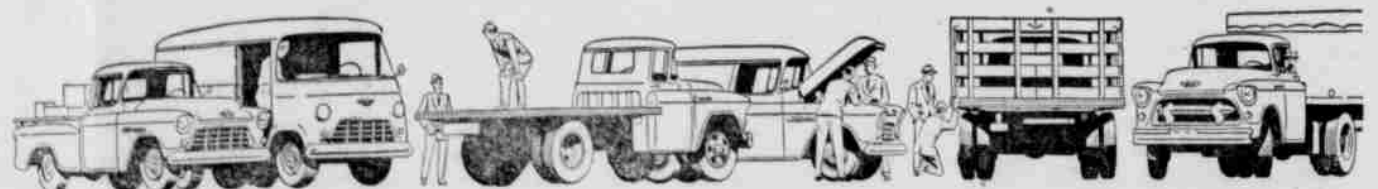
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