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Catch the Rain Where it Falls

Nowadays millions of people think of flood control as something that requires huge multi-purpose dams costing an incredible sum of tax money.

The truth is that big-scale flood control, in case after case, can be better effected at vastly lower cost, by small upstream dams.

This story was recently told in a National Municipal Review article by Peter Farb. Mr. Farb dealt with what has been done on a stream in Western Oklahoma which formerly suffered an average of nine floods per year. The Soil Conservation Service—with only pennies to spend

where the big dam groups spend dollars—solved the problem by the upstream approach. Of this, Mr. Farb writes, "The upstream approach is as different from the big-dam approach as earth is from concrete. While SCS diminishes floods by trapping water upstream, and thus minimizes downstream flood conditions, the Army Engineers try to control already-swollen rivers." The upstream dams, he adds, are each about 1/200th the size of a typical big-dam built by the engineers, and the cost is comparably less.

The whole theory of upstream flood prevention can be expressed in a phrase—catch the raindrops where they fall. It is sound, it works, and it is relatively inexpensive.—Industrial News Review

From The County Agent's Office

By John Massee

For the seventh consecutive year the U. S. calf crop has shown an increase over the previous year. This year's calf crop is expected to total over 43 million head, up 1% from a year ago. The record high number is the result of a near record number of cows and heifers and a slight increase in calving percentage. All regions of the country except the north-central showed an increase. Oregon, Arizona and Nevada were the only states to show a decrease.

Acting secretary Morse has in-

ited representatives of livestock producers, farm organizations, processors and distributors to a conference in Washington on August 15 for a discussion of the cattle situation. Particular emphasis will be placed on the heavy marketing period that is ahead. The 1956 lamb crop totaled 20,428,000 head, up 1% from a year ago. Oregon's lamb crop of 672,000 was down slightly this year.

The marketing committee of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association, several months ago in planning activities that might assist our livestock growers to keep informed on country markets, asked that any information of this kind be passed on through this column. It would be very helpful if local livestock growers would report sales to aid in this service. We will try to keep informed on the neighboring county sales for comparison by our livestock growers. In Klamath county a small pool recently sold its 5,000 fleeces for 43c a pound, which included both black and white faced wool. The lamb wool brought 40c. Tags were sold at half price. In north-eastern Oregon 550 fleeces were reported sold to a Portland buyer for 47c. Tags from this clip brought 20c. Some 350 lambs were contracted for August delivery in north-eastern Oregon at \$17. In Malheur county 400 good heavy two year old steers were contracted for delivery shortly at \$16.50. In Klamath county 77 steers and 45 heifers were contracted for September 20 delivery at \$15.00. Another small bunch of straight yearling steers was

contracted at the same price. One Morrow County Livestock grower has reported buyers offering 16c for heifers and 18c for steers only recently.

At a recent meeting of the county ASC committee, plans were made for putting in effect crop insurance coverage on barley for the 1957 crop year. The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation has agreed to extend crop insurance on barley in several counties in Oregon and Washington after a trial program this year. Details are not yet worked out but will be available from the ASC Office within the next few weeks.

A number of farmers, this year, have asked about breaking over conditions in many fields of Orfed wheat. In a field or two, I have noticed as much as 1% of falling over. This was found only in Orfed wheat. The condition causing this is Columbia Basin root rot which is caused by a soil fungus. The last occurrence of this root rot that amounted to anything was found in 1952. The fungus is associated with higher than average rainfall. There is little that can be done for this root rot. It does not occur in enough years to make it a major problem. In some areas where it has occurred year after year, spring wheat has been planted as it is not nearly so badly affected.

With fair time only a short time away, our farm people should be giving much thought to the exhibits they are going to make this year. Much work is put into a fair each year to make it a big success. Your exhibits can be the only thing that contributes to making the fair bigger and better every year. In the past, grain exhibits have been few, especially when we stop to realize that grain crops, wheat

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The Heppner troop of Girl Reserves in charge of Miss Helen Fredrickson and Mrs. W. J. Beymer and assisted by Miss Esther Fredrickson of Stanfield, are encamped in the mountains this week.

A. M. Edwards, well driller of Lexington, was a visitor in Heppner Saturday.

The Ford coupe of Fred Hoskins who lives on the Adkins place on Rhea creek, was stolen Sunday night.

Edward Chinn and family, accompanied by Miss Anna Stender, departed for Portland the middle of last week.

Miss Leta Humphreys and her brother, Roland, arrived home on Thursday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Humphreys.

Claude Cox, manager of Morrow County Creamery, accompanied by Mrs. Cox and children, departed Wednesday morning for Lehman Springs where they will enjoy an outing of a week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Ely and daughter were calling on Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Palmateer Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bauernfiend and Misses Beulah and Geneva Pettyjohn spent Sunday in the mountains.

of course being major, provides the main source of our agricultural income. This year, to encourage more grain exhibits, the Morrow County Grain Growers are providing a trophy for the sweepstakes wheat exhibit. They are in hopes that this will encourage a lot of wheat exhibits so that the fair audience can see the quality of grain grown in Morrow county. This year, too, additional classes have been added. These are Safflower and field corn. A new addition to the wheat class is one which it is hoped will create a lot of competition between farmers who claim to do the best job of combining. This lot is for the cleanest sample direct from the combine (uncleaned). The premium on this lot has been made attractive enough to demand a lot of interest. Collections of grain in sheaves should also attract a number of exhibitors. This year specifications for sheaves are two inches in diameter, tied with three strings. Why doesn't everyone take a little time this year and make this year the best yet in number and quality of grain exhibits.



MORE JUSTICES NEEDED

In the first annual report of the judicial council, created by the 1955 legislature, an increase in the number of supreme court justices in Oregon was recommended.

During the first six months of this year a total of 175 cases were appealed to the state supreme court as compared with 117 cases during the corresponding period last year and there are approximately 220 cases at issue.

There has not been an increase in the number of justices since 1913 when the court was increased from five members to the present seven members.

A percentage wise comparison on a population basis shows that Oregon has 21 per cent fewer supreme court justices than the average other states.

The 1955 legislature passed an act which empowered the supreme court to name circuit judges pro tem of the supreme court. The constitutionality of the law was challenged before the court and a decree issued declaring the law unconstitutional. Since then the work of the court has been handled by the seven elected supreme court justices.

INDECENT LITERATURE

A crusade started in Marion county by a Silverton woman to suppress the sale of indecent books and magazines may spread to many parts of the state or farther.

Newspapers and ministers are receiving a flood of letters approving the efforts started in a modest way.

A Marion county grand jury spent almost four days reviewing testimony and examining various

Allocation of two new wheat varieties, Omar and Columbia, have been made by the county allocation committee. The committee meeting last week distributed the increase from these two new varieties to farmers in the county who had made applications earlier this spring. Due to the exceptional yields of these two varieties, it now appears that there will be some additional wheat available from the growers. Growers of Omar wheat were Lloyd Howton, Denward Bergevin and Oscar Peterson, Ione, with Dick Krebs, Cecil growing the Columbia. Farmers who might be interested in some of these new varieties should contact these growers personally for additional wheat which has not been allocated.

examples of national publications found on magazine and book racks of stores throughout the county.

Two magazine and book distributors were indicted on a charge of selling indecent publications. They were arraigned on Monday and freed on \$500 bail.

DRIVERS LOSE LICENSES

Suspension of their drivers license were given 102 drivers in July because of their poor driv-

ing records. The state motor vehicle department said the number was larger than usual, having averaged 73 per month so far this year.

Convictions for driving while drunk totaled 315. These violations continue to hold a steady increasing pattern.

There were 10,229 drivers convicted of violating traffic laws in Oregon during July.

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STAR THEATER
HEPPNER

Thu.-Fri.-Sat. Aug. 9-10-11
COMANCHE
Dana Andrews—CS and Color plus
plus
Navy Wife
Joan Bennett
Sun.-Mon. Aug. 12-13
Man in The Gray Flannel Suit
Gregory Peck, Jennifer Jones CS and Color. EXCELLENT!
Sunday at 4. 6:55

Tues.-Wed. Aug. 14-15
Slightly Scarlet
Rhonda Fleming, John Payne



Now flowers speed cross-country by telephone. Many floral shops now offer a new service—Flowers by Telephone. When flowers are to be sent out of town, the florist calls the distant city and places the order before the customer leaves the shop. If the flowers asked for are out of stock, the customer is free to change his order, knowing his flowers will arrive on time. Florists who offer this new service display an emblem reading: "We speed flowers by telephone." It's another way telephone people—working with florists—make telephone service do a better job for you. The men and women of Pacific Telephone work to make your telephone more useful every day.

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