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From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

We hope callers at the office will notice the new remodeling job just completed. While it was quite trying at times during the past three weeks while the remodeling was going on we are proud of our office arrangement now. New paint brightens up the interior as does a new floor covering. A change of partitions better organizes the office for carrying out the business and our new cabinets provide space for a lot of bulletins and material which here-to-for cluttered up the office, tables and files. We invite you to inspect the improvements.

This Sunday morning at the time that these items are being written a number of Morrow county 4-H club members are preparing to leave for the Oregon Wheatgrowers League sponsored Fat Stock show and sale at The Dalles. Attending from Morrow county with exhibits will be, with steers: Russel Dolven, Kenneth Smouse, Carol Ann Palmer, Karl Beach, Roland Ekstrom, Jerry Anderson, Connie Anderson, Gary Van Blokland and Billy Doherty. Lambs will be exhibited by Douglas, David, Connie and Jerry Anderson, Karl Beach, Tommy and Jimmy Martin. There will also be six steers by that many FFA members from Morrow county. While the numbers of livestock going to this show this year are the fewest of any year from Morrow county the quality is good. Members exhibiting will participate in the livestock judging contests, showmanship contests as well as the regular exhibit and the fat stock sale. Lambs and pigs will be sold Wednesday afternoon with the steers sold Wednesday evening. Parents of the exhibitors and others interested in 4-H club work will be on hand to watch our Morrow county club members perform.

For those wheat growers who have been quite concerned with the infestation with leaf hoppers this spring we have had word from Robert Every, entomologist specialist, OSC, concerning the number of leaf hoppers which might be detrimental to the crop. While not too much is known exactly on the number of leaf hoppers required to cause damage affecting the yield it has been agreed it would take a lot of leaf hoppers to affect the crop especially in a year like this where the foliage is so heavy. For those who feel that the leaf hoppers are doing damage which will affect the wheat an application of DDT at the rate of 2 pounds actual per acre has given good control of leaf hoppers. Parathion would also be effective and might be preferable if aphids were present. I have not found any aphids present in the fields that I have inspected, however there are some in neighboring counties. An application of 4 ounces of actual Parathion per acre would be the recommended dosage. For those who have not used Parathion it is suggested that you find out about this deadly insecticide before it is used by inexperienced applicator. Applications for the control of leaf hoppers would perhaps be made if damage was so great that the majority of the

leaf surface was injured to prevent normal function of the leaf in carrying the plant through to maturity.

Jerry Brosnan, Buttercreek rancher, who runs a small band of ewes is feeling pretty good these days over an incident that occurred last summer. The particulars leading up to Jerry's good fortune don't happen very often according to a number of good sheepmen we have talked to during the past several months. A year ago one of the Brosnan rams was found out of the pasture and in with the ewe flock. Not much was thought of this at the time until last November when some of the ewes began to lamb. Even though all of the ewes had been nursing a good lamb crop, approximately 60 of these ewes were bred while nursing lambs in June. Seventy odd lambs were born in late fall. A couple of weeks ago the wether lambs from these ewes were marketed in Portland. Twenty-seven wethers averaged a bit over 101 pounds and brought \$22.33 net per lamb. Twenty-three sold for 23c a pound, four for 21c a pound. Forty-one ewe lambs were kept for replacements. At the time of shearing these lambs were carrying so much wool that they were sheared. Two hundred twenty-eight pounds were sheared from the 41 ewe lambs. We are wondering if this is not somewhat of a record for annual production from a flock of sheep. Two crops of lambs have been marketed within a year. Jerry was feeling pretty happy about this after returning from Portland when the lambs were marketed, his only wish was that there would have been more rams to get out of the pasture last June.

Morrow County 4-H club members are busy during the month of June. Thirteen members exhibited livestock at the Oregon Wheatgrowers League Fat Stock show and sale held at The Dalles last week while 32 members left for 4-H summer school on Tuesday of this week. They will return June 21. Plans are under way for the annual summer camp at the Herron Creek camp grounds on June 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 which will involve 65 club members. Much of the county agent's time is devoted to club work, this month as many who have called the office on agricultural problems will find. The agent will spend the week of June 16 at Corvallis with the summer school delegation and will participate in summer camp activities the last five days of June.

Progress is being made by the

Morrow County Livestock Growers association in their project of building livestock corrals at the rodeo grounds in Hepner. Rodeo holding pens between the announcing stand and the creek have been removed within the last couple of days with the actual construction of the corrals underway. By the end of this week the corral will begin to shape up. Livestock scales and special gates have been ordered and are expected to arrive soon. At least a part of the sheepmen are planning to deliver lambs at market time next month to the corrals. Cost of the project is being covered by voluntary contributions from livestock growers.

In a national referendum June 20, wheatgrowers themselves will make the final decision on whether wheat marketing quotas will be in effect next year. At least two-thirds of those who vote must favor quotas if they are to be in operation. If quotas are approved, all farmers in commercial wheat states with more than 15 acres of wheat will be subject to quotas; any excess wheat will be subject to quota penalties and price supports at a national average of \$1.78 a bushel will be available to producers who do not exceed their farm acreage allotment. If quotas are not approved, there will be no quotas or quota penalties. Acreage allotments will remain in effect. Price support will be available at 50% of parity for producers who comply with their farm wheat allotments. The referendum vote is on quotas, not allotments. The law requires that allotments be in effect every year, unless suspended because of emergency conditions. There will be wheat acreage allotments for 1958, therefore even if quotas are disapproved. All persons who will share in the 1958 wheat crop from a farm on which wheat acreage is to be harvested are eligible to vote in the June 20 quota referendum. Farmers themselves will make the quota decision on June 20.

Ione News

Those from here who will attend 4-H summer school at Corvallis starting Tuesday are Marilyn Morgan, Jean Martin, Jo Ann Turner, Lona White, Linda Heimburger, Linda Hams, Brenda Townsend, Grace McCabe, Marjorie Baker, Karen Lundell, Kenneth Lynn Smouse and Kenneth Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Berl Akers took their son, Berl, to Corvallis last week where he will attend the Legion Boys' State meeting. Recent visitors at the Noel Doherty home were Joe Kallister and son, Joe, Jr., of Frontier, Wy. Joe, Jr., graduated this year from the school of optometry at the Pacific University.

Mrs. Sam McMillan of Portland

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From the files of the Gazette Times June 16, 1927

Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Moore and Mrs. Helen Walker and Mrs. Lena Coleman departed early Monday for Cove, taking with them several members of the Episcopal Sunday school.

We are informed by Chas. Smith, county agent, that plans are being worked out for the holding of the grain and wool show at the time of the Rodeo in Hepner on Sept. 22 to 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jones motored to Portland on Wednesday and will spend the remainder of the week in the city.

Ray McDuffee, who was a graduate last week of OAC, accompanied his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McDuffee home, and is enjoying a visit with relatives here.

Richard McElligott, retired farmer of the Ione country, was a visitor in Hepner for a couple of days the first of the week.

Mrs. Lana Padberg was a visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Guy Cason, in this city on Monday.

and Mrs. Charles O'Connor and Mrs. Omar Rietmann were delegates from Locust chapter of the Eastern Star of Ione to the Grand chapter of Oregon, Order of the Eastern Star in Portland last week. Mrs. O'Connor was an honor guard for the escort at the formal opening Tuesday June 4.

Miss Ruby Ann Rietmann, teacher in the Pendleton schools, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rietmann.

Stephen Ring, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ring cut his knee on a bottle last week and seven stitches were required to close the wound.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nelson, Sr., of Oak Grove visited at the homes of their sons, Norman and Alfred Jr. last week.

Mrs. Dorothy Ledbetter of Hood River visited her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Ring last week. Linda Rowell, her niece, returned home with her for a two weeks visit.

Mrs. Norman Nelson and child, ren visited relatives in Salem last week. The following officers were installed at the American Legion Auxiliary meeting Tuesday evening, June 4. Mrs. Cecil Thorne, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Cleo Drake, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Edith Nicholson, chaplain; Mrs. Echo Palmateer, historian

and Mrs. Earl McCabe, sergeant-at-arms. Mrs. Walter Corley was the installing officer. Mrs. Eldon Tucker, out-going president was presented with a past president's pin. Mrs. C. E. Brenner, Mrs. Mattie Morgan and Mrs. Gordon White were elected as delegates to the Legion convention in Eugene in August. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Corley and Mrs. Pete Cannon.

Mrs. Erma Douglas of Eagle Creek and Mrs. Lulu Sparks of Portland were Ione and Hepner visitors last week. They are sister-in-laws of Mrs. Fred Ely.

Mrs. Robert Jepsen entertained the bridge club Friday evening June 7 at her home. Those winning prizes were Mrs. Walter Jacobs, high; Mrs. Pete Cannon, 2nd high and Mrs. Gene Hall, low.

Mrs. Evelyn Tucker of Hepner spent a few days last week with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Tucker.

Mrs. Lloyd Morgan gave a birthday party Wednesday afternoon June 5 at her home in honor of Mrs. Beulah Lundell, Mrs. Adon Hamlett and Michael Rowell. Others present were Mrs. E. R. Lundell, Mrs. Cleo Drake, Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn and daughter, Diana, Mrs. Raymond Lundell and daughters Karen and Cheryl, Mrs. Eldon Tucker and daughters Tresa and Toyna, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lindstrom, Mrs. Arvilla Swanson, Mrs. Mary Swanson and Mrs. Anna Lindstrom.

Around 75 people attended the potluck dinner and strawberry feed at Valby Lutheran church at Gooseberry following the church services.

Mrs. Adon Hamlett and Mrs. Beulah Lundell made a trip to Portland last week.

Recent visitors at the Leonard Carlson home were her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Daline of Minneapolis, Minn. and the Carlson's son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Carlson of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Lundell and children of Boise, Ida., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Lundell.

Other college students home are Larry Rietmann from Oregon State, Gary Brenner from Portland State, Jerry Bristow, Robert Hubbard and Alvin McCabe from EOCE.

Gary Brenner returned to Portland state for summer school and Donald Eubanks returned to

Pacific University for summer school.

Alvin McCabe will work for Jimmy Ppattyjohn this summer but Mrs. McCabe will remain in La Grande where she is employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Drake and daughter from Hepner spent Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Drake. Ernest has been attending Pacific University.

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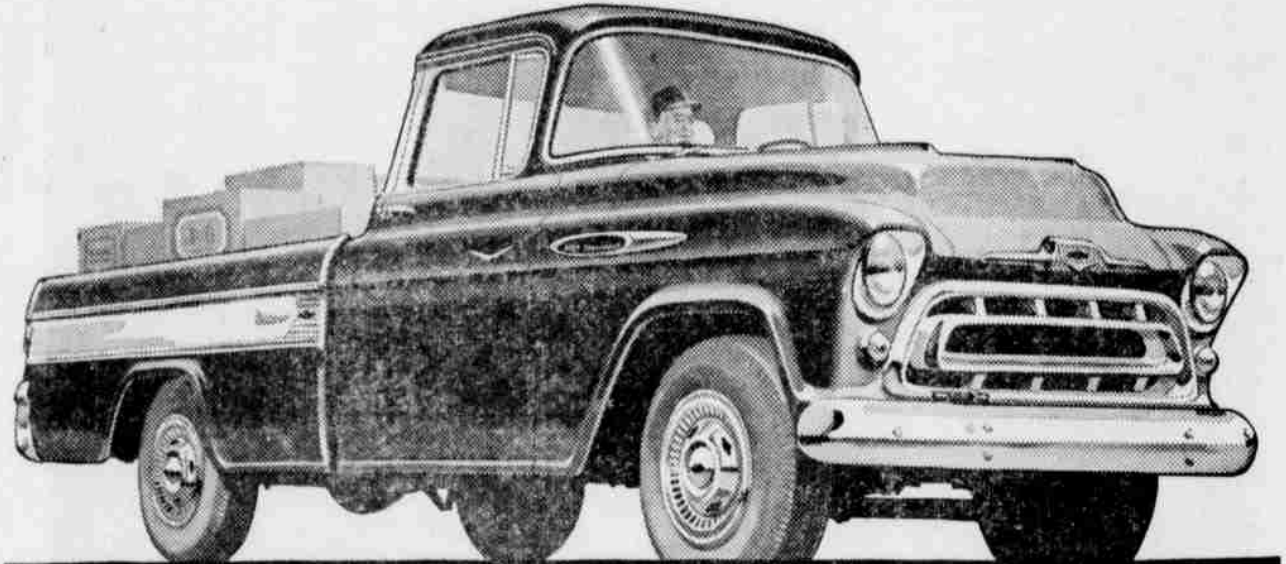
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