

Chats With Your Home Agent

By ESTHER KIRMIS

I spent the past week in Corvallis attending the state home-makers council which met for the 27th annual meeting on the Oregon State College campus. Mrs. Richard Waymire, Boardman, was Morrow county's delegate and accompanied me to the meeting which had as its theme "Frontiers, Family and Future."

Nearly 500 women from 30 counties attended the three day meeting, ending Thursday. Wheeler and Sherman counties were represented for the first time.

The council began on Tuesday evening with Mrs. Azalea Sager (former state home economics coordinator) showing pictures of the Sager's recent trip to Australia and New Zealand.

That same evening, Sarah Carver, a home economics student from Santa Barbara, California, was encouraged to continue her desire for an extension career with a gift of \$100 from Oregon

extension women. Extension women have collected more than \$1000 for the Eleanor Trindle memorial fund for this scholarship. Marion county women contributed \$700 to the fund. Miss Trindle was a former assistant state extension leader who died of cancer.

Laura Waymire and I met such outstanding women as Mrs. Armas Jakku, Hood River, state council president; and Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick and Mrs. Vesta Smith, former state presidents. They are all very dynamic women and work hard to give leadership and purpose to the organization.

We had a chance to wear our Centennial costumes at the Wednesday night banquet held in the Memorial Union of Oregon State College. Marshall Dana, U.S. National Bank, Portland, addressed us that night on the theme of the convention, "Frontiers, Family and Future." We had a Centennial costume parade after the banquet and you can well imagine the attention I caused in my "busied" costume.

Some time was spent in planning details for the National Home Demonstration council meeting to be held in Portland, October 11-14. This is the first time national has met west of the Pocky Mountains and Oregon women are going all out in entertaining women from all over the United States.

Elections at state council this year included Mrs. Howard Lill, Benton county, as first vice-president; Mrs. Jean Davenport, Coos county, as secretary; and Mrs. Ronald Leinbach, Umatilla county, was elected director of district VII which includes Morrow, Umatilla, and Grant counties.

Laura Waymire returned with the Umatilla delegation on Thursday evening while I stayed over for another day to attend an evaluation meeting of the Great Decisions program.

Attending this session were "Great Decisions" county chairmen or representatives who gave a review and summary of what happened in Great Decisions in 1959 in their counties, evaluation of the results of the program and plans for 1960.

The program has been running for five years now. Most counties, like Morrow, are struggling to get a toe hold, but such counties as Coos and Multnomah with 327, and 664 people participating, shows you that once citizens realize the wonderful purpose of the program it will mushroom.

Representatives from the foreign policy staff of New York city and San Francisco were there to obtain the feeling of the state on the material they had written. The majority of us agreed that they had done a magnificent job in writing the fact sheets on state and inter-



Local Shriners are reminding residents of Pacific Northwest states and British Columbia that Sunday, May 17, is National Shrine Hospital Day, and that they are invited to visit the hospital at Portland, Ore. Since its founding in 1924, the Portland Shrine hospital has treated more than 9,000 Northwest children. Race, creed or color makes no difference. Thanks to Shrine Hospital treatment, James (above) from Irrigon, Ore., now knows his leg will permit him to play football.

Financing of Soil, Water Conservation Available From FHA

Soil and water conservation measures can be financed by eligible farmers through the Farmers Home Administration loan program.

Loans can be for such improvements as reservoirs, dikes, pipelines, sprinkler systems, pumps, drainage of present farm land, ditches, leveling, and other practices. Loans are made only for types of soil and water conservation practices that are in accord with extension service and Soil Conservation recommenda-

national problems.

Returning home on Saturday I stopped into The Dalles to visit Mrs. Belva Covey, Polk county extension agent. I found them in the midst of a 4-H May Day festival. They were barbecuing chicken on the courthouse lawn for the entire countryside. John Grimmes, Polk county agent, had scheduled a big day of exhibiting, judging and demonstrations on canning and freezing. Jeff Jackett, IFYE student leader, 4-H Leaders met for training, and the local theater entertained the 4-H youngsters at the close of the day with a feature movie.

I left, rather exhausted, at the close of all the activities. But it surely shows you what a county can do for its 4-H boys and girls.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a farm owner or operator, with necessary experience, whose credit requirements cannot be supplied through private credit or cooperative lenders.

The agency has completed over four years of making soil and water conservation loans under the present program. During that time approximately 7,250 individual farm families throughout the nation, plus 141 associations serving approximately 5,200 families, have borrowed \$43,100,000. About 80 percent of this total helped farmers develop farm water and irrigation systems. This included buying pumps, motors and piping, drilling wells, and constructing and repairing irrigation ditches and laterals. Farmers used the rest of the loan funds to develop livestock and household water systems, and for soil conservation practices such as terracing, improved pastures, drainage, clearing and tree planting.

For the present fiscal year, Congress made \$5,500,000 available for direct soil and water conservation loans.

Further information on the

4-H Club News

HAPPY STITCHERS CLUB

The Happy Stitchers club met May 7 at the Leathers home. Susan Baker led us in our flag salute and 4-H pledge.

For roll call we gave suggestions for our Mother's tea which will be held May 14. There were 7 members present.

We were glad to have Mrs. David Baker as our guest. The girls sang the song, On Top of Old Smokey.

The members worked on their bean bags. Susan Baker was our hostess.

Karen Nelson, reporter

4-H ROUGH RIDERS

The Heppner Rough Riders will meet Sunday, May 17 at 2 p.m. at the fair and rodeo grounds to ride to the Howard Cleveland ranch. At this meeting they will discuss plans for the various horsemanship and showmanship events at the fair and rodeo horse show which is scheduled for Wednesday evening, August 26.

Members and parents are encouraged to attend.

loan may be obtained at the county office of the Farmers Home Administration located on 105 S E Byers Avenue, Pendleton, Oregon each Monday.

HEPPNER KOOK-ETTES

The Heppner Kook-ettes met April 23 at the home of Mrs. Herb Case, their leader.

Members attending were Peggy Snyder, Linda Warren, Melaine Bailey, Kathy Melby, Teresa Monahan, Amanda Smith, Claudia and Joyce Noland, Melody Frye and Betty Angell.

We had a table setting demonstration and also we made some sliced oranges with all kinds of sugar.

At our next meeting we will make some Mothers Day presents.

Betty J Angell, reporter

LEXINGTON LIVESTOCK CLUB

The Lexington Livestock club met at the Harold Beach home, April 12. All were present but one.

The Dalles Livestock show was discussed. Sandra Beach gave a report on sheep and types.

No further business, meeting was adjourned.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Beach.

Sandra Beach, secretary

The Rev. David Hazen, of Pendleton, was guest speaker at the St. Patricks church adult discussion class Tuesday evening. About forty people attended the meeting. The discussion was on psychiatry and mental health.

Birthday Celebrated With Dinner Party

Mrs. William Sowell celebrated her birthday last Wednesday evening, with a dinner party at Stefani's in Ione.

Others attending were Mr. Sowell, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Koenig and Frank Morrisette.

"Heaven Help The Man Who Will Not Act"

By Phil Blakney

There are times in everyone's life when lack of action may result in great harm. When a person is sick and pain, sleeplessness or other annoying symptoms persist, it is time to act quickly to discover the cause and proper cure.

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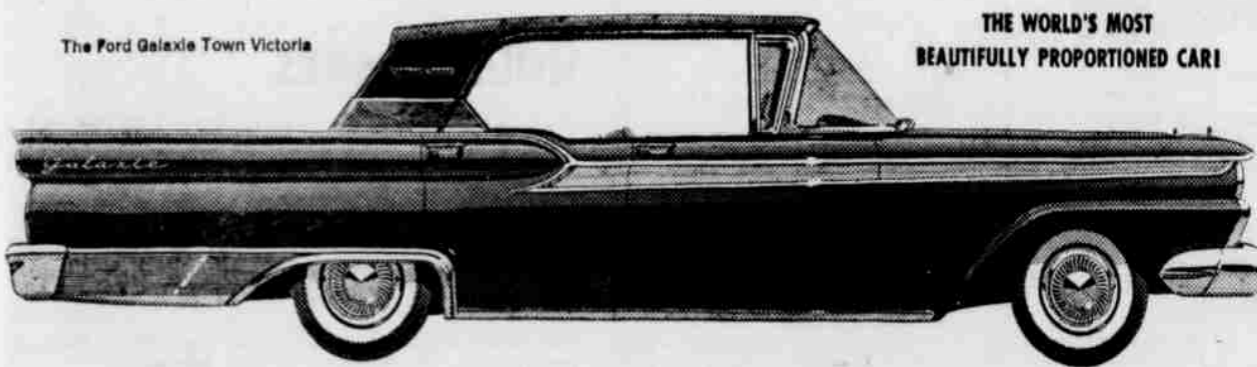
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