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Burkenbines Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Burkenbine and family, now of Alpena, Mich., spent a week in Heppner visiting Mr. and Mrs. Marlon Hayden, leaving again Saturday for Michigan. They formerly lived in Heppner, and Mr. Burkenbine spent most of his life here until going to Michigan three years ago. His brother formerly operated Heppner Market, now Economy Market.

Chats With Your Home Agent

'Big First' in Style Revue History Slated for Fair

By ESTHER KIRMIS

A big "First" in the history of county 4-H style revues is being planned for the Morrow county fair, August 22-25, this year. We're planning to stage an outdoor revue under the lights of the rodeo grounds.

The committee made up of Mr. and Mrs. William Rawlins, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Rea, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Snider, all of Ione, met with us at the fair annex building on June 27 to make some preliminary plans.

The style revue, one of the highlights of the 4-H fair, has grown in such popularity that the fair pavilion no longer holds the number of interested people who wish to attend. We visited the Umatilla county fair at Hermiston last year and saw them stage an outdoor revue—it gave us ideas!

Tentative plans are to erect a platform in front of the east side of the rodeo stands. Stage decorations and lighting are still in the talking stage. All-in-all this will prove an interesting and outstanding affair. Now, if old-man-weather will cooperate!

We also met with the committee of Pine City people who are going to make the 4-H float for the fair.

Meeting at the Leo Ashbeck home on June 22 were Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Witherrite, Mr. and Mrs. Willard French, Mr. and Mrs. George Luiani, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Daly—members of the committee.

They have made big plans to produce a float carrying out the 4-H motif and "Soaring 60's"

theme. They're even talking of entering the float in the Pendleton Round-Up dress-up parade. This will also be a "First."

The 4-H booth committee, made up of Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Mrs. John Ledbetter, and Mrs. Dean Hunt, all of Lexington, is scheduling a meeting on July 11, to plan how the 4-H program can be advertised also.

It's truly inspiring to meet with these 4-H parents. If they believe in the program they'll give it their best support and the sky is the limit!

4-H'ers To Practice Fair Demonstrations

A 4-H "Demonstration Helps" day is set for Wednesday, July 12, at the Morrow county fair annex building.

County agent Esther Kirmis will be at the building from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. to offer suggestions and help in preparing 4-H club members to give demonstrations at the county fair next month.

The practice session was originally scheduled for July 13, but the date was changed due to conflicts.

Treasurer Omitted

Due to an inadvertent error, the name of Mrs. Sylvia McDaniel, county treasurer, was omitted from the list of county officials that appeared last week in the special Welcome Edition of the Gazette-Times. The paper regrets that this error occurred and extends this apology to Mrs. McDaniel.

County Agent's Office

Fire Season Now Here to Harass Farmers; Meetings Face Problem

By N. C. ANDERSON

It is that time of the year that every rancher should be constantly alert, on guard, and take the most careful precautions for the prevention of fires. With heavy growth of grain and grass there will be some costly fires at best, even though everyone becomes fire conscious. Because there have been a number of bad fires in the last few years more people are conscious of fire prevention.

This is good, but still does not mean that there should be a "let up." Since there will be some fires regardless of all precautions taken, we must be prepared to fight those that start. This is just what most communities in Morrow County have been doing the last two weeks. As a result of community meetings there have been groups organized so that a more effective control might be brought about.

The project now put together looks as if it will function smoothly, at least in most of the communities, is the result of interest two years ago last January when the possibilities of a volunteer rural fire control program was discussed at the annual Weed Control Meeting.

Four Rigs Purchased

During that next year and a half, three one-fourth ton four wheel drive rigs and one six by six tanker were purchased with a small budget set up by the budget committee. While tanks and gasoline driven pumps were installed in the small four wheel drive rigs last summer, it was not until this past month that these rigs were put in complete running order to be used for rural fire control. Likewise, the six by six pumper with 800 gallon tank was put in good working condition.

All of this equipment is out where it will be used, with other equipment owned by ranchers, in these organized districts. The tanker has been stationed at the Walter Jacobs ranch south of Ione, one jeep is located at the Bob Rietmann ranch north of Ione, one at the Roy Martin ranch in the North Lexington

community. One jeep was unrepairable so has been mounted on a power wagon at the Don Heliker ranch for use in the west Ione community.

The organization as it now appears will provide a smooth operating fire control program. It was set up after the Morrow County Court appointed Andy Van Scholack and Frank Anderson, Heppner, O. W. Cutsforth, Lexington, and Don McElligott and Ralph Crum, Ione, to a county committee to be in charge. This county committee appointed Andy Van Scholack as their coordinator who took the responsibility at once in seeing that the available equipment was put in shape to be put out into communities where it would do some good.

South Ione Responds

Each of the county committee members was responsible for holdag meetings in their communities. Perhaps the most elaborate organization is that of the South Ione group. There was much interest when Don McElligott called his first meeting and 27 farmers responded. At that time a general scheme for the most effective control was worked out. Walter Jacobs was appointed as the fire chief with fire wardens set up by phone lines with each responsible for that group. They're Darrel Padberg, Bob Jepsen, Don Heliker, Lloyd Rice, Raymond Lundell, Louis Carlson, Paul Hendricks and Paul Tews. These in turn, met recently to work out the program which includes a list of fire fighting equipment on that phone line, what each can contribute, responsibility of reporting fires, what kind they are, and equipment needed. Jim Barnett who is Ione Fire Chief will be coordinator and he will be called in case there is need for other equipment. Each rancher is being furnished an information sheet on who their warden is and other pertinent information which will be attached to their phone directory.

The North Ione group meeting on June 27 made a list of ranch-

er owned equipment which will be on call. Bob Rietmann was selected as fire chief with the county owned jeep to be located at his place. Those who will be contacted in case of fire in addition to Bob, are Dave Rietmann, Ralph Crum, Franklin Lindstrom, or Carl Troedson. This group has a fine selection of water tanks, back pumps, and weed sprayers, that will be on call.

South Heppner Group Meets

In the South Heppner area 17 ranchers attended a meeting called by Frank Anderson. It was

found that there were nine high pressure livestock and weed sprayers in the area that would be kept full of water and on call. Jim Valentine has agreed to leave one of his tank trucks at Rhea Creek to supply water for the pressure sprayers.

No report has come to this office from the North Lexington area regarding the organizational procedures, however, O. W. Cutsforth reported that the county owned jeep with tank would be stationed at the Roy Martin ranch and be on call. The Morrow County Grain Growers who have done an excellent job in the past few years in making quick response to fires with their fire fighting equipment will be on call, as will Herb Hynds and Gar Leyva as fire wardens for the Bureau of Land Management land in North Morrow County. The Heppner rural fire department will be responsible for rural fires in their seven and a half mile radius of Heppner.

STAR THEATER

Fri., Sat., July 7-8
Sword Of Sherwood Forest

Richard Green, Peter Cushing, Nigel Green, Sarah Branch, Robin Hood and his Merry Men in fast-paced adventures. In Color PLUS

Serengeti Shall Not Die

Dr. Bernhard Grzimek and his son Michael have prepared a simple, beautiful and exciting record of their project to count the animals in the 8,000 mile game preserve of Serengeti National Park in Central Africa. In color. (Birth of a gazelle shown.)

Feature break 9, show out 10:30

Sun., Mon., July 9-10
All Hands On Deck

Pat Boone, Buddy Hackett, Dennis O'Keefe, Barbara Eden, Jody McCrea, Gale Gordon, Anne B. Davis. Boone's wholesome charm and way with a song and some knock-out shenanigans aboard a Navy LST make this comedy a boatful of fun. CS and Color.

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