

# 1 to 17-Year Pins Given County 4-H Club Leaders

Two friends of 4-H, Pacific Power and Light Company and U. S. National Banks, combined their efforts to honor over 60 Morrow county 4-H leaders January 3, at the Catholic Parish hall.

The banquet, served by the Catholic Ladies' Altar Society, is sponsored annually by the Pacific Power and Light Company, Fred Gimbel, Heppner, is the local representative. Leader pins furnished by the U. S. National banks were presented by Elmer Lierman, The Dalles.

Wilbur Van Blokland, 4-H leader and council vice-president, acted as master of ceremonies and introduced Lee R. Hansen, agricultural sales director for Pacific Power and Light.

"You are to be congratulated on the impact you are making on young America," Hansen told the leaders. "Morrow county doubling its 4-H membership in ten years proves that you're dedicated leaders." The Pacific Power and Light executive illustrated his talk to the group by doing free hand sketching of 4-H projects.

A film, "Man Enough For the Job," was shown by Joe Hay, Morrow county agent. It showed how 4-H develops boys and girls into mature adults.

Music for the evening was furnished by Judy Jones and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse. They were accompanied by Mrs. Roger Kincaid and Mrs. Charles O'Conner, respectively.

The following leaders received pins for certificates:

First Year Pins: Mrs. N. D. Herschell, Mrs. Pat O'Brien, Mrs. Gerald Bailey, Jim Valentine, Ray Williamson, Jerry Daggett, Sam Nagel, Bob Booth, William Collins, Dave McLeod, all of Heppner; William Rawlins, Mrs. Bryce Keene, Mrs. Keith Rea, Pete Cannon, Don Ball, Robert



CHALK TALKS is the specialty of Lee R. Hansen, agricultural sales director of the Pacific Power and Light Co., Portland, as he visits 4-H leaders in each Oregon county at banquets sponsored by his company. He appeared January 3 at the seventh annual Morrow County 4-H Leaders banquet.

DeSpain and William Nichols, all of Ione; Mrs. Gene Cutsforth and Robert Frink of Lexington; Kurt Gantenbein, Mrs. J. W. McDougall, Don Bellamy and Mrs. Glen Deits, of Boardman, and Mrs. John Swearingen, Andy Skiles, Roy Tiller, Leroy Procker and George Anderson of Irrigon.

Second Year Pins: Mrs. Jack Healy, Mrs. Douglas Drake, Mrs. Robert Jones, Mrs. Jim Bloodsworth, Heppner; Mrs. Harold Snider, Ione; Bob Sicard, Boardman; Mrs. Charles Early, Mrs. Perry Pummel, Vernon Gerberding and Max Jones, Irrigon.

Third Year Pins: Mrs. Herb Case, Jim Bloodsworth, Charles Daly, Heppner; Jane Rawlins, Gary Tullis, Ione; Mrs. Earl McCarty and Mrs. E. C. Daniels, Boardman; Mrs. Fred Murtishaw and Mrs. Harold Colson, Irrigon.

Fourth Year Pins: Mrs. Merritt Gray, Heppner; Kenneth Smouse, Ione; Mrs. Robert Davidson, Lexington; Mrs. M. E. Hadwick, Irrigon; Mrs. Nathan Thorpe, Boardman.

Fifth Year Pins: Mrs. Mabel Heath and Marcel Jones, Heppner; Alfred Nelson, Jr., Lexington.

Sixth Year Pins: Wilbur Van Blokland, Heppner; and Mrs. Roy Davis, Irrigon.

Ninth Year Pin: Mrs. Andy Skiles, Irrigon.

Tenth Year Pin: Mrs. Louis Carlson, Ione.

Twelfth Year Pin: Mrs. E. M. Baker, Ione.

Seventeenth Year Pin: Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Ione.

## Junior Leadership Training Day Jan. 20

A special meeting for all older boys and girls that would like to be a 4-H Junior Leader will be held Saturday, January 20. The meeting will start at 10:00 a. m. at the Heppner Fair annex, according to Joe Hay, county extension agent.

Junior Leadership is a program planned for 4-H club members who have satisfactorily completed two or more years of 4-H club work and are in the ninth grade in school.

The Junior Leadership program offers older youth an opportunity to develop their own individual leadership abilities. A Junior leader is not meant to be a "chore boy," but will be given real leadership responsibilities in various fields such as project work, club organization, parliamentary procedure, demonstrations and judging, recreational training, journalism, community service, or citizenship.

Oregon's IFYE to Greece this year, Dale Martin, whose home is in Grant county will be with us to visit about his travels abroad and show slides.

We are asking you who plan to attend to mark Saturday, January 20, on your calendar. We would also like for you to invite your 4-H leader to attend this meeting with you. Time will be allotted for working out your Junior Leader program for the year. You will need to discuss this with your club leader.

Everyone should bring a sack lunch. We estimate that the meeting will be through by 3:00 p. m.

More information about the program and Dale Martin will be in next week's paper.

## Activities Occupy Blackhorse 4-H Club

The meeting of the Blackhorse livestock 4-H club was held at the Doherty ranch and was called to order by the president, Martha Doherty. The U. S. pledge was led by Connie Papineau and the 4-H pledge by Maureen Doherty. Roll call was taken and all were present except Nancy Campbell.

The minutes were read and approved.

Candy Papineau gave a report on "save more pigs." Maureen Doherty reported "selecting a breed of sheep," and Martha Doherty reported on the leader's banquet.

We fulfilled our community project by sacking candy for the Lexington PTA Christmas program. Our club also made candy flowers for all of the patients in Pioneer Memorial hospital. One was put on each tray Christmas day. Our leader, Mrs. Bloodsworth, reported there were enough for the nurses too. By doing these things, we accomplished two of our goals for the year.

Under new business we discussed work materials for the next meeting. We will be making rope halters.

Announcements were made. We then sang "Land of the Empire Builders," and adjourned the meeting. We had a taffy pull instead of refreshments.

Tony Doherty, reporter

## Umatilla Electric Hearing Set Jan. 24

A Umatilla Electric Co-op Assn. application for allocation of an exclusively served territory and adjacent unserved territory, Thursday was scheduled by the state public utility commissioner for hearing at 2 p. m. on January 24, in the Civic Recreation Center at Hermiston.

The application, filed with the PUC on December 26, 1961, asks for a grant to exclusively serve the territory surrounding but not including the communities of Hermiston, Stanfield and Echo in the northeast portion of Morrow county and the northeast portion of Umatilla county.

The Boardman Space Age development in which Boeing plans to establish its rocket engine test center.

## Cowbelles Sponsor Appliance Workshop With Livestock Meet

The Morrow County Cowbelles have invited Susan Thomas, Pacific Power and Light Home Economist, to present a demonstration on Friday, January 12, on "The role of portable appliances in modern living" as their part in the Morrow County Livestock Growers annual meeting. The workshop will be held in the Hope Lutheran Church basement, 695 E. Cowins, starting at 1:30 p. m., according to Mrs. Donald Robinson, County Cowbelles president.

With the use of slides and portable appliances furnished by Heppner business places, Miss Thomas will describe a way to achieve ease of living with the variety and versatility of modern small appliances. Meat cookery will be especially emphasized.

"In the past year," explains the PFL Home Economist, "We stressed chiefly the extra cooking capacity potential of portables. Today we point out the various combinations of multi-purpose portables which can actually take care of the whole meal."

Griddles, waffle makers, toasters are some of the appliances that will be discussed as to selection, use and care. Other appliances considered will be Dutch ovens, fry pans, sauce pans, mixers, blenders, automatic coffee makers, roasters, and rotisseries.

All homemakers are invited to attend this public meeting, urges Mrs. Robinson.

## Cattle Feeding Topic At Livestock Club

"Oats are the best food for growing calves but harder grains, such as wheat and corn are superior for feeding steers for market finish," Dale Van Blokland told members of the Rhea Creek Livestock club as he spoke to the group on feeding cattle at their meeting, January 7, at the grange hall. Informative talks on preparing better balanced rations for steers were also given by Eric Anderson and Kenneth Wright.

A schedule of events was discussed for the 4-H year and club members decided to purchase 4-H jackets with the club name on them.

Archie Ball, Gary Van Blokland, and Tom Rawlins were appointed by president David Hall to report at the next meeting on sheep feeding.

Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright, Mrs. Bob Bergstrom, Gene Hall, Archie Ball, Mrs. Darrel Harris, Mrs. Barton Clark, Frank Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. William Rawlins.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Rawlins.

John Rawlins, reporter

# Range Research Gains Reported by Oregon State

More beef from Eastern Oregon rangelands may be in the making as a result of research on grazing management in the area.

Oregon State University rangeland researchers have found that a new grazing system for crested wheatgrass can give excellent quality forage for about three months of the five months cattle are on the range and provide better grazing of native bunchgrass range for the other two months.

The new grazing system was developed at the Squaw Butte branch of the Oregon State University agricultural experiment station. It is based on the fact that a rancher can manage crested wheatgrass to produce either one or two crops of stems on one year's moisture supply.

Don Hyder and Forrest Sneva, range conservationists at Squaw Butte, learned that the rancher can control the kind of stems produced—either coarse seed stalks or tender, leafy shoots without seed.

Carefully controlled grazing for "one crop" production—in late May and June—yields a high amount of forage and can avoid so-called "wolf plants."

"Two-crop" management favors growth of highly palatable, leafy stems. It insures maximum early grazing at a time of critical need and also provides better quality late summer forage.

Here's how the "one-crop" and "two-crop" grazing systems work:

In the "one-crop" system, begin grazing crested wheatgrass when seed heads are in the boot, about May 20. Remove cattle when seed heads flower—around June 30. Adjust stocking rates so grazing is close and uniform to control "wolf plants"—an accumulation of old coarse, ungrazed stems.

In the "two-crop" system, begin grazing when grass is about six inches high—usually around May 1. Graze until seed heads are in the boot—about May 20. Hyder and Sneva emphasized that stocking rates should be adjusted so grazing is close about May 20. This stops further growth of wheatgrass seed stalks. If grazing is close enough and soil moisture is adequate, regrowth will be leafy.

Close grazing at the right time nips seed head development and forces the plant to start new growth. Moisture shortages in late June stop growth while the plant is still leafy, or before stems can be produced.

The second crop may be grazed moderately after leafy regrowth has cured in late July or August and September.

The range scientists propose a grazing system which combines "one-crop" and "two-crop" grazing as part of an overall improvement and management plan. By using both systems, a rancher can take better advantage of the good characteristics of crested wheatgrass.

A rancher who fences his crested wheatgrass seedlings into three range units, for example, could "one-crop" a unit one year, "two-crop" it the next two years, and then "one-crop" it again.

By rotating the order of grazing annually, each seeded unit would be grazed "two-crop" for two years and "one-crop" for one year, in every three years. Since both cropping systems would be used on different areas in the same year, excellent quality forage would be provided.

Grazing could be started about May 1 on a "two-crop" unit; switched to the "one-crop" unit for late May and June; then back to the "two-crop" unit in September for a total of three-months' good grazing.

The other two months—roughly July and August—would be made up by grazing native bunchgrass range. Here, again, is an added bonus since the system would improve the native range by decreasing the grazing load on it in early spring.

This "rest" is important to natural improvement of native ranges, the researchers stated.

## Tibbles Gets Honors

Larry Tibbles of Heppner was listed on the honor roll at the University of Oregon, fall term. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles, Heppner.

The university listed 314 students on its honor roll, with 40 of these students achieving a perfect grade point average of 4.0 or all A grades. Students on the honor roll all made grade point averages of 3.5 or above on a study load of 12 or more term hours.

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