



GARY VAN BLOKLAND, Heppner, (right), shows "Ben," his 4-H Hereford which won the over-all Grand Champion Beef at the Pacific International Livestock Show Portland in fall '61. (Show includes 11 western states). Governor Mark Hatfield presented the

### Van Blokland Story Typical As Top 4-H'er

"The story of Gary Van Blokland reads the same as a number of outstanding 4-H club members," remarks N. C. Anderson, Morrow county extension agent. "He, like others, has devoted his time and efforts to being a good 4-H member and to follow the 4-H motto, 'learn by doing.' He has concentrated on being a good market animal feeder and showman."

The climax of his club experience was reached last October when "Ben," his Hereford steer, was chosen over-all Grand Champion at the Pacific International Livestock exposition in Portland. The calf, chosen from the herd of Harold Wright, Heppner, gave Gary the privilege of selecting the best of breeding. His superb job of feeding and showmanship earned him the title of champion showman of beef at the county fair. He also had two grand champion steers at this annual event.

He also had experience with swine, exhibiting top quality hogs.

Starting 4-H club work in Gilliam county in 1954, Gary has

carried projects in beef, swine and health.



Gary, a graduation senior from Heppner high school, is depending on his small outstanding herd of registered Herefords to put him through college. Outstanding Berkshire hogs and registered Hampshire ewes, which he carries as an FFA project, assure him of a good start in a livestock operation.

In addition to making exhibits at county and state fair and Pacific International, Gary had been first place judge on several occasions.

He was awarded a county medal in Agriculture in 1958. Beef award medal in 1961, and was chosen to represent the county at Oregon's 4-H club conference in Salem, in 1962.



SEEDS AND SEED catalogues are the order of the day at the Smith household. Heppner, as young Mike Smith, 11, decides on his plantings for this year's vegetable and flower garden. This is the third year Mike will be carrying an individual garden project.

## Questions Answered for Parents, Boys and Girls

### Just what is 4-H work?

It is the youth program of your county extension service in cooperation with Oregon State University and the U. S. Department of agriculture.

It cooperates with the schools, churches, and other youth organizations in the development of boys and girls.

Helps boys and girls become responsible and useful citizens. Teaches boys and girls desirable skills, attitudes, and ideals for better living.

It also teaches them responsibility for self, family, and community; cooperation — to work with others; leadership, to help others; courtesy—to get along with others; health habits for healthful living; good grooming for attractive appearance; confidence in themselves; pride in a good job well done; to finish what they begin; appreciation of nature, beauty, music and life itself; conservation and proper use of natural resources; ambition and desire for better things and better living; helps parents guide the development of their sons and daughters.

### Why should I be a 4-H club member?

You join your friends in a "do-it-yourself" club where you do things—learn new and better ways; go places—4-H meetings, tours, camps; and make new

friends—who "make their best better."

### How Do I Join?

To be a 4-H club member in Oregon you must . . . be 9 years old before January 1 and under 21; have a project of your own; do your own work; cooperate with your 4-H club leader and fellow 4-H club members; keep 4-H records as required for your project; turn in a project completion card when your project is completed.

### What are the privileges of a 4-H member?

As a 4-H member you may . . . join a 4-H club with other boys and girls; wear 4-H insignia; attend 4-H tours, meetings, camps; participate in 4-H contests and awards programs; exhibit in 4-H classes at fairs.

### How many boys and girls in a club? How many meetings a year?

A 4-H club has . . . an adult leader, 5 or more boys and/or girls enrolled for the same and/or related projects, a plan for 10 or more club meetings.

### Are there Dues?

4-H clubs . . . require no dues or uniforms; has project bulletins and records furnished free by the Oregon State College Extension Service; are led by volunteer leaders who give of their time, skill, and knowledge to the youth of their community; have

33,500 4-H members in Oregon, 2,250,000 in the United States, and many more in other countries. The clubs let their members do their own work—thus they learn by doing.

### How can parents help?

Parents can help by showing interest and enthusiasm; learning about 4-H projects, club meetings, and activities; seeing that proper tools and/or materials are provided for project work; allowing 4-H members to do their own work; attending 4-H special events and some 4-H meetings; serving as a local leader or lending a hand as needed.

### What are some requirements of a 4-H leader?

Requirements for leadership are: a genuine interest and desire to work with boys and girls; a willingness to give time for 4-H club meetings and activities; a willingness to attend leader training meetings; an attitude of cooperation with other leaders in your community.

### What projects are available in Oregon?

Each 4-H member enrolls for one or more of these projects. First year members should start with one project.

These projects include: bee-keeping, electricity, entomology, field crops, and forestry. Horti-

culture, (flowers, vegetables, fruit, beautification of grounds.)

Also livestock, (beef, dairy, dairy goats, dogs, horses, sheep, swine, rabbits,) marketing, poultry, (chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys,) and tractor.

In wildlife are fishing, gun safety, archery, pheasant, and mink.

Other projects are woodworking, child development, clothing for boys, clothing for girls, food preparation, food preservation, home improvement, knitting, photography, automotive, health, junior leadership, and empire builders.

### Special 'Thank You's' Are Extended . . .

Our warmest thanks to all the business places and schools in Heppner, Lexington, Ione, and Boardman who donated "Windows on Main Street" for 4-H club displays this National club week.

A special "thank you" to Ron's Flowers, Heppner, who did a lovely window for the occasion.

Your fine support of the 4-H program is appreciated.

Morrow County 4-H members, leaders, and agents.

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