

New Windbreak Tree Varieties Available

Announcement has been made by the State Forester that their nursery is now able to fill orders for the 1962-63 season which will continue from now until April 1. Some new species have become available with the expansion of their nursery to Elkton as well as the one near Corvallis. For Eastern Oregon windbreaks and woodland plantings they have available Douglas Fir, Ponderosa Pine, Scotch Pine, Lodge Pole Pine, Austrian Pine, Knobcone Pine, Sugar Pine, Grand Fir, White Fir, Shasta Fir, Incense Cedar, Sierra Redwood, Chinese Arborvitae, Norway Spruce, and Rocky Mountain Juniper in the conifers; with broad leaf varieties Black Locust, Caragana, Green Ash, Russian Olive and thornless Honey Locust available. We would be glad to help you plan a windbreak planting and have order blanks with prices available at this office.

Beach To Head Oregon Farm Bureau

Congratulations to Harold Beach, Lexington community rancher, who was chosen last week as "top" man in the Oregon State Farm Bureau. Harold was elected president at their annual convention held in La Grande. The convention, which I attended on Monday and Tuesday was a real work session and several hundred Oregon ranchers were discussing resolutions drafted by county Farm Bureaus that were considered for action and to go on to the National Convention.

Sprays Recommended For Arbovitae Fungus

Each year we have a number of calls from home owners who are concerned when their Arbovitae type shrubs begin to show brown, dead areas in the foliage. First symptoms are a greyish cast to the foliage which then turns a reddish-brown as a blight fungus moves down the small branches which become girdled and die. Only Oriental Arbovitae is attacked with the Golden varieties the most susceptible of all. When this condition occurs the control is to cut out and burn dead or dying twigs and branches, then spray with a tribasic copper sulphate of Copper A using 3 tablespoons per gallon of water. All shrubs including those which appear healthy should be sprayed. A spreader-sticker should be applied to these sprays so that fall rains do not wash this off. We have had some people in the

past who could not find these chemicals. Some trade names for tribasic copper sulphate are Basicop, Miller's Microcop, Chipman Basic Copper Fungicide and Stauffer Neutrocop 53, and California Spray Orthocop 53.

Meeting Set December 13 In Response To Safflower Interest

Several ranchers have called this office or contacted Pacific Oil Seed company's representative in Walla Walla showing interest in the production of Safflower in 1962. Harold Blaine, who is representing Pacific Oil Seeds called a few days ago to make a date for an educational meeting to visit with those who might be interested in growing this crop. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 13, and will be held at the Fair Annex building at the fairgrounds at 1:30 p. m. We have a mimeograph sheet relative to the crop which could be picked up in this office.

Grasshopper Infestations Heavy In Northeast Morrow

Dick Jackson of the Bureau of Entomology stopped by last week on his annual fall grasshopper survey. He reported a heavy infestation of about 12,000 acres of rangeland in the northeast corner of Morrow county that will need to be watched. Other than this, grasshopper infestations were much more spotty than in 1961.

Southworth to Speak At Farm-City Banquet

Morrow county's annual Farm-City Banquet has been announced for Tuesday evening December 11. A good program has been arranged with J. W. Southworth, assistant director of livestock industries, state department of agriculture, Salem, as speaker. The banquet, this year, will not be held during Farm-City Week which was observed nationally November 16-22.

Agriculture's Importance Takes Second Spot in Oregon

Since this is Thanksgiving week it might be timely to point out that Oregon's second largest primary industry is agriculture. This industry generates more than a half billion dollars in buying power each year bringing in more than 200 million dollars from products sold outside the state. It employs more than 77,000 workers which adds up to more than those employed in the lumber and wood products in-



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dustry or the contract construction industry or transportation, communications, and public utilities. There is an investment represented in each Oregon farm worker of \$32,000 which equals twice the investment for each U. S. factory worker. Total farm investments are 2 1/2 billion which are equal to the total assets for all Oregon banks or two-thirds of the annual income received by all Oregonians. These Oregon farmers spend more than 300 million a year for goods and services to produce crops and livestock. In addition they buy the same things for their families that city people buy, food, clothing, drugs, furniture, appliances, and other products and services. Oregon farmers together with other U. S. farmers use more steel in a year than is needed for a year's output of passenger cars, more petroleum products than any other industry, more rubber than required to make 6 million automobiles, more electricity than the cities of Chicago, Houston, Detroit, Baltimore, and Boston combined. Total inventory of farm machinery alone is greater than the assets of the steel industry and five times that of the automobile industry.

Oregon produces many agricultural products that enter into export trade. Chief among these are wheat, feed grains, dairy and poultry products, fruits and vegetables. Portland leads all Pacific Northwest ports in dollar volume of imports and exports and for many years has been the leading grain port of the coast. Farm products account for 4 out of every 5 tons exported at Portland. Oregon farms are an important part of the Nation's farm in that they produce all of the nation's ryegrass and Cheving's fescue seed; more than 90% of the nation's bentgrass, common vetch seed, and filberts; 75%—90% of the nation's red fescue seed and gooseberries; 50% to 75% of the Merion bluegrass seed and loganberries; 25%—50% of Alsike clover seed, crimson clover seed, hairy vetch seed, peppermint, sweet cherries, boysenberries, youngberries and blackberries; 10% to 25% of all the fescue seed, hops, pears, prunes, and raspberries, and snap beans, beets, and peas for processing.

Hermiston Man Farm Bureau Head

Harold Beach, Hermiston, has been elected president of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation to finish the one-year unexpired term of Wiley Clowers, who passed away midway in his term as president.

Beach was elected at the annual meeting of the Oregon Farm Bureau in La Grande last Wednesday. A wheat and cattle rancher from Morrow county, Beach served the past year as first vice president of the organization. He is a graduate engineer with a bachelor of science degree from Purdue university and had 20 years of experience prior to turning to ranching.

Cattlemen Pick Crook Rancher As New President

Oregon Cattlemen's Association at its 49th annual convention in Lakeview recently elected Walter Schrock, Crook county rancher in the Brothers area, president for the coming year. Schrock, a resident of Oregon since 1949, succeeds Don Hotchkiss of Lakeview.

Topics considered at the convention were: (1) relationship of cattlemen to public land users and administrators and the increasing multiple use of lands; (2) discriminatory differential in feed grain rates between Midwest and Northwest which are disadvantageous to Oregon cattlemen; (3) need for a broader tax base to relieve property taxes and need for taxes based on ability of the land to produce.

Bill Marshall, Klamath Falls, was elected first vice president. Second vice presidents are Elton Jackson, Winchester; Earl Smith, Mitchell; Henry Rooper, Wasco; Doug Tippet, Enterprise; and Dick Hotchkiss, Burns. George Johnson is executive secretary of the OCA, in Prineville.

CowBelles, meeting simultaneously, elected Mrs. Earl Smith, Mitchell, state president. Other officers are Mrs. Fran Cherry, Mitchell, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Vi Gouldin, Klamath Falls, vice president, and the following second vice-presidents: Mesdames Wade Officer, Seneca; Wilbur Smith, Dorklee, and J. E. Simmons, Prineville.

Convention registration exceeded 350, and there were close to 500 persons at the banquet in Lakeview's new senior high school gymnasium. A chuck wagon dinner was held Thursday night in the BPOE lodge.

Four-H Officers To Have Training Day December 1

"Learning How to Conduct a Meeting" will be the topic of a 4-H officer's training day set for Saturday, December 1, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Heppner Catholic Parish hall.

The training will be designed to help presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, news reporters and recreation leaders to better understand their responsibilities as a 4-H club officer. Four-H leaders are encouraged to attend the training with their club officers, according to Joe Hay, Morrow county agent.

Movies on 4-H club work will be shown in addition to the officer training. Mrs. Howard Pettyjohn, reporter for the Heppner Gazette-Times, will be teaching news reporters how to write news stories for the paper.

Four-H key leader, Mrs. E. M. Baker, Jone, will be showing the secretaries how to fill out the secretary book and take minutes at a 4-H meeting.

Recreation leaders will learn how to lead games, singing, and other recreational activities. They will be instructed by Esther Kirmis, county extension agent.

Presidents and vice presidents will learn the mechanics of conducting a business meeting and how to set up the meeting room. Joe Hay will be instructing this group.

"Secretaries and news reporters will need to bring some note paper and a pencil to the training day," Hay said.

Mrs. William J. Thomas (the former Leta Humphreys) was in Portland recently for a physical checkup and to meet her sister, Miss Evelyn Humphreys who came in by plane from San Francisco, Calif., to be present for the Thomas wedding November 13. She also met Mr. and Mrs. Royal Gardner who arrived from Burbank, Calif., son-in-law and daughter of Mr. Thomas. He is employed as a stress engineer with the Lockheed Airplane Co.

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Extension Offers Help in Abundant Foods Program

By ESTHER KIRMIS

"How to Use Abundant Foods," a bulletin written by Ruth Klippstein, OSU extension nutrition specialist, has for two years been assisting many Oregonians who have been receiving surplus commodities. Now that Morrow county has adopted the program we plan to make this bulletin available to all recipients.

It's purpose is to help you get the best results when you cook with these abundant foods, some of which may not be familiar to you. The foods being distributed are of excellent quality and will be a valuable addition to family food supplies. Foods that you may not have been in the habit of using are dry milk, beans, rice, lard and cornmeal.

Western homemakers do not use much cornmeal. You'll probably have it on your shelf from now on. The cornmeal being distributed is a very fine ground meal made from yellow corn. The label is marked "degermed." This means that the germ or fatty section of the kernel has been removed in the milling process. Your cornmeal will stay fresh longer this way.

Try cornmeal in many different recipes. How about cornmeal mush for breakfast or crispy corn bread for lunch? Dip biscuit tops in cornmeal for the "French look." Choose a tamale pie for a main dish, roll fish or other foods to try in a mixture of half cornmeal and half flour.

The most common use for cornmeal is to make it into a water and meal mush. Usually the meal is poured into rapidly boiling water. However, very fine cornmeal lumps easily. Avoid this problem by following the Old Southern recommendation of "wetting it down." Measure out the cornmeal called for in the recipe. Add an equal amount of water and stir until the water is well mixed. Allow to

stand for 10 minutes before adding to the boiling water.

Other suggestions in the bulletin are on using dried eggs, dry beans, dry milk, lard, and rice.

These bulletins will be placed in each box of abundant foods that goes out during December. The bulletin will also be available at the county agent's office.

If you're interested in obtaining abundant food to supplement your family groceries, make application with Mrs. Betty McDonald, certification clerk, at the

Public Welfare office at Heppner. The first distribution is scheduled for December 6.

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