

County Agent's Office

Full, Varied Program Billed for Livestockmen

By N. C. ANDERSON

Arrangements are shaping up for the annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association, which will be held November 1 and 2.

The Friday program will consist of a display of new machinery, trucks, campers, and gadgets, which tend to make the job of ranching easier and provide more time for fun with the family. Annual meeting chairman, Dick Wilkinson has been having quite a time getting the number of exhibits arranged for, but predicts it will be worth everyone's time to see these exhibits and visit with the dealers that have them there.

The afternoon meeting is scheduled for a discussion on hay quality and how time of cutting, crimping, crushing, and other haying procedures affect it. Norman Goetze, Farm Crop Specialist, OSU, will have samples of hay for discussing the quality of each of these methods of haying. Committees will have ample time to meet, discuss problems, draft resolutions and recommendations late this first afternoon.

Much enthusiasm is being shown by committees this year because of the annual meeting of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association which will meet the following week and resolutions drafted at the county association can go on for further action.

The Saturday meeting, to be held at the Elks Lodge room will present a varied program. Ronald Baker, Hermiston feedlot owner and chairman of the Beef Advisory Committee for the Hermiston Livestock Research Center, will report on results of wintering trials and other livestock research carried out at the station during the past year. The Morrow County Livestock Growers Association is interested in the station from contributions made by the association and individual growers so that this research work could be carried out. There will be reports on the control of Branching Knapweed and disease control.

The joint livestock association Farm-City banquet is expected to draw a large crowd. Advance sale of tickets is now being made at the banks in Heppner and by each of the Soil Conservation District supervisors as well as this office. The banquet, scheduled to be held in the new Heppner high school cafeteria, will feature an outstanding program. Those who are making the arrangements promise a lot of entertainment and a minimum of speeches.

Dr. Don Hunter of the Audio-Visual Department, University of Oregon, Eugene, will present his

outstanding "Sights and Sounds of Oregon," which no one will wish to miss seeing. Both Conservation and Cattle man of the Year will be presented during the evening. Plan now to set aside the days of November 1 and 2 to attend your annual meeting and enjoy an evening of fun at the Saturday evening banquet.

Gaines Scores High in India Wheat Tests

Word from the New Delhi, India, Office of Wheat Associates, informs us that Gaines Wheat scored high in chappati tests conducted at the Indian Food Ministeries Quality Laboratory when run recently. Representative samples of this year's crop sent for testing by the Oregon Wheat Commission included Brevor, Omar, Western White, and Soft White, in addition to the Gaines. Using Punjabi indigenous wheat as control, the five samples were prepared in chappatis and scored by a panel of impartial judges.

Local Indian wheat scored highest as expected, but Gaines ranked a close second. After Gaines, following closely was Soft White, but Western White, Brevor, and Omar fared quite poorly. Dr. Pingale, chief, later informed Wheat associates that he has instructed its supply mission in the U. S. to now specify Soft White in ordering wheat. Previously all white wheat purchase orders specified Western White Wheat only. Some of the samples tested came from Morrow county. Those who hesitated to seed Gaines this fall, in preference to Omar, might be eased a little in mind because of this situation.

Precipitation Tops Average

Precipitation for the growing season September 1, 1962 to September 1, 1963, at the Heppner weather station totaled 15.78 inches. This is in comparison to a normal season of 13.25 for this station. This gets us off to a good start for a new crop year with an abundance supply of moisture in our summer fallow. Most all of the earlier seeded wheat is looking excellent, although we have had a report or two from ranchers who are "tearing" out some of this seeded wheat because of an abundance of cheatgrass. Most have held off to get a good kill before seeding. The fall has been wonderful for this.

Soils Judging Day Set

Recently we announced a soils judging field day for Wednesday, October 23. We hope everyone has marked this date down on their calendar and is holding it. We will meet at the fair grounds at 1:15 p.m. for this op-

CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY

(From Oregon Crop and Livestock Reporting Service)

For Week Ending Oct. 11, 1963

Weeding, fertilizing and seeding in full swing. Pasture condition in most areas excellent. Early seedings green-up. Alfalfa seed harvest under way. Rainfall of one-fourth to one-third inch helped to start new weeds after weeding of summer fallow; welcomed in mountains to relieve dry situation there. Weather continues warm. Ranges and pastures above average for this time of year. Contracted calves now moving to buyers.

portunity to learn all about soils. The field day will be made educational through a "friendly" contest. Prizes for women, men and youth have been provided by Inland Chemical Company. Plan to attend.

Swine Hearing Announced

The State Department of Agriculture will hold a hearing in the conference room of the agricultural building, Salem, at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 22, to receive testimony and comment on some proposed regulations. These regulations will be concerned with the vaccination of swine for hog cholera, importation of swine into Oregon, disease reportable by veterinarians, retesting suspects to tuberculosis test, disposition at auction markets of animals affected of cancer eye and other considerations.

Soviet Tops Our Flour Consumption by 4 to 1

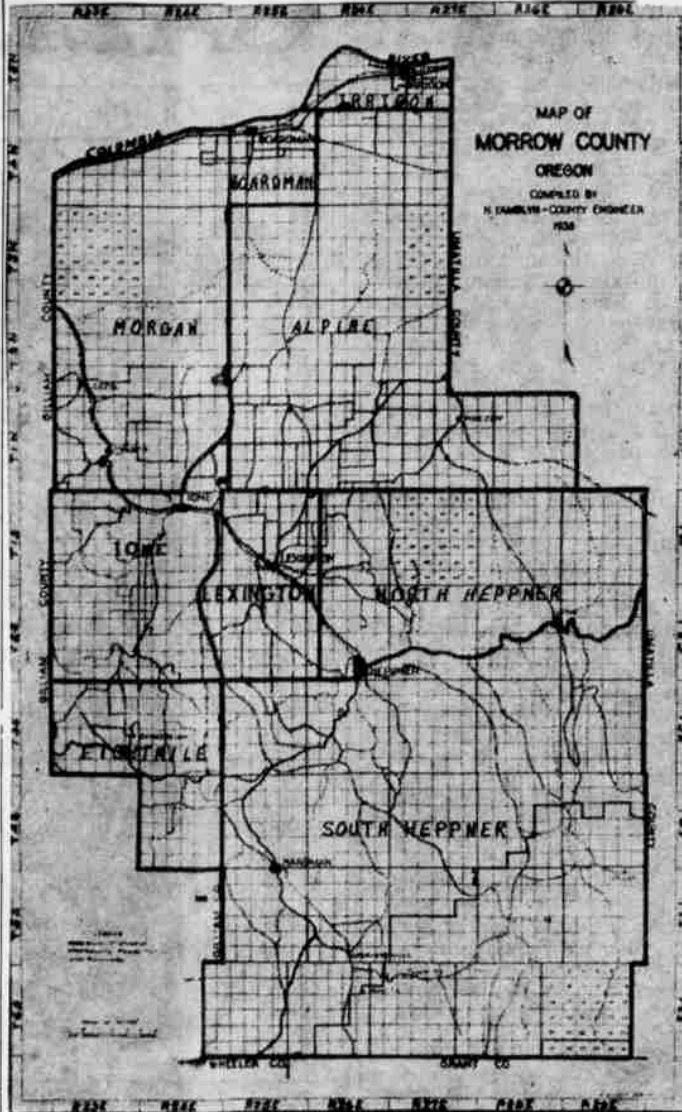
In following the discussion, controversies, complications, and general opinion of individuals and organized groups whether to sell or not to sell wheat to Russia, it was interesting to discover something about the Russian diet. It is reported that one recent study estimated per capita consumption of flour in the Soviet at 439.8 pounds including 193.5 pounds of rye flour, 202.4 pounds of wheat flour, and 43 pounds of other flour. U. S. per capita consumption of wheat flour is about 115 pounds. By comparison, it looks like the Russians like their bread.

The National Association of Wheat Growers, commenting on the possible sale of wheat to Russia, warned against farmers getting too optimistic about the effects of a Russian wheat sale. They pointed out that:

1. We now have excess supplies of wheat of about 1.2 billion bushels;
2. Even if Russia is short 300 to 500 million bushels this year, and Eastern Europe's production is down 300 million bushels from last years' production record due primarily to excess rainfall during the harvest season we are still harvesting in 1963, the third largest world wheat crop on record—8.325 billion bushels. World wheat production exceeded this in only two years, 1958-1959 and 1962-1963.
3. Russia normally exports from 100 to 200 million bushels of wheat annually. France usually exports more wheat than she imports. No doubt Russia and Eastern Europe will redouble their efforts to produce more wheat next year.
4. Even if our exports should equal or surpass 300 million bushels during this marketing year, this does not represent any long-range solution to the wheat problem. It will probably be a one-shot deal.
5. There is serious doubt that such a one-shot temporary increase in our foreign markets is worth the chance in over-seeding and loss of history.

See us for envelopes of all kinds. The Gazette-Times.

FARM NEWS



THIS MAP shows the nine areas of Morrow county from which community ASCS committees will be elected.

ASCS Elections Due Soon

Election of Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation community committeemen is to be held soon in Morrow county. David McLeod of the ASCS office states:

Present committees will select a slate of nominees from eligible producers in each community. Choosing those who are willing to serve as committeemen for the 1964 program year.

Duty of the elected community committeemen is to assist the county committee in administering the various Federal farm programs within the county. Chairman of each community committee attends a convention held to elect the county com-

mittee of three regular and two alternate committeemen.

"It is an important duty, as well as an obligation to one's self and all other farmers, that all producers participate in the election of the most desired and qualified men to the county committee," McLeod states. "The county committee's responsibility is to administer all Federal farm programs in the best interest of farmers and the public they serve."

The map of the county shown above is divided into nine communities. Producers living within each community elect committees made up of five men, three regular members and two

Chats From Your Home Agent

Home Ec Moves Forward As Science

By ESTHER KIRMIS

Is Homemaking just a matter of pushing buttons, or is it a science for which women should prepare themselves with technical study?

Mrs. William Rawlins, Heppner, said her daughter Carol, who is taking high school home economics, is learning things she herself didn't know after 16 years of homemaking.

Home economics has moved forward both technically and intellectually. Unfortunately many people don't know this. If you took home economics 20 years ago, you would find times have changed. It isn't just cooking and sewing. The study includes the whole role of homemaking, consumer education, money management and how to make a house or apartment attractive. Girls study new textile fibers, wardrobe organization, selection and care of appliances, nutrition, child care, and family health.

So you see, home economics has changed!

"Fun With Rolls" Lesson Reported Successful

Reading reports sent in by Mrs. Dean Graves, Heppner; Mrs. James Pettyjohn, Ione; and Mrs. Paul Warren, Heppner (secretaries of their various extension units) the "Fun With Rolls" lesson was informative, interesting, and enjoyable—especially the eating part!

I haven't heard from Pine City, Irrigon, and Boardman units yet, but I'm sure they will report the same.

Mrs. Bud Peck, one of Heppner's project leaders' came up with a list of seven names of women who would like the booklet, "Master the Art of Yeast Bread," which I had given to the project leaders.

I've put in an order for 25 more copies. So if you'd like one call the county agent's office, (676-9642).

Green Tomatoes

With the threat of frost soon, many people are blessed with green tomatoes and would like to do something with them. Such is the case of Mrs. Laura Moyer, Heppner, who called the other day.

We have a new bulletin, "Pickle Pointers," put out by OSU that has a green tomato

alternates, to represent them during the following calendar year.

Each eligible voter will receive mailed ballots sometime before November 19 with instructions on voting. Further details may be obtained from the ASCS office in the Gilliam and Bisbee building, Heppner.

relish recipe in it. Would you like one?

Mrs. Wallace Wolff, Heppner, also asked what could be done with the hundreds of small cherry tomatoes that she has. In looking over pamphlets we had, she settled on tomato puree which she can use this winter in soups and stews.

By the way, Mrs. Wolff is going to lead a 4-H foods club this year for her 9-year-old twin daughters, Shelley and Kelley, and a few of their friends.

Fourth Grade Survey

Speaking of 4-H, Joe Hay and I have sent out a survey sheet to all the fourth graders in the county to see if any are interested in joining a 4-H club.

At the rate the sheets are coming in, many a fourth grader would like to broaden his experience by becoming a 4-H member.

Secretary and News Reporters Books to be Judged

The 1962-63 4-H secretary and news reporter's books, turned in to the office, will be judged by Mrs. E. M. Baker, Ione, and Mrs. Howrad Pettyjohn, Heppner, on October 22.

They will be given a blue, red, or green sticker, according to their merit. Books will be turned back to the officers on Achievement Party Nights, October 26 in Irrigon; and November 8 in Heppner.

Four-H leaders judged the project records, 4-H Story, and Permanent Record this year.

We Will Deliver Your Processed Meat

Free Of Charge To Heppner, Lexington Ione.

WHOLESALE MEATS

CUSTOM SLAUGHTERING SCHEDULE:

Hogs	Tuesday
Cattle	Wed., Thurs.
Sheep	Any Day

Follett Meat Co.

Hermiston, Oregon
Ph. JO 7-6651
On Hermiston-McNary Highway

Seed Cleaning and Treating

At Our Plant--
Or In The Country--

HAROLD ERWIN

HEPPNER CALL COLLECT PM. 676-5806

See us for envelopes of all kinds. The Gazette-Times.

Anti-Freeze TIME

FARMERS -- HUNTERS -- LABORERS!

PERMANENT ANTI-FREEZE

BY THE GALLON OR CASE
NO LIMIT

See Us For All Your
TRUCK AND TRACTOR TIRE NEEDS

FORD'S TIRE SERVICE

441 N. MAIN HEPPNER

PH. 676-9481



Chemical fallow with Atrazine gives outstanding Cheatgrass control

The practice of chemical fallow promises to take another important step forward with the introduction of new Atrazine herbicide into the program. Even under this year's conditions... which experts have been calling "one of the worst situations we can remember"... control of Cheatgrass and other weeds was outstanding with chemical fallow based on Atrazine.

A single spray of 1/2 lb. of Atrazine 80W per acre (plus a contact herbicide such as Amitrole), applied to emerged weeds in early winter, generally eliminated the necessity for tillage until late April or May.

Multiple benefits

The primary benefit of this program is to keep Cheat and other grasses and weeds under control (and Cheat that's controlled can't produce seeds for next year). In addition, moisture and soil nutrient losses are held to a minimum and soil erosion... by both wind and water... is reduced because the stubble mulch has not been destroyed. All this plus a real saving in labor.

For 1963-64

This is the year to try Atrazine on a trial basis. Treat one of your smaller fields with the combination of 1/2 lb. of Atrazine 80W per acre plus the

locally recommended amount of a contact herbicide. Prepare to be amazed at the fine control of Cheat next spring...without having touched a weeder!

Spray with ground equipment any time after weeds emerge up to January 1st. Be careful about overlap, however, since a double or triple dose of Atrazine could adversely affect next year's stand of wheat. And, don't treat shallow or very sandy soils. (If you're on two-year fallow, the rate of Atrazine 80W is 2 lbs. per acre.)

Readily available

Atrazine is readily available in 5-lb. bag sizes. Chemical fallow with Atrazine can help you get more production per acre... and do it for less money.

Geigy Agricultural Chemicals, Division of Geigy Chemical Corporation, Saw Mill River Road, Ardsley, N. Y.

Geigy Atrazine

CREATED BY CHEMISTS FOR MODERN AGRICULTURE