

County Agent's Office

Public Demand Shown For Management Study

By N. C. ANDERSON
Recently a steering committee composed of Louis Carlson, Kenneth Turner, Paul Tews and Dean Graves met with Manning Becker, farm management specialist, OSU, to discuss the possibility of a farm management shortcourse for this winter.

Because of this continual demand, the steering committee, (the same group with exception of the substitution of Deane Graves for Harry Proudfoot), reviewed possible subjects related to the demand from our ranchers. After an evening of planning, the group decided to contact growers in the various communities to feel out interest.

Some of the questions that they will ask are: Do you know how to figure cost of raising a bushel of grain? Analyze your own farm records? Minimize your income tax, decide between alternative farm programs? Decision making, economic principles of farm management, record analysis and tax management will be stressed if a shortcourse is held.

Dates set were December 10, 11, 17 and 18, from 10:00 to 12:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you are interested in this type of a shortcourse and haven't been contacted by a steering committee member in your community, we would suggest that you visit with them soon.

Arizona Ranks High Agricultural Producer
Ex-County Judge, Garnett Barratt, who everyone will admit was a booster of Morrow county and Oregon when he resided here, is equally as faithful to his newly adopted land of Arizona.

Average Calf Prices Found Below '62 Sale
I stopped by the Madras auction sale yard last Wednesday afternoon to see what calves were bringing at a special feeder sale there. I have had reports from local ranchers that prices were down on weaner calves but couldn't quite agree when 100 head of 411 lb. Angus steers sold for \$31.70 and 50 head followed, weighing 420 lbs., brought \$29.70.

Farm Land Values Show Steady Rise
But regardless of the price of farm commodities, whether grain or livestock, Oregon farm land values continued to increase in value during the first half of this year. At mid-year, value per acre averaged 5% above March 1, and 7% above July 1, 1962.

Pure Bred Sheep Sale Coming
One hundred seventy-five pure bred ewes and ewe lambs of 13 different breeds will be offered at the 6th annual Pure Bred Sheep Breeders Association sale on Saturday, November 9.

Rural Club Holds Meeting in Heppner
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Low Level Feed Ratio Proved Best for Calves
Some recent research at the Union Experiment Station in wintering heifers replacements shows that a low level feeding program the first winter followed with a medium level ration the second winter resulted in a cheaper cost of wintering, a heavier final weight, and a greater calving percentage than a high level feeding the winter the heifers were calves, followed by a medium ration the winter that they were producing their first calf.

Those fed a high level ration the first winter, a medium the second winter consumed 808 lbs. of grain and weighed 998 lbs. in their final weight, calving a 76% calf crop. The secret here was good pasture gains, the grass costing much less than the grain. In the low level feeding no grain was fed; in the medium level 2 lbs. per day; in the high 4 lbs. per day of grain.

Home Planning Needed To Give Carefree Holiday

Holiday jobs should go smoothly this year for members of the county Extension units after their November meetings, says Esther Kirmis, Morrow county extension agent.

Project leaders from all the units in the county, led by Miss Kirmis, met for training on October 24, at the Lexington school and planned a calendar of jobs to be done for December.

Project women will teach other women in their community how to apply the steps of decision making to their own problems, explains the agent. They include: Consider your resources (time, talent, money, etc.), set a goal, think through alternatives, make a decision, then take action.

The November lesson entitled "The Twelve Days of Christmas," is a parody on the old English Christmas carol, even the man keeps adding a gift each day until his lady love has quite an array. This is a time management lesson, and based on the song, shows how doing things each day can add to a more carefree holiday season.

The lines go like this—(Each gives tips on household jobs that need to be done. 12 days of shopping, 11 cake pans popping, 10 foods a-freezing, 9 rolls of wrapping, 8 tools to brighten, 7 lovely linens, 6 shining windows, 5 golden flames, 4 pies to bake, 3 long lists, 2 happy hours to trim the Christmas tree, 1 call to make then — A Carefree Christmas Eve.)

The agents offered the following bulletins to assist in these holiday tasks. These are available at the county agent's office: Oregon Sweets, Better Baking and Broiling, Foods from the Freezer, Gift Wrapping, Care of Metals, Color for your Fireplace, New Wrinkles in Ironing, Stain Removal, Christmas Parties, Christmas Decorations and Decorative Tin-Can Craft.

If you would like a carefree Christmas—perhaps you would like to attend one of these meetings closest to you, invited Miss Kirmis. November 6—Rhea Creek extension unit, Rhea Creek Grange hall. November 7—Jone extension unit, Mrs. James Pettyjohn's. November 12—Heppner extension unit, Heppner Fair Annex. November 13—Pine City extension unit, Pine City School. November 14—Irrigon extension unit, Old Irrigon School. November 15—Boardman extension unit, Mrs. Harold Walker's.

Rural Club Holds Meeting in Heppner

After school on October 22, the Ruralettes 4-H club made a trip to Heppner to purchase material for head scarves and aprons. Our meeting was held in the county 4-H club room. Roll call was answered by each member naming a part of the sewing machine. Mrs. Roland Bergstrom, our leader, explained how to read the end of a bolt of material also how some materials will shrink and fade when washed.

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FARM NEWS

Party to Feature Informal Program At Awards Night

Four-H members will be honored at the south Morrow 4-H Achievement party on Friday night, November 8. The "party type" achievement party will be held at the new Heppner High school multipurpose room starting at 7:30, according to Joe Hay, county extension agent.

Special award medals in the National 4-H Awards Program will be presented to boys and girls who have done an outstanding job in the fields of achievement, agriculture, beef, dairy, swine, gardening, leadership, recreation, safety, home economics, clothing, dress revue, food preparation, and home improvement. These medals are provided by nationally known companies who sponsor the 4-H National Awards program.

This year's achievement party will be quite different from past years, Hay said. Following a short awards program there will be games, dancing, movies, and refreshments for everyone. The games will be carnival type games with prizes being provided for the winners. Music for the dancing will be provided by the Heppner High school dance band. Scenic movies will be provided for those who wish to view them and refreshments will be served while the party is in progress.

"This should be a much more informal, relaxed, and enjoyable achievement party for everyone," Hay said. "We hope to have a large turnout for the party." Helping with the planning and setting up of the achievement party are Mrs. Louis Carlson, achievement party chairman, Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Mrs. Nels Anderson, and Mrs. George Luciano.

Annual Dinner Well Attended

LEXINGTON — The annual Three Links club Turkey Dinner held at the Lexington IOOF hall Saturday evening was well attended. The lodge takes this opportunity to thank all people who helped make the dinner such a fine success.

The second in the series of monthly card parties will be Saturday night at the IOOF hall. The public is urged to attend and build up scores for the grand prizes. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cool and children from Pendleton were week-end visitors at the home of her mother, Mrs. Florence McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jackson of Hermiston were Lexington callers on Saturday. Motoring to Pendleton this week were Mrs. Gene Majeske, Mrs. Ron Crabtree and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer. Mr. and Mrs. George Irvin and children of Rufus were Lexington visitors Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Leyva and children spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall. The Leyvas make their home in Hood River. Mrs. Dallas Rea of Pendleton visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Palmer on Monday.

Mrs. Armin Whilon is employed at Stefani's Cafe in Ione. Mrs. Dean Hunt and daughter Jeannene were Walla Walla visitors last Wednesday. Recent word from the Walter Smiths, former pastor and family reports that they are now settled in their home at Jasper and are enjoying their ministerial work there. Their mailing address is Rt. 1, Box 343, Springfield.

Date Set To Close Summer Trout Season

Regular season trout fishing in the State of Oregon comes to a close October 31. After that date, trout anglers must abide by the winter regulations provided by the state. Contrary to the summer rules where all waters are open unless specified, the winter rules list only those waters open to winter angling. During the winter season, bag limits also reduced from the summer regulations to 2 trout, salmon and steelhead 12 inches and over per day, 4 such fish in possession or seven consecutive days.

Local anglers will be little affected by the change, however, as the closing date for summer angling signals the closing of trout fishing in the Heppner area. Tell the advertiser you saw it in the Gazette-Times.

CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY

(For the week ending Oct. 25)
Some fall seeding left to be done, waiting for adequate moisture for germinating weeds. Most seedings are up and becoming well established. In some cases, early seedings have lots of grass. Some alfalfa seed to be harvested but the majority is complete. Most of the calves are weaned and delivered to contact buyers, others holding for stronger prices. Weaning weights are the best ever. Fall range excellent. First killing frost in most of the county on October 18.

Awards Given Winners in 13 North 4-H Clubs

Members from 13 north Morrow 4-H clubs received their pins and certificates of achievement at the north Morrow 4-H achievement party Saturday evening, October 26. The party was held at the new Irrigon school cafeteria starting at 6:30 with a potluck supper.

Special entertainment for the evening was presented by the Irrigon Assembly of God junior choir, with Mrs. Albert Partlow as director and accompanist.

County medals in the National Awards program went to Penny Jones for recreation, Franell Walker and Anne Obermeier, dress revue; Shirley Jackson, home economics; Susan McCoy and Carol Anne Harper, food preparations; Tom Van Horn and Byron Hobbs, home improvement. Susan McCoy, Irrigon, won a General Foods Cook book for being the outstanding foods club member in the county this year.

Helping to plan and conduct the achievement party were Mrs. Harold Van Horn, Mrs. Ival Sullivan, Mrs. George Sawyer, Mrs. Chester Wilson, and Mrs. Helen Franke all of Irrigon. Nearly 100 4-H members, parents, and leaders attended the event.

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Chats From Your Home Agent

District Leader Helps Advisors with Plans

By ESTHER KIRMIS
Mrs. Joe Wright, Heppner, was hostess to members of the County Advisory Committee on October 23. Special guest was Mrs. L. D. Vinson, Kimberly, who is the district director for the Home Economics units of Morrow, Gilliam, Grant, and Umatilla Counties.

She tries to visit with our county committee once a year and also attends our Home-makers Festival in May. (She was born and raised in the Lexington area so many of you remember her as Doris Padberg). She informed us that her term as district director would expire in May and that it was Morrow county's turn to select a director.

Plans were made to ask Mrs. Riddle Lage, past-president of the Oregon Home Economics Council, Hood River, to be the Homemaker festival speaker this May. She attended the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) Triennial in Melbourne, Australia in 1962. Others on the county advisory committee include Mrs. John Graves, Heppner; Mrs. James Pettyjohn, Ione; Mrs. Weldon Witherrite, Echo; Mrs. Paul Slaughter, Irrigon, and Mrs. Walter Hayes, Boardman.

Cleaning Windows: Now I've heard the latest in cleaning windows! Mrs. John Graves says she uses Coke. She lets it dry slightly and washes it off with a wet sponge. I've heard of vinegar, kerosene, newspapers, and rust removers. Now it's Coke!

Project Training Place Changed: We've been regular visitors to the Lexington school this past month. We find the empty rooms upstairs quite convenient to hold our project leader trainings and workshops.

Before this we journeyed to the Pine City school in the Echo area. But Boardman and Irrigon people say if they come down the Boardman Bombing range road, that it is not further to come to Lexington than it is to Pine City. Lexington is more convenient for people from the other units. So when the school became available, we jumped at the chance. (Mrs. R. H. Davidson, hot lunch cook, fixes us coffee, too).

Jessalee Mallalieu, OSU recreation specialist, is training leaders in smokists there. She will conduct her last two days on

October 31 and November 1. Then local leaders will conduct a similar workshop in their home communities.

Paper Sacks Have Many Uses: Speaking of Lexington school, the teachers there—Mrs. Cleo Robinson, Mrs. Donald Knighten, and Mrs. Fordyce Hills—always have an attractive bulletin board in the hall.

This past week, in deference to Halloween, they have a paper owl resting on a tree branch, and a large moon in the background. The paper sack owl fascinated me as its head was the bottom of the sack folded over and "construction-paper feathers" were pasted down his front. They were also telling me of that pumpkins and witches and many other things could be made out of paper bags.

Fire Scare; Safety Pays: You perhaps heard that we had a fire scare at Mrs. Anita Stockard's a few Saturdays ago. (An old refrigerator in the vacant apartment next to mine caught on fire.) We were surely grateful to all the local firemen that showed up and made quick finish to it all.

As if by fate, the next Monday a news article from Charles Ross, OSU extension forester, was on my desk telling us that Oregonians need to clear the smoke from some of their ideas about home fires. Last year, says Charlie, fire cost \$15 million to Oregon home and farms.

The OSU specialist lists two rules for controlling home fires. Know the high potential risks—then eliminate them. Causes are shown through accident statistics: small children left unattended near open fires, a container of gasoline brought indoors, (triple the hazard if the container is glass), spark-producing equipment poerated near paint thinners, use of flammable hair sprays near flames, children playing with matches, overheated or defective chimneys or flues, and electricity and defective wiring.

The careless smoker and user of matches just about always tops the fire causing list. One in four Oregon home fires last year was started in this way. Another one-fourth resulted from ignition of hot grease, oil, tar and petroleum products. The kitchen—the source of many fat fires—is the most dangerous room in the house. Heating systems—stoves, furnaces, chimneys, and flues—do

not cause as many fires as they once did. Newer homes have chimneys with flue liners, and many new homes are heated with electricity. Nevertheless, heating systems, as mentioned, ranked third as cause of home fires in Oregon last year.

Electricity and defective wiring, open lights and hot metals, including electrical devices, were responsible for most of the remaining home fires. In fact, if all hazard sources listed were lumped together, they'd account for 90 per cent of the fire risk to Oregon homes, says Ross.

The OSU Extension specialist says that dangers from fire can almost be eliminated if families will periodically attend to removal of fire hazards.

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Effective weed control in fence rows and other noncrop areas eliminates a primary source of weed seeds. It also gets rid of a serious fire hazard and cuts maintenance costs by doing away with hand cutting of hard-to-mow areas. Insects and rodents thrive in rampant weed growth, especially around buildings. Eliminate weeds and you eliminate a large part of this problem. . . and, of course, improve both the appearance and value of your farm or ranch.

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