

# FARM NEWS

County Agent's Office

## Forty Participate In Judging Day

By N. C. ANDERSON

Forty 4-H boys and girls with 14 parents participated in the spring 4-H livestock judging field day held Saturday at the new livestock barn at the fair grounds. Six classes of market hogs, lambs, steers, breeding sheep and beef were judged during the afternoon. Club members, in addition to placing the six classes, gave written reasons on one class of their choice, and many were called upon for oral reasons at the time official placings were given for each of the classes. First place winner was Terryl (Tag) Greenup with 610.2 points out of a possible 700. Maureen Doherty had 605.9; Dale Van Blokland, 562.6; David Hall, 528.9; and Patti Healy, 525.4, for the five top placing judges. This was one of three contests which are held during the year to average out scores in selecting the teams to represent Morrow county at dairy and meat animal livestock judging contests at State Fair and the Pacific International Livestock Exposition. Providing the classes for the judging event were Marcel Jones, lambs; Terryl Greenup, breeding ewes; Don Robinson and Herbert Ekstrom, Hereford heifers; Kenneth Smouse, market hogs; the Bernard Doherty family and FFA boys for two classes of Hereford steers.

### Weed Handbook Out

The 1964 Oregon weed control handbook is out. While this has been used mainly as a reference book by chemical dealers and applicators, it does contain all of the up-to-date recommendations for any type of weed control imaginable. It covers selective control of weeds in field crops, including cereals, grass seed and legumes, peppermint, sugar beets, potatoes, seed flax and pastures; horticulture weeds, including vegetable crops, small fruits, orchards, ornamentals and nurseries; turf, home gardens, soil fumigants, plant growth regulators, aquatic weed control, chemicals for pre-harvest drying of seed crops, forest and range weed control, weed and brush control along highways, roadsides and fence lines, irrigation, drainage canals and soil sterilants. It contains a list of the physical properties of herbicides and contains useful tables for determining rates of application and calibration. The handbook is revised each year and is available from the OSU Bookstore at Corvallis for \$3.00.

### Machine Aids Wheat Use

Joe Spiruta, director of the Delhi office of Western Wheat Associates, reports in his latest news letter progress of developing a chappatti-making machine. Chappattis are the basic North Indian bread that use a lot of Burt wheat from the Pacific Northwest. One company that manufactures a machine that makes a Mexican tortilla has volunteered to try its equipment using chappatti dough. The introduction of such a machine into India could have a very significant influence in the consumption of wheat taking most of the labor out of the preparation of the chappatti for which Burt wheat is so well adapted.

### Rust-Free Outlook Good

Prospects for a poor stripe rust year look good. A summary of favorable conditions made at the Sherman Branch Experiment Station showed that in comparison to the 1963 crop, we had only 30 days of favorable conditions last fall compared to 75 days in the fall preceding the 1963 crop. Last year there were 60 favorable days in the spring from the first of March to the first of May. To date, we have had no favorable rust weather. Favorable rust weather is described as temperatures between 40 to 50 degrees and an inch or more rain per month. There were some rust infections reported to this office last fall. Dr. Bob Powellson, OSU plant path-

ologist, will be in the county the afternoon of April 9. If anyone has seen rust infections recently, I would appreciate knowing in order that we might check out these.

### Highway Spray Meet Set

County spray crews, commercial applicators, weed supervisors and any others who might be interested are invited to attend the annual highway spray meeting which will be held soon. The Extension Service cooperates with the State Highway Department and the State Department of Agriculture in holding these meetings each year. Two are scheduled for this area—at The Dalles on April 8 in the courthouse annex room (114); and on April 9 at Pendleton, State of Oregon Building, South East Emigrant Avenue. The program gets underway at 10:00 A. M. and lasts through mid-afternoon.

### Frank Aughney Dies

Many wheat growers who have had associations with Frank Aughney will be sorry to hear of his death. Mr. Aughney, who for many years was manager of the Pacific Northwest Grain and Grain Products association, died suddenly on March 26. He was in Seattle to appear at an L.C.C. hearing. Mr. Aughney was a dedicated public servant and has been responsible for holding down increased freight rates of farm commodities in the area. It will be hard to replace a man that has understood so well the complicated freight rate regulations and kept up with their application and effect on the economy of our area.

### Chemical Hits Knotweed

Farmers of Northwest Morrow county that are having a problem of knotweed in wheat will be happy to hear that Banvel D (Sicamba) has been cleared for use on spring and winter wheat. In most cases, knotweed has been a problem in combination

## Monument

By MARTHA MATTESON

MONUMENT—Easter Sunday was rather warm in Monument—the thermometer climbed up to 77 degrees.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKennon and children of Heppner

with Tarweed and mustard. The recommended application is 1/4 pound Banvel D, 3/4 pound 2,4-D. At the 1/4 pound per acre rate of Banvel D, one quart will spray 16 acres of grain. Spurry, a weed that has been causing some problem in the Eightmile area, can be partly controlled (70%) using 1/4 pound Banvel D plus 3/4 pound 2,4-D.

Preliminary estimates place Oregon's 1963 cash receipts from farm marketings at approximately \$426 million, down \$10 million, or 2%, from 1962. This figure does not include direct government payments. Livestock accounted for around \$191 million—down nearly 5%. Crop receipts, at \$235 million, were off only a shade. Production expenses on Oregon's farms in 1963 are not yet available. Such expenses add up to better than \$363 million in 1962, the highest of record. Nationally, production expenses are estimated to have climbed about 2% last year.

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spent Easter with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hinton. Leroy Buxton of John Day visited his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Buxton, on Sunday. Mrs. Anna Cowden of Portland spent Easter with her grandchildren and their mother, Mrs. Frances Noland. Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Martin and two sons of Prineville spent Easter here with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thompson and children of John Day spent Easter visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cox and family and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Scott. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gilman and children of Condon spent Easter here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman. Mr. and Mrs. George Morrell

had as guests at their home their son, Al Morrell and his son Don of Florence. Owen Smith drove to Portland after his father, who is visiting them a while. Mrs. Robert Gienger and granddaughter, Sherry, spent the week-end at the Ivan Gienger home at Mt. Vernon. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matteson spent four days in Pendleton last week on dental and medical business. They visited at the Georgia Wynn home. Mr. and Mrs. Norris Stubblefield visited relatives in Umatilla last week-end. Jimmy Neal of Long Creek is staying at the Bill Neal home and will finish the rest of the school year here.

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"SUDS AND HI-FASHION" laundry clinic is being planned by the Morrow county advisory committee for April 23 at the Boardman High school. From left to right are Mrs. Jim Pettyjohn, Ione; Mrs. Weldon Witherrite, Echo; Mrs. John Graves and Mrs. Joe Wright, both of Heppner.

## Laundry Clinic Slated April 23

"Laundering 1964 style dresses and other clothes is far more complicated than in the good old days," says Esther Kirmis, Morrow county home extension agent. A multitude of questions

on laundering comes into the extension offices.

To help consumers solve these problems, a 2-hour program "Suds and High Fashion" will be sponsored by the Extension Service on April 23 at the Riverside School gym, Boardman, Oregon starting at 1:30 p.m.

Included will be an unique fashion show conducted by Mary Behrens, home economist with one of the largest manufacturers of laundry equipment.

Dresses, childrens clothes, and other garments washed by various laundry procedures will be modeled. These clothes will show what might be expected in better looking clothes with less work when proper procedures are followed. The newest in stretch fabrics and wash and wear will be modeled.

Also on the program will be a review of some of the newest textile fibers by the county extension agent and a discussion of laundry problems (or hard water problems) by Bernice Strawn, OSU extension home management specialist, Corvallis.

The meeting is free to the public. A similar meeting will be held in Pendleton on April 22 at the Vert Memorial theater.

Money receipt books in duplicate and triplicate are on sale at the Gazette-Times.

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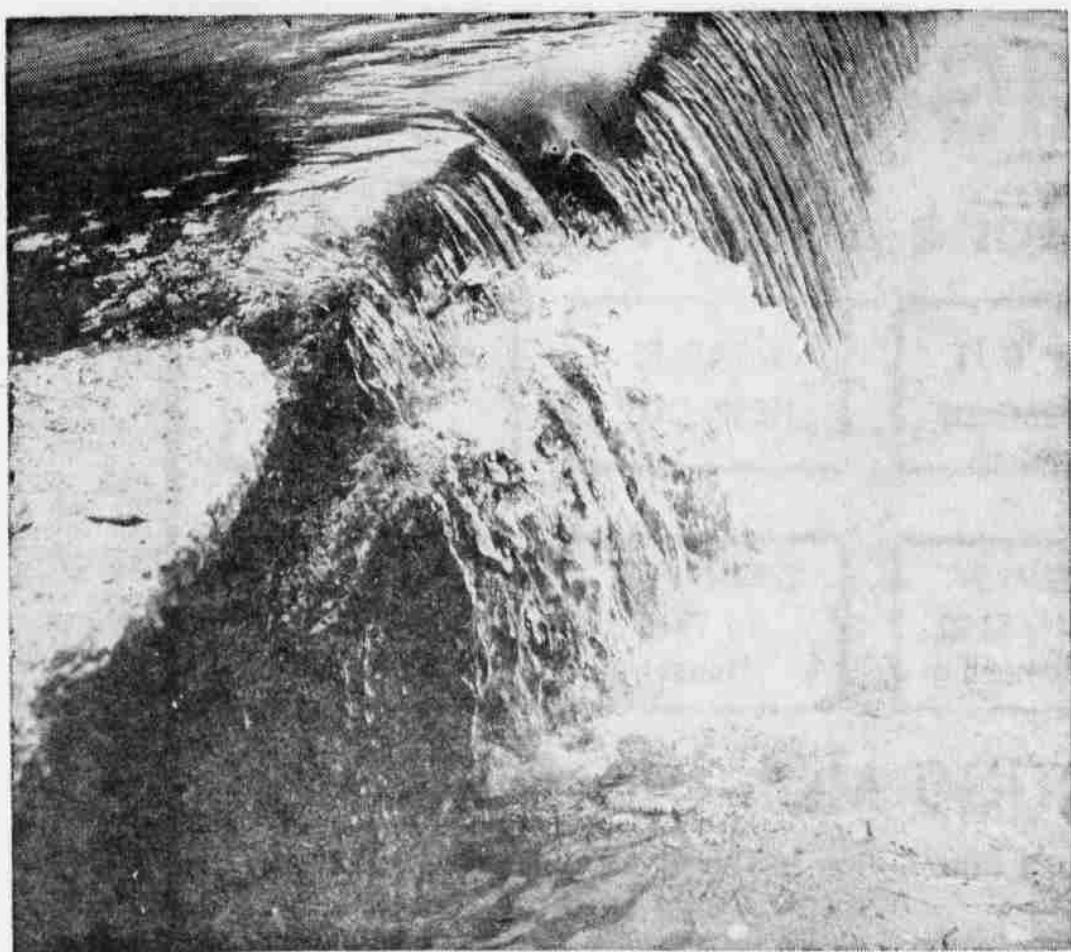
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