

FARM NEWS

County Agent's Office

Agent Advises Ranchers To File Gas Tax Report

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Ranchers who have been busy harvesting and have not given attention to their Federal Gas Tax Refund report are reminded that this is the time of year for submitting this report.

To get this refund of Federal Gasoline Tax you must file a claim on Form 2240. All ranchers who have filed for Farmers Gas Tax Refund in the past should have received this form with instructions for its use.

The main thing to keep in mind is that the claim must be filed no later than September 30.

Ranchers are Sources Of Certified Seed Varieties

During the past several weeks we have commented on the new grain standards and the difficulty encountered in the regulation relating to wheat of the different classes. Most of the difficulties in making number 1 grade because of this regulation has occurred in the Fortyfold and Burt varieties.

While some clean sources of Burt have been located sufficient to supply the needs of those who grow this variety, it appeared that it would be a difficult job to find a clean source of Fortyfold. It has been many years since we have raised any certified Fortyfold while there are several growers of Burt who have had certified seed in the past few years.

Kenneth Smouse, Ione, was the last grower in Morrow county to have Burt certified. This was two years ago and in checking his Burt it is an excellent source of seed. There are others.

A week ago it was called to our attention that Wilbur Worden had some real clean looking Fortyfold. In examining the field, a few wheats of other varieties were found however they turned out to be mainly soft white. In submitting a sample from the combine bulker, we received a grade back which was free of wheats of contrasting classes.

Luckily all of this wheat is farm stored and in visiting with Wilbur I find it is available as a seed source. In addition, Wilbur along with a neighbor, field rogued ahead of the combine one day to thresh out 1800 bushels that is stored separately as a source of extra-clean seed. Fortyfold growers who are looking for seed would do well to look into this source.

Eightmile Wheat Rancher Has Extra Quality Crop

Talking of wheat, we have commented several times on the extra good quality of this year's crop. An example of the kind of wheat that is being harvested this year, and the majority is like this, is a sample from the Dale Brown ranch in Eightmile.

His grain inspection certificate showed his Gaines as No. 1 heavy with a test weight of 63.7 pounds, moisture of 8.9, no damage to kernels, 1% of foreign materials with the new grade allowing .5%; 8% shrunken or broken kernels with the standards allowing 3.0%.

Again, this is just an indication of the real quality wheat that is being produced in Morrow county this year.

Thompson Carries Experiment On Irrigated Forage Crops

Ferry Thompson, young enterprising rancher on Willow Creek near Heppner, has been experimenting with the possibility of growing an annual forage crop in his irrigated creek ranch which will provide a heavier yield per acre than the conventional alfalfa.

chine purchased by the Oregon Wheat Commission last year. Ranchers have responded well to our call for information on these samples which were mostly collected through the elevators during harvest. A letter with a self-addressed card asking for information on seedling date, nitrogen used, and approximate yield will be used for correlating protein tests with these factors.

This information is needed in a project of foreign wheat market developed to meet the demands of foreign buyers with wheat which can be used for their specialty foods enjoyed in these countries.

We wish to thank all who participated in this program and are sorry that we could not get the samples from everyone. As soon as this information is collected, we will report our findings to each cooperator so that they might have this information.

Grass Seedings Get Good Results on Graves Ranch

Recently we made a visit to the John Graves ranch in the Hardman area to look at some weed control work, his wheat crop and some new grass-alfalfa seedings. We were particularly interested in the grass seedings since quite a program has been initiated by John since he purchased this ranch several years ago.

Some demonstration seedings were made in 1956 and 1957 using some of the new grasses and alfalfa including Drummond, Timothy, Teton, Rhizoma and Nomad alfalfa and Greenard Intermediate wheat grass. Some of these older seedings were rejuvenated this spring by spring tooting and seeded back for a new stand.

It was interesting to note that the spring tooting of the creeping type alfalfas stimulated the growth and thickened the stand rather than killing it out. Excellent stands of alta fescue, alfalfa and orchard grass were obtained in these new seedings which will provide a lot of hay for the Graves' livestock operation. This area of high rainfall produces excellent forage especially in the wetter areas that are being reclaimed by reseeding to high producing tame grasses and legumes.

Market Review Foresees Shortage in Hay Crop

The August 14 grain and hay market review prepared by Oregon State University reported hay crop prospects improved in the Northwest and bigger harvests than last year are expected except in Oregon. Nationally the hay crop looks smaller than expected earlier and now promises to be about as large as the 1963 crop.

It was interesting to note that past Grain and Hay Market Reviews have reported sales of hay in the various hay producing



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4-H Style Revue Bills 'New Look'

"The New Look" will be featured at this year's 4-H style revue, Wednesday night, August 26, at 8:00 P. M. at the Little League grounds. The annual event is the highlight of the 4-H home economics segment of the fair and will involve over 60 girls.

The 4-H'ers will model garments they have made as clothing or knitting projects. Their selections of garments will range from cotton skirts to wool tailored coats. The girls in the intermediate and senior divisions will compete for the honor of representing Morrow county at the State Fair Style Revue contest in September. This year for the first time knitted garments in the style revue will also be eligible to attend State Fair.

There will be a special attraction for "The New Look" fashion show this year. A section of the style revue will allow 4-H'ers to model garments they have made other than those made as their 4-H project.

Local 4-H leaders preparing for the style revue include: Mrs. William Rawlins, Ione; Mrs. E. H. Davidson, Lexington; Mrs. Roland Bergstrom, Ione; Mrs. Louis Shade, Irrigon; Mrs. Joseph Coleman, Irrigon; Mrs. L. S. McCabe, Ione.

The narrator for the program will be Mrs. Frank Dyer, Morrow county agent.

areas for as low as \$20 at the bale pile. Prices I've heard of here have not been that low and there is indication that there is some shortage as a considerable amount of hay from the Pasco, Wn. area has been contracted for next month delivery. Those who have purchased hay from the Pasco area report No. 1, 16% protein or better hay for sale delivered here for \$26 a ton. Evidentially growers in that area are anxious to sell at less than \$20 a ton since the crop is larger than usual.

While it appears now that there will be enough hay to take our livestock numbers through a normal winter, it would be well to plan hay needs and get your order in now if you expect to need hay before spring.

Many 4-H Activities Planned for Fair Week

Next week is county fair week. We will be involved in the many activities of this annual affair including 4-H club educational activities which gives these boys and girls further opportunity to "learn to do by doing."

There will be much competition in contests as a part of the fair activities, and all will have real good experiences whether they are top winners or place down the line. We are hopeful that parents will enter into these contests with the same attitude as the youngsters, that is of learning to do a good job always regardless of the particular placing that they may make. We have had experiences with boys and girls that have placed considerably down the line but coming out with rich experiences that are equal to, or more rewarding, than the first and Grand Champion.

We hope that we will see all of you at the county fair and that you will be there exhibiting and competing in a friendly manner.

4-H Horse Show Events Stated At State Fair

About 300 young 4-H horsemen and women will take the spotlight during the first days of the 1964 Oregon State Fair as they put their mounts through their paces in 4-H horsemanship and showmanship events.

Actually, the 4-H horsemanship competition starts before the rest of the Fair opens, notes Glenn Klein, Oregon State University state 4-H extension agent. The first events are scheduled for Sept. 3. The 4-H horse show will continue Sept. 4 and end the morning of Sept. 5, the second day of the fair itself.

Size of the 4-H horse show has steadily increased, Klein points out, in keeping with the growth of the popular project. This year, nearly 4,500 young people are enrolled in the program, one of the fastest growing phases of the OSU 4-H education program.

Because the show is so large, it was scheduled at the start of the Fair so that sufficient facilities will be available for both 4-H and open class horses. Klein explains. Horses will be housed in the new horse barn in which new box stalls have been added this year.

Judges for this year's 4-H horse classes will be Dr. Stanley McGough and Lou Levy, both of Pendleton, and Mrs. Richard Wagner, Oregon City. For the first time this year, champion 4-H horsemen have been invited to present special demonstrations of their skills during the first three performances of the State Fair rodeo and horse show on Sept. 4 and 5.

A special feature of the 4-H State Fair show are try-outs for the "Dad" Potter award, the top honor which can be received in the program. Only a few 4-H'ers have qualified in the past, Klein points out.

To qualify for the try-outs, the 4-Her must have completed the first three steps of the 4-H horse advancement program and owned, cared for, and personally trained the horse used for at least six months. The rider and his horse must successfully execute 11 different movements to receive the award.

The senior horsemanship award is named for E. L. Potter, OSU professor emeritus of agricultural economics, who has long been interested in horses and the

Morrow County CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY Week Ending August 14 Spring grains mostly all harvested, some yet to be harvested in extreme high elevations. Yields reported equal to full grains. Fall grains mostly all harvested with exception of higher elevations. Yields in higher elevations will average 30 bushels per acre. Second and third crop alfalfa being put up. Watermelon and cantaloupe harvest well underway.

Linda Heimbigner Gets U-O Degree

Linda Rae Heimbigner of Ione was one of a record summer class of 573 candidates for baccalaureate and advanced degrees presented at the University of Oregon's third annual summer commencement Saturday, August 15. She received a bachelor of science degree.

Speaker for the exercises was Dr. Harry K. Newburn, former president of the University, who addressed the class on "Thoughts on Return to the Groves of Academe." Dr. Newburn, OSU president from 1945 to 1953, is now director of the Center for Higher Education at Arizona State University.

Degree candidates for the August 15 exercises included 411 for advanced degrees and 160 for baccalaureate degrees. Of the advanced degree candidates, 41 were for doctoral degrees and 370 for masters degrees.

4-H horse program. Club members participating in the various classes will find some new requirements this year, Klein adds. For instance, two options are now provided in the reining pattern.

The new outline for the State Fair classes was developed in cooperation with the statewide 4-H horse advisory committee which includes representatives of 4-H club leaders, the Oregon Horseman's Association, professional horse judges, OSU extension personnel, and others interested in the project.

The advisory committee is also working on new project materials which are expected to be available to 4-H club members next year, Klein points out.

Mrs. Rachel Dick and Mrs. Conley Lanham, both Heppner High school teachers, completed summer session work at Eastern Oregon College, La Grande, last Thursday, each earning 12 hours of graduate credit.

Registration Set Aug. 28 At Ione Schools

With faculty now complete in Ione grade school and high school, registration of students will begin next week, according to Everett Holstein, new Ione principal.

Pre-registration for all Ione freshmen, first graders and any new pupils has been announced for Friday, August 28, between 9 and 12 a.m., and from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. These students are required to have a physical examination, and are urged to have it completed before pre-registration. There will be no bus service on this day.

The seniors are asked to pre-register on August 24 or August 25. If any senior is unable to come on either of these days, he should call the office to arrange for another time, according to Holstein.

Sophomores and juniors will register on the first day of school, Monday, August 31. School fees may be paid the first day of school or during the first week.

Ione teachers will attend a workshop on Wednesday, August 26, but will be at the schools Thursday and Friday and invite parents and students to come to the school to confer with them on these days at the following times: Thursday, 11:00-12:00, and 1:30-4:30; or on Friday, 8:30-12:00, and 1:30-4:30.

Gordon Meyers of Joseph, a graduate of Eastern Oregon college and who recently completed a service assignment has been secured as football coach. He will also teach social studies, Spanish I, P. E., and be assistant

basketball coach. He is married and has one small child. As soon as housing is secured, he will set up a football practice schedule and notify high school boys.

Other new teachers include James Deoney, science and math; Mrs. Annabel Damon, English, journalism, girls' P. E. and Health; and Mr. Holstein will teach English, in addition to his principalship duties.

Returning faculty includes Carol Miller, music and social studies; Gil Lujan, business and Spanish; Eugene Doektor, biology, P. E. and Health, head basketball and baseball coach and assistant football coach; Jack Lloyd, industrial arts, in addition to 6th grade.

Grade school faculty will be the same as that of last year, according to Leonard Herrick, principal.

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