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# FARM NEWS

County Agent's Office

## Field Day Set For Judging Soil Conditions and Tillage

By N. C. ANDERSON

The annual Soil Judging Field Day will be held this year on Tuesday, October 27. This annual event is aimed at acquainting ranchers with the characteristics of their soil in order that they might better understand what to expect from it in the way of needed tillage operations, fertilizers and expected yields. While the event has been a real important one, attendance has been small with the exception of Vocational Agricultural boys from Heppner High school who have turned out to take advantage of this training event.

The Field Day scheduled for next Tuesday, will be held at the usual site on the East outskirts of Heppner. The group will meet at the fair grounds at 1:15 p.m. and proceed from there. Howard Cushman, extension soils specialist, Oregon State University, will be on hand to assist with the Field Day.

After a training session, a judging contest will be held and Inland Chemical Company has advised supervisors of this Heppner Soil and Water Conservation District, who are sponsoring the event, that they will have some worthwhile prizes available for those who do the best job in classifying the soil. Why don't you come and learn more about the soil that makes a living for

you?

### Schedule for Coming Weeks

There are a number of important events that should be announced at this time in order that everyone can get them on their calendar and keep them free.

Starting with the Soil Judging Field Day on Tuesday, October 27; 4-H leaders will want to note Wednesday, October 28, for the 4-H Subject Matter Conference at Moro beginning at 10:00 a.m.; on October 29 the extension advisory councils of the Columbia Basin will meet at the Vert Little Theater in Pendleton at 1:00 a.m.; the North Morrow Achievement Party will be held in the Irrigation school on October 29 beginning with a potluck dinner at 8:00 p.m.; the annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association is scheduled for November 6 and 7 with the Farm-City banquet set for Saturday evening, November 7, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the multipurpose room in the Heppner High school.

The evening before, Friday, November 6, 4-H club members from South Morrow county will hold their annual 4-H Achievement Party at the Heppner High school multipurpose room beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The 13th Oregon Weed Conference will be held at the Marion Hotel in Salem on November 5 and 6 and the Oregon Wool Growers annual meeting at the Imperial Hotel, Portland, on November 8, 9 and 10; the Oregon Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts will meet in Portland on November 11, 12 and 13.

The Oregon Cattlemen's Association annual convention will be held in Klamath Falls on November 12, 13 and 14.

The annual meeting of the Morrow County Grain Growers will be held at the fair pavilion in Heppner on Monday evening, November 16. The annual fall meeting of the Morrow County Wheat Growers Association will be held in Heppner on November 17.

Miss Kirmis Book Memorial Underway at Heppner Library  
A letter from a 4-H member

that arrived at this office early last summer has started a chain of reaction which has resulted in a book memorial for Esther Kirmis, former county extension agent, at the Heppner Library. The letter said in part, "I know the other 4-H members in the county feel the same way I do. Miss Kirmis was always ready and willing to help us with all of our problems on or off duty and she is going to be terribly missed by all of us. I think it would be nice if the 4-H clubs in the county each donated something and had a shelf in the library set aside as a tribute to Miss Kirmis. The clubs could earn money and each year donate a book, or books, to the shelf."

The Hoof and Horn Livestock club recently donated the premium earned for their blue ribbon National 4-H Club Week memorial. Other 4-H clubs have indicated they plan to make some contributions also. A number of books were donated by the Kirmis family last summer to the memorial.

### Exceptional Program Planned For County Livestock Meeting

As the program develops for the annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association, it appears that it will be one of the best in years. There has been enough interest from saddle horse stallion owners to schedule the stallion show windows for Friday morning, November 6. The Cowbells are expecting a big crowd to turn out for their traditional beef-stew lunch on Friday noon at the fair annex and a program featuring the influence of foreign imports on the livestock industry here will be discussed as well as a discussion by Dr. Jim McArthur, superintendent, Eastern Oregon Livestock Experiment Station, Union, on livestock nutrition and management.

On Saturday a state veterinarian will discuss baby calf losses and use of the newly developed bacterin; there will be a discussion of plans for hosting the American National Cattlemen's Convention in Portland scheduled for January as well as traditional committee reports.

We feel very fortunate to have secured Stu Bledsoe, Ellensburg cattleman who participated in the "People-to-People" tour in the Soviet Union last fall, to be our banquet speaker. Stu says to come prepared to take a "deep seat" while he discusses "Russia for Real" with his colored slides taken on the tour.

We expect a sell-out of tickets

### Ruralettes Study Color, Hair Care

The Ruralettes 4-H sewing club met October 7 at the schoolhouse. After the business meeting, members finished their record books. We held up different colors of crepe paper to each one of us to see what colors looked best on us.

We met again October 14 after school at the schoolhouse. We had our business meeting and then Judy Davidson talked to us on care of our hair. She told each of us what shape of face we had. We meet again October 29.

Christine McCabe, reporter

### Named Secretary

Evelyn May Jepsen of Ione, has been elected to the position of secretary in the senior class at Northwest Christian College, Eugene. A fourth year student, Evelyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jepsen, Ione, and is a member of the First Christian Church, Heppner. These officers, newly elected, will serve throughout this year. This fall at Northwest Christian College, marks the largest full-time student body enrollment in the 70 year history of the college, when 430 were enrolled early this month for the fall term.

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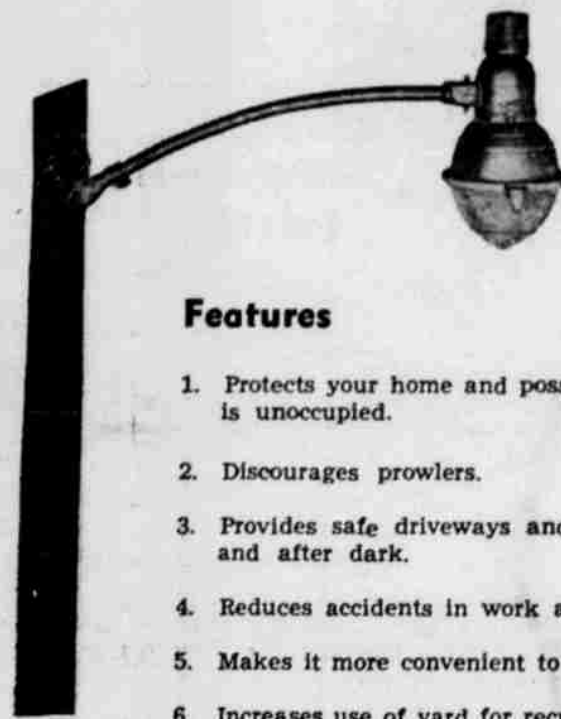
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