

Fair Board to Meet

Regular monthly meeting of the Morrow county fair board will be held in the 4-H Dormitory building, fairgrounds, Heppner, Monday, January 17, beginning at 8:00 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Fair Book Change Deadline March 1

A deadline of March 1, 1966, has been set to receive changes in the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo premium book, according to Mrs. Lenna Smith, fair secretary. All open class superintendents are asked to mail changes to the secretary, Box 464, Heppner, or call 676-9143 not later than March 1. This pertains to both open class agriculture and home economics superintendents.

After the necessary premium book changes have been received they will be presented to the fair committee for approval. "We are hopeful that all present superintendents will continue to serve in 1966, but if it is impossible to do so, please contact the secretary as soon as possible," Mrs. Smith said.

Gail McCarty, county extension agent in 4-H and livestock, has set a date of Tuesday, January 18, 7:30 p.m. to meet with 4-H agricultural fair superintendents to make necessary changes in the premium book. The meeting will be held in the 4-H dormitory at the fairgrounds.

Stitchettes Elect

Linda Cooper was elected president of the Lazy Stitchettes 4-H club Thursday, January 6. Other officers chosen are Teresa Wright, vice president; Susan Melby, secretary; and Marcia Young, game and song leader. New members are Dianne Wright, Mary Anne O'Donnell, Cindy Harsin, Sherri Massey, Theresa Moore and Dee Ann Pettyjohn. The members talked about selections of materials. Refreshments were served.

Kathy Sweeney, Reporter

Rainfall Reports Show Comparisons During Past Year

By EUGENE WINTERS

This week the Morrow County Extension office mailed cooperating weather observers of Morrow county the county-wide record of rainfall during the 1964-65 agriculture weather year.

The record was compiled from the monthly rainfall reports sent in from Eightmile, Heppner, Johnson Creek, Butter Creek, Lexington and Lone observers. It includes the precipitation at these stations, starting with September, 1964, and concluding with August, 1965.

It is interesting to compare December, 1964, rainfall with that of December, 1965. Our December, 1965, records are incomplete, but do vary from about 0.2 to 0.4 inches for the entire month. In 1964, all recorders showed more than 3.25 inches with four observers of 22 reporting having less than four inches. The others had between four and five inches.

Copies of the Weather Observers' Rainfall Reports for the 1964-65 agriculture weather year are available from the County Extension office.

Wheat Protein Content Shows Increase During Past Year

The results of the 1965 Wheat Protein Survey of Morrow county growers have been mimeographed for distribution to those persons cooperating in the survey.

Protein for 1965 was higher than the two previous years of the survey. This increase in Morrow county is attributed to the 1965 droughty growing season.

The 92 samples in Morrow county in 1965 averaged 9.7 percent. Samples for 1963 averaged 6.8 and 1964 averaged 8.7 percent protein.

The respective protein percentages averages for 1963, 1964 and 1965 by variety are: BURT 6.1, 8.5 and 9.6; OMAR 6.2, 8.9 and 9.7; GOLDEN 6.1, 8.7 and 9.2; GAINES 7.2, 8.6 and 9.3.

Copies of the 1965 Wheat Protein Survey in Morrow county may be picked up at the County Extension office.

Supplemental Fertilizer Program Needed for Good Alfalfa Crop

Alfalfa growers should evaluate their fertilized program within the next few weeks. The supplemental nutrient needs of alfalfa in Morrow county can be limited for the most part to sulfur, phosphorous and boron.

Some form of sulfur should be applied each year. The normal yearly requirement will vary with yield, but will be on the order of 20 to 40 pounds elemental sulfur or its equivalent in gypsum. Gypsum is normally preferred because of more rapid response and convenience in application.

Phosphorous needs for alfalfa can be determined by trial, by soil tests, or by foliar analysis. Soil testing information is available at the County Extension office.

Phosphorous, sulfur and boron may be applied in the fall or early spring. Results are usually better when the spring application is made as early as possible.

Single Super Phosphate is one phosphorous fertilizer which

Wranglers Start Year With Good Turnout

The new year's activities of the Morrow County Wranglers started with the meeting on January 4 at the club house, with 25 members present. Committees were appointed to outline plans for the year, including refreshments and entertainment for the meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorson came from Lone to show pictures of the local water skiers, and proved very entertaining to all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Brien were the refreshment committee, and served delicious homemade doughnuts and coffee.

1966 Diversion Programs Signup To Start Soon

Signup for the 1966 programs for wheat and feed grains will start on January 31, 1966. David McLeod, manager of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office, announced today. The signup deadline will be April 15, 1966.

For the long-term Cropland Adjustment Program (CAP), the signup will also begin on January 31, 1966; the signup deadline for CAP will be announced later. Producers who file intentions under CAP but do not enter into final agreements will have 15 days to file applications to take part in one or more of the annual commodity programs after applicants withdraw or after the county committee notifies them that no agreement will be available.

The manager explained that, for 1966, a flexible schedule of signups has been adopted throughout the county, with each ASC state committee determining the most appropriate period for the activity. In most states, the signup period is uniform in all counties.

In general, both the commodity programs and CAP call for diversion of crop acreage into an approved conserving use. By meeting provisions of the programs, farmers become eligible

includes gypsum. Normal application of phosphorous varies from 40 to 80 pounds P2O5 per acre (200 to 400 pounds single super phosphate per acre).

Red Cross Class To Start Monday

First session of the Red Cross standard first aid course will be Monday night, January 17, at 7:30 in the old city library at the city hall with Ken Methvin as instructor.

Two hours of instruction will be given and those attending will decide on a regular night and meeting time for the balance of the course, which will cover 10 hours—two hours to a session.

It is pointed out that the course is important for all public officials, as well as for such activities as the ski patrol, and even for members of a family.

Reports to Navy

Bill Weatherford, son of W. W. Weatherford, reported to San Diego, Calif., Monday for basic training in the navy. His father took him to Portland Sunday for his departure to the training center from there. Bill graduated from Heppner High school with the class of 1964, attended Eastern Oregon College for one year, and Blue Mountain College in the fall term of the current school year.

for various benefits in the form of payments — and also for loans under the commodity programs.

However, McLeod reminded farmers that participation in the various diversion programs is not automatic—filing an application which shows the operator's program intentions is the first necessary step in qualifying for program benefits.

All of the signups are conducted at the ASC county office.

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Glen Boyer Killed By California Auto

Glen Boyer of Santa Barbara, Calif., native resident of Heppner, was fatally injured when hit by an automobile in Palm Springs, Calif., December 31, according to word from a nephew, Phillip Boyer of John Day.

Born in Heppner May 27, 1882, he was the son of W. G. and Eliza Jane (Mitchell) Boyer. He had resided in California for the past 25 years. His ashes were sent for interment to the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

He is survived by his sister, Mrs. Ethel Bartlett of Santa Barbara; two nephews, Donald and Phillip Boyer, John Day; and one niece, Mrs. Harry Moody of Belmont, Calif.

Golden Agers to Meet

Second meeting of the month of the Golden Age club will be held Tuesday evening, January 18, in the Episcopal parish hall, at 7:30 p.m. All senior citizens are invited, and refreshments will be served.

Leonnig Has Attack

Ron Leonnig was reported to be showing good progress at Pioneer Memorial hospital Wednesday after suffering a heart attack at his home early Sunday. His wife reported that he probably will be confined to the hospital for another week, after which he will remain at home until fully recovered.



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