

Horse Show Set August 14

By GAIL McCARTY
County Extension Agent

Morrow County 4-H horse club members are reminded that the 4-H horse show in connection with the Morrow County Fair is scheduled for Sunday, August 14, starting at 1:30 p.m. on the fairgrounds.

Regular fair premiums will be paid on the placings and state fair participants selected. All club members are urged to participate.

The 4-H horse show at State Fair will begin Monday, August 22, at 10:00 a.m. The county contest was scheduled so that the winners would have a chance to attend the State Fair Horse Show, which will run until Wednesday, August 24. All horses must be removed from the state fairgrounds by 10:00 a.m. August 25.

Farm Safety Week

With National Farm Safety Week, July 24-30, almost over, every rural person is reminded again of the loss of life and limb each year to rural accidents. These pertain to each of us, not just farm people. Quite often these farm accidents involve city raised visitors, passing motorists, or short time farm help. With the busy season of harvest upon us, be especially conscious of harvest equipment on the roads and look for the slow moving vehicle sign publicized so widely.

Warning Sounded on Clear Title on Livestock

Don't take for granted that you have clear title on the animal you purchase. Be sure you have it.

K. W. Sawyer, assistant state director of agriculture for livestock services, has that advice for all who purchase animals after rendering a decision recently on the rightful owner of a cow consigned for sale at a livestock auction market.

The animal was among 60 head purchased some six months previously by the person consigning it for sale but the brand inspection certificate

Farm Bureau Furrow

FARM SAFETY WEEK STRESSES SMV EMBLEM

By GEORGE DEWEY
Executive Secretary,
Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

The week of July 24-30, 1966 has been proclaimed National Farm Safety Week—but this effort on the part of many to place emphasis on farm safety will receive about as much interest as any other national week.

The 1964 breakdown of farm-resident accidents shows a total of 8300 deaths and 760,000 disabling injuries. Of the deaths, 3700 involved motor vehicles; 1900 were in the home; 2500 were work accidents; and 800 resulted from off-the-farm non-motor vehicle accidents, according to the National Safety Council.

Farm Safety Week comes at a time of year when farm people are actively involved in all phases of farm work. This is an excellent time to stop a moment and check the safety of farm equipment—particularly the farm tractor, which is involved in the majority of fatal farm machinery accidents.

During National Farm Safety Week, special emphasis is being placed on the Slow-Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem.

The triangular emblem was developed by Ohio State university research specialists in an attempt to reduce the number of rear-end collisions involving slow-moving vehicles.

Use of the emblem is now mandatory by statute in Ohio, will be compulsory in Nebraska this next year, and many other states—including Oregon—are considering introducing similar legislation.

If you are a farmer and sometimes drive slow-moving farm machinery on the highways, you should know about the SMV emblem—it could save your life.

If you are a city or urban dweller and travel the state's highways, you, too, should know and recognize the SMV emblem—it could save your life.

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FARM

Cattle Growers Urged to Check On Winter Feed

By JOHN WELBES
Oregon Wheat League

Oregon cattlemen are liable to be hurting for feed this winter, according to John Landers, extension science specialist at Oregon State University.

Landers strongly recommends that cattlemen start lining up their supplies of winter feed as soon as possible.

The drought that has plagued Oregon as well as other western and Great Plains states for the past few months has cut down on quality and quantity of range feed, and what is more important from this winter's standpoint, has cut back hay production, says Landers.

Cattlemen with a cow-calf operation should pay particular attention to providing adequate energy as well as protein to the cow herd if they want to realize a good calf crop next year, points out Landers. While cows can lose weight until the calf is dropped, they must be kept in condition while the calf is nursing.

There may still be time for cattlemen to contract to bale grass and straw from the Willamette Valley, according to Landers. Another possible source of winter feed is chaff from the grain harvest. It may be economical to haul chaff short distances. If arrangements are made for the harvester to drop the chaff in piles where it can be picked up easily, feed value of chaff varies greatly, from almost nothing on up, depending on the number of heads and small grains that come through the combine.

Cattlemen planning to feed chaff this winter should pay particular attention to providing supplemental vitamin A. Landers stresses, there is no carotene in chaff. Vitamin A can be provided either in the form of two pounds alfalfa hay pellets per head per day, through injections of vitamin A, or by mixing synthetic vitamin A preparations in salt or mineral supplements.

Dry cows need about 20,000 International Units of vitamin A daily. If the vitamin is supplied by injection, this would mean bringing in the cow herd and giving a one-million I.U. shot every three weeks, Landers explains. After the calves are dropped, vitamin A requirements double, meaning a shot every 10 days. Cost for the one-million I.U. shot ranges from 30 cents to \$1 a head.

Cows normally consume about one ounce of salt a day, so vitamin A should be mixed with the salt in suitable proportions to supply the amount required each day. Cattle also need phosphorous and calcium, which can be fed in the form of dicalcium phosphate, tricalcium phosphate or steamed bone-meal.

Lack of vitamin A reduces fertility of both cow and bull, can cause deformed or stillborn calves, and can lead to calf-hood diseases such as scours.

Replacement heifers being carried through the winter should get one-half pound oil meal and two pounds rolled or ground grain per head per day, advises Landers. This is particularly important if they are bred to calves as two-year-olds.

In light of the anticipated short feed supply, the cow herd should be culled heavily this

Japanese Trade Team to Visit

By JOHN WELBES
Oregon Wheat League

Don Woodward, president of the Oregon Wheat Growers League, has announced that the League and Wheat Commission will be hosts for an outstanding Japanese trade team in Portland, August 9. The group will consist of representatives from six flour mills in Japan who mill 70% of the flour in the country.

These visits in the past have been extremely valuable to the U. S. wheat industry. While results cannot be measured in bushels, it has been definitely observed to influence the marketing familiarity with the U. S. wheat, and a consequent increase U. S. wheat buying habit. A customer that is more familiar with a product, everything else being equal, tends to buy the familiar. "The tried and true." In the case of the flour millers who are the primary users of wheat in Japan, their desires to the Government Food Agency carries great weight in the FA's decision in issuing purchase orders or "tenders."

While in the United States they will be visiting wheat producing areas, centers of wheat processing, marketing people, and USDA officials.

year, and any "boarders" eliminated that aren't paying their way, it is advised. Cows that are disabled or not producing a good quality calf should be weeded out.

Range cattlemen looking for sources of cheap protein shouldn't go overboard for the non-protein nitrogen sources such as urea or ammoniated molasses, warns Landers. Some use can be made of these sources, but the best results with them come in feedlots, where cattle are on a high concentrate ration rather than with cattle on low quality maintenance rations. If too much of the protein equivalent is fed, death loss from urea or ammonium poisoning can result, he cautions.

Cattle can be wintered on 10 pounds grain per day during the winter, but the cost would probably be prohibitive, points out Landers.

Laverne Van Marter, Sr., who underwent surgery in Portland July 20 is "doing fine" according to son Laverne Van Marter, Jr. and should be able to come home soon. The elder Van Marter's physical condition, good for a man his age, helped him to come through the operation well.

See us for envelopes of all kinds. The Gazette-Times.

Morrow County CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY For Week Ending July 22

(Compiled by U. S. Department of Agriculture, Portland)

Harvest nearly completed in North Lexington area, with wheat averaging between 25 and 30 bushels per acre, barley three-quarters ton per acre; both good quality. On shallow soils farther south, yields of wheat running 5 to 10 bushels less. In general, quality is good. Some third cutting and some second cutting alfalfa underway. All perennial grass ranges greening up from recent rain.

Problems of 1.5% Tax Limitation Measure Cited

The proposed 1 1/2 per cent property tax limitation, if passed in the November election, would increase and complicate the work of assessors, school administrators, and others who have the difficult task of distributing taxes and administering public services, says Marlon D. Thomas, Oregon State University extension agricultural economist.

The proposal assigns the job of reducing budgets and the kinds and amounts of services to the State Tax Commission. This would reduce the authority and responsibility of local budget committee and officials, he noted.

By limiting the tax to 1 1/2 per cent, which equals 60 mills under the present system of figuring levies on assessed values, the proposal would reduce the amount of money available to finance local government services by at least \$100 million a year, according to Thomas.

Thomas said property taxes are expected to hit a new high this year, topping \$300 million for the first time, up from \$200 million six years ago and \$100 million in 1950. He said these totals are the results of decisions made by a great many property tax payers acting as budget committees for local governments and voting in special budget elections.

One of the reasons for the increase in taxes, according to Thomas, is that the costs of public as well as private goods and services are going up. Schools use most of the property tax levied in Oregon.

Most groups which have taken a position on the proposal, including the legislative tax study committee authorized by the Legislature, have concluded that the 1 1/2 per cent limit would create many more problems than it would solve and would be a most undesirable method of achieving needed property tax relief. Thomas added.

Visitors at the L. D. Neill home over the week-end of July 23 and 24 were Mrs. Neill's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Knighten and sons of Kennewick, and her cousin, Mrs. Letha Harris of Portland.

Public Notices

MORROW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT R-1 CALL FOR BIDS ON SMALL BUS RUNS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Morrow County School District R-1 will receive bids on August 15, 1966, until 1:00 p.m. for the transportation of pupils designated by the school board, over the routes designated to the school of the district.

Bids should be sent to the district office at Lexington, Box 368, Lexington, Oregon in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Transportation Bid".

Bids will be opened at 1:00 p.m., August 15, 1966, and will be presented to the board at their regular meeting at 8:00 p.m., August 15, 1966, at Lexington.

Bidder shall furnish and operate at his own expense the necessary vehicle required to provide safe, economical and legal transportation for the students of the district to and from their homes to designated schools, from the date school starts until ending date of school. All insurance must be approved by the district school board. Drivers must keep vehicles in top operational condition at all times. Drivers must attend occasional meetings for bus drivers.

Complete data on these runs may be obtained from the office of the district superintendent at Lexington. Contracts will be awarded for a two-year period with necessary adjustments as to mileage to be made at the beginning of the second year.

The Morrow County School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive any or all claims or technicalities.

The list of bus runs with approximate mileages one way follows:

1. Dr. Huber ranch to Roger Campbell ranch—8.5 miles; alternate route: Dr. Huber ranch to Roger Campbell ranch to Bob Jensen ranch—14 miles.
2. Ione Schools to Bob Rietmann ranch—10.5 miles.
3. Ione Schools to Don Linnell ranch—16 miles.
4. Robert Hoskins ranch to lower Rhea Creek junction—4.5 miles.
5. Bob Peterson ranch to McElligott ranch—4.3 miles.
6. Heppner Elementary school to Jerry Dougherty ranch—16 miles.
7. Heppner Elementary school to Willow Creek and Balm Fork—15 miles.
8. Bob Schiller ranch on upper Butter Creek to Pine City school—15.2 miles.
9. Ruggs-Hardman ranch—10 miles.
10. Lena junction to Raymond French ranch to Bob McLaughlin ranch—16 miles.

Alice Vance, Clerk
Attest: Irvin Rauch, Chairman
MORROW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT R-1 22-24c

Farm, Home Loans To Veterans Up In Morrow County

Oregon's Department of Veterans Affairs granted farm and home loans to 3,703 veterans during fiscal 1965-66 in the amount of \$44,419,300. H. C. Saalfeld, director, reports. This was a nine percent increase in loans and an 18 percent increase in dollar volume over 1964-65.

In Morrow county last year, loans were granted to seven veterans in the amount of \$72,250, compared to three loans in 1964-65 for \$20,750.

Since the loan program started in 1945, loans have gone to 96 veterans in this county in the amount of \$696,450. State-wide, 53,861 veterans have borrowed \$477,273,024 since 1945.

They have repaid \$240 1/2 million of this in principal and another \$79 million in interest, with monthly repayments averaging \$3.5 million. Interest payments alone are running over \$950,000 a month. Of the more than 53,000 loans, 30,791 were outstanding June 30 in the amount of \$289,525,032.

Saalfeld said the loan program continues to earn a net revenue after paying all expenses of the loan program and of the department's service division. This net revenue last fiscal year was a record \$2,436,197, bringing the total earnings since 1945 to \$18,717,206.

This money is plowed back into new loans to help meet the veterans' demand for farm and home financing, and reduces the number of self-liquidating bonds that have to be issued to finance the program, Saalfeld said.

Ted Toll, son of Mrs. Merna Toll, left July 12 from Bend for service in the U. S. Army. He will take basic training at Fort Lewis, Wn. Mrs. Toll, who is also the mother of Leonard Toll, moved to Heppner from Redmond and has been living here for the past three months.

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