

FARM

County Agent's Office

Small Watershed Approval Given For Buttercreek

By GENE WINTERS
Morrow County Extension Agent

Word was received recently that the application for assistance under the Small Watershed Act, (P. L. 566) for the Buttercreek watershed and the Little Buttercreek watersheds had been approved by the State Engineer.

The next step will be review and action by the State Conservationist of the Soil Conservation Service.

Unless an economical means can be found to import unappropriated water from outside the basin there is a very strong possibility that storage of water for irrigation would not be feasible. Should this be the case, benefits to flood control and land treatment measures would also be reduced.

It should be noted the Bureau of Reclamation has done some investigation in importing water into Buttercreek by tunnel via Snake Creek from Camas Creek.

Weed Hazard to Cattle

A recent report from Utah points out the hazards of cattle and sheep from grazing false helebore during the growing season.

False helebore, also called western helebore, wild corn, and skunk cabbage, is a showy perennial growing in the western states. Plants grow from three to eight feet tall and are usually found in wet seepage areas.

Agriculture Research Service scientists at the Animal Disease and Parasite Research Laboratory, Logan, Utah, have found that deformed calves and lambs may be born if the mother eats this poisonous plant on the 14th day of gestation. Eaten before or after the 14th day small amounts of the plant may cause death of the fetus without affecting the mother. If eaten on the 14th day the plant invariably causes head deformation that gives the young a "monkey face" appearance.

The poisonous chemicals in false helebore are contained in the entire green plant. As the

leaves or stems lose their green color, because of maturity, lack of water, or freezing, they also lose the poisons.

Weather Records Compiled

Rainfall records for the 1965-66 agriculture weather year from 18 weather observers have been collected and prepared in mimeograph form.

Precipitation during the period starting September 1, 1965, and through August 1966, showed a wide variation in Morrow county. Measurements show near 6 inches in the areas north and west of Ione during this period. In the Lena area nearly 11.5 inches was recorded. Near Valby about 8.4 inches was reported. Very close to this amount was measured near Lexington.

The official recordings at the Heppner station and Hardman stations were identical at 8.38 inches.

Total rainfall for the reporting period doesn't give the whole story. For example July rainfall extremes were reported from 0.8 inches to almost 1.8 inches. This amount in April, or May, or June, would have made a substantial increase in grain production.

July rainfall, of course, benefited range, pasture and alfalfa production.

The timing of precipitation can be more important than the total amount.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Spraker, who at one time time owned the Condon Globe-Times, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wes Sherman Monday. The Sprakers, whose home is in Stayton, came to Condon to attend the 75th anniversary of the United Church of Christ there and then came to Heppner to visit the Sherkmans. The Sprakers and Sherkmans were associated in the operation of The Stayton Mail from 1958 to 1961, and the Sprakers later sold the paper and are now retired from the newspaper business. They enjoyed visiting many old friends in the Condon area.

'Low Cost' Eating Program Slated For November 16

By MRS. MARJORIE WILCOXEN
County Home Agent

"Now is the time," the Walrus said, "to talk of many things — of sealing wax, cabbages and kings."

Since we have few cabbages and no kings in Morrow county, I will talk of many things. One that should be of special interest to everyone is the "Low Cost Adventures in Good Eating" program that is scheduled for November 16, 1966, at 1:00 p.m. at the Fair Annex. There will be demonstrations using low cost cuts of meat. They can be just as delicious and nutritious as the higher cost cuts. There will be recipes and door prizes. So organize a fasting party, and sample some of these food - dollar - stretching meat dishes. The program is sponsored by the Morrow County Extension Committee, the CowBelles, and the Morrow County Home Extension Service.

Program Recommended

Now that many of you can get KOAP-TV, Channel 10, you should watch "Clothing Close-Ups." You can enjoy the last half of a series, prepared and narrated by Elaine Carlson, extension clothing and textiles specialist, Oregon State University Cooperative Extension Service. The series is aimed at helping you homemakers select and care for ready-to-wear clothing for your family, through providing a series of key facts about everyday garments. The program is seen on channel 10, 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday through November 30.

Evening Unit Planned

Of interest to many of you people who work or otherwise cannot attend daytime meetings of home extension units, there is an evening unit being organized in Heppner. The first meeting will be held November 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the 4-H dorm building at the fairgrounds. All interested or curious people are invited to attend. There will be a discussion of programs, organizational matters and election of officers.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me at the County Extension Office, Heppner—phone 676-9642.

I'm looking forward to meeting many of you "Night Owls," so plan on coming to the first meeting and find out what the Home Extension Service has to offer.

Need scratch pads? Get them at the Gazette-Times.



DON WOODWARD (left), president of the Oregon Wheat Growers League, and Ron Rew, member of the Oregon Wheat Commission, are shown receiving a certificate of appreciation for their work in developing the market for U. S. wheat in Japan from Tsutomu Tanaka. Tanaka was the chief of the government trade team which recently visited the Pacific Northwest and is presently Director of Administration for the Japanese Food Agency, who has the authority to purchase all wheat imported by Japan.

Wheat Situation Draws Attention Of Japanese Team

A highly regarded Japanese government trade team was in this area recently reviewing the U. S. wheat situation and the classes and amounts available to Japan.

Tsutomu Tanaka, team leader, estimates that Japan will import 800,000 metric tons of PNW white wheat this year. This is some 200,000 metric tons more than they normally buy of this class of wheat. Five years ago Japan bought around 800,000 metric tons of all classes from the U. S. which amounted to only 30% of their total imports. This year, Japan expects to purchase 2.2 million metric tons of wheat from the U. S. which will be 54% of their total imports.

Tanaka gave three leading reasons for the growing popularity of U. S. wheat in Japan: 1. Market promotion work carried out in Japan by the Oregon Wheat League, Western Wheat Associates and the USDA; 2. the department's policy of competitive pricing of wheat; and 3. the work by the department, wheat producers, and railroads to place mid-west wheat on the West Coast where they could compete effectively with Canadian wheats.

While here, Tanaka presented the League and the Oregon Wheat Commission with a cer-

tificate of appreciation from the Japanese Food Agency for being the leaders in developing the school lunch program and many other promotional projects.

Mrs. Ed (Rachel) Dick has been in Portland this week to attend meetings of the state Parent-Teacher association executive board and board of managers. She was expected to return Friday.

Tell the advertiser you saw it in the Gazette-Times.



BOB DUNCAN

Monument Sailor Serves on Carrier

Fire Control Technician Seaman Glenn W. Farrens, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrel K. Farrens of Monument, is serving aboard the USS Kearsage (CVS-33), an anti-submarine warfare support aircraft carrier serving with the Seventh Fleet in Southeast Asia, according to information from the Fleet Home Town News Center, Great Lakes, Ill. The "Mighty Key," as she is called, has just completed a visit to Subic Bay, Republic of Philippines, where she spent a five-day rest and recreation period after a lengthy patrol off the coast of Vietnam.

Belch, commander of Anti-Submarine Warfare Group Five, the Kearsage has served the fleet for over 20 years. Her home port is Long Beach, Calif.

HEAR
IRVIN MANN
LIVE
Over Radio KTX
1290 KC
Monday, Nov. 7
12:45 P.M.

"Oregon's Water Strategy"

"We like Mr. Mann mainly because he did a good job in his first session. He was among the leaders of the House even though he was a new man—and that is a distinction not common."—Sherman County Journal, Oct. 13, 1966.

HELP
YOURSELF
RE-ELECT
IRVIN MANN



REP. IRVIN MANN

(Pd by Mann for Rep. Committee, Bill Duff and Brent Horn, Chairmen, Box 247, Stanfield, Ore.)

Do You Have A Question?
Get Bob Duncan's Answer
On The
DUNCAN TELATHON

Sunday, Nov. 6, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
KGW Channel 8

Call Collect Portland
224-3570

START CALLS AT 6:00 P.M.

(Pd Political Adv. by Morrow County Duncan for Senator Committee, Alvin Bunch, Chairman)

VOTE EARLY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, AND THEN COME TO THE

Annual Fall Meeting of The Morrow County Wheatgrowers Assn.

Catholic Parish Hall, Heppner, Tuesday, November 8, Starting 9:30 A.M.

JIM HILL, JR.

VICE-PRESIDENT
OF OREGON
AGRI-BUSINESS COUNCIL

Will Be
LUNCHEON
SPEAKER
AT NOON

MORROW COUNTY
BUSINESSMEN
WILL BE GUESTS AT
THE LUNCHEON



JIM HILL, JR.

PROGRAM

- 9:30 ASSEMBLE FOR GENERAL SESSION
- 9:45 REMARKS BY PRESIDENT LOUIS CARLSON AND FIRST DOOR PRIZE DRAWING
- 10:00 STANDING COMMITTEES CONVENE:
Wheat Utilization
Federal Programs
Finance & Membership
Taxation & Legislation
Youth Activities
Marketing
Production & Land Use
Public Relations
Transportation
- 11:45 ADJOURN FOR LUNCH; PICK UP BUSINESS GUESTS
- 12:00 LUNCH WITH JIM HILL, SPEAKER, DOOR PRIZE ROAST BEEF DINNER SERVED BY LEXINGTON ALTAR SOCIETY
- 1:00 SLIDES ON WHEAT AND WHEAT FOODS FOUNDATION By MILTON MORGAN
- 1:30 STANDING COMMITTEES RECONVENE
- 2:45 COMMITTEES REPORT
- 3:15 ELECTION OF OFFICERS, DOOR PRIZE DRAWING
- 3:30 ADJOURN

INVITATION

WE URGE ALL MEMBERS TO BE PRESENT AT THIS IMPORTANT MEETING AND EXTEND A SPECIAL INVITATION TO ALL BUSINESSMEN OF THE COUNTY AND OTHERS INTERESTED.

—LOUIS CARLSON, PRESIDENT

SPECIAL GUESTS:

RALPH McEWEN

ADMINISTRATION, OREGON WHEAT COMMISSION

JOHN WELBES

EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT, OREGON WHEAT LEAGUE

DOOR PRIZES

WILL BE AWARDED
THROUGHOUT THE DAY

THIS MESSAGE SPONSORED ON BEHALF OF THE WHEAT GROWERS BY THE FOLLOWING INTERESTED FIRMS:

EKSTROM FARM CHEMICALS
IONE

PAUL PETTYJOHN CO.
IONE

IONE CHEVRON STATION
JIM BARNETT, OWNER

THE GAZETTE-TIMES
HEPPNER

RIETMANN HARDWARE
IONE

BI-COUNTY CHEMICAL CO.
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STONE MACHINERY CO.
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BRISTOW'S MARKET
IONE

JORDAN ELEVATOR CO.
IONE

INDEPENDENT GARAGE
IONE

BANK of EASTERN OREGON
IONE BRANCH