

Moro is Highest Among Nursery Tests in Yield

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Moro, of the named winter wheat varieties, had the highest yield in 1967 with 31.5 bushels on the Shutter Flats Cereal Nursery in Gilliam county. The nursery is located on Ritzville soil, being typical of a substantial amount of Morrow county wheat acreage. Other yields were Wanser, 26.5; Nugaines, 25.6; and Gaines, 24.6 bushels. Burt, Brewer, Omar, and Golden yielded less than 20 bushels per acre.

Nugaines leads in three years average yields at Shutter Flat with Moro and Gaines tied for second. Nugaines yielded an average for 1965, 1966 and 1967 of 31.3 bushels. Gaines and Moro for the same years, averaged 29.6 bushels.

Wanser, a recent hard red winter release, has been fourth each year. For the three year period this variety has averaged 27.5 bushels per acre. A newly released winter barley has yielded about 200 pounds per acre more than Hudson for the two year period under Shutter Flats conditions. Both averaged more than a ton per acre.

The cereal nurseries are normally planted about the same time the farm cooperators plants. No additional fertilizer materials other than that applied by the farmer are used. Actual yields per acre are of interest, but the relative performance of the varieties grown are more indicative of the yield potential for the site.

Soil Specialists Study Problems Facing Farmers

Two Oregon State University Extension Soil Specialists spent one day last week in the county reviewing soil fertility and physical condition problems facing dryland and irrigated farmers.

Both soil scientists are relatively newcomers to Eastern Oregon. Hugh Gardner, soil fertility specialist, joined the OSU staff from the University of British Columbia. He had previously completed his doctor's degree program at OSU.

Jim Vomicil joined the OSU staff after several years at the University of California at Davis. He earned his degree at Arizona, Michigan State, and Rutgers. His specialty is in the area of Soil Physics.

Soils work proposed includes wheat and alfalfa fertility trials, infiltration and percolation studies will be made on dry land and irrigated soils of the county. Interactions between fertility and soil structure will also be investigated.

Farm Income Compared Between On and Off-Farm

On the average, U. S. farmers selling over \$20,000 worth of farm products in 1966 were as well off or better off, income-wise, as if they had invested their capital and worked off farm. That is what a recent USDA study of the parity returns position of U. S. farmers show.

But, farmers on the average, selling less than \$20,000 worth of farm products were not as well off. In fact, farmers with off-farm income, grossing less than \$5,000 were only 1/3 to 2/5 as well off as if their labor and capital had been employed in typical off-farm uses.

In 1966, prices received for farm products average 80% of parity. But, a total net income of U. S. farm operators from farming was the highest in many years since the 1948 record. Income per farm was the highest in any year of record, according to the study. This study was made at the request of Congress and Food and Agriculture Act of 1965, by the Economic Research Service.

The principal aims were to analyze and develop improved measures of the parity position of farmers. The results were reported in Senate document 44 of the 1st session of the Congress.

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Grain Exports At Record High

Grain exports from Portland in September hit an all-time high.

Inspection records of the Oregon Department of Agriculture show a total of 372,637 tons checked for movement out of the port, with 325,246 tons of this wheat. The remainder of the export grain was barley.

Previous high month had been April, 1966, with 348,903 tons inspected for export. Pendleton also had a record month with 65,317 tons, all of it wheat.

Allen Plummer, chief of the department's grain division, attributed the Pendleton record to the fact Southern Idaho had an unusually large wheat crop and a favorable northern coast market, plus the probability of somewhat congested rail situation at tidewater points.

The incoming grain figure for Portland and Astoria in September was the highest since August, 1966. The September figure was 459,224 tons compared with 485,284 for August, 1966.

Other grain division figures showed 34,278 tons of grain inspected at Merrill in September. The previous month 13,061 tons were checked.

Samples on which protein analyses were made by the department jumped from 2,914 in August to 4,289 in September.

Wheat Growers Form Group Plan On Compensation

A major decision was made by the Oregon Wheat Growers League at its recent workshop held in Pendleton. As farmers with an annual payroll of \$1,500 or more are required to have Workmen's Compensation by January 1, 1968, the League of Farmers for some time have been studying the various plans available to their members.

These were presented to the League members present. The League voted favorably to form a dividend group plan with a contract to be negotiated with the State Compensation Department. Under this group plan, an individual will receive his earned dividends and also dividends received by the group for being a participating member. If a producer now has an experience rating, he will maintain this rating if he joins the League group.

All wheat producers on the League's mailing list from Jefferson, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa and Baker counties will receive in a few days a letter explaining the program more in detail with an application form enclosed. Producers in Yamhill, Marion and Polk counties will be sent this same material also.

If any producer has any questions, he is asked to contact the League office or his nearest State Compensation office located in Bend, Portland, Pendleton, Salem and Baker.

Nimble Thimble Club Elects New Officers

Our first meeting was October 11. There are six in our club. The name of our 4-H club is the Nimble Thimble Stitches.

We have elected officers: Diana Wright, president; Kristi Haguewood, vice president; Trisha Van Schoick, secretary; Jeanette Stone, treasurer; Sandra Palmer, news reporter, and Sherry Massey, game leader.

We handed out record books and refreshments were served. November 8 we will take gifts to the hospital. Our next meeting is November 15.

Sandra Palmer, reporter

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Laundry Hints Make Easy Care Of New Fabrics

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The importance of knowing how to care for no-iron fabrics has been increasing. Durable press — also called permanent press — garments for men, women and children are popular. There's a widening array of sheets, pillowcases, napkins, tablecloths, bedspreads and curtains that carry "no-iron" labels.

Three keys to successful laundering of durable press garments and household items are:

(1) Avoid getting fabrics very soiled. Some synthetic fibers used in durable press items absorb and hold on to oily soil. Wash often to avoid soil buildup.

Pre-treat heavily soiled areas or grease spots by rubbing in a detergent paste or liquid detergent before washing. Test first on an inconspicuous area and make sure the item resists fading. If color is fast, let the detergent remain on the fabric for 10 to 15 minutes.

On color-sensitive fabrics, remove greasy soil with a dry cleaning solution, then wash by hand with a mild soap or detergent. Wash and rinse quickly, roll loosely in a towel, and hang to dry.

(2) Wash in small loads and use the right laundry products. Save the hang tags or labels that give laundry instructions. A recipe box in the laundry is a good place to file labels and instructions for care. Write a description of the garment on each tag or attach one to it. Consult the record whenever necessary.

Chlorine bleaches yellow some fabrics. Read and follow manufacturer's directions. Fabric softeners reduce static electricity, make garments feel softer, and often help prevent wrinkling.

(3) Use your laundry equipment correctly. Warm or cool water and short wash, rinse and spin cycles are important. Use a wash and wear or durable press cycle if available, otherwise adjust the controls by hand.

The heat and tumbling action of an automatic dryer relaxes fibers and removes wrinkles that occur during wearing and washing. Turn the heat off for the last 10 minutes of the drying cycle. As soon as the tumbling stops, remove and hang garments or curtains. Neatly fold other items like sheets, tablecloths, and napkins.

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Club Food Sale to Help Hall Project

By DELPHA JONES

LEXINGTON — Three Links Club of Holly Rebekah Lodge met at the home of Mrs. Florence McMillan last Thursday for an all day meeting. A potluck dinner was served at noon.

The day was spent in finishing the fancy work for the food sale and bazaar to be held Friday, October 27 in Heppner. The proceeds will be used to finish the dining room of the Rebekah and Odd Fellow hall.

Those present for the day were Mrs. Dorothy Burcham, Mrs. Archie Munkers, Mrs. C. C. Jones, Mrs. June Field, Mrs. Merle Cornelison, Mrs. Al Fetsch, Mrs. Oris Padberg, Mrs. Joe Yocom, Mrs. A. F. Majeske, Mrs. Frank Robinson, Mrs. Kenneth Marshall, Mrs. Joel Engleman and Mrs. Natalie Rauch.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spence of Baker spent the week-end at the home of his sister, Mrs. Florence McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. VanWinkle visited one evening last week with his mother, Mrs. Cleo VanWinkle, at Hiersche's Nursing Home in Pendleton.

Mrs. Gene Majeske and Mrs. Stanley were Portland business visitors on Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Jones returned home on Saturday from Portland where Mrs. Jones had attended the three-day session for the judging of the National Needlework Contest of the National Granges. Open house was held on the third day for the public to view the entries.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davidson is in Portland this week where Mrs. Davidson is consulting a physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor of Hermiston and G. E. Irvin and Bill were Lexington callers over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Breeding and sons of Portland were week-end visitors while they enjoyed some hunting. Mrs. Lola Breeding kept the Breeding children.

Mrs. Lola Breeding returned this week from Spray where she had been to care for her mother, Mrs. Emery Burnside, who is ill there.

Mrs. Joe Yocom and Mrs. John Edwards were Pendleton visitors last Wednesday where they visited Mrs. Yocom's sister, Mrs. Forrest Rinehart and new daughter, who are patients in St. Anthony hospital. The Rineharts make their home in Ukiah.

Fetsch Relatives Visit Here. Recent visitors at the Al Fetsch home for a family get-together were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Longgood of Yakima and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Longgood of Walla Walla; John Fetsch and son of Salem, Mrs. Natalie Rauch of Heppner, Mr.

Ervin E. Allen, 55, Native of Hardman, Dies in Hermiston

Ervin Everett Allen, 55, a native Hardman resident who has lived in recent years in Hermiston, died in Good Shepherd Hospital, Hermiston, on Monday, October 9, after a lengthy illness.

Memorial services were held Thursday, October 12, at 1:00 p.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston. Ben Shropshire, Church of Christ minister, officiated, and interment was in the Hermiston cemetery.

He was born in Hardman in 1912, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John David Allen. He had been a Hermiston resident for 22 years and was a former school bus driver.

He is survived by his widow, Lola; three sons, Loren James, Benny Raymond and Willie Ervin, all of Hermiston; three daughters, Leona Pearl Allen, Salem; Wilma Louise Allen, Hermiston, and Mrs. Deanna Geoffrion, Hermiston. Also his father, John David Allen, Hermiston; one brother, Ernest Allen, Medford, and one grandson.

Other relatives include uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. Kinard McDaniels and Mr. and Mrs. Les Robinson, all of Hardman; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stears and Annie Stears, Klamath Falls; Wayne Baird, Central Point; Bessie Cella and Edith Stanton, Walla Walla, Wash., a niece, Connie Charleston, San Francisco, Calif., and a number of cousins.

Blue Birds Enjoy Field Trip to Mill

The Dancing Daisies and the Blue Bell Blue Bird groups enjoyed a field trip through the Pendleton Woolen Mills on Friday, October 13, under the direction of their leaders, Mrs. Laverne Keithley and Mrs. Elwayne ergstrom. The 22 girls left from the grade school at 10 a.m. for Pendleton. They were taken on a conducted tour of the mill and then were taken to the park where they enjoyed eating their sack lunches.

Mrs. Jack Ployhar and Mrs. Elmer Steers took part in the field trip by taking their cars to help transport the girls.

Rogene Balfe, reporter

Make Washing Mitts

The Dancing Daisies Blue Bird girls had a meeting last week. We are making wash cloth mitts. We have two new Blue Bird girls. They are Tina Schmidt and Becky Stillman. Nola Steers served Kool-Aid and Kathy Marshall served her cup cakes. Mrs. Keithley reminded us about our field trip to the Pendleton Woolen Mills on Friday.

Rogene Balfe, reporter

Finish Record Books

The Super Stitches of Ione had their final meeting October 2. We completed our record books and decorated the window in Rietmann's store for 4-H Club Week. We had a potluck dinner at noon at the club house.

Cassie Chapel, reporter

State Director To Be Speaker At Ione Church

The Ione United Church of Christ will hold its annual Stewardship Dinner on Sunday, October 22, at 6 p.m. in the church social room. All members of the community are cordially invited to attend.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Miss Ruth Bailey. Miss Bailey will also speak for the 11 o'clock worship service that morning.

Miss Bailey is Oregon Conference Director of Christian Education. Before coming to Oregon she was Director of Christian Education in the Central Union Church of Honolulu. With a degree from Boston University, Miss Bailey did her graduate work in theology, Bible and Christian Education at Boston University and Union Theological Seminary. In 1953 she took a round-the-world trip on a sabbatical leave and spent two months at Ahmednagar College in India as Director of the Student Christian Movement.

The Stewardship Dinner will also feature slides of the life and work of the local United Church of Christ during the past year.

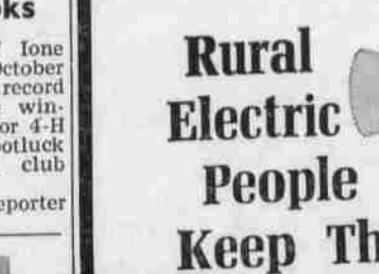
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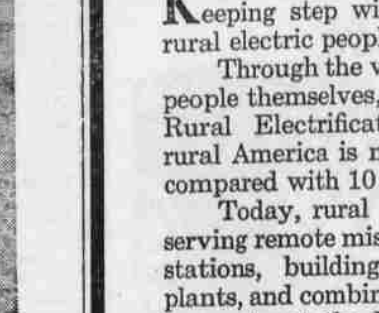


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