

# FARM

County Agent's Office

## Records Show Rainfall Down Below Average

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Rainfall records kept by volunteer country observers for the first three months of the 1967-68 agriculture weather year show measured precipitation was about one-half that of the average recorded over the years. Evaporation losses were higher than usually expected, due to the short duration and low intensity of storms. Reported measurable precipitation by one observer for 6 days in October totalled 0.45 inches. The same observer recorded 9 days yielded 0.65 inches in November. Little soil moisture benefits could be expected from such shower activity.

No records are available to compare soil moisture levels to that of previous years. Examination of soils in most parts of the county show less moisture in the top foot than would be expected from normal rainfall conditions.

### Good Tree Selection Available for Orders

Farmers and others planning to order forest trees for Oregon farms and woodlands from the State Department of Forestry can pick up order blanks at the county extension office.

A good selection for this area is still available for later delivery. By ordering now delivery of desired species is assured. Species of local interest available are Douglas Fir, Ponderosa, Scotch and Lodgepole Pine; Grand and White Fir; Incense Cedar and Chinese Arborvitae of the conifers. Broad-leaves include Black Locust, Russian Olive, Chinese Elm, and Caragena.

### County Carries On Wide Weed Spray Program

A preliminary report of the Morrow county weed spray program by weed supervisor James Cason shows 2888 miles of county road and 314 miles of state highway were sprayed during the 1967 spray season.

Perennial weeds treated on road rights of way include Canada thistle, wild morning glory, Johnson grass and the short lived perennial diffused Knapweed.

A 10-mile road shoulder sterilant trial near Pine City gave excellent season control of sandbur and puncture vine. At-

razine, Hyvar-X and Fenac were the materials used. A trial treatment for sandbur gave control using a contact spray, monosodium acid methanearsonate, showed better control at less cost than dinitro general and oil used previously. Puncture vine, a broadleaf, has been adequately controlled with 2,4-D.

The spray season began the middle of April and was completed the first part of September.

A full report of the year's county road weed control project will be presented to the County Weed Advisory Committee and the County Court in January.

## Chuck McLean Gets Promotion

Chuck McLean, former fire control officer on the Heppner Ranger district, Umatilla National Forest, writes from Elk City, Idaho, that he will be moving January 1 to Grangeville, Idaho. He has been promoted to be fire control officer of the Nez Perce National Forest.

"It will be nice to live in the city again after 2 1/2 years in a very remote area," he said. McLean said that he appreciates being able to keep up with friends in the Heppner area by reading the Gazette-Times.

"I look forward to receiving it each week," he said.

"Winter arrived two weeks ago and we now have four inches of snow with the coldest temperature six degrees. Most of the time the temperature ranges at just freezing. People are daily sliding off the road out of here into the south fork of the Clearwater River. Since summer I think the count is 47 vehicles. It will be a happy day when I don't have to face this hazard."

The ex-Heppner man said that he has purchased a house in Grangeville and has been busy week-ends polishing hardwood floors, buying new furnishings and cleaning for occupancy.

During the summer he spent 16 days as fire boss on the 2950-acre Brushy Fork fire on the Moose Creek district "way back in the Selway Bitterroot Wilderness area." His district had a total of 39 fires this year, and the forest 387.

"Thanks again for the wonderful newspaper," he concludes.

Chuck's address after January 1 will be 412 North B Street, Grangeville, Idaho 53530.

### New Club Organized

The Cooking Kittens 4-H club had their first meeting at the A. C. Houghton school. We elected officers. They are Peggy Brandt, president; Cindy Eppengaugh, vice president; Etta Lou Christiansen, secretary, and Peggy Hinkley, news reporter. We voted in favor of the state 4-H Training Center, located nine miles out of Salem.

Peggy Hinkley, reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Munkers will leave Monday, December 18, for Phoenix, Ariz., to visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Harris and family. The Munkers will remain in the Phoenix area for several weeks to visit with friends and other relatives.

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## Reminder Given On Farm Coverage

Oregon Wheat Growers League reminds all farmers that the deadline for signing up for Workman's Compensation is rapidly approaching.

The law becomes effective January 1 and all wheat league members and others who wish to take advantage of the League group dividend plan should sign-up immediately. One may contact any state compensation office or the League office in Pendleton if additional information is needed.

Those with a payroll of \$1,500 or more are subject to the law. If one does not sign up and an accident occurs after January 1, he is subject to a \$100 fine every day from January 1 to the time of the accident.

President Bob Jepsen emphasizes that the League studied the various plans for a considerable time and feels that the best plan for a farmer is offered. One must be a member of the League to participate under this group plan.

## Timber Sale Goes To John Day Bidder

Courier Prairie timber sale on the Heppner Ranger District was sold last Tuesday to Donald Hardwick of John Day, the high bidder, according to Umatilla National Forest Supervisor Wright T. Mallory. The estimated volume of 500,000 board feet was appraised at \$7,026 and sold for \$7,062.

The sale area is located in Morrow county about 24 miles east of Kinzua.

Final prices bid per 1000 board feet by species were ponderosa pine \$16.20, and Douglas-fir and other coniferous species \$7.55. Three bidders were present.

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