

FARM

Hermiston Ranch Slated For State Junior Field Day

Hereford enthusiasts who want to be "where the action is" will want to attend the Oregon Junior Hereford Association field day on Sunday, May 25, at the Stone Hereford Ranch near Hermiston, Gail McCarty, extension agent, announces.

There are several unique features of this event which will give it priority on any cattleman's calendar. Interest in the development of young cattlemen, an opportunity to see one of the outstanding Hereford herds in the area, and a chance to hear from a group of participants that reads like a "Who's Who" in the beef cattle business, are the program's ingredients expected to draw a tremendous crowd from the entire Northwest area.

Among the notables on the program are: Gene Wiese, Manning, Iowa, vice-president of the

American Hereford Association; Ron Baker, C and B Cattle Company, Hermiston; and Dr. Jim Oldfield, head of the Animal Science Department at Oregon State University. Howard Stone, owner, and Doug Bennett, manager of Stone Hereford Ranch, began several months ago, cooperating with the Oregon Junior Hereford Association, to plan a top-notch field day program.

Dr. Harlan Ritchie, associate professor of Animal Husbandry at Michigan State University, was engaged to travel half-way across the country to be on the program as the official judge for live cattle classes to be placed during the field day activities. Dr. Ritchie is widely known for his abilities to predict carcass desirability in beef cattle and has judged many major steer shows across the nation. He served as judge of the Hereford



MERRY MIXERS club members prepare tea table for Mothers' Tea at the Lee Pettyjohn ranch home. Members are (left to right), Donna Palmer, Rene Flack, Natalie Tews, Doreen Flack, Jeanine Flening and Carol McElligott.

Register of Merit show at Chicago's International Livestock Exposition last fall.

Activities for men, women, and youth have been intricately woven into the program to make this event truly a family affair. On-foot-evaluation of five classes of live cattle on which performance records are included will be of interest to every adult. A special program designed for the ladies will include a discussion by Dr. Gary Smith, Washington State University, who will talk about retail meat purchasing, quality grades, and substitutes. Boys and girls may compete for a host of trophies, plaques, and other awards which include a registered heifer calf awarded by the Stone Hereford Ranch. They will further be interested in hearing from the president of the American Junior Hereford Association, Jim Gies, Eaton, Colo., discussing "Juniors on the Move."

Seldom has a junior field day program been organized to bring so much talent before any group of cattlemen for an educational exchange of ideas and information. Many will be interested in seeing the Hereford herd assembled at the Stone Ranch which has recently made news headlines through the acquisition of the renowned TT breeding herd from Connell, Wash. Make your plans now to attend this big Hereford Day Special.

4-H Girls Gain Cooking Skills In Club Work

By BIRDINE TULLIS
County Extension Aide

Take 11 bouncy, enthusiastic, giggly and delightful girls, and one happy and relaxed leader, and you have a tremendous 4-H club! This is the Merry Mixers Cooking Club of Ione.

The occasion of my visit to the Merry Mixers club was a Mother's Tea — prepared and served entirely by the girls at the home of their leader. The selection of cookies prepared by the girls was unbelievable. Many hours of thought, preparation and baking had gone into their plans for this big day for their mothers. As each mother arrived she was presented with a large paper rose. Their tea table was lovely and very correct! The girls were thoughtful and gracious.

Leader of the group is Mrs. Lee (Pat) Pettyjohn, and had been a 4-H leader for many years in Gilliam county before moving to Morrow county. Her own three daughters have been active members in 4-H in past years. One daughter, Marianne, is currently a junior leader in the Ione Horse club.

Morrow County CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY

(For week ending May 16, 1969)
Soil moisture supply adequate. Summer fallow plowing nearly complete. Scattered rain improved conditions over parts of county. Some areas still short on moisture. Grass seed stands coming along well. Watermelons up and looking good in north end of county. Potatoes emerged and looking good. Yearling steers contracted for summer delivery at 32c. Some early calf contracts at 28c and 32c.

Junior Hereford Association Sets Annual Field Day

The annual Oregon Junior Hereford Association Field Day will be held Sunday, May 25, at the Stone Hereford Ranch in Umatilla county, according to W Dean Frischknecht and John Kiewow, Oregon State University Extension specialists.

With a theme of "Total Performance", the program will begin at 9 a.m. with registration. It will end at 4 p.m. with presentation of awards.

Program features will include a weight guessing contest and talks on principles of judging. Five classes of Herefords will be contested judged. Dr. Harlan Ritchie, associate professor of animal husbandry, Michigan State University, will present the talk and put the official placing on the class. A registered Hereford heifer will be awarded to the high scoring individual judge who is also a member of the O.J.H.A.

The afternoon program will include welcomes from Howard Stone, owner, and Doug Bennett, manager of Stone's Hereford Ranch. Gary Smith, Washington State University meats professor, will discuss meat quality; Ron Baker, C & B Cattle Company, Hermiston, "The Opportunity on Your Doorstep", and Gene Weiss, vice president of the American Hereford Association, "A Step Beyond."

Other afternoon features will include the annual business meeting of the Oregon Junior Hereford Association and a showmanship contest judged by Dr. Ritchie.

Dr. James Oldfield, head of the OSU Animal Science Department, will be judge of a speech contest for members of the O.J.H.A. The senior winner will receive \$100; the junior winner, \$50. Other individual and team awards will be presented at 4 p.m. to 4-H and FFA members.

According to Frischknecht and Kiewow, membership in O.J.H.A. is open to all interested young people. Joining fee is \$5 which provides paid-up membership until age 21.

Stone's Hereford Ranch is located on Highway 30 at the Hermiston-Lexington Interchange, approximately 28 miles west of Pendleton.

Junior Stock Show Planned June 8-11

The 23rd annual Oregon Wheat Growers League Junior Livestock Show will be held at The Dalles June 8-11 with 300 wheat fed steers, lambs and hogs expected.

As in previous years, about 20 Oregon counties are expected to be represented by 4-H and Future Farmers of America exhibitors. Wheat must have been fed to the animals to the extent of 30 per cent or more, which was a concept of the early sponsors of the then Eastern Oregon Wheat League in order to encourage greater use of feed wheat.

Advance planning has been going on under the direction of the corporation organized here to handle financing of the show, the Mid-Columbia Livestock Show Association including Delaney Schanno, president; Virgil Choate, vice-president; J. Merton Stein, secretary-treasurer, all of The Dalles.

Virgil Choate is serving as the show's general manager. Under the direction of Choate, a board of 10 men handle all the detailed planning for conduct of the show. Each has an assignment of specific duties.

Bus service will be provided from the show grounds at Seufert Park. Livestock will be received Sunday, June 8, with the auction sales of lambs and hogs the following Wednesday afternoon, and the sale of steers that night.

Boardman Senior Gets UP Scholarship

Robert Kenneth Skoubo of Riverside High school, Boardman, has won a \$200 scholarship given by Union Pacific Railroad, the Oregon State University news bureau announces.

Skoubo, who will graduate at Riverside Friday night, expects to enter OSU in the fall. He was given the scholarship for his work in vocational agriculture and was one of 25 to receive scholarships. Thirteen were given for 4-H and 12 for vocational agriculture. Skoubo was the only recipient of a U. P. award in Morrow county.

Winners were announced by William M. Langan, head advisor for the OSU School of Agriculture, on approval from E. H. Bailey, president of Union Pacific.

The Special State Election

On the Sales Tax Program will be held Tuesday, June 3, 1969, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., at the following polling places:

- Riverside High School, Boardman
- Old School Building, Irrigon
- Ione City Hall
- Lexington City Hall
- Courthouse, Heppner

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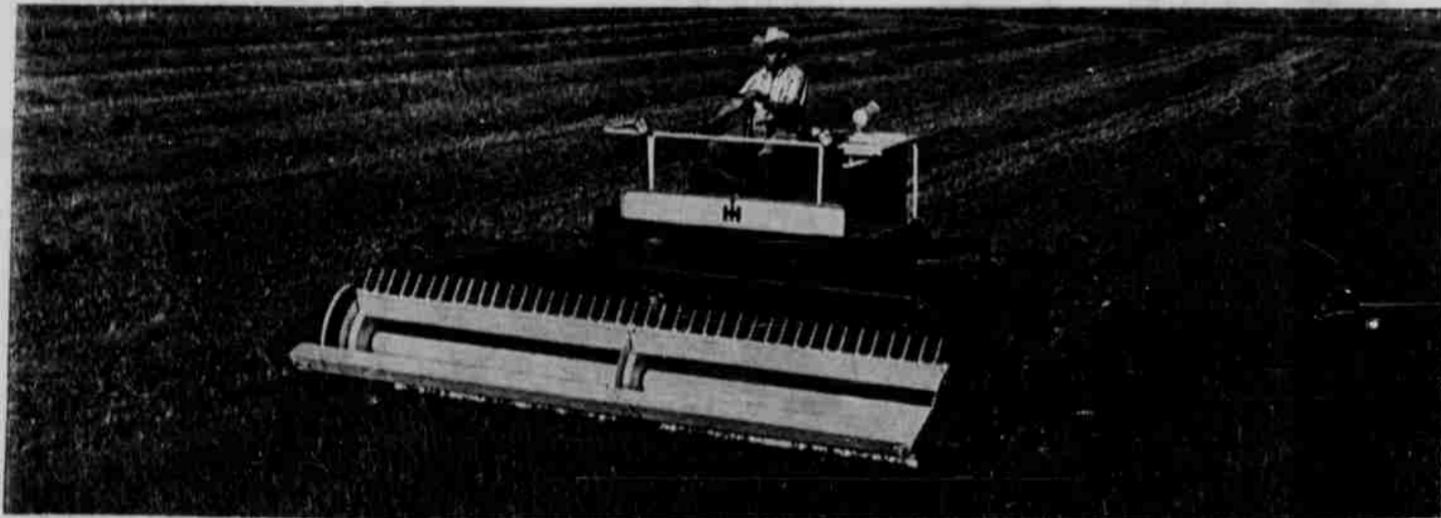
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