

# FARM

## Rain is No Deterrent To 4-H Campers

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Four-H Summer Camp at Cutsforth Park, a much anticipated event in the lives of the young-

er 4-H members of the county, proved to be fun, educational and eventful again this year, in spite of rain and cold.

## Turf Plots Studied By County Agents

Last week on a tour of the Pendleton Experiment Station, County Extension Agents in the Columbia Basin had a chance to observe turf plots established at the experiment station by Dr. Norman Goetze, crop specialist from Oregon State University, and Dr. Chuck Rohde, station superintendent.

The plots mowed indicated that bluegrass is the best adapted grass for our area unless there are special situations where the lawn is shaded or receives hard continuous use. Bluegrass varieties which look the best at the Pendleton station included Windsor, Newport, and Fylking. Under shady conditions a mixture of bluegrass and red fescue may be the answer. Highlight was the red fescue variety which looked better than the others tested.

In areas receiving hard use Fawn Tall Fescue will probably stand up better than other varieties.

Forty-eight campers and 10 counselors participated in this four-day camp. The responsibility for many classes and the special activities was assumed by the counselors, under the direction of Gail McCarty, county agent, which proved to be very successful. Counselors were Sandi Carlson, Sue Chally, Gwen Drake, Becky Doherty, Herb Ekstrom, Terry Cannon, Tom McElligott, Kris Nelson, Kris Peterson and Debby Warren.

Amund Kvam, IFYE from Norway, was a special guest at the camp this year. Amund contributed much to the fun and activities of the camp with slides of Norway, folk dances and songs.

Special educational classes were given by Gordy Lind of the Game Commission, Helen Martin and Delta Huber of Ione Garden Club, Harold Kerr, county agent, Dave McLeod, Frank Rasmussen of the Forest Service, and craft classes by Kris Nelson, Kris Peterson, Debby Warren, and Sue Chally, counselors.



HERB PETERSON (left) watches as his brother Bob explains conservation practices on the pair's ranch at Gooseberry. The two were hosts for the tour honoring them as State Conservation Men of the Year.

## Elevator Surveys To Help Marketing

A new tool is available to aid in marketing northwest wheat, reports Harold Kerr, Morrow county extension agent. A daily inventory of 150 strategically located grain elevators in the northwest will provide information on protein, moisture, Alpha Amylose, grade and test weights, as well as all grading factors from 2,000 representative samples.

The Pacific Northwest Wheat Quality Survey is sponsored by the wheat growers' associations, the Pacific Northwest Grain

Dealers Association, South Idaho grain dealers, the PNW Exporters Association, and the region's flour milling industry.

The results of the analysis will have publication and distribution each week through the cooperation of the Portland office of the C&MS Market News, under the supervision of W. D. (Bill) Hughes.

This new service is needed because the market demands by both domestic buyers and exporters have become more exacting. Quality problems experienced during the 1968-69 marketing year emphasized the need to know more about the quality of the crop as it is being harvested.

At a meeting last week in Ione, Ralph McEwen from the Oregon Wheat Commission pointed out the reasons for this new service to the wheat industry.

Dale Stuart, Oregon Department of Agriculture, also spoke on the importance of an up to date, fast reporting service on the amount and quality of wheat available.

Ray Teal, International Marketing Specialist for the extension service, also spoke on the importance of providing a type and quality wheat which our overseas buyers want.

Roy Warner, from the Pendleton Grain Growers, spoke briefly on the importance of grain sanitation in the storage bins and marketing facilities. He stressed that wheat does come under the Federal Food & Drug & Cosmetic Act, which covers all food for human consumption.

Allen Plummer and Merle De ment discussed sampling procedures for warehouse men and ranchers to use if they desire tests made of their wheat.

The meeting concluded with those present participating in an "eyeballing" method of determining the protein level of grain samples. Display boards have been prepared and are available at the extension office to assist wheat growers in estimating protein levels of their grain crop on their ranch.

## Farm Bureau over Top

Morrow county became the 18th county Farm Bureau to reach or exceed its 1969 membership quota in 1969. The county has at present 82 paid members, which is nine over its quota of 73.

## 4-H Livestock Club Meets at Heath Home

The Rhea Creek Livestock club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Heath on May 18. The meeting was called to order by the president, John Hall. The 4-H pledge was led by Keven Haguewood. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the roll was called. Kimee Lu Haguewood gave a report on the judging of beef animals. The leader, Gene Hall, asked each member to give a progress report on their animals.

After the meeting was adjourned refreshments of ice cream, sundaes, cookies, and punch were served by Mrs. Heath.

The next meeting will be on August 17 at Ruggs.

## Farmers to Meet

The Morrow County Chapter of the National Farmers Organization will meet Monday, July 7, at the American Legion hall at Ione.

## Angus Association Names Partlow As Junior Member

Richard Kirk Partlow, 15, Boardman, has been granted junior membership in the American Angus Association at St. Joseph, Mo., announces Lloyd D. Miller, secretary.

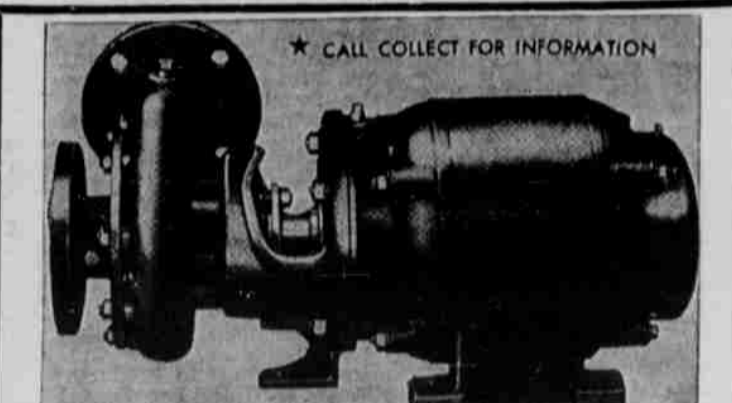
This new junior membership entitles the member to register purebred Angus at regular membership rates and to the privileges of the Association until the age of 21. At that time junior members are eligible to convert to lifetime memberships in the association.

There were 177 young people in the United States to receive junior memberships last month.

## Morrow County CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY

(For week ending June 27, 1969)

Soil moisture supply adequate. Harvesting activity process crops. Barley harvest may begin this week with good weather. Last week's showers should help fill most wheat stands. Wheat turning color throughout county. Livestock in excellent condition.



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