

Stockmen Name Woman for Honors

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ert in two groups of 2700, with one-half of the yearlings in each group. It takes four days for each group to reach their winter range where they are turned loose again.

Lambing usually takes about six weeks after they are gathered in early February and sheared. Early lambing ewes are separated and sheared first, and fed a pellet consisting of 75% alfalfa and 25% straw through self-feeders, fortified with antibiotics and Vitamin A. They remain on self-feeders until turned out with their lambs.

In May the sheep leave the desert and are hauled to summer range. Two bands go to Parkers Mill and three bands to the Webb ranch. The sheep go onto U. S. Forest Service allotments June 1. The lambs are sold when they reach market grade and weight starting about the middle of June.

After the lambs are weaned, the ewes are turned out until they are gathered for breeding again.

Cattle Have Major Role

The herd of 300 cows also take a good deal of supervision and management. Bred in late March and April, they start calving January 1, and are hauled to the Webb Ranch around May 15. They are turned onto their Forest Service allotment June 15. The cattle and sheep share the same pastures, but the cattle are rotated so they are not in the same pasture two years in a row.

Everything is moved off the Forest Service lands by October 1, and the cattle are moved to stubble pasture on the Webb Ranch. Calves are weaned November 1 on pellets fed through self-feeders, then hauled to the desert and turned out. They are not fed unless unusually heavy snow covers the grass. Heifers and steers are kept separate and are usually sold in May. The cows are also hauled back to the desert in November to start the cycle over again.

Share English Heritage

Mrs. Rugg's father, Frank Wilkinson, originally started the ranch and the sheep operation. He was born in England and came to the United States in 1905, and eventually homesteaded near Fossil and ran sheep there.

Expecting to enter World War I, he sold the sheep and homestead, but the armistice was signed before he completed his enlistment. He returned to Fossil and married Wavel Ball in 1919.

The couple went to England on their honeymoon. They returned to the U. S. in the spring of 1921 and settled near Heppner on the ranch where Dick Wilkinson now lives.

Expanding the ranch operation through the years, his original sheep allotment was acquired from Maldment and Huddleston of Lone Rock. He purchased Parkers Mill Ranch from Mrs. Grines and leased considerable acreage from Kinzua Corporation. He bought the Devan's place from that family to complete his mountain properties. For winter range, he purchased the Six-Mile ranch near Boardman from Frank Monahan, with its Taylor Grazing leases.

Following his death, the properties were split three ways with a third to Shirley, Mrs. Wilkinson and Dick. The sheep operation was kept intact when Shirley traded part of her share of the cattle to her brother for his share of the sheep.

Mrs. Rugg, Jill and Jody, reside at their new home at Parkers Mill from June 1 to January 1. In lambing and shearing season, it takes a full crew to handle this important part of the operation.

Her interest in many phases of livestock are evident in the organizations to which she belongs. She is a director of the Oregon Trail Appaloosa club, member of Oregon Cattlemen's association, Oregon Sheep Growers, National Wool Growers, Western Range association, American National Cattlemen, the American Society of Range Management, as well as Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile, and Episcopal church.

All are members of the Wranglers, and the girls have special interests in the Oregon Trail Appaloosa club, as they raise and train their own colts. Jody finds time for cheerleading duties at Heppner High and Jill is a member of the volleyball team.

Visiting this week at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Cutting were Mrs. Cutting's brother-in-law and sister, Rev. and Mrs. Reuben Tanguist. Rev. Tanguist is minister of the United Methodist church in Warrenton.

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TYPICAL OF THE WIDE, OPEN range life of Mr. Shirley Rugg and her daughters, Jody and Jill, is this scene riding their favorite horses, especially Appaloosas, through the tall grass at their operation headquarters near Parkers Mill. They work together in the successful operation.

Kennedy Reports Area Developments At ORAD Meeting

The following is the text of a speech given by Rupert W. Kennedy before the Oregon Rural Area Development Committee meeting held at the OSU Radiation Center in Corvallis on October 24, 1969.

The people of Morrow county are very pleased to be invited to tell the Morrow County Development story and we wish to thank those who assembled this panel for inviting us to participate. We are deeply grateful.

The great Boardman plain, consisting of nearly 400,000 acres of relatively level fertile land at low elevations with a long growing season, located on the mighty Columbia, one of the greatest dischargers of water in the world, and its greatest power producer.

These natural wonders combined with the Port to Morrow's 4,000 acre waterfront industrial park make this sleeping giant one of the northwest's most ideal nuclear power producing areas because:

1. It has the water.
2. It has the land to use the water.
3. a. 200,000 acres has never been tilled.

- b. Half the tilled land lies in fallow every other year to collect moisture but it has to be cultivated annually and it pays the same taxes every year. Probably the greatest economic gain in the future will come from annual production of irrigated crops on that fallow land which is very fertile.
3. The area has prime waterfront industrial sites to use the power and process the fibre of the land.
4. It has isolated sites set aside for nuclear plants which can be protected in the future.

5. The great Boardman plain can accommodate a cluster of nuclear plants with its land and water availability and the 50,000 acres of fertile land now used for the Navy's bombing practice would make an ideal site for that nuclear cluster park.
6. Morrow county people want a nuclear plant and more importantly, they want the 1600 second feet of water from each plant to irrigate 80,000 acres.

7. Geological and seismological factors are very favorable to nuclear siting.
8. The site is now located on the Bonneville grid for power distribution.
9. Land prices at Boardman are conducive to development and inflationary hedge.

Now the question arises, What are we doing about development?

1. The Port of Morrow now owns 4,000 acres of waterfront land for industries located on the best transcontinental railroads and freeways on the bank of the navigable Columbia river, an arm to all oceans, and is considering acquisition of an agricultural industrial property located for livestock feeding and processing.

In fact, international commerce will be established around November 20 when the first load of Docket alfalfa-grain livestock cubes proceeds down the Columbia to international waters direct by barge from Boardman to Honolulu.

These transportation assets can transfer the commerce from the heart of the nation to other continents.

2. We have asked that the 50,000 acre Navy bombing range be made available in a five year orderly move to accommodate nuclear siting and intensive irrigation.

3. The 100,000 acre Boeing Space Age Industrial Park, with its many potential exotic uses can add greatly to the economy.

4. The Port Commission has literally let the developing world know about its great capabilities by publishing last March 2,500 copies of a very complete brochure. Copies have been sent to industries, financiers, developers, universities, government agencies, researchers, nuclear manufacturers insurance companies and stock companies. We are receiving many inquiries for agricultural, commercial and industrial development.

What will be the results if this development becomes a reality?

1. The gross product of the

Columbia Basin Slates Research Man on Program

Dr. Bruce W. Cone, agricultural economist with Battelle-Northwest Institute of Richland, Wn., has been secured as principal speaker of this year's annual meeting of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative.

The meeting is scheduled for November 14, at 1:15 p.m. at the high school gymnasium in Fossil. Registration will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by a movie and luncheon at 12:30. There will be a number of drawings for appliances and other prizes through the course of the day.

Subject of Dr. Cone's message will concentrate on potential for agricultural expansion and development, as they relate to land use. His extensive background includes research work in Central Brazil, sponsored by the Agricultural Development Council. He has traveled widely in South America, as well as the Far East, investigating agricultural potential.

Manager Harley Young encourages all members served by the cooperative to attend the meeting and participate in business of the day.

Dog Owners Warned Of Coyote Poison

Owners of dogs in the area are advised that poison meat station baits are being placed on the range in Morrow county for the control of coyotes, for the protection of livestock and game, according to announcement by Ralph J. Burcham, district field assistant with the Bureau of Sports, Fisheries and Wildlife division of Wildlife Services.

These stations are marked by signs on red-topped posts. Area signs are also posted at strategic points. For additional information for the area south of Willow Creek and west of the highway to Boardman, contact Burcham at Lexington or phone 989-8190.

Anna Fehmerling Services Held

Funeral services were held Monday, October 20, at Portland Memorial Indoor Cemetery for Mrs. Anna B. (Buschke) Fehmerling, 72, of 1950 S. W. Camelot Court, Portland. She passed away at her home, Friday, October 17.

Mrs. Fehmerling was born at Rufus, and had lived for the past six years at Seaview, Wn. She was also a long time resident of Heppner. Mr. Fehmerling preceded her in death several years ago. They had operated restaurants in Portland, Roseburg and Scio.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Fern Hyle, Portland, granddaughter, Mrs. Sally Kimpton and two great grandsons, Robert and Kevin Kimpton of Lake Oswego. Three brothers William Buschke, Glide, Ore.; Fred Buschke, Gresham and Claude Buschke of Heppner; and four sisters, Mrs. Grace Karl, Pendleton; Mrs. Millie Evans, Heppner; Mrs. Martha Carr, Newport, and Mrs. Mary Travis, Westport, Wn., also survive.

Mrs. Fehmerling was a member of the 49ers of Seaview, Lady Elks Auxiliary in Roseburg and the Woodmen of the World, Portland.

Interment was at Portland Memorial Crematorium.

Attending the services from Heppner were Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Buschke, Mrs. Grace Buschke, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buschke,

Mrs. Millie Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Buschke, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Munkers, Louis Buschke and Mr. and Mrs. Don Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Buschke of Canyon City and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Kari of Pendleton also attended from this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Wickersham and children, David, Linda, Keith and Janet, were here from Portland over the weekend. They were guests of Mr. Wickersham's grandmother, Mrs. Amanda Duvall.

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C. J. Grayson, plantation owner, banker, ginner, and cattleman, in Fort Necessity, Louisiana, is president of the Northeast Louisiana Power Cooperative at Niborsboro.



Mrs. Robert Rengel, farmer's wife and mother of three, has been a director of Corn Belt Electric Cooperative, Inc., Bloomington, Illinois, for the past six years.

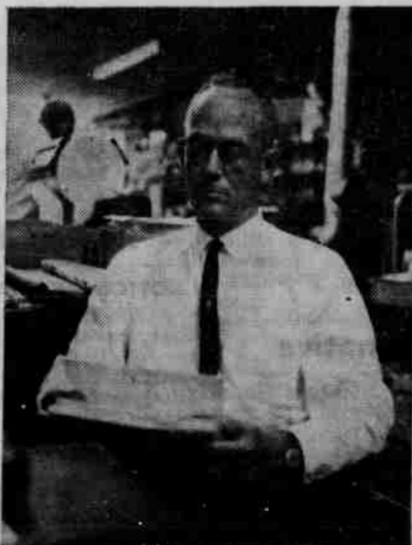


Dr. B. W. Gibbs, a dentist in Star City, Arkansas, finds time to be a member of the board of locally owned C & L Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation at Star City.

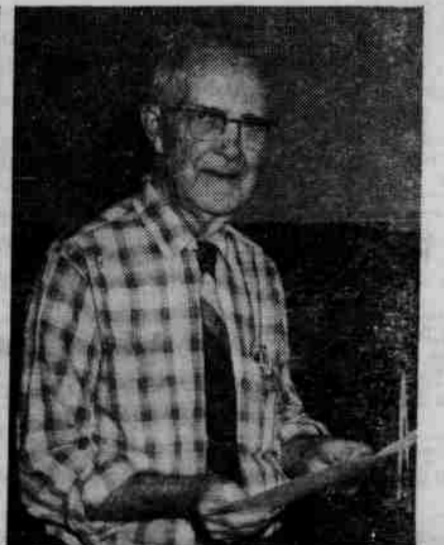
operate their own rural electric systems



Fred Schones operates his own barber shop in Selfridge, North Dakota. He also serves on the board of Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative, Inc., with headquarters at Flasher.



Milton B. Scott, partner in a general store in Pinetops, North Carolina, is also president of the board of Edgecombe-Martin County Electric Membership Corporation at Tarboro.



Jack Zavadi, editor of the weekly newspaper at Humphrey, Nebraska, is a member of the board and treasurer of the Cornhusker Public Power District at Columbus.

These six consumers are the kind of people who own and operate America's Rural Electric Systems. They are typical of the rural people who found it necessary to join with their neighbors, borrow money from the Rural Electrification Administration, and build their own electric power systems to get electricity.

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