

Scope of 4-H Grows with People

Four-H leaders attending the 35th Annual Leaders Conference Jan. 21-23 in Corvallis, from Morrow County, were Mrs. David Hanaway, Boardman, Mrs. Chester Wilson, Irrigon, Mrs. Pat Pettyjohn, Mrs. Birdine Tullis, Extension Aide, and Gail McCarty, Extension Agent, from Heppner.

The program Wednesday evening had International flavor, beginning in the Memorial Union Ballroom with a buffet dinner of foreign foods. The Morrow County group were hosts to Sam Lawrence, a student at OSU where he is taking a course in Agricultural Economics. He was from Jamaica, and evidently missed the sunny climate of his homeland since he commented that he had not seen the sun in the 17 weeks he had been in Oregon. Other foreign students were guests of other County groups.

IFYE's Speak

Later in the evening colored slides of Ireland were shown by an International Foreign Youth Exchange student, Martha Wiley. Wayne Shull, IFYE to Costa Rica, showed colored slides, Vicki Jean Petrequin gave a report on European tour taken in the "people to people" program from Oregon.

Have Apple Break

During the conference there were many speakers on a variety of subjects pertaining to the 4-H program. Then mid-morning and mid-afternoon, the leaders had smaller discussion groups. Leaders appreciated the Hood River apples at the 10:40 a.m. "apple break".

Dr. Dean Vaughan, director on 4-H and Youth development, speak to the group Thursday morning on "The Scope of 4-H". He said since there are more young people in the 70s than in the 60s, leaders should endeavor to meet the needs and interests of students. Four-H is a voluntary program with learning at a pace agreeable to the student, and with kids learning from kids, said Dr. Vaughan.

Four-H today has 3 1/2 million members, 1/2 million leaders, 4,000 extension staff members. Membership is increasing by 1/4 million members per year in the U. S. according to Dr. Vaughan.

Colombian Student To Speak at Pomona

Alberto Botero, AFS student from Hermiston will be the guest speaker for the afternoon program, starting at 1:30. Pomona Grange at Willow Grange Hall, Ione, on Jan. 31.

The session will start at 10:30 with dinner at noon. The afternoon program is open to the public. Besides the speaker, Mrs. Berl Akers, lecturers promises several musical numbers also.

AFS Student Writes

Alberto writes: My name is Alberto Botero from Manizoles, Colombia, South America. I am the youngest of my family. There are five children, three girls and two boys. My father works with an Italian Insurance Co. My mother is a homemaker. My oldest sister is a civil engineer and married to a civil engineer. They have a cute little girl. The three of them were in Boston last year but they are back in Colombia. My brother was also in the United States in 1965, brought by the Fulbright Commission to study math at the University of Indiana. My other sister lives in our capital city and works there. My youngest sister graduated in philosophy but is now a homemaker.

I came here sponsored by American Field Service. I arrived at Miami August 18 and stayed at the University for a couple of days before coming on to Hermiston. I'll stay here till the middle of June then I'll take a bus and have a three week tour over the United States.

I found Hermiston a very friendly town and a very nice place to live. Since the beginning people have been very nice to me and I'd sure like to be able to come back.

Hermiston Senior High, where I'm studying now is a very nice school with a high academic level and I think it must be very hard to find another school with the same qualities, school, teachers and students.

I'm staying now at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Clark. Since the first moment they gave me their friendship and have trusted me but the most important, they share their home with me. Besides being good skiers (water and snow) they all are good musicians and everybody plays a musical instrument. The family is composed by Robin, the oldest, Karen and Mike. They are the typical family of what I would say the best in the country and I would not like to leave.

I will probably talk about some geographical features of Colombia and some differences in customs.

I'd like that the people have some questions about Colombia that I'd be glad to answer.

The \$90 million per year program is supported by Federal, State, and County government as well as many businessmen and corporations.

Useful Citizen Emphasis

It was emphasized, by Dr. Vaughan that the most important phase of 4-H leadership, is to help the youth of today to develop into useful citizens. His character development was even more important than his project, for although the 4-H motto is "To make the best better", with rapidly advancing techniques, the best today may be outdated tomorrow. The 4-H program must be flexible.

Leaders come from all walks of life. The only requirement to be a leader is to be interested in helping young people. Dedicated professional men and women, such as doctors, ministers, school teachers are often willing to help the 4-H program, stated Dr. Vaughan because they have dedicated their lives to helping others.

Leaders Honored

Leaders with more than 20 years of 4-H leadership were honored at the banquet Thursday evening. Some present had 40 years of leadership. The group was entertained by Oregon young people, including "Hicks and Chicks Square Dancing" Yamhill Co. "Young Society" Jr. High Singing group, Junction City.

Alfalfa Savvy Boon to Morrow County Ranchers

It was all alfalfa at the first session of the three-phase Forage Management Short Course held at Morrow County Fairgrounds last Thursday. Planned by the Agriculture Extension, Norman Goetze, Extension Farm Crops specialist talked on Alfalfa Management. He explained the importance of the proper time to cut, to harvest, establishing new stands and to fertilize. Alfalfa is an important crop to the county. He estimated there are 12,500 acres now being grown in the county. Depending on water development, more acres can be added as the soil and climate in the area is well adapted to the raising of alfalfa.

He discussed the importance of taking soil tests which are available through the Morrow County Extension office to determine phosphorus levels in the soil. He recommends an annual application of gypsum. Each ton of alfalfa harvested uses 5 to 8 pounds of sulphur.

Proper inoculation of alfalfa seed to establish a stand that will be high producing over a long period of time is important. The inoculant must be thoroughly mixed with the seed just prior to seeding. Exposure to heat or sunlight will kill the bacteria in the inoculant. The inoculant should be stored in a cool, dark place such as a refrigerator. Growers should observe the expiration date of the inoculant.

Alfalfa Varieties

Harold Youngbird, Extension Farm Crops specialist discussed alfalfa varieties. With adequate water supply he recommended the following: Washoe, new disease resistant variety; Vernal, high yielding, fine stemmed, winter hardy; Ranger, similar to Vernal in quality. With a short water supply (creek dries up) Ladack and for dry land or pasture, Nomad or Rambler.

Alfalfa Diseases

Paul Koepsell, Extension Pathologist spoke on alfalfa diseases. He said the best preventive to disease is in the varieties. New varieties are being developed that will hopefully be resistant to such diseases as stem nematode, root knot nematode, root lesion nematode and resistant to such insects as spotted leaf aphid and alfalfa weevil.

An excellent example of a disease controlled by new varieties is bacterial wilt. This was a serious problem for early alfalfa growers. At present there are 60 varieties of alfalfa grown in the United States. Ten new ones were introduced in 1969.

There were 32 ranchers on hand for the meeting.

Today ranchers are meeting again at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. Dr. Jim Vomacil, Extension soil specialist is the main speaker. Harold Kerr, Morrow County Extension agent, says there will be a break at noon to allow those present to go uptown and eat. The session will be over about 3:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Gardner returned Jan. 21 from a Western buying trip to Sacramento, Calif. They visited some relatives in Corning and in Sacramento. At the market they saw Miss California and Miss Rodeo America modeling new Western styles.



CAPTAIN DAVID B. BECKHAM receives insignia of Captain's rank from Lt. Col. Cecil E. Johnson, assisted by Mrs. Beckham, the former Tass Morrison.

Captain Beckham Receives Promotion

Captain David Blake Beckham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest D. Beckham of 1283 N. 14th St., Coos Bay, was promoted to his present rank here recently.

Captain Beckham is the chief of the Personnel Services Division of the 32d Army Air Defense Command. This unit is armed with Hawk and Nike-Hercules surface-to-air missiles and is the largest air defense command ever to be stationed abroad in peacetime.

Captain Beckham is a 1961 graduate of Marshfield High School. He is also a 1966 graduate of Oregon State University where he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration and was a member of the Alpha Omega fraternity. The following year he earned a

master of business administration degree from the University of Oregon.

The twin silver bars of the captain's new rank were pinned on by Lieutenant Colonel Cecil E. Johnson, the G-1 (personnel) officer for the command, and by Captain Beckham's wife Cheryl Anne (Tass).

Mrs. Beckham is also an Oregonian. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jodie K. Morrison, reside in Ione.

Captain Beckham will leave his present assignment on March 1 and, after a two-week leave and an eight week training period in Fort Knox, Ky., will be assigned to the Republic of Vietnam.

Attends GOP Meet

Mrs. Herman Winter attended the Republican State Central Committee meeting at Sweet Briar Inn this weekend. She reports there were quite a number of Eastern Oregon County chairmen in attendance. Governor McCall and Secretary of State Clay Myers both spoke briefly.

Officers were elected. No resolutions were presented. REGISTER NOW was stressed at the meeting. Persons who have moved since last voting must register as well as those who have reached 21 or missed voting in the last general election. Deadline for registering is April 25.

Terry on U of O Honor Roll

Terry Peck of Heppner is on the fall term honor roll of the University of Oregon. His grade point average is 3.89. In addition, Terry is in 4th place in his Military Class.

Seniors Date Play

The seniors at Heppner High School are asking the public to mark their calendars now for the evening of Feb. 27 or the afternoon of Feb. 26 when the class will present the famous play, "You Can't Take It With You", by Moss Hart and George Kaufmann. Since its first highly successful run on Broadway in 1937, this play has become one of the best-loved comedies of American audiences. It was made into an award-winning film in the late thirties, and during the past five years, remains among the top forty of plays most often produced by the 1800 high schools affiliated with the Thespians Society, national drama honorary.

From the rise of the curtain to the final curtain call "You Can't Take It With You", is full of entertainment. With live fireworks, snakes, music, ballet dancing, income tax evasion, a Russian wrestler, philosophy, humor, love scenes, dart-throwing, and a Grand Duchess the play has something to please every member of your family. Don't miss it.

The Nimble Thimble Stitches met at Mrs. Kenny Wright's home after school Jan. 15, 1970. Patricia Van Schojack led the 4-H Pledge and Sandra Palmer led the American Pledge. Kim Haguewood brought the cookies. Mrs. Wright gave us our 1970 calendar.

The 2nd year girls have to get some material to make a skirt. Our next meeting will be Feb. 11.

Nola Steers, reporter

16 Teams Signed for Bowl March of Dimes

March of Dimes Scotch Doubles Bowling tournament is scheduled for Jan. 31 at Fiesta Bowl. Since there were so many entries there will be two shifts bowling. The first one will be at 6:30 p.m. and the second group will bowl at 9:30. By Friday there were 16 teams signed up.

Randall Peterson will donate the trophies for the winning team.

Mrs. Ralph Kincaid and Mrs. Len Ray Schwarz are in charge of this March of Dimes special event.

Spray 4-H Cooking Club was called to order by our leader Mrs. Shirley Yoho at her home. We elected officers for the new year. They are:

President, Sherrill Adams; vice-president, Bobby Fisher; secretary, Barbara Adams; reporter, Donita Griffith.

Our members are: First year, Colleen Milton, Bobby Fisher; 2nd year, Nita Asher, Bonnie Asher, Kristi Fisher, Sherrill Adams, Donita Griffith; 3rd year, Barbara Adams. We decided to name our club the Bakers "8". Our next meetin gwill be Feb. 2.

Donita Griffith, reporter

Tom McElligott is home for semester break at Gonzaga. A freshman, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick McElligott.

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1970 Hunting Season Opening Dates Set

At a public meeting in Portland Friday, January 9, the Oregon Game Commission approved opening dates for the 1970 deer, elk, and upland game bird seasons. The dates deviated only slightly from the opening dates provided hunters last year.

The buck deer season opening as approved by the Commission will be Saturday, Oct. 3. The Rocky Mountain elk season will open October 31 while the season on Roosevelt elk will open Nov. 14. Hunters will have an October 17 opening for pheasants and quail while the opening date for the chukar partridge season will coincide with the general deer season, October 3.

The Commission's entire objective in setting the opening dates early in the year is to provide ample time for Oregon hunters to set their own vacation periods to coincide with the game seasons of their choice. Length of the various seasons, bag limits, and other regulations for the 1970 hunts will be established at a public hearing May 23.

Boardman News

Wilbur Akers of Yakima, Wash. is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hazel Miller.

Mrs. Helen Busch left Monday for her home in Butte, Mont., after visiting the past seven weeks at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Daltoso.

Mrs. Frank Smith is a patient in the Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Word has been received that the condition of Mrs. Chub Warren has improved. She had surgery in St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton two weeks ago.

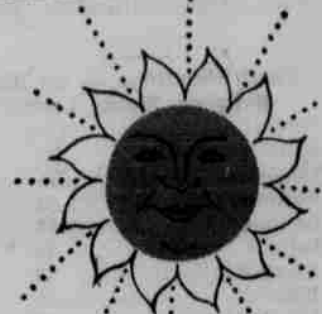
Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tatone were Tatone's brothers and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tatone and Charles Tatone of Portland, and his sisters, Mrs. James Flynn of Lake Oswego, and Mrs. O. Stutzman and Mrs. Deloris Pfennig of Portland.

IRRIGON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. James Everett, Jerry and Jana attended the funeral of Mr. Everett's sister Lillian Everett who passed away Jan. 8, at Rigby, Idaho. Recent guests of Mrs. Myrtle McNamee were her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Carpenter of Simi, Calif. and her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. James McNamee of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Logan Carpenter of Emmett, Idaho, met their son Gerald here.

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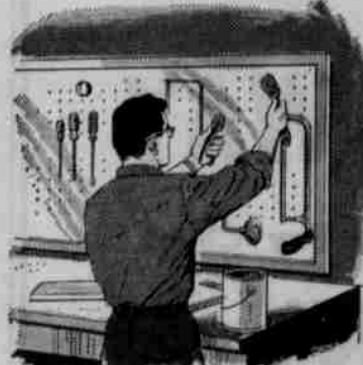
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