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FARM & FOREST

Cattlemen Score Grazing Fee Hike

"The recent announcement by the Nixon administration to increase public land grazing fees by more than 15 percent is completely inconsistent with past administration policies," said Donald Ostensoe, Executive Vice-President, Oregon Cattlemen's Association.

"Many Oregon cattlemen, who rent public land from the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, were

quite shocked that the administration would force such a high inflationary increase to the cattle producers cost of doing business. Obviously, these increased costs of production will have to be passed on to the retail cost of beef prices. Just last week the administration decided to lift all quotas on beef imports for 1973, reasoning that by doing so retail beef prices would be reduced. Now the administration does just the opposite and increases cattle grazing fees in excess of 15 percent. This is totally inconsistent and quite confusing to the cattle industry," Ostensoe said.

Over 60 percent of lands in the state of Oregon is publicly owned. Therefore, it is most necessary for the states cattle industry to rent these lands for cattle grazing. In most cases it would be difficult for the government to rent or use these lands for any other purposes. The Bureau of Land Management has increased their grazing fees from 66 cents to 78 cents per animal unit month (AUM). The Forest Service increased their grazing fee from 80 cents to 91 cents AUM. Ostensoe also said that "this more than 15 percent increase is totally inconsistent with the administration's phase 2 program, with the objective of holding the line of inflation to no more than 3 percent per year. This is just another example of the farmer, once again, being caught in the cost-price squeeze. It appears that Washington policy makers want agriculture to continue to subsidize the consumer on a cheap food policy. Why don't these policy makers follow their own guidelines before making decisions which will definitely have an adverse economic impact on one of America's basic commodities."

Ostensoe continued, "cattlemen or the beef cattle industry cannot be held responsible for increasing beef prices when the administration makes policy decisions to substantially increase our cost of doing business."

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Sheep Shearing Counties Pioneer Japanese Exchange School

Annual sheep shearing schools are held at various locations in Eastern Oregon. Reports Harold Kerr, County Extension Agent. This year sessions will be held at the following places:

April 17-18	Union
April 19-20	Ontario
May 1-2	Fossil
May 3-4	Prineville

The cost of the two day school is \$5.00. Dr. John Landers, OSU Animal Science Specialist is in charge of the sessions. Registration forms are available at the Morrow County Extension Office.

There is a real opportunity for high school age students to make some extra spending money shearing small farm flocks in this area. Every year we get more requests for sheep shearers, reports Harold Kerr. Deadline for registering is March 10.

DOG 4-H CLUB

The Dog 4-H Club starts their meetings today (Thursday), Jan. 11 at the conference room at the Extension Office here. Anyone with inquiries please call Mrs. Norman Clow at 676-9298.

Two 4-H Record Book Helps Dated

We get questions, questions, and questions on how to do 4-H records! So.....here's the opportunity for members and leaders to learn the details of 4-H record keeping. Monday evening, January 15, 7:30 p.m. at the Annex, Fairgrounds, Heppner.

All 4-H members, junior leaders, leaders and parents are invited. Harold Kerr and Birdine Tullis will try to give 4-H'ers the answers to record keeping.
The training will be repeated Tuesday evening, January 23, 7:30 p.m. at A.C. Houghton School, Irrigon.

'Knit Knacks' by Debbie Barker

An open meeting on sewing with knit techniques will be presented by Debbie Barker, Extension Home Economist, Wednesday, Jan. 17, 9:30 a.m. at the Dorm, Fairgrounds, Heppner.

Everyone is welcome to attend the workshop. Debbie states that she receives so many questions on sewing knits that she has scheduled the workshops.

Workshop will feature many "knit knacks" techniques which gain the same finish product.

Everyone is invited. Come out and spend a morning learning new techniques of working with the popular knit fabrics!

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Counties Pioneer Japanese Exchange

Next July Oregonians can expect a lot of interest in Sumi (Japanese wrestling), Kabuki drama, the Japanese tea ceremony, and some straight-from-Japan recipes-Sukiyaki and Seaweed cookies, for instance.

It's all a part of Oregon's newest international exchange when 80 Japanese teenagers will come to Oregon for three weeks in late July and early August—a visit they hope young Oregonians will reciprocate in 1974, according to Lynn Breese, Oregon Extension agent-at-large and program coordinator.

The Labo Teaching Center (a non-profit foundation in Japan) is financing the development of the program in Oregon, even picking up the travel tab for the young Japanese delegates, and the Consulate General of Japan in Portland is providing specialized assistance for a culture-exchange workshop.

Mrs. Breese says the Japanese Cultural Exchange—designed by the Labo Teaching Center in cooperation with Oregon Extension—will be a five year program.

Eight Oregon counties will pioneer the program—Coos, Clackamas, Douglas, Gilliam, Wheeler, Umatilla, Lane, Lake and Morrow. Three more counties named as alternates—Linn, Multnomah and Jackson—are assured participation in 1974.

Also, county coordinators have been selected, Mrs. Breese announced. Now, families eager to host the Japanese teenagers are invited to call either their County Extension Service office or program coordinator in their area for host family application forms. Mrs. Breese says each county coordinator will announce eleven host families for her own county in February.

But first county coordinators will become steeped in their own jobs—attending a two-day culture-exchange workshop, January 18-19, on the OSU campus, Corvallis. They will arrange similar sessions for host families in their counties.

"The workshop is planned to saturate coordinators in Japanese tradition, customs and to develop an intimate appreciation of cultural differences," Mrs. Breese explains.

"Would-be" host families should contact the following coordinators: MORROW, Mildred Davidson, Lexington.

Necessary requirements of a host family: an interest in sharing ideas from another culture, appreciation of rural life, children between the ages of 12 and 17, and the desire and time to enjoy a teenage visitor from Japan.

4-H Favorite Foods Winners Dined

The winners of the 4-H Favorite Foods contest were entertained at dinner out Thursday evening at Thels in Ione. Hosting the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heard of the Heppner Gazette-Times. Kathleen McElligott and Kathy Gilbert both of Ione tied for first place in the Senior division, Lisa Collins of Heppner won the Intermediate division and Jan Peterson, Ione, won the Junior division.

Each one prepared a favorite food to be sampled by guests from a table setting appropriate to the type of favorite food being served.

JUVENILE DIRECTOR

AT CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE
Carolyn Davis, Morrow County Juvenile director, was in Portland last week attending a Legislative Action for Children's conference. Discussions were held on day care, working mothers and the Juvenile Code revision.

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Some of the proposed changes in the Juvenile Code that will be introduced in this year's legislative session may include the following among others: lower the age that males may marry to 18 without consent (now 21) establish the age of 16 that male and females may marry with consent (now 15 for females and 18 for males); have an annual review of hearings of all court orders pertaining to children. The bill will be sponsored in part by the Governors Commission on Youth.

AGENDA

Agenda for the Morrow County School District R-1 Regular Board Meeting to be held Jan. 15, 7:30 p.m. at the District Office in Lexington.

In old business, the board will consider (1) Bidding contract bus run in Valby area.

New business: Consider bids on 54-passenger busses. Consider change of date for Heppner High graduation (from Sun, May 27 to Thurs., May 24). Consider special request to purchase spot welder for Ione shop. Appoint replacement member to Ione Advisory Committee. Canvas Serial Levy election results and consider contract renewals for district principals (Executive session).

(a) Mr. Edmundson and Mr. Cole, one year contract.
(b) Mr. Daloso, 3 year contract.

Reports will be heard on: Student and graduate survey forms - Mr. Teal, and Fire Marshal inspection report - Mr. Daniels.

Announcement:
Budget message, Jan. 23, 7:30 p.m., District Office, Lexington; Budget meetings Jan. 30, 7:30 p.m., Ione; Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m., Irrigon; Feb. 13, 7:30 p.m., Heppner High School.
Next regular meeting, Feb. 19, 7:30 p.m., Riverside High School, Boardman.

Bloodmobile at Kinzua

By SHARON BELL

The Bloodmobile Van of the Red Cross traveled to Kinzua Dec. 22 for a blood drawing for Mrs. Pat Van Arsdale who had heart surgery in St. Vincent Hospital. About 100 people came to donate blood with 84 pints being drawn. This is a record for a town the size of Kinzua. Co-Chairmen were Mrs. Earl Norris and Mrs. Dan Bell. Volunteers working for the day were Sue Mattison, Lilly Mae Nistad, Hildred Hines, Alma Corey, Lorri Hire, Kathryn Mai, Betty Murdock, Margaret McConnell, Carol Norris, and Sharon Bell.

Blood donors were: Donald Carey, Patty Zell, Jim Huett, Jean Kirby, Oliver Munger, Homer Bowman, Ron Bowman, Joseph Devone, Cisty Shaffer, Lois Walker, Donna Hopper, Becky Ostrander, Sally Wright, Gladys Muzzy, Erma Raiston, Joy Seitz, John Shaw, Beatrice Donnelly, Lois Hunt, Clarence Woods, Milo Prindle, Don Schott, Evy Luper, Evelyn Maddux, Guy Van Arsdale, Bev Conklin, Michael Vandehey, Wanda Dunlap, Ken Dunlap, Betty Benson, Herschel Murdock, Lester Gienger, Melva Yeigh, Naydene Wilcox, Jerry Samples, Nella Britt, Steve Conlee, Bill Taylor, Henry Fields, Dan Walter, Judy Simmons, Conrad Johns, Jack Bell, Dick Kendall, Pat McMinn, William Mai, Alan Zimmerman, Hazel Kandle, Helen Mabe, Terry Grindstaff, O.L. Adams, Mike Ball, Larry O'Neal, Otis Cody, Naomi Rice, Vic Wallis, Red Watts, Mel Bailey, Omar Stubblefield, Dorris Stubblefield, Archie Cox, Rose Hardwick, Kathleen Fee,

Rayetta Watts, Joyce Johnson, Don Hardwick, Denzil White, Harold Mangum, James Webb, Buddy Craft, Quincy Tripp, John Wilcox, Tom Schott, Earl Norris, Elyvyn Bell, Rosemary Nelson, John Nelson, Betty Murdock, Jack Sittin, Edna Wright, Charles Mitchell, Wilma Berry, Margaret Robbins, June Webb.

A special thanks to those who donated the Tang and Cookies.

Dawn Cory, Cindy Simmons, Alisa Heady, Travis Hyatt and Mathie Wilcox.

"Now that you've inherited a million dollars," the news reporter asked the lucky rancher, "what are you going to do with all that money?"

"Well, I reckon," drawled the rancher, "I'll just keep on a-ranchin' till it's all gone."



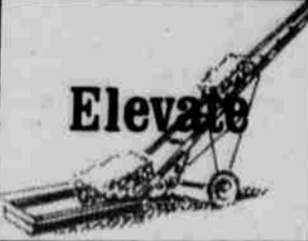
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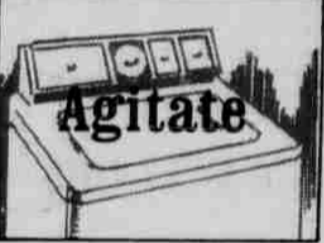
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