

# Summer spraying will ensure wormless fruit harvest, says agent

A regular summer spraying program for home fruit trees will help ensure a wormless harvest of cherries, pears and apples next fall.

"Two insects, the codling moth and the cherry fruit fly, are making their annual appearance and control measures are called for," said County Extension Agent Harold Kerr.

The codling moth is the adult stage of the worm that infests apples and pears. The adults lay eggs throughout the summer, thus making control difficult.

No completely effective organic methods of controlling codling moth have been found. Some techniques may reduce damage. Parasitic wasps may be purchased, but they may not be practical for the home owner.

Codling moth traps are available for monitoring codling moth infestations. It may be possible to reduce wormy apples if enough of these traps are placed around apple trees.

After cherry fruit flies emerge in early June, they begin laying eggs under the skin of developing cherries. The eggs hatch in five to seven days and maggots mature in 14 to 20 days.

Once eggs have been deposited in cherries, nothing can be done to prevent wormy cherries. Control is directed to killing the flies during the interval between their emergence and the time they deposit

eggs, a period of about ten days. Methoxychlor, Sevin and diazinon are recommended for use against the cherry fruit fly. Sprays should be applied beginning in early June with

repeat applications every seven to ten days until harvest. "The flies rest on foliage other than cherry, so spray nearby trees and shrubs if possible," says Kerr.

## Justice Court

Richard Ellis Pettyjohn, Rt. 1 Box 3326 in Heppner, recently plead guilty to two of five charges brought against him in Justice Court.

He plead guilty to resisting arrest and driving with an open container of alcohol. Charges that were dismissed, upon the recommendation of the Morrow County District Attorney's Office, were speeding, driving while under the influence of intoxicants and attempting to elude a police officer.

Pettyjohn was sentenced to having his driver's license suspended for one year. Other conditions of his probation are that he not drive for the entire year, cannot drink for the entire year and he must participate in a mental health program at his own expense.

In other Heppner Justice Court cases this past week, the following sentences were given by Justice Charlotte Gray: Vergil Franklin Gentry, Rhea Creek in Heppner-driving with a suspended operator's license-dismissed.

Michael Scott Balfe, P.O. Box 577 in Lexington-no muffler-\$6 fine.

Dennis Scot Thompson, Box 386 in Ione-careless driving and excessive tire noise-warning.

Andrew Robert Samples, 211 Summit Drive in Heppner-careless driving-warning.

Dennis Lee Petrick, Hermiston-defective equipment-\$12 fine.

Shirley Jean Brogotti, Monument-speeding-\$55 bail forfeited.

Derrick Dean Miles, Holtz Apt. No. 2 in Ione-careless driving-\$24 fine.

David Lewis Miles, Main and D. St. in Ione-driving with a suspended license-dismissed.

Ricardo Castaneda, Hermiston-depositing rubbish within 100 yards of a stream-\$19 fine.

Timothy Edward Sapp, P.O. Box 404 in Boardman-driving while under the influence of intoxicants-\$207 fine.

## Lone man starts credit training



Charles McElligott, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.R. McElligott of Ione, has begun his training as a Farm Credit Assistant at the Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) of Moses Lake, Wash., according to Jon A. Hatt, manager.

During his initial six-month training period, McElligott will learn the techniques of farm-ranch appraisal and become familiar with the day-to-day operations of the association which include interviewing applicants, processing applications, and loan servicing.

McElligott, who was reared on a wheat and cattle ranch near Ione, Ore., is a 1980 graduate of Oregon State University, with a B.S. degree in agricultural economics and agricultural engineering technology.

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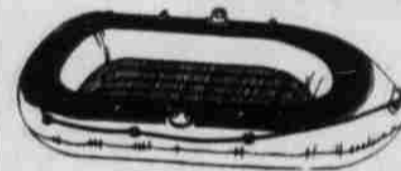


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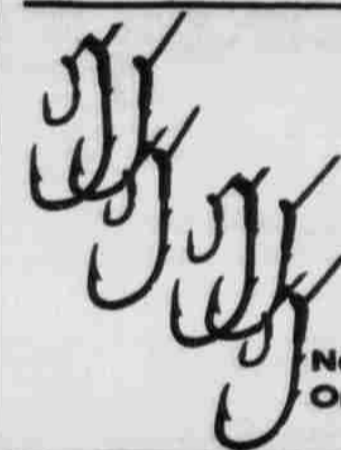


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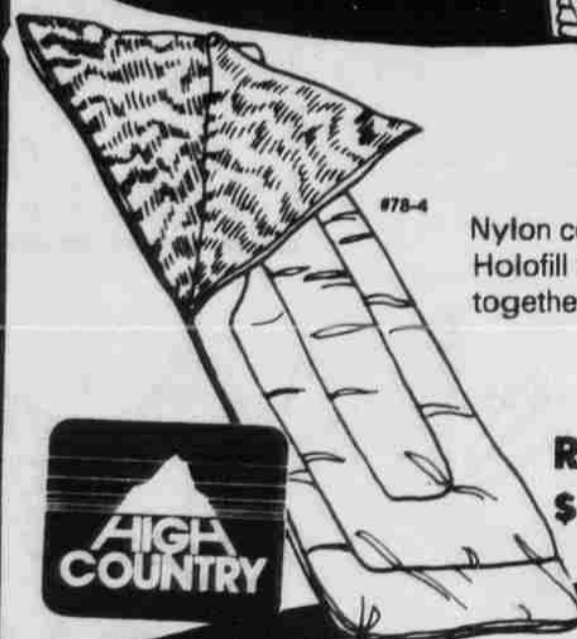
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