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IRRIGON NEWS

By Mrs. W. C. Isom

Several members of the Pentecostal church accompanied Rev. Farrens to Pendleton Monday night to attend a revival meeting.

Frank Leicht wrecked his car last Thursday while enroute home from Hermiston, when it skidded and turned over. Bishop Wisdom was with Mr. Leicht but both escaped without injuries.

Mrs. Fred Reiks, accompanied by Rev. Miller of Umatilla, skidded off the highway and her car turned over down the grade, last Friday while enroute to Pendleton. Several cases of eggs were damaged and two fenders were bent, but the occupants escaped without injury.

Mrs. Edith Puckett left recently for Portland where she is now employed with the Western Union.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Warner and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pierson of Hermiston Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Farrell accompanied their granddaughter Mrs. Land, who had been visiting here, to her home near Portland, and will remain until after the Christmas holidays.

The basket ball game between Irrigon and Heppner high school teams played on the home floor Friday night was an exciting event, resulting in a score of 25-26 in Heppner's favor.

Mrs. R. McCoy from Imbler, Or., visited her mother, Mrs. J. A. Graybeal Sunday.

H. C. Warner, Mrs. Chas. Steward and Tom Caldwell motored to Pendleton Friday night to attend church services.

Bert Dexter and Irene Haney of Irrigon, were united in marriage at Prosser, Wn., Saturday. Ollie Corryell took them to Prosser in his car.

C. Acock and Mr. Vancleve were business visitors in Hermiston Saturday.

Wayne Caldwell was taken to Hermiston Friday for medical treatment.

Oats Grown With Alfalfa Advised

Serves as Good Nurse Crop, Protects During Winter, Halts Erosion.

By C. H. Farnham, Assistant in Soil Experiment Field, University of Illinois—WNU Service.

Damage from dust storms, which proved so devastating to young alfalfa seedlings in some sections, can be practically eliminated if oats is sown as a nurse crop with the new alfalfa seedlings this fall.

Largely as a result of the poor stands of forage caused by the drought and the provisions of the AAA programs, it is anticipated that an exceptionally large acreage of alfalfa will be seeded during the next few weeks. An appreciable amount of these seedlings will be on sandy or light wind-blown soils which are subject to wind erosion capable of ruining seedlings made during the latter part of the summer.

Tests at the Oquawka soil experiment field, maintained in Henderson county by the University of Illinois College of Agriculture, show that this damage may be largely done away with by the use of oats as a combination nurse and cover crop for fall-seeded alfalfa on sandy land. Observations made at the Oquawka field disclosed no damage to alfalfa seeded last fall where surrounded by good oats growth. However, a few feet away where no oats had grown the alfalfa was either badly damaged or entirely killed by the wind-blown sand. In a larger unprotected area on the field, sand had drifted several inches deep, completely burying a strip of bluegrass.

In addition to preventing the movement of the soil by high winds, oats sown as a nurse crop with alfalfa this fall supplies at least three other advantages. Grasshoppers prefer the oats to the young alfalfa plants and thus are not so likely to feed upon the legume; oats is less of a competitive companion for the alfalfa than weeds would be, and oats aids in protecting the alfalfa against the winter cold.

Sweet Clover Hay Rated High in Minnesota Tests

Steers will fatten practically as well on sweet clover hay as on alfalfa of similar quality, according to Minnesota experiment station trials recently completed. Other university farm trials showed that the two kinds of hay were about equal also for winter beef cows and heifers. Trials have given like results with lambs.

Cutting the cured sweet clover with an ensilage cutter was found advisable for cattle feeding but there was no apparent advantage in cutting it for fattening lambs. Fine grinding of roughage makes the feed too expensive for cattle.

Cut corn fodder also was found a fairly satisfactory roughage for dry beef cows and heifers, when fed in limited quantities with corn silage and cut sweet clover hay and when fed with shelled corn to fattening lambs. The heifers lost some flesh on a ration of roughage only, and it was found necessary to add a little grain to keep them gaining. Adding shelled corn and cut corn fodder improved it slightly but decreased the feeding profit.

Prairie hay, even though of excellent quality and supplemented with linseed meal and limestone, proved an unsatisfactory roughage for fattening yearling steer calves and lambs.

Give Pastures Start

Good pastures are an asset to any farm, and particularly to a good live stock farm. Many farmers damage their pastures by turning stock on them during the early days of spring. The ground is usually soft and tramping damages the plants. The worst damage, however, comes through close grazing of the young plants before they have a chance to get started. Plants require a reasonable top growth in order that their roots become firmly established. The young, tender grass of early spring does not have as much nutritive value as it will have a few weeks later. It is best for the live stock and much the best for pastures if they are given a chance to get a good start.

Use Planes to Fight Hoppers

The adoption of airplanes to fight grasshoppers is another illustration of the resourcefulness of the western Canada farmer. Spreading of poison for grasshoppers has been so successful in one or two areas in southern Alberta that it will probably be adopted as a regular method in future. The planes were used in flying at 100-foot elevation, using four pounds of bait to the acre. The cost per section was \$8 to \$10, and the distribution thin and even, and so effective, with the use of oiled bait, that hoppers were still dying a week after the bait was spread.

Turn to Pasture

Farmers in the corn belt are taking a leaf from the book of experience of the British farmers after the Napoleonic wars. The latter, finding themselves unable to compete with cheap foreign grain, which came in after hostilities ended, turned their fields back into pasture land. Pasture land offers many advantages because it provides a rotation, which is beneficial to the soil. It requires plowing each year. None of the stresses used are annuals which do not rot.



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Dairymen interested in testing their cattle for mastitis are arranging for testing for the presence of this disease. Word has just been received at the county agent's office to the effect that the federal testing program for mastitis will be discontinued January 1, 1936.

It is highly important to have appraisals and branding completed by that time, according to advice received from the county agent, which means that the test should be completed before December is too far advanced. Mastitis is a disease of the udders of dairy cattle, and under the program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the farmers are to be reimbursed for the slaughter of cattle found to be carrying the disease.

The plan is handled upon a basis similar to the Bang's disease project, and dairymen interested in the removal of such cattle from their herds should immediately make application to the county agent's office where arrangements will be made for the test to be handled by federal veterinarians now working in Umatilla County.

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