

Los Angeles Erects Machine Gun Nests

Los Angeles, March 12.—(AP)—Sandbag barriers and machine gun nests are being erected at entrances to the hall of justice, nerve center of county defense coordination.

Machine guns will be manned by sheriff's deputies. The sandbag barriers will be six feet, six inches high and three feet thick.

Culver City has erected a seven-foot sandbag wall around its city hall.

Announcement of curtailed use of wool for civilian purposes unleashed a wave of purchasing that spread to other cloth, the department of commerce reports.

Jackson County Farm Notes

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Give Jersey Bulls To Boost Popularity

Jersey breeders through the American Jersey Cattle club are making an advertising drive at the present time to further increase the popularity of the Jersey breed with the American people, both breeders and consumers of milk products. One thousand Jersey bulls presented by breeders all over the country will be distributed to applicants who will be selected on their qualifications as future breeders. Recipients will be selected by state boards and the bulls will

not be moved across state lines. This drive at the present time is to let the world know that Jerseys are carrying their part of the load of increasing the world's most vital food—milk.

The Jersey Isles were seized by the Germans on July 1, 1940. Just a few days before this, 35,000 of the 100,000 population were evacuated to England. December 18, 1940, the conditions on the island were difficult, but not desperate—most inhabitants went to bed at dusk because of no candles or paraffin—gasoline only for Germans, doctors, officials and tractors, short of vegetables in towns, great shortage of clothes. Fuel was rationed, seven pounds a day per family; shoes repaired with wooden soles. It appears from recent history of these islands that they will no longer be available for Jersey foundation stock, and Jersey breeders will be compelled to use domestic blood lines in the future, as every evidence points to the fact that the Germans have confiscated the entire cattle population of the Jersey Isles for food.

Hybrid Corn Acreage Increases in Valley

Acreage of hybrid strains of corn in Jackson county is increasing rapidly. Last year 90 percent of corn raised was hybrid. As this type of corn will not reproduce it is necessary to buy new seed from qualified dealers each year. The middle west has been the preferred breeding ground for hybrid corn in the past, some has been produced in Idaho and during the past three years southern Oregon breeders have taken up this work.

Ben Day of Sams Valley began breeding hybrid corn in 1940, using Wisconsin 525 and planting five acres of parent stock. This proved to be an early variety but did not yield as high as some other varieties. For the 1941 season Mr. Day chose Wisconsin 695 and harvested a crop of hybrid seed corn which will shortly be on the market. This is a well rooted, strong, sturdy grower with very high yield and a good history behind it which is necessary to perpetuate the strain in a stable manner. About 15 tons

of this corn is for sale to growers in Oregon this year and we believe in patronizing home industry when a good product is available.

Burlap Sacks Made Available by WPB

Additional supplies of burlap sacks for wool and seed potatoes have been made available by the War Production Board. The conservation of existing supplies is still necessary, as supplies of burlap will continue to be very short.

By R. G. Fowler,
County Agent.

4-H Leaders, Members in National Defense

4-H leaders and members of Jackson county are mindful that national defense leaders have stressed importance of 4-H club work in the national defense program. 4-H club boys and girls who have been working for the past years in projects dealing with the production of food, preservation of food, proper nutrition and clothing economy are well fitted to fall in line with those phases of the national defense program. In Jackson county special stress is being placed on the garden, poultry and canning projects. The projects are ones that the national leaders have asked all rural families to participate in and it is the goal of Jackson county 4-H workers that every rural 4-H club family in the county have a garden and a flock of chickens, and will have canned part of their winter's supply of food.

Club members are being encouraged and urged to produce heavier meat animals, thereby supplying more pounds of meat without increasing the number of head of livestock, and to give dairy cattle the finest feed and care possible in order to produce strong, vigorous cows, thus securing the maximum milk production. Special emphasis will be placed this year on remodeling and renovating dresses in order to make the present clothing supply last as long as possible.

In all, Jackson county's club members should turn in a very creditable year as their part in Oregon's defense work. The local leaders, while extremely

Red Soldiers Mop Up Rostov Streets



These Russian soldiers were hunting through the streets of Rostov for German stragglers at the start of the Red Army's winter counter-drive, Moscow sources said.

busy with many other defense activities, have pledged themselves to carry on 4-H club work in spite of any difficulties which may arise.

While the project work in the 4-H club program can represent an important part of defense work, and while it is recognized that club members, through their well organized groups can be of other service to the defense program, it is still realized by those working in the program that the present contribution that the club program can make is that of establishing the stability and building the character of the young people of the country, and that in times such as these this is certainly a vital need. Those of us working in the Extension Service want to urge parents of the young people to give all of their support and backing to the local leaders who will be carrying this responsibility at a time when such responsibility is definitely an added burden. We must realize and help these leaders realize that their work with the young people is a vital thing and one in which they have just reason to take a great deal of pride.

By L. E. Francis,
County Club Agent.

Weather Starts Victory Gardens

Recent warm sunny weather has dried the soil in many locations so it can be readily worked. This allows spring gardening to be started in earnest. Preparation of a good planting bed is of course essential for a successful garden. If this soil preparation has been done, there are several vegetables that should be planted at this time.

Early cabbage may be planted from now until April 15. Golden Acre is an excellent early cabbage and plants are now available. This variety may be followed about April 1 by Copenhagen Market. Two dozen plants of each variety will be sufficient for an average family of five people. In setting the cabbage plants, care should be taken to set them deep into the soil. The entire stem and base of the leaves should be covered. This helps prevent the cabbage from growing on a long stem.

Lettuce Plants—If you have been unable to seed lettuce directly in the garden, you can still set the plants. Three dozen plants set now will furnish a good supply of lettuce during May. As lettuce is a cool weather plant, it is too late to sow the seed and get lettuce to head successfully. Leaf lettuce may still be seeded.

Spinach may still be seeded for a few days although it is getting rather late and may run to seed. A fifty-foot row of the Giant Leaf variety should suffice. Be sure and thin the plants at least two inches apart. If left closer each plant will be small and the spinach will be unsatisfactory.

Carrots—A 50-foot row of carrots planted now will supply carrots during July and August. Chantenay and Nantes are excellent varieties. One-half ounce of seed will plant 50 feet. It should be planted one-half deep and the soil firmed.

Onion seed should be planted now. Early seedlings of onions give the plants a good start and they are better able to stand attacks from maggots and thrip later in the spring. One-half ounce of seed will plant 100 feet of row. Mixing one ounce of calomel with this one-half ounce

of seed and sowing them together one inch deep will effectively control onion maggots. Calomel is expensive and one ounce will cost about 40 cents. It can be purchased at a drug store.

Cauliflower is not very well adapted to this climate, but if grown, the plants should be set now. Two dozen plants of the snowball variety will be sufficient. They will be mature in July.

By C. B. Cordy,
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The Grange

Lake Creek Grange met Feb. 27 with Master Myrtle Charley presiding.

Before grange, a 4-H achievement program was held. The Girls Sewing club gave a play with Janet Charley, Dorothy Stanley and Margaret Henry in the cast. The Beef club present-

ed Charmayne Lea Charley and Leland M. Charley in a tap dance, violin and trombone duet and a song.

Mr. Francis, 4-H club leader, gave some magic stunts. Before giving the young people their awards Mr. Francis gave an excellent talk.

Lake Creek has the largest club of 6-year members in Jackson county.

Special credit was given to Leila and Lillian Damon on their winning a state award at the state fair.

The Sewing club won the cup presented by the Business and Professional Women's club of Medford. This makes the second year for this cup to be held in

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Lake Creek district. Last year Mrs. Trueblood's Cooking club was winner.

Girls of the Cooking club served ice cream, do-nuts and coffee. Lecturer Mabel Stanley announces that the next meeting, March 13, will be a St. Patrick's night. All are requested to come and be prepared to give an Irish joke.

Serving committee for next meeting will be Mabel Brown and Eilyn Charley.

School Board Raps Shipyard Unions

Portland, Ore., March 12.—(AP)—The Portland school board passed a resolution last night condemning alleged discrimination in the employment of workers in shipyards of this district. The directors passed it 3-2 and sent it to the U. S. department of labor and war production board.

Directors said the resolution was aimed at AFL unions which hold closed shop agreements in the yards. They asserted negroes and holders of CIO cards were barred.

Law Officer Class Is Scheduled Here

Portland, March 12.—(AP)—Law enforcement officers will receive instruction on wartime emergencies at eight police conferences in Oregon under Federal Bureau of Investigation auspices.

J. Douglas Swenson, FBI chief here, said the first conference would be held at Corvallis March 16. Others include: Medford, March 18; Pendleton, March 21.

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