

Jackson County Farm Notes

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Guernsey Breeders Booklet Available

A membership directory has been published by the Oregon State Guernsey Assn., and copies are now available at the county agents' office, courthouse, Medford. This directory includes all the breeders in Oregon and lists the number of purebreds, number of grades, location of farm and names of herd sires. Jackson county has seven breeders listed with 284 head of Guernsey cattle. This list does not include beginners who only own a pure bred sire. The booklet will be very handy for anyone wishing such a directory of local Guernsey herds and is a praiseworthy effort of the State Guernsey Association.

Crop Conditions

Bettered by Rain

Rains over the last week end have done a vast amount of good to growing crops in the county. Some grain has headed out during the dry weeks and it is doubtful if this will be much of a crop, even with a large amount of moisture.

The first crop of alfalfa may be short; another rain like the one we had is necessary in order to wet the ground to sufficient depth. The half inch of rain that fell only went down about two and one-half to three inches.

Salvage of Paper Keeps Mills Busy

A good many questions are being asked about waste paper. There has been some difficulty in selling waste paper due to the inability of the consuming plants to handle the increased flow because of carloads being inadequately or badly packed. Magazines, newspapers and cartons should be bundled separately, the cartons being flattened. The material should be tied two ways securely in packages weighing about twenty-five pounds each. It is encouraging to know that a few months ago

Be sure and send Mother a Greeting for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10th.

SWEM'S GIFT SHOP

many of the country's paper mills were on the verge of shutting down completely, due to the lack of waste paper, the slack has now been taken up. A constant flow of waste paper is necessary to keep the mills going.

Auto Graveyards To Be Salvaged

There has been some inquiry about the scrap iron in auto graveyards. We are told that a special commission has been set up in Washington, D. C., to handle automobile junk and these yards will be handled separately.

Wheat Quota Referendum Scheduled May 2

Saturday, May 2, wheat growers of Jackson county will vote on whether or not they will have wheat quotas for 1942. All growers who have 15 acres of wheat or over are eligible to vote. Polls will be open in the courthouse auditorium, Medford from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. All growers are urged to vote.

In 1941 this matter of quotas was carried by a vote of about eighty percent, when sixty-six and two thirds percent was necessary. If you are eligible and do not vote and are not satisfied with the result of the election, you have no one to blame but yourself.

By R. G. Fowler,
County Agent

Tender Vegetables May Be Planted

Some of the vegetables tender to frost can be planted with a fair degree of safety on May 1. It takes about a week for the seedlings to come through the ground, after which time killing frosts are unusual except in frosty locations.

A 75 foot row each of pole beans, bush beans and lima beans will keep a family well supplied. One-half pound of seed will plant a 75 foot row. The bush beans come on earlier than the pole beans, but the pole beans bear longer into the fall so the season is lengthened if both are planted. The seed should be planted two inches deep and the rows three feet apart. The bush bean plants should be three inches apart, the pole beans and lima beans two feet apart in the row.

Stringless green pod or round pod kidney wax are good varieties of bush beans while Kentucky Wonder, Oregon Giant or Blue Lake are the most popular pole beans. Oregon pole lima

or one of the bush types are satisfactory limas.

There is a serious blight that attacks bean plants, particularly the pole beans. This blight is carried over winter in the seeds. If you save your own seed and have been troubled with blight, it would be well to get fresh seed and plant in clean ground.

Squash can also be planted now except in frosty locations. Yellow straight neck and zucchini are good summer squash and while they are attacked by squash bugs, they are generally not too seriously affected and will produce a good crop particularly if kept well watered and fertilized.

Delicious, Banana, Hubbard and Table Queen will produce a supply of squash that can be stored during the winter. Banana squash is difficult to grow because of squash bugs. Persistently picking the bugs off by hand and destroying is the best means of control.

The summer squash should be planted by three feet and the winter squash should be planted six feet by eight feet.

Cabbage aphid is very active at the present time, but can be controlled by thorough spraying with nicotine sulfate. Use four teaspoonful in three gallons of water and be sure to cover the under side of the leaves.

By C. B. Cordy,
Assistant County Agent

Disabled Veterans Selling Seals for Public Awakening

Members of Jackson County Chapter 8, Disabled American Veterans, have joined other veteran groups in America in an effort to further arouse the public to the seriousness of Un-American groups now operating in this country. As part of their program the Disabled Veterans have adopted a "Patriotic Seal," about the size of an air mail stamp, and bearing a series of slogans. It is the hope of the Disabled Veterans that by their general use the public will become more conscious of conditions now existing.

The seals were placed on sale today by the members of the Jackson County Disabled Veterans, stated Chapter Commander Pat Graham, "and it is hoped by the veterans that every one will avail themselves of the opportunity to secure some of the seals. Money raised by sale of the seals will go to the Chapter Welfare fund."

ASTORIA, MEDFORD LEAD IN BUILDING

Portland, Ore., April 30—(AP) Defense housing kept Pacific northwest building for the first quarter of 1942 ahead of the 1940 level although the total slipped below 1941's high mark. The Equitable Savings & Loan association reported today permits for the first three months reached \$13,786,939 in 30 key cities compared to \$22,047,732 last year and \$11,422,618 for 1940.

Biggest gain recorded was in Everett, with a total of \$595,295, a gain of 281 per cent over last year.

Oregon's leading cities, each with an increase of 26 per cent, were Astoria with a total of \$89,675 and Medford with \$81,403.

All Idaho cities surveyed showed decreases.

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The Admiral Arrives In a Blimp



When the navy took over Moffett Field near Sunnyvale, Calif., from the army, Rear Admiral John W. Greenslade, commandant of the 12th Naval district, arrived for the ceremonies in a Navy blimp (top). Moffett field, one-time home of the ill-fated dirigible Macon, has been used by the Army Air Corps as a training center for the past five years, and now will go back to the navy as a base for lighter-than-air patrol craft. Below: Greenslade (arrow) addresses the assembled army and navy personnel.

Big Applegate

Big Applegate, April 30—(Special)—Bob Hyde returned to his studies at Jacksonville high school Monday, having been absent for five weeks due to a pneumonia attack. Bob, who makes his home with Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith, is a senior student.

Everyone is going to quit his work and go to school on the afternoon of May 4th, for the first time in years, maybe. Mrs. J. J. Myers, teacher at the Beaver Creek school, has announced this date for the registration of all residents of that school district for their sugar rationing stamps. School will be dismissed at two o'clock, and during the remainder of the afternoon residents are expected to register.

Wesley Davis has returned to his home here after attending the funeral at Tule Lake of his brother, Halie Davis, whose death resulted from pneumonia.

Miss Bertha Cunningham, of Ashland, last year student at the Southern Oregon College of Education, was here last week to conduct the Stanford achievement tests in the Ruch and Little Applegate schools. Miss Cunningham also visited friends here, where she resided several years ago with her aunt, Mrs. J. J. Annant. Mrs. Una B. Inch, county school supervisor, gave the achievement tests in other schools here where the work was not carried out by the teachers in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sinclair of Los Angeles, where Mr. Sinclair had been engaged in business, arrived in the lower Applegate district a few days ago to make their home, having purchased the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bonney. The latter couple are remaining at Talent for the present, although they expect to make their home in Oakland, where their son, Jack Ritchey, already has entered high school.

Friends here regret to learn that John Rankin of Silverton, Ore., who, with his family, resided at Ruch over twenty years ago, is in a Silverton hospital, where he had a leg amputated below the knee. A foot disorder necessitated the amputation. Mr. and Mrs. Rankin and son visited friends and relatives here last July, among whom were Mrs. Rankin's nephew, Ray Offenbacher.

An important meeting involving

three projects will be offered through the Applegate Extension Unit at their meeting Wednesday, May 6th, at Applegate school. Two nutrition for victory subjects will be presented by local leaders, including the uses of eggs, milk, and cheese, and planning of the home food supply. Miss Marian Farrell, home demonstration agent, will present "Outlook on life after forty." The meeting will open at 10 a.m. and everyone is cordially invited.

J. Babcock still is confined to his home as a result of crushing his foot while employed in a local mine. Mr. Babcock received treatment in a Medford hospital for the injury.

Assignment of fire fighting crews and other instructions for civilian defense will be given by Jack Crump, protective assistant, at Star ranger station, at a meeting to be held at Ruch school house Friday evening, May 1st. Mr. Crump will hold a similar meeting for the lower Applegate area at the E. W. Kuhl home Monday evening. Further civilian defense information regarding bombs, gas, etc., was given by Guy Davis of Medford and Glenn Smith of the community at a meeting held at Ruch Wednesday.

Lower Applegate Sunday school is preparing to present a Mothers' Day program at the Applegate school May 10.

Los Angeles, Cal. (UP)—A town is being offered for sale in a classified ad here. It is described as a township with 400 lots, water system, and railway, located in the San Joaquin valley. Original cost was \$100,000 but it is for sale at \$15,000 "because he cannot develop the property."

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SCHOOL MUSICIANS TO VIE SATURDAY FOR AREA HONORS

The southern Oregon sectional instrumental competition festival, previously scheduled for Klamath Falls, will be held in the Medford senior high band room Saturday, May 2, according to Miss Miriam Burton, music supervisor for the city schools. This festival will qualify events for the regional contest in Eugene, May 15 and 16. Chester Duncan, Portland public school music director, will judge events, including the local band and 20 soloists and ensemble numbers. Mr. F. Wilson Wait will direct the school band and Miss Helene Leach, the ensembles and solo work. Instrumental and solo competition will begin at 9 a. m. The band will play at 1 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

WATCH STILL TICKING Hinsdale, Mass. (UP)—The proud possessor of a 120-year-old Patent Lever watch is three-year-old Hubert Jenks III. The watch, which was owned by Hubert's great-great-grandfather, still keeps excellent time.

THREE UP, SIX TO GO Centralia, Ill. (UP)—Mrs. M. Eagan of Patoka has three sons in the army and six others registered for military service. The eldest son, Jack, is 42 years old and registered February 16.

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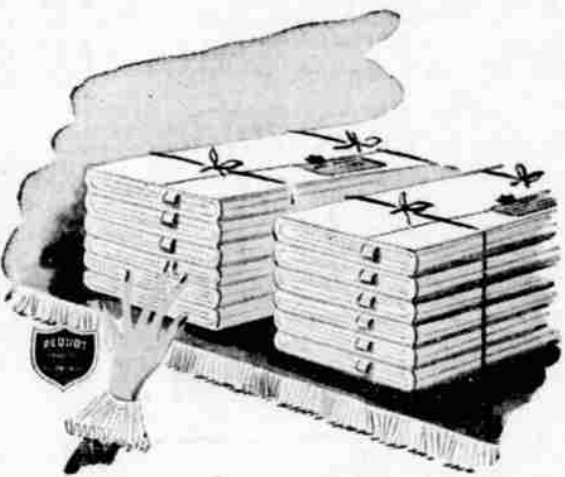
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