

Rogue Valley 4-H Members Elected

Several Rogue River valley 4-H club members who attended the club's summer school at Corvallis, June 17 to 27, were elected to offices and participated in special activities, according to R. H. Cate Jr., county agent in 4-H work.

Miss Gail Skyrman, Central Point, Miss Cynthia Rukovina, Medford, and Miss Vicky Day, Sams Valley, were elected presidents of their respective living units, of which there were 24 for girls.

Miss Skyrman and Miss Joan Russell performed a piano duet for the radio revue over KOAC during the week-long school. Miss Marilyn Bohnert was a moderator of a panel discussion during one of the regular afternoon assemblies, and Miss Doreen Bohnert represented her living group in the amateur night program by presenting an Indian dance.

Garden Notes

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(Editor's note: This is one of a series of articles on gardening subjects, prepared for The Mail Tribune by the Jackson county agent for horticulture. They will be carried weekly during the gardening season.)

The main crop of bloom on many of our climbing roses is now about over, so this would be a good time to prune them. Some of the climbing roses are ever-blooming and some of them have a spring crop of roses and no more until the next year.

The ever-blooming type should be pruned during the dormant season. Those kinds which bloom only once, as typified by the Paul Scarlet, can be pruned to advantage now. In many cases these roses are used as pillar roses or are trained over archways. Pruning now not only improves the appearance of these bushes but also keeps them from sending out long new shoots from the top growth which snag a person as he walks by.

In pruning, the old canes should be removed more or less completely. Generally, there will be some new shoots coming either from near the surface of the ground or from the lower parts of these old canes. By cutting back the old canes these new shoots will grow very rapidly and can be trained over the arbor or onto the pillar supports. No more pruning should be done until after blooming next year.

If the roses have not received much pruning in the past, they should be pruned more lightly as there may be no new shoots coming from the bottom. In this case remove the oldest of the canes and leave two or three of the younger, more vigorous canes to flower next spring.

This damp summer has been very favorable for rose mildew and those varieties which are susceptible are now showing a lot of mildew on the new shoots. The simplest means of mildew control is to discard the varieties which are most susceptible. On other varieties good mildew control can be obtained by spraying or dusting at ten-day intervals throughout the summer with sulfur. For making up a spray use a heaping tablespoon of sulfur to a gallon of water. It would be well to add to this a heaping tablespoon of 50 per cent DDT for thrip control and a teaspoon of Black Leaf 40 for aphid control.

Pickin' Pears

News, Gossip, Comment
From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH

Veterans of every war and major engagement of the United States since the turn of the century are now domiciled at Camp White.

This statement is made possible by the arrival this past week of Cpl. George W. Lord, 24, of the 31st Infantry, 1st Division, A.U.S. His home is in Portland.

Lord went to Japan in 1948 and at the outbreak of hostilities was sent to Korea. He was wounded at Heartbreak Ridge and has been hospitalized since then.

Lord is a good soldier.

There is more than usual interest at Camp White in the participation in club activities. Groups of veterans with similar interests have banded together for comparison of ideas or the promotion of their special hobby or past-time.

Here is a list in the order of their formation:
Wheel Chair club, Stamp club; Bridge club; Fishing club; Chess and Checkers club and Contest club.

The first club devoted to a special interest was the Stamp club. Stamp collectors gathered informally and then became organized under the mentorship of Mrs. R. E. Carley, of Sams Valley, a volunteer worker who has selected this particular group which meets regularly each Thursday at 10 a.m.

The regular Thursday night sessions in the Green room of the Bridge club are now an accepted event on the calendar. About a dozen tables are occupied at each of these sessions.

A handful of ardent Isaac Walton disciples decided to form a club and now each alternate Tuesday a score or more make their pilgrimage by bus to the best fishing waters armed with the complete equipment provided for them. The Fishing club meets every other Monday evening.

Keen interest is also shown by the chess and checkers players in their club meetings.

The newly formed Contest club met Monday night with a quiz prize as the attraction. A seventh club composed of "rock

hounds" is expected to be started in the fall.

The schedule of birthday parties and sponsors for the summer months has been announced as follows:

July 9 — American Legion and auxiliary, Department of Oregon, Mr. Williams in charge.
August 13 — Disabled American Veterans and auxiliary, Mrs. Lillie in charge.

September 10 — American Gold Star Mothers, Medford, Mrs. Roberts in charge.

"Tick" Malarkey was at Camp White over the week-end taking a brief respite from his lookout over the forests near Ashland. He says he has made friends with two deer that browse near his retreat.

George Eichnor and Don Kirkot have been collaborating in extra curricular writing activities for several months. They are Navy men of the First World War.

George recently received a photograph of the Dutch ship he was on and promises to write of her UNseaworthy action. Don tells of weathering a storm in a heavy sea when a sea anchor was fashioned to keep the vessel headed in the wind.

Truth in some of their experiences is even stranger than fiction, which they prefer to write.

Portland Employment, Earnings, Hold Own

Salem — (U.P.) — Employment and earnings of workers held their own in the Portland metropolitan area during May despite labor disputes that idled several thousand in lumbering; transportation and baking, according to the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

Reports from the four-county district, including Clark county, Wash., showed about as many employees as a month before and May 1951, and an increase of 6 per cent over May, 1950.

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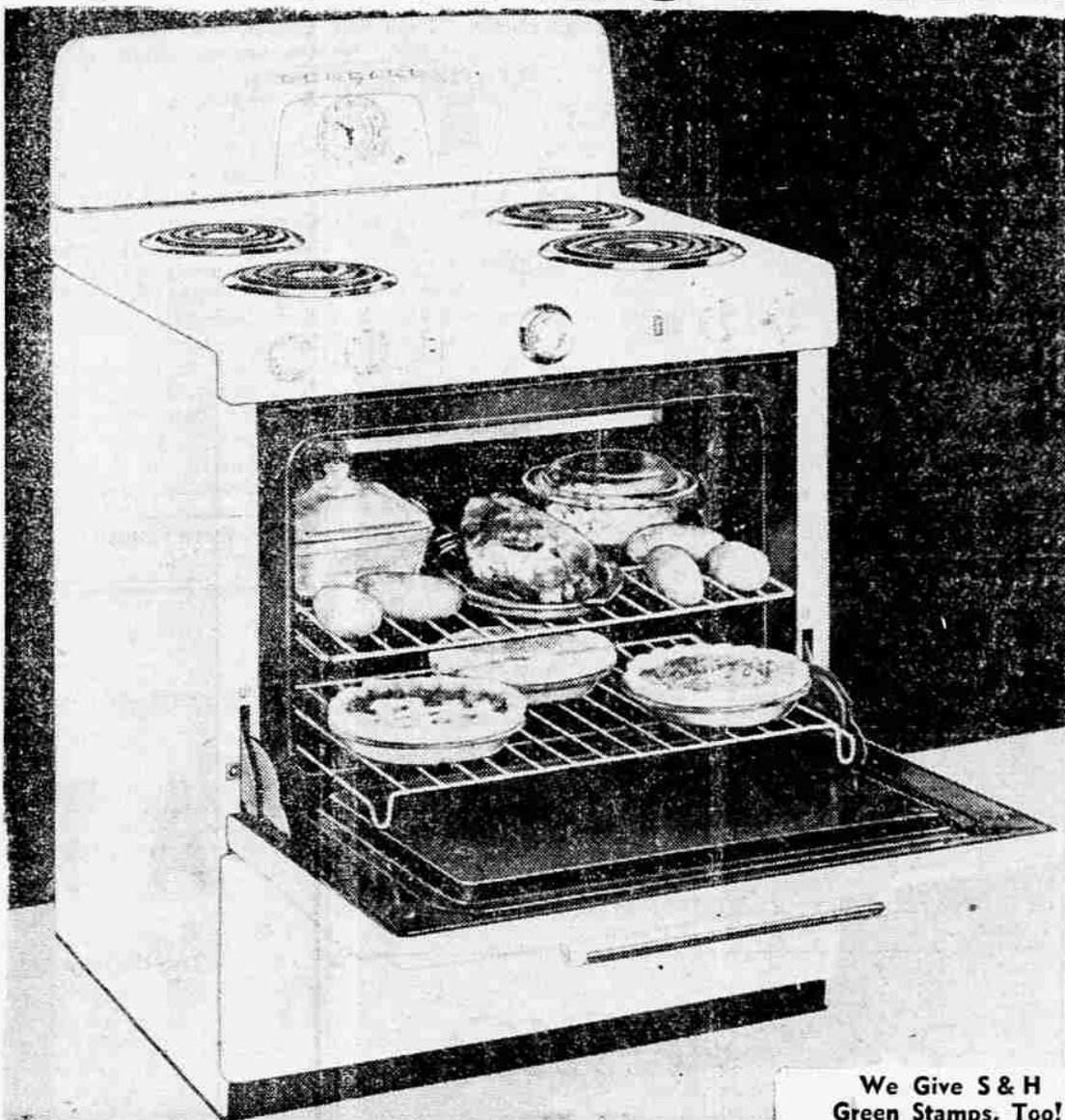
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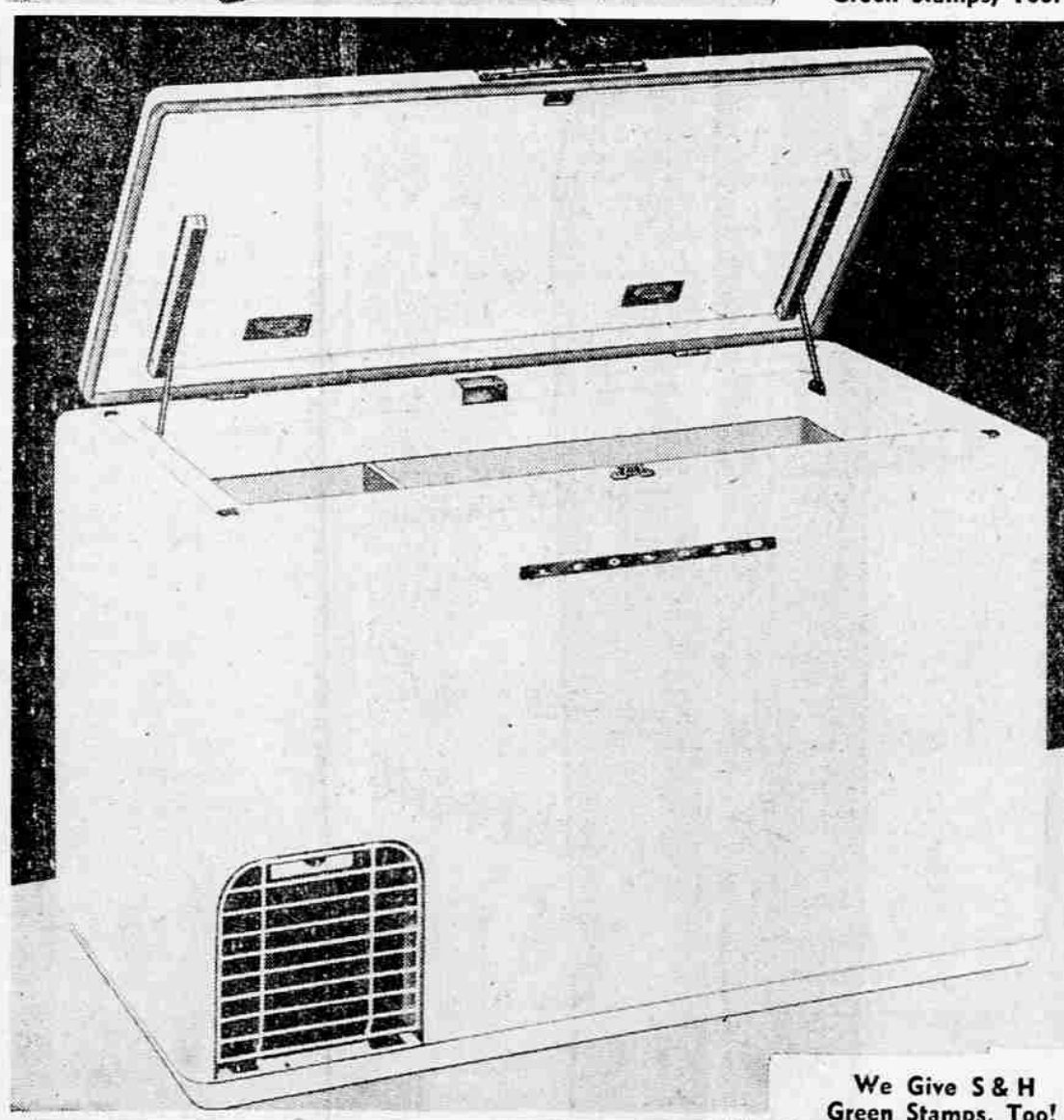
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