

State Engineer Reminds Well Owners to Register Claims

The three-year period provided by the 1955 legislative assembly for well owners to register their claims for rights to appropriate ground water is more than half over, the state engineer reminded residents today.

Failure to register a claim with the state engineer before Aug. 3, 1958, creates the presumption that the well owner has abandoned his claim for a vested ground-water right.

76 Animals Due To Go On Block At Cal-Ore Sale

Eighteen consignors will place 76 animals on the auction block Thursday, March 14, at the annual Cal-Ore Hereford sale at the Jackson county fairgrounds.

The animals will be shown starting at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, and the sale will begin at 11 a.m. the following day.

18 Consignors include Applegate Farm, Jacksonville, four bulls; Bernice Bigham, Eagle Point, one bull; Dale E. Bigham, Eagle Point, three bulls; John and Edyth Bohner, Central Point, two bulls and three cows; Marilyn Bohner, Central Point, one cow; Doreen Bohner, Central Point, one cow; Ralph L. Cook, Medford, two cows and two bulls; David H. Holmes, Medford, two bulls and eight cows; Hays Hereford Ranch, Weed, Calif., four bulls.

Norman and Lois Jacob, Merrill, six cows; E. N. Lippert and Sons, Williams, Ore., nine bulls; Miraflores Ranch, Medford, two bulls; Don K. Nichols, Ashland, three bulls; Oscar M. Shepherd, Grants Pass, one bull; Cloe E. Small, Medford, three cows and one bull; Bill and Gayle Wood, Eagle Point, six bulls and two cows; R. H. and Nettie Field, Central Point, six bulls and two cows; and Yankee Creek Ranches, Medford, two cows.

Health certificates must be furnished by consignors with a separate certificate for each animal consigned. These certificates must be dated within 60 days of the sale and must be acceptable under health rules of the state of Oregon.

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Washington, D. C. — A herd of Devon beef cattle, owned by U.S. Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), won top prizes Monday at the Louisiana State University livestock show, Baton Rouge, La., it was reported Tuesday.

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Kerby Ditch Board Votes to Incorporate

Cave Junction—The Kerby Ditch, which brings irrigation and pond water to some 85 users in the Cave Junction and Kerby areas, will be run as an incorporated enterprise in the future.

Members of the board of directors voted to incorporate Friday. The ditch had formerly been operated on a co-partnership basis by users who had adjudicated water rights.

An essential part of the Illinois Valley water supply, the ditch fills the mill pond and trout ponds at Kerby, and furnishes water to many local farms and homes. Since the 1955-56 floods, it has needed considerable repair work.

The priority for a water right obtained by a permit is based on the date the application for a permit is filed with the state engineer, it was explained. A right to appropriate ground water under a registration has a tentative priority based on the date when construction of the well was begun.

Forms and information regarding well registration or permits to appropriate ground water can be obtained by writing to Lewis A. Stanley, state engineer, Salem.

Young Farmers College Scholarship Forms Available

Applications are now available for the \$195 tuition scholarship the Jackson County Young Farmers will present to a student entering college next year, it was announced at the Young Farmers meeting Monday night.

The scholarship will be presented to a Jackson county youth who will have graduated from high school by June and who plans to enter college next fall. Financial need will be considered among qualifications for the scholarship winner.

Application forms may be obtained from any high school principal in the county or from John Ousterhout, route 1 (Dutton rd.), Eagle Point.

Fresh Turkeys May Move to Markets Monthly in Future

Corvallis—Fresh turkeys may start moving to market every month of the year if research at Oregon State college continues to be successful.

At present, most fresh turkeys reach market in the fall since turkeys lay eggs in early spring and the poultts that are hatched from January to May mature just in time for holiday markets.

But J. A. Harper, OSC poultryman, reasoned that if the turkey hens could be tricked into laying eggs during other seasons, turkey growers in mild climates—like in Oregon—could hatch and produce turkeys for fresh markets the year around.

Knowing that changes in length of the day can often affect the egg-laying habits of poultry, Harper decided to try to change the egg-laying habits of turkey hens by keeping them in darkened pens where their "length of day" could be controlled.

Starting in August, he kept 8-month old hens on nine hours of light a day for three weeks. Then he used artificial lights along with regular daylight to give the hens a day length of 17 hours.

The scheme worked. During September through November, the hens laid about half as many eggs as they normally do in early spring, almost enough to make the idea practical.

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ILLINOIS VALLEY Fire Threatens Oil Tanks

Cave Junction—A major fire was averted here Thursday night by quick action by the Illinois Valley Rural Fire department.

The blaze started on the ground near three big diesel and gas storage tanks located between the Shell distribution plant and Jack Roger's garage. It came so close to the tanks that two of the hoses were burned completely off. Volunteers and trucks from Cave Junction, O'Brien and Selma were called to the scene.

Causes of the fire is unknown, but a small hose found nearby indicated that it probably could be the work of a gas siphoner.

Five birthdays were celebrated at a party given Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall in Cave Junction.

A large cake, made and decorated with many candles by Mrs. A. N. Colman, was presented by Jennie Lou Carothers to Don Barnes of Grants Pass, Dr. A. N. Colman, Sue Martin, Ito Colpitts and Dean Woolley of Rogue River.

Slides and movies of elk and deer hunting trips made by local men were shown by Dr. Colman and Dean Woolley. Refreshments were served after the films were shown.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Gordon White, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Colpitts and nephews Max and Jerry Greenough, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Carthers and Jenny Lou, Mr. and Mrs. Don McClure, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Don Barnes, Nat and Dean Woolley and their sister, Mrs. Vera Donley, all of Rogue River, and the host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall.

The Kerby Parent-Teachers association has postponed its regular meeting to the third week in March because of spring vacation. Don Brown will bring his debate team from the high school for the program, which is to be held March 21 at 8 p.m.

An executive board meeting is set for March 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kerby cafeteria.

The city garder, out of order because of a broken axle, will be repaired soon at a cost of about \$100. Authorization for the expenditure was made at Council meeting Monday night.

Bids Opened for New Building Here

Apparent low bidder for construction of a Lincoln-Mercury dealer building for Medford Motors Inc., Sixth and Ivy sts., is Loren Ritchie, 912 South Oakdale ave., Medford, according to Robert J. Keeney, Medford architect.

Ritchie's bid was \$76,833 for construction of the proposed 56 by 147-foot building at 225 South Riverside ave., Medford. Other bidders were Jack Batzer, Medford, \$77,873, and L. Minshall, Jacksonville, \$91,916.

The building will include a display area, offices, toilets, a 10-stall shop, parts department, lunch room, showers and locker room. Plans call for reinforced concrete and block construction with concrete beams.

The shop will have electrically operated overhead doors, an overhead track system for hoists and an underfloor forced air exhaust system.

ver Colo., where she had been visiting her son, Bill, who was seriously ill. He is now reported out of danger. Mr. Ellis and their son Bobby accompanied her on the trip as far as Sacramento.

Guests at the Ernest Ellis home this week are Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Huffman, Mrs. Ellis' sister and brother-in-law, from Calvin, N.D. who arrived for a surprise visit on Friday.

A number of local ponds are being stocked with trout from Bill Klein's hatchery at the Holiday motel. Aside from the 200 purchased by Woodland Echoes Motel last week, Don Doney has stocked 5000 in two ponds on Butcher Knife creek. Jiggs Morris put in 200 in a pond at Four Corners, and Don Roseberg, the Q Bar X Ranch and Dave Wilson of Shadowcraft Lake will stock between 1000 and 2000 each soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hadley and family have returned to their dairy ranch in Holland from a vacation trip to Michigan and the golf states.

At Eaton Rapids, Mich., they visited Dan's mother who is on the staff of the VFW National home, and attended a family reunion at Kalamazoo.

Another high point of their trip was their stop at New Orleans. Mrs. Frank Loosley, Mrs. Hadley's mother, accompanied them.

Dr. C. G. Stem took some post graduate work at Portland last week, returning to Cave Junction Tuesday.

Elementary school enrollments in the U. S. are expected to reach 26 million in 1958, four million more than in 1954.

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Livestock auction markets (HB 508) — Primarily part of the proposed legislation on brucellosis cleanup; puts employment and payment of market veterinarians in the department; gives the state responsibility and authority over stockyards by agreement between federal and state departments of agriculture; increases advisory State Board of Livestock Auction Markets to seven members. Requested by state livestock associations.

House Bill 503 Dairies (HB 503) — Tightens the law on watered milk; strengthens law on violation of grade suspension orders or notices; defines who shall test dairy cows or goats for brucellosis and permits the department to approve by regulation use of the ring test or wet test and to define by regulation "disease free" and "infected" herd. Requested by Oregon Dairymen's association and Oregon Dairy Industries association.

Hay dealers (HB 518) — New legislation to license and bond hay dealers. Introduced by Representatives Evick, Chindgren, Ireland, Tom and Wells.

Grade A milk usage audit (HB 495) — This is a new version of the milk usage audit sought in an earlier bill (HB 175); it eliminates the bond required under the first bill and brings cooperatives under the act. Introduced by Representatives Rogers, Ireland and Bristol.

Christmas Tree Growers to Meet

Corvallis—Oregon and Washington Christmas tree growers, already eyeing next year's season, will meet March 15 and 16 at Portland to discuss ways of capturing a bigger chunk of the nation's annual market for 40 million trees.

Artificial frosting of trees, power shearing to improve tree quality, effects of soil bank program on Christmas tree production, and supplying buyers with a wider variety of trees will be discussed at the annual meeting of the Northwest Christmas Tree association, according to Gary Sander, Oregon State college forest products marketing specialist. Betts, Foster, is association president.

A demonstration of "frosting" trees with a mixture of wood pulp and adhesive is scheduled. Pulp is blown onto the tree limbs with a "flocking" machine that cost about \$1,000. Machine and hand-planting of trees will be demonstrated by John Woods, Salem, who produces about 20 million seedlings annually.

Forest Service Calls Bids on Timber Sale

Cave Junction — Bids on a forest service timber sale will be accepted March 19 at the Illinois Valley Ranger station.

One sale involves 32,000 board feet of Douglas and white fir "danger trees" on a slide area near Oregon Caves.

The other is at Grayback Creek where cedar snags are for sale. Number of feet on this sale has not yet been determined.

Reclamation Official To Speak at CJ Friday

Cave Junction — Lee McAllister, area engineer of the bureau of reclamation, will discuss the proposed Sucker creek dam here Friday night when he meets with Illinois Valley land owners at the local high school.

The dam, which would hold irrigation water in a reservoir below the Oregon Caves Resort, would provide water for almost all of the valley, excluding Selma.

McAllister is also to be the featured speaker at the afternoon session of the Illinois Valley Soil Conservation district's annual meeting, Saturday, Mar. 9.

At present rates of building the U. S. may have 3,300 miles of super-toll highways in use by the beginning of 1958.

4-H Projects Have Value of \$121,000

Projects of 4-H clubs in Jackson county had a total value of more than \$121,000 last year and youths showed a net profit in excess of \$22,000, according to county extension agents.

Members of 4-H clubs are celebrating National 4-H Club Week March 2-9.

Theme for 4-H clubs for 1957 is "Improving Family and Community Living." Membership in the Jackson county club totals about 656.

The \$22,000 profit of the club does not include profits and savings on vegetables and flowers raised, meals and dishes prepared for their family, fruits and vegetables, frozen and canned foods and furniture and wood-working items.

Club members made more than 777 articles of clothing to use in the home; prepared 4,877 dishes as part of the family meal; and prepared and served more than 620 complete meals.

They made 40 articles for their own rooms, including model airplanes, stools, metal fixtures and did electrical work around their home. Livestock club members raised 233 dairy animals, 195 beef, 296 sheep, 130 swine, 112 rabbits and more than 732 poultry.

Other projects include working in saddle horse, fish conservation, entomology, forestry and crafts clubs.

Weed Control Class Scheduled in Medford

A weed control meeting will be held in Medford March 27 under the joint sponsorship of the state highway department, Oregon state college and state department of agriculture, according to Ray Kelso, herbicide control supervisor with the state agricultural department.

This is the fourth annual series of weed meetings conducted in the state. The weed sessions this year will be held in several western and southern Oregon cities.

County agents are now arranging meeting places and will conduct the program.

During the session a demonstration will be conducted on highway spraying by W. H. Koesan, state highway department. Herbicide uses and precautions will be discussed by Rex Warren and Jack Ross of Oregon State college.

Kelso will explain the state herbicide law and conduct examinations for commercial users. Koesan will hold a special examination for highway workers.

Speakers will present industrial uses of chemicals and a panel will answer questions.

Garden Notes

By C. B. CORDY County Extension Agent for Horticulture

Boysenberries should be sprayed at this time for the control of leaf and cane spot. Use one quart of liquid lime sulfur in three gallons of water and be sure to spray all of the canes thoroughly.

This leaf and cane spot disease, as the name implies, attacks both the leaves and the canes. It results in little brown spots in the leaves and in purple-red spots on the canes which cause most of the trouble.

A few of them do no harm but if there are very many they serve to cut off the circulation in the cane and as warm weather comes in the summer these sized and rather dry. The disease will transfer from these diseased canes to the new canes with the early fall rains and will continue to infect during most of the winter.

The lime sulfur spray applied now will prevent any further infection and will burn out any infections which have already occurred.

This spray will also help to control the blackberry mite. This mite is much worse in blackberries and causes them to stay red instead of ripening normally and developing a black color. This insect is not very prevalent in Boysenberries so this one spray would be sufficient on them.

For blackberries a more important spray would be when the new shoots on the old canes are about four inches long. Thoroughness of application is essential for both of these troubles as any unsprayed areas serve to reinfest the entire plant.

AUCTION LAND SALE AUCTION

The State Highway Commission will sell April 3, 1957, at 5:00 P.M. at oral public auction to be held on the parcel of land lying between the old and new Pacific Highways where said parcel connects with the old highway about one-half mile North of Tolo, being northerly of the parcel described below:

A parcel of land lying in Section 30, Township 36S, Range 2W, Willamette Meridian, Jackson County, Oregon and being a portion of that property conveyed by that deed to the State of Oregon by and through its State Highway Commission, recorded in Book 390, Page 321, of Jackson County Records of Deeds. The said parcel being that portion of said property lying northerly and southerly of a strip of land variable in width, lying on each side of the center line of the Pacific Highway as said highway has been relocated, which center line is described as follows:

Beginning at Engineer's center line Station 338+00, said Station being 2,365.62 feet South and 3,421.38 feet East of the Northwest corner of said Section 30; thence North 88° 33' E 1,300 ft. to Engineer's center line Station 351+00, said center intersects the West and East lines of said property approximately at Station 342+07 and 349+56, respectively. The parcel of land to which this description applies contains 38.92 acres.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids. The minimum price which will be accepted is \$5,000.00. The conveyance will be by bargain and sale deed. Access to the property is by way of the old highway and frontage roads. The State will not furnish title insurance. Purchaser will be informed to fence right of way on the North parcel.

INFORMATION: W. H. Haskin, Property Manager, State Highway Department, Salem, Oregon.

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