



**SWIFT STREAM** — An unidentified man crosses a plank bridge Thursday across a swift flowing stream running by the main show barn at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. The stream and large flooded areas on the fair grounds was caused by last week's rains. The poor drainage and the crowded parking conditions during the Cal-Ore Hereford association's annual range-ready bull sale sharply illustrated the need for a more adequate fair grounds. Nobody looked to see if the bottle in foreground contained a note.

## FROM THE GROUND UP

By BART BARTLETT

The politicians have had considerable competition recently and a point that was proven more or less is that Mother Nature can produce more wind and be more dramatic than can the politicians. However, when the damages done by both are evaluated, the politicians easily win all 10 rounds of the controversy.

On Saturday, Oct. 13 a dreaded horde of people invaded the countryside. They had been to the sporting goods store and had in their possession, by Saturday morning the following items: a plastic cap or hat, a pair of boots of various lengths and colors. Between these two extremes of equipment there existed all sorts of variations. Most had a gun either owned, borrowed, or rented and most knew very little about the mechanics of the gun or where to use it in a sportsman-like manner. Some of these people knew a legal game bird when they saw it and a few of them knew where to seek the game and how to kill it in the true tradition of a sportsman.

This segment of the Saturday hunters are welcome to hunt by most rural home and landowners if they could be properly separated from the game hog who is destructive of fences and other property. This segment of hunters park their cars in farm access roads and even get them stuck in the mud. When this happens they also borrow tractors without permission in order to tow their vehicle back onto firm footing. This fellow also does not read, as he readily passes No Hunting signs. He will shoot into equipment, homes, barns, and livestock. Furthermore, he will readily shoot another hunter, as the records show.

The rural landowner is practically helpless. He must catch the trespasser and sign a complaint before the law enforcement officers can act. A solution to trespassing hunters must be found. One that may work is to have each applicant for a hunting license present a written statement signed by some landowner to prove that the prospective hunter has a legal place to hunt. In the event he is found hunting at any other location, he would be in violation of the law and subject to arrest. The harvest season for pears will extend into late October. C. C. Hoover is to be commended for his suggestions relative to harvesting the pear crop. The growers are willing to pay for any labor that contributes to the completion of their harvest.

Premise: We will look the politicians over next week in this column.

## Cattle Business Discussion Slated for Annual Meeting

What is happening to the cattle business in Jackson county? will be the main discussion topic when the Jackson Stockmen's association holds its annual fall meeting in the Central Point Grange hall, starting at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25.

One local livestock auction yard recently reported a total of 24,288 head of cattle sold in 1961. Another yard reported a total of 18,270 head of cattle sold from July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962.

Gross livestock sales in one

yard from Jan. 5, 1962 to May 18, 1962 were \$940,740.90. For the same period in 1961 sales totaled \$854,703.62 and the total for 1961 was \$2,601,526.62 in that yard.

Competition is sharp and both yards are doing a lively business. Feeder sales in both yards this year and last year have been good, observers note.

**Questions Listed**  
But what of the future? One local stockman was notified that this spring he must get his 100 plus head of cattle off government range and keep them off for five years. Another cattleman has received similar notice. What will this and other proposed range allotment reductions mean to the Jackson county cattle business? Are there alternatives?

What of the number of cattlemen not depending on government range. How do they size up their business prospects for the next year, for the next 10 years?

Agricultural Secretary Freeman says feed price differentials and their effect upon Oregon cattlemen is a matter of opinion. How does this affect local cattlemen?

What changes in ranch operation may be necessary? How soon? Can the cattlemen gain anything from the vast recre-

ation industry developing in this state and county? In what areas would dude ranches be feasible in Jackson county? Can fishing and hunting clubs be established?

Is the proposed "green belt zone" a good thing for the farmer? How do property taxes affect your operation?

The meeting will start with a business session and committee reports in the morning. Dr. M. R. Wolfe, of the animal industry division, state department of agriculture is scheduled to speak in the morning. He will discuss leptospirosis and anaplasmosis developments.

The Grange ladies will serve the noon lunch and would like to know definitely how many are planning to come. Please drop a card indicating the number in your party to Box 386, Phoenix, Ore., or call 535-2918 after 6 p.m.

A number of resolutions for the OCA convention in November will also be discussed.

## Appointment Set In Extension Work

Corvallis — Oregon State University today announced appointment of Gordon Hood as assistant director of its statewide cooperative extension service.

Hood will supervise programs of OSU extension specialists in agricultural production and will have key responsibilities for operations of county extension offices in all counties of Oregon, announced F. E. Fricke, OSU dean of agriculture.

The new assistant director fills a staff vacancy created by the recent retirement of C. W. Smith, an agricultural leader in the state and extension staff member for 35 years.

Extension service is the off-campus teaching arm of OSU school of agriculture and home economics, responsible for taking research findings and other educational programs to communities of the state.

In addition to its program for adults in agriculture, family living, and related subjects, extension service conducts the statewide 4-H club program through its county extension offices. Hood will have major responsibilities for policies and procedures relating to budgets, personnel, and office management of the county offices throughout the state.

## Footo Named Student Housing Official

David Footo, Central Point, has been named one of the student housing officials at Willamette university, Salem, according to Dr. Walter Blake, dean of students.

Footo will be a proctor in Baxter hall, one of the men's residence halls. Proctors are used in men's dorms only, and are selected undergraduates. Their selection is based on grade point average, leadership ability along with their application for the position.

## Sheep, Wool Day Set For Oct. 23

Corvallis — Trends for Oregon's multi-million dollar sheep and wool industries will highlight the state's annual Sheep and Wool Field Day Oct. 23 at Oregon State university.

Annual cash receipts of more than \$10 million to Oregon farmers for sheep and wool — plus added millions to wool and meat processing industries — are affected by trends up for discussion starting at 9 a.m. at OSU's Withycombe hall.

New advances in wool processing, economic outlook as influenced by foreign and domestic trade, and improved sheep production through research are among key topics, reports C. W. Fox, OSU animal scientist and chairman of the event.

Possible influence of the European Common Market on U.S. livestock production will be discussed by G. Alvin Carpenter, University of California economist who recently visited Western Europe to study the new economic structure.

Australia and New Zealand are now seeking preferential treatment for sale of livestock products within the Common Market. Either sanction or denial of the appeal will be felt in the U.S. which is a major buyer of livestock products in world trade.



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