

Poultry Housing Talk Scheduled

Noel Bennion, OSU extension poultry specialist, will discuss new developments in poultry housing and illustrate his discussion with pictures in the extension service auditorium at 8 p.m., May 20.

Markets and Chains Feature of Meeting For Pear Bureau

Many winter pear growers and shippers from the Rogue River area of the Oregon-Washington-California Pear Bureau are expected to attend the 32nd annual meeting in Portland's Multnomah hotel, May 22-24.

A talk that is expected to draw much attention will be that of John Louth, San Francisco, of McKinsey and Co., Inc., management consultants. He will discuss a study made by his firm entitled "Opportunities To Improve Relations Between Chains and Manufacturers."

Insecticides Hold Cost Line On Production

By RAY HUBBELL, Weed Control Supervisor. THIS IS A REPRINT FROM "THE PACKER." Most fruits and vegetables would disappear from the market except in meager quantities at high prices if insecticides were not used to control the insects attacking these crops.

Rainy Weather Slows Inspection

Salem - Continued spring rains that have kept gardeners indoors and driven farmers from their fields have also driven Oregon Department of Agriculture nursery inspectors away from much of their work.

California Beef Market Talk Set

Corvallis - How much gold is there in California for Oregon cattlemen? A West Coast livestock authority at University of California will attempt to answer the question May 22 at Oregon State university's annual Beef Cattle Day.

Reuben Albaugh, an OSU graduate and now extension animal husbandman at U. of C., will discuss the future of Oregon beef production from a California viewpoint.

continued popularity of beef; livestock feeding, management, and breeding experiments; and performance of Beefmaster cattle under western Oregon conditions.

country is helping stabilize livestock enterprises in the area.

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A four-part talk is slated by Dr. Harold Schomer, U.S.D.A., experimental station, Wenatchee. He will discuss the effects of various density polyethylene film, effectiveness of various fungicides and compatibility of a stop-seal and stop-mold.

Department officials estimated that inspectors were two weeks behind in their nursery inspection work the first of May. However, there has been one bright side. Driven from the fields the inspectors have concentrated on greenhouse work and are ahead of schedule there.

FARM Woodlot Facts

By DICK OLSON, Oregon State Farm Forester. The following is a quote by Edward P. Cliff, Chief of the U.S. Forest Service, at the annual meeting of the Society of American Foresters, in Atlanta, Georgia, recently.

Harvest Machine Research Related

Corvallis - The need for research in Oregon on mechanical harvesting of tree fruits has been sounded by Robert Stebbins, Oregon State university extension horticulturist.

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"All too often the lay public and some scientists condemn the use of insecticides as the unwarranted practice imposed upon society by selfish industrialists and farmers who seek only personal gains and larger profits. This is not the case," Dr. Decker emphasized as he pointed to benefits to consumers.

Turning to precautions used to protect the public, he said a manufacturer must spend \$1 million on research to establish a product's "practical value and safety." In addition, it must clear appropriate government regulatory agencies.

"The real hazards involve mental reactions and human judgments and are not toxicological in nature," he said, suggesting education rather than "unrealistic legislation and regulation" might resolve the problems.

Information available covers planting, thinning, pruning, brush removal, Christmas Tree growing, markets, and many other subjects. Opportunities available in federal cost-share programs can also be obtained from your farm forester.

Dr. Decker said early entomologists were naturalists who "preached the gospel of biological and cultural pest control methods." As natural controls became "grossly inadequate," the farmers and entomologists "in desperation turned to chemicals."

The farm forester's office is located on Table Rock rd. just north of the Midway Auction yard at the southwest Oregon fire protection district headquarters. He may be contacted there each Wednesday or by writing Post Office Box 71, Medford, or by phoning - Central Point 664-1213.

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