

TURKEY TRADE GIVEN BOOST IN KLAMATH

As a measure of self-protection, a number of livestock operators of the Klamath basin have gone into the turkey business in a large way. During the past two years, due to favorable weather conditions and extreme shortage of funds for control measures, grasshoppers have increased rapidly and at the present time are a distinct menace to forage crops in many sections of the Klamath basin. Foreseeing this difficulty livestock operators have made the necessary arrangements for brooding out thousands of turkeys in the Klamath basin, to be ranged later in the season on grasshopper infested ranges and meadows.

Turkey eggs for this purpose have been assembled by Dr. R. A. Dugan, Independence, Oregon, incubated there, and the baby poult to be shipped to Klamath Falls to be brooded in large brooder houses now being erected on the Geary ranch just north of Klamath Falls.

Sam McKee is in charge of the brooding operations and brooder houses are being constructed to accommodate 27,000 young turkey poult. Six of these buildings are practically ready for the young turks and farmers who have contracted to date to operate a large flock of turkeys are as follows: William Kittredge, Upper Klamath Marsh, 5,100; E. A. Geary, 3,500; W. C. Liskey, 2,500; M. A. Liskey, 2,500. Others are still considering the matter and no doubt will decide to range bands of turkeys this year. In addition, Sam McKee plans to range 5,000 turkeys in the Upper Klamath Marsh area, after completing the brooding season.

It is felt by livestock operators that this will be of some assistance in grasshopper control, supplemental to any assistance that may be received from the U. S. government and Klamath county for control by poisoning operations. Certain areas will be set aside for the turkeys, while other areas will be poisoned, due to the fact that the grasshopper area no doubt could handle 100,000 turkeys this year if the birds were available. During 1933, 2,000 turkeys were ranged on the grasshopper infested lands of northern Klamath county, with good results, indicating that some measure of control can be secured by this means, and grasshoppers turned into a profit.

It will require 7 to 8 weeks of brooding before the young turkeys can be shipped to the grasshopper infested ranges. The first turkeys should be ready for this

the early part of June. According to the county agent's office, Klamath Falls, this is the first wholesale attempt to control grasshoppers by this means and if successful should tend to develop the poultry industry of Klamath county and the control of grasshoppers by a new plan that might yield the operator a margin of profit, as well as a saving of forage crops.

Four-H Group Organized at Modoc Point

A Division One Clothing club was organized at Modoc Point by Mrs. W. E. Lamm and Mrs. Elsie Burton. Mrs. Lamm was appointed local leader of the club and will instruct the members in the new course of clothing work which has been prepared for 4-H club members by the extension department of the Oregon State college. The work in this division consists of handwork and is one of the most interesting projects in the clothing divisions. The members will meet with Mrs. Lamm during the summer months and do this work. This is the first standard 4-H club in this county this year. Members of the club enrolled are: Anah Heckman, president; Betty Bickers, vice-president; Wadine Ware, secretary; Eva Rae Jacobson, Inga Johnson, Winifred Lamm, Pauline Watkins.

Unused Railroad Being Taken Up

BIHEER, Calif.—Thirty miles of used steel rails are being taken up from an untraveled railroad in northeastern Shasta county and shipped out by the road's owner, the Pacific Gas and Electric company, for export to China.

Powerful motor trucks are busy day and night conveying the rails over the state highway to Biheer railroad terminal, where a P. G. and E. motorized derrick transfers them to flatcars that will carry them over the Western Pacific railroad to tidewater. Twenty cars are to be loaded here, while other hundreds of tons of the rails will be shipped from Pondosa on the McCloud River railroad.

The railroad being torn up was built through the wilderness north of the Pit river some years ago to bring in materials and equipment needed for the construction of the power company's great hydro-electric plants at Pit One and Pit Three. Since the completion of those installations there has been little use for the rail line.

License Issued—A marriage license was issued Wednesday night by the county clerk's office to Joseph Bruner, 21, local baker, and Katherine Zupan, 24, clerk.

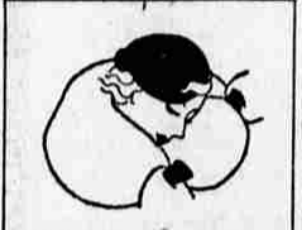
New Marks Set at Swim Event

CHICAGO, April 13 (UP)—Jack Medina, University of Washington sophomore, decided to leave the Women's National A. A. U. indoor swimming championships exclusively to the girls today as he filled out applications for one world's and three American distance records.

He bettered the world's mark of 4:48 by swimming the 400 meters in 4:43 Wednesday, and last night he eclipsed American records in the 880, 900 and 1000-yard free styles.

Katherine Rawls of Miami led the individual performers today with championships in the 300-yard medley and low spring board diving. The Miami miss, a high school junior, won the diving crown last night over Dorothy Poynton of Los Angeles in the most exciting finish in the indoor meet's history.

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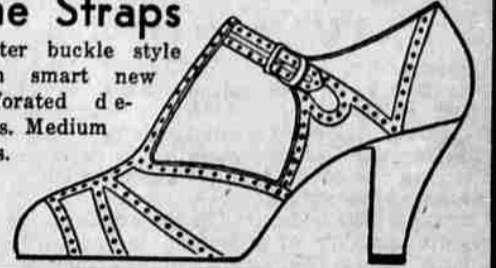
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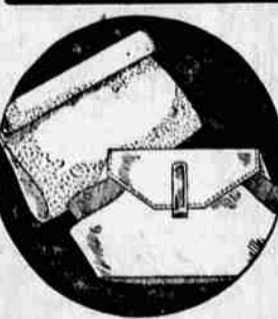
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