

PREPARATIONS MADE FOR BOY STATE SESSION

Preparations for the annual Beaver Boys' State, sponsored by the American Legion, are now in the final stages and everything will be completed well in advance of the camp, June 22 to 29 inclusive, on the campus of Oregon State college, Corvallis, according to announcement released by the Legion's boys' state commission.

A course of study is being compiled to guide the boys in their self-government project intended to better acquaint them with the principles underlying and supporting democratic government and way of life. D. M. McDade, president of the board of directors, reports. Eugene Libby, Portland attorney, is at work on a law primer for the camp and the commission soon will announce the legislative and judicial instructions.

John Smith, principal of Woodlawn school, Portland, has been appointed dean of counselors and Glenn Morris will be assistant dean. John Schenk, superintendent of schools, Corvallis, has been named executive officer.

In addition to the studies in practical government, a full program of recreational activities will be offered under the direction of Ralph Coleman, Oregon State college athletic coach.

Franklin Spencer and Bob Taylor, who was 1940 governor of Beaver Boys' State, will be among the junior counselors this year and will assist in organization work and plans to perfect an alumni.

The boy's state program originated in Illinois in 1934, was adopted by the national organization of the American Legion and is now in operation in 34 states. This will be the fifth session of the Beaver Boys' State. More than 1000 boys have attended the previous sessions in Oregon.

Boys between the ages of 16 and 19 who have completed the 8th grade and who possess qualities of leadership are eligible. In the selections of the boys for the camp, the Legion commission is guided by the recommendations of school principals.

SOME CONTRIBUTION

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Successful Oregon Jewish Farmer Doesn't Like Job

By PAUL F. EWING

YAMHILL, Ore., May 20 (The Special News Service)—A New York City cigar manufacturer who became a farmer by accident and against his will founded one of the Pacific northwest's outstanding Jewish farming families.

That was 28 years ago, but like the captain who hated the sea, Morris Greenhoot still cares but little for the farm.

Northwest Jewish leaders consider the Greenhoots the "best established Jewish farmers in Oregon and the outstanding ones among the few farming in the west." Jewish farmers in the east and midwest are more common.

Seven miles over a winding market road from Yamhill there is a narrow country lane, twin tracks shaded by close-growing trees and bushes, and a home-made sign tacked to a fence post: "Wildwood Turkey Ranch, Greenhoot's."

Down that lane you'll find the Greenhoots—all except Morris, the 72-year-old non-conformist, who is visiting in New York.

Busy with their plowing, cultivating green fields, caring for herds of turkeys, doing the hun-

dreds of things that keep any farmer busy, the Greenhoots are typical American farmers—which may be one reason their neighbors think them unique.

The other reason may be that Morris Greenhoot's five sons and a daughter, unlike most of their gentle friends, find farm life too engrossing to consider leaving it for the city. They are not married, but when that day comes, each expects to make his home on the ranch.

Francis Greenhoot, 37, and the eldest son of the family, left his plowing to squat on his heels in the shady barnyard, roll a cigarette and talk about "my folks."

"We like farming," he said. "Dad doesn't, much, but he did not want to be a farmer. He remembers the years when he was struggling to learn farming and keep his family eating regularly."

Morris Greenhoot, born in New York City, moved with his wife to Portland, Ore., where he continued manufacturing cigars. He bought the farm for

a friend, who failed and turned it back to him 28 years ago. Greenhoot Sr., saw only one way to get out without losing his shirt—by moving his family to the country and becoming a farmer.

That move established the Wildwood Turkey ranch and a family of farmers. Mrs. Greenhoot died several years ago and her widower takes little part in farm activities, but the farm goes on.

"Our sister, Anna, 26, is the family bookkeeper, treasurer and housekeeper," Francis said. "She handles all finances. Ralph, 25, and Joseph, 23, the youngest boys, are the turkey men. Kenneth, 31, Edgar, 29, and I do the regular farm work and earn extra money by working out."

"I work in the woods. Ed and Kenneth work in a sawmill. But we have time enough to do the farming. The home place has 173 acres—we've cleared 40 acres of it since we've been here, the rest was cleared before that—and we just bought another 160 acres across the valley last year."

"A year ago we raised 5000 turkeys and we'll probably have 5000 to 6000 this year. We have 25 head of cattle, 95 head of sheep, nine goats, two teams of horses, a few pigs, a tractor, a truck and a car—just like any farmer."

"Farming is a gamble, though—last year we grossed \$17,000 but that isn't saying what we netted. We didn't go into the red but we didn't have much black, either. Feed prices were high and turkeys were the lowest in years."

Still, not a member of the family—again excepting Mr. Greenhoot—would leave the farm.

Anna, pretty and freckled, busy with cookies for a community party, paused to remark: "I don't know whether I'd like the city or not, I've never lived there, except to go to school. But I do know I like the farm."

Kenneth, plowing in an adjacent field, stopped his team by the barnyard fence and said, "Sure I like farming. I like to work for myself."

Francis summed it up for others of the family: "I don't know anything more sane than staying on the farm. Business is too uncertain. Farming is as good a career as any and we don't have to worry about trying to be shrewd."

Farm life for the Greenhoots is identical with that of their neighbors. They belong to the same lodges, the grange and community clubs, go to the same dances and parties, hunt, fish, go to ball games and just "visit around."

They are husky, simple, horny-handed sons of the soil, all intelligent and no better or

worse educated than their friends. All have highly developed senses of humor and all love the soil.

"Except dad," Kenneth, making another round of the field, stopped to remark, "but from what he writes about the noises and confusion of New York, he will love farm life by the time he gets back."

"To hear him tell it, he never learned to farm—but we're still here."

Extension Unit News

FAIRHAVEN-KENO

The second of the series on "Weight Control," will be held by the Fairhaven-Keno Extension unit next Wednesday, May 21, at 10:30, at the home of Mrs. Lee Holliday. Mrs. Winnifred Gillen will give the lesson, which includes menus for the control of weight, as well as exercises for figure improvement.

All members and interested friends are urged to attend this meeting, as new officers will be elected, as well as delegates to Program Planning day, which will be held on May 28.

Lunch will be served at noon, and a small collection will be taken, to pay for material used in the lunch.

Tionesta Clubs Meet for Cards

TIONESTA, Calif.—Mrs. Halcy Washburn entertained the Wednesday Pinochle club at her home May 14. High score was held by Mrs. Long and low by Mrs. Cleo Shirley. Those present were Mrs. Long, Mrs. Viola Banta, Mrs. Cleo Shirley, Mrs. Frances Nelson, Mrs. George Stanlake, Mrs. Mildred Starr, Mrs. Linnie Harris and Mrs. Halcy Washburn.

The Tuesday Pinochle club met May 12 at the home of Mrs. Frances Nelson. High score went to Mrs. Dot Corde, and low to Mrs. Linnie Harris. Those who enjoyed the evening of cards were Mrs. Halcy Washburn, Mrs.

Viola Banta, Mrs. Cleo Shirley, Mrs. Pearl Hall, Mrs. Dot Corde, Mrs. Linnie Harris, Mrs. Long and the hostess, Mrs. Frances Nelson.

Husbands Feted By Women of Pinochle Club

TIONESTA, Calif.—The Wednesday Pinochle club entertained the husbands Friday night, May 9, at the home of Mrs. Merle Staub.

Potluck supper was served to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Devore, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moulton, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Nelson, Mrs. Effie Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stanlake, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Washburn, Mrs. Staub's uncle, and the hostess, Mrs. Staub.

High score for men was held by Dee Nelson and low by Mrs. Staub's uncle. High for women was held by Jean Devore and low by Mrs. Mildred Starr.

The group plans to hold one of these parties every month.

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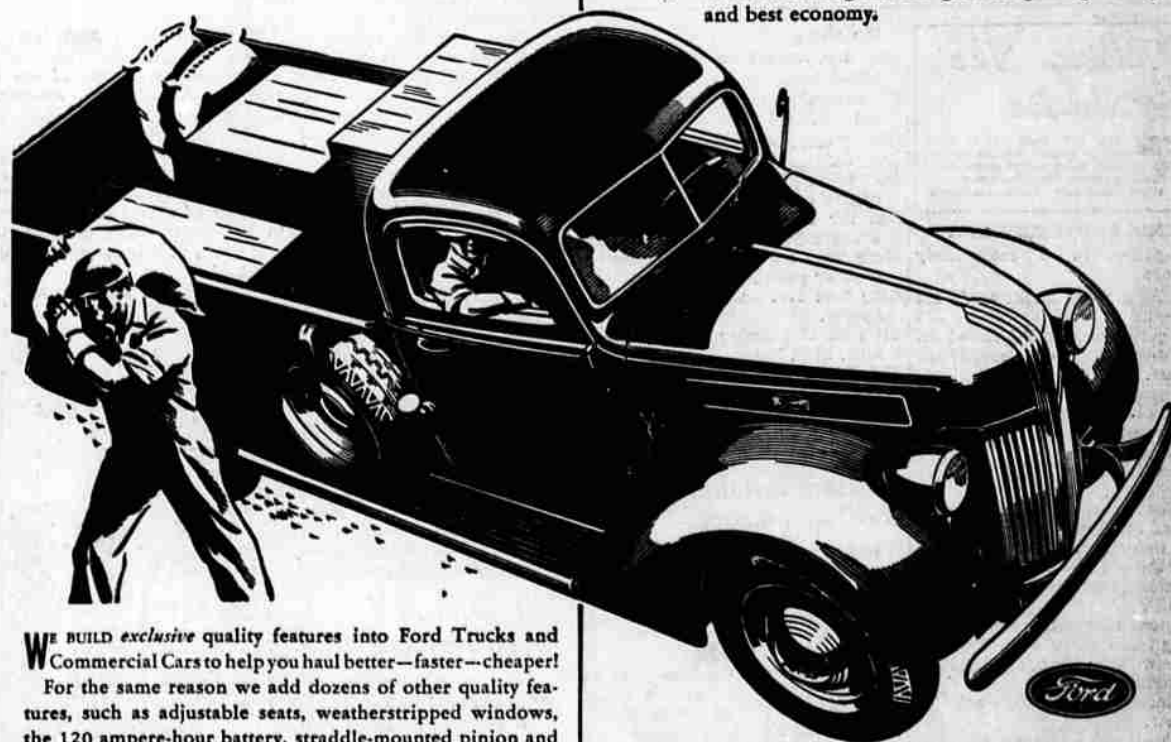
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