

Quick Death In Store For Weeds, Pests

A wholesale slaughter of Oregon weeds is in prospect this year. The state PMA committee is predicting that sudden death is in store for plant pests on many Oregon farms. Credit for wiping the expected increase in weed control activity is given to the war-developed herbicide, 2-4-D.

The lethal effect of 2-4-D has been officially recognized by its inclusion on the list of approved weed killers in the 1947 Triple A conservation practice program. A practice payment will carry about half the cost of using 2-4-D to eradicate wild morning glory and Canada thistle, two of the state's most bothersome perennial weeds. Farmers planning on this assistance will need to obtain prior approval from their county Triple A committee. They are also advised to either practice specifications or consult with the county agent for the best methods of using the weed killer.

Many county Triple A committees, especially in the Columbia basin wheat counties, are putting major emphasis on the weed control practice by setting aside a substantial portion of the county conservation funds for this work. The practice program also provides assistance for using other approved chemicals, such as sodium chlorate, and for clean cultivation for ten perennial noxious weeds.

USES Warns Of McNary Dam Work

Guided by a recent report of the Oregon State employment service officials relative to the progress of operations at the McNary dam project in Umatilla, Silas Gaiser, acting director, today issued a note of caution to those interested in immediate employment at that project.

Gaiser stated that contracts presently let would provide for a peak employment of approximately 250 men, the bulk of which would be drawn primarily from men in the skilled brackets. Unskilled jobs at the project can be amply filled by sizable surplus of unemployed now residing within the immediate area.

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Weekly Events Briefed

Auditor Wm. G. Stacey on the job—confidentially, he is a well guy—but a nuisance—wants to know this and that—see all the records—causes a lot of night work—setting up new books so all records will be up to date—including dividend earnings—wonder why auditors were ever born—but well worth while going to have a set of books that will keep in pace with this fast growing Cooperative—Chuck Stacker, entomologist, arrived for the season—Chuck's hobby is killing innocent little bugs, and making a lot of money for the farmers by increasing their crop production—contact him here at the Co-op—Ed Greene—a free service—Ed Greene—back from central Oregon—going to stay here for the season—with a lot of new equipment so he can take any size job of spraying, dusting, weed killing, etc.—Ed states he can do the job cheaper than the farmer—good idea to talk your problems over with him—leave your name at the Co-op and Ed will be right out—we furnish the material—such as 2-4-D—Sinox—DDT—etc.

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Herald and News FARM PAGE

Closing Date For Triple-A Sign Up Set For May First

The closing date for Triple-A sign-up for prospective farm plans for 1947 is May 1, it was announced today.

Under the Triple-A setup certain farm practices which benefit the land, control erosion of soil, increase the distribution of herds, protect forest areas and other miscellaneous programs, qualify for payment.

Farmers, ranchers and cattlemen are encouraged to take advantage of the sign-up plan to improve their holdings thus benefiting the whole area, by being offered payment for specific activities.

Among practices most highly recommended in Klamath basin are, the application of gypsum or pure agricultural sulphur in accordance with suggestions of the extension service and experiment station; construction or enlargement of drainage ditches; reorganization of farm irrigation systems; preparing land for irrigation; water-spreading, including erosion-control dams, like terraces or ditches.

Other encouraged practices are growing green manure and cover crops such as winter legumes; application of phosphate and mixed fertilizer containing phosphorus; contour farming; intertilled crops; contour strip-cropping not on contour; contour furrowing or chiseling non-crop pasture land; deep sub-soiling cropland.

Still others are protected summer fallow; crop residue management; soil waterways; installation of drainage tile; fibre drainage pipe and lumber box drains; prevention of wind erosion by using straw; establishing a stand or perennial grasses with legumes for the prevention of erosion.

Further information should be obtained immediately from the Triple-A or county agent's offices, so that plans for this year's work may be outlined before the sign-up deadline, May 1.

Farm Labor Situation In Klamath County Said Good

An important feature of the farm labor staff conference held in Corvallis, April 2, 3 and 4, was the hour and one-half day discussion of county problems.

Klamath county is comparatively free of labor worries, advised Clyde James, manager of the farm labor office, who attended from here. The main problem over the state seems to be youth farm help, James said, and this does not affect Klamath as the youth program is not followed here.

Klamath county was the highest in supplying adequate farm labor housing, James also reported.

Fourteen men throughout the state were asked to make seven-minute talks, and nine to make radio talks. James was among those chosen for both activities. He told of Klamath county's adequate all-year labor supply for the past three years with the exception of a shortage during

Alkali Survey Made In Poe Valley

An alkali survey of soil in Poe valley is being made now by C. R. Olds, soil specialist with headquarters in Maupin.

Olds arrived in Klamath Falls Monday and proceeded directly to the A. W. Schuapp ranch where soil samples were taken and tested for salt content.

Samples will be taken from all lands where alkali is evident, Olds said. He travels with a portable test kit, sampling less than a teaspoon of soil per test. Chemicals show the composition of the soil by color changes.

ROCKET AGE

PORTLAND, April 10 (AP)—The city council is getting prepared for this Buck Rogers age.

An emergency ordinance to be considered today would make it unlawful to operate jet-propelled or rocket missiles in the city limits.

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Bumper Wheat Crop Expected

CHICAGO, April 10 (AP)—A winter wheat crop which may total close to a billion bushels, largest in the nation's history, is shaping up throughout the grain belt, crop experts said today.

Wheat came through the winter in excellent condition, received rain at just the right time this spring and is now turning green as far north as central Minnesota, the government weather bureau reported.

A winter wheat crop of close to a billion bushels would exceed the record 874,000,000 bushels harvested last year.

With these prospects, grain men already are worrying about the railroad box car situation, in view of last year's jam, when wheat was piled on the ground in fields.

Land Study In West Planned

WASHINGTON, April 10 (AP)—A house subcommittee expects to study public lands problems at first hand in the west late this summer.

Chairman Barrett (R-Wyo.) said the public lands group probably will leave Washington in the latter part of August or early September for hearings in Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and California, and possibly in Utah and Oregon.

Only two sites for the field hearings have been decided—Grand Junction, Colo., and Hawtins, Wyo.—he told a reporter.

One matter to be explored by the subcommittee members concerns grazing permits on national forest lands.

Stockmen have protested to the public lands committee in a number of cases against orders of the forest service reducing grazing permits. Forest service officials contended that such reductions have often been found necessary for protection of ranges and watersheds.

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This being the situation, the department said farm prices should hold at "high levels during the next few months." However, the agency did not alter a previous forecast that prices will turn downward during the second half of the year, possibly as much as 20 per cent.

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EXPLANATION

CHILQUIN, Ore. (To the Editor)—The recent visit to the Klamath reservation made by "the Indian church man" from Olympia, Wash., was in no way connected with the local Indian Shaker church of Chilquon, Ore.

The Indian Shaker church, located at Chilquon, is a separate corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Oregon.

This corporation owns the real property on which the church is built and has sole right to use the same.

The organization mentioned in an article appearing in the Herald and News recently is an entirely different organization.

MRS. HELEN MERRITT, Box 4, Chilquon, Ore.

Stassen Talks With Stalin

MOSCOW, April 10 (AP)—Harold E. Stassen, candidate for the 1948 republican nomination for president of the United States, talked with Prime Minister Stalin last night.

Later Stassen told reporters: "We had a frank discussion of the two economic systems."

Stassen left today for Kiev, capital of the Ukraine. He expects to return to Moscow in a few days and then go on to Leningrad and Stockholm.

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