

Certified Spud Seed Interest Up

Strong prices for commercial potatoes have stimulated interest in local certified seed. Considerable certified seed has been lost to the basin through commercial sale on strong markets in past years.

No Oregon certified russet seed can be tagged before test planting results are available. No Oregon russet seed can be tagged as certified if test planting results show more than 3 per cent leafroll. The Oceanside tolerance for leafroll in certified seed has been cut to one per cent this year.

Meanwhile, growers will have to study test planting and field inspection reports.

Growers feel that one per cent leafroll in seed is about the maximum for successful commercial production. But if the county is to plant its 13,000 acre 1948 potato allotment, seed carrying as much as one per cent leafroll or more will have to be used.

Klamath county has about 70,000 or 80,000 sacks of seed that is likely to pass that planting under one per cent leafroll. About two times that amount of seed is needed for this year's planting. Growers will need to score up around 200 cars of seed outside the area or plant seed testing over one per cent leafroll or seed not tested at all.

If some of the better certified seed lots in the county are lost through commercial sale, the quality of this year's crop will suffer accordingly.

Copies of field inspection results for Klamath county certified russet acreage are available at the county agent's office. Copies of Oceanside test results will be available in early February.

4-H Beeves Gain Weight

Francis A. Skinner, county club agent, weighed the calves of the Main Beef club, January 2, 1948.

The calves being fed for the junior livestock show in San Francisco in March weighed as follows: "Bart," owned by Kathleen Wilson, bred by Chet Barton gained 117 pounds in 35 days, weighed 975. "Blackie," owned by Elliott West, bred by Gerald West, 77 pounds, weighed 849. "Strion," owned by Patti Smith, bred by Louis Kandra, gained 70 pounds, weighed 790 pounds.

The calves being fed for the Klamath Junior Livestock show in September weighed as follows: "Lorraine," owned by Elliott West, 580 pounds. "Black Diamond," owned by Barbara Cornett, 570. "Fattuff," owned by Kathleen Wilson, 570. These calves were bred by Gerald West. Ilyls Smalley's "Challenger," bred by Liskye brothers, 508 pounds. Buddy Smith's "Buttercup," bred by Louis Kandra, 485 pounds. Jimmie Parker's Hereford, bred by Ray Laird, weight 320. Jerry and Marvin Macken's Herefords, bred by Mitchell, weights 410 and 360. Roranne Wilson's "Chocolate Drop," bred by Wildwood Farms, 615 pounds.

TWINS

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, Jan. 9 (P)—Mrs. Arthur Kelly, 40, gave birth this week to her fifth set of twins, a boy and a girl. She is the wife of a County Down dock laborer. They have been married 13 years and have two other children.

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Herald and News FARM NEWS

Cattalo Calf, Kangaroos Join Black-White Animals

Life in the private animal park on the C. V. Barton Black and White ranch in Poe valley has been enlivened by three new arrivals—one an unusual youngster.

This little black fellow is unique in that his mother is a cattalo, half buffalo and half black Angus. Hybrids don't usually reproduce and when they do the young rarely survive. This baby is three-quarters buffalo, having a buffalo pa. He was born on the ranch just before Christmas. The cattalo had two previous calves but neither survived.

Two lively half-grown kangaroos complete the new animal trio. This pair came from Sacramento, have

an amazing leap, powerful haunches, thick heavy tails which they use as a support when standing and a leverage when jumping. The male is larger and dark colored. The female is a light grey. They are vegetarians and eat two meals a day of barley and stale bread.

There have been 'roos before in the Barton park but they succumbed to some mysterious malady as did the ostriches and llamas.

A childhood dream to own strange animals became a reality when Barton tamed a coyote in 1935 and started his own zoo. At present the ranch supports a herd of buffalo, white elk, two species of deer, black karakul sheep, registered and commercial Angus cattle, black percheron horses, an eagle, the original coyote, kangaroos and cattalo. A pair of South American llamas are expected soon.

Threat To Barley Seen

A direct threat to the local Hanchen barley market is seen in the national food conservation program by Dick Henzel, one of the operators of Tulana Farms, who has written Congressman Lowell Stockman urging that Congressman Stockman use his influence in having restrictions on the export of malted barley lifted.

By provision of the food conservation program, licenses are required by exporters of malt, and Henzel wrote that it is his information that such licenses are not being granted by the government, although there is not an adequate market in the United States for Hanchen barley, used for malting purposes.

If exports of malt made from Hanchen barley are prohibited, Henzel reasons, the good market here will collapse, bringing financial loss to the barley growers of this region as well as to their grain dealers.

Hanchen barley prices went over \$3 per hundred pounds this last season here, the highest price ever paid locally for that grain. That type of barley was worth about \$12-500,000 to farmers of the Klamath basin.

The Hanchen barley malt is shipped principally to South and Central America, gradually replacing in the past few years malt imported from Czechoslovakia, Poland and Belgium. If exports are held up for any length of time, Henzel wrote, that market might be lost.

4-H Club To See Movie

"Safety, Our Number One Crop," a short movie, will be shown at the 4-H club leaders' meeting Saturday at 1:30 at the chamber of commerce, Francis A. Skinner, county club agent, said today.

This film is shown in connection with the announcement of the national 4-H club safety contest sponsored by General Motors. It includes some of the winners of the national contest in previous years, Skinner added. The picture shows Charles Colegrove, Oregon's winner in the 1947 national safety contest. It also shows several other state winners in the safety contest and some of their safety activities.

Election of officers, training in judging and demonstration work and discussion of livestock projects are also on the schedule for the Saturday meeting. This film is being shown to club members at Bonanza, Malin, Keno and Altamont schools. It illustrates common hazards of the home and farm and gives methods of correcting such hazards.

Lombard Motors Displays New Trucks



Among the 248 basic gross vehicle weight chassis models just announced in the new Dodge "Job-Rated" truck line is this B-1-H tractor of 128-inch wheelbase, 13,500 pounds gross vehicle weight (1½-ton nominal rating) and 28,000 pounds gross train weight. The trucks have many new features.

Use And Care Of Material Classes To Be Continued

The project on use and care of new materials is being continued throughout the home extension units this month.

Three more of the units will learn footstool construction during January and Chiloquin unit will study extension work.

Unit	Date	Place
Poe Valley-Olene	January 9	Olene grange hall.
Pelican	January 9	High school auditorium.
Chiloquin	January 13	Merrill high school.
Port Klamath	January 16	C. I. club.
Shasta-Homedale	January 16	Mrs. W. J. Pearson, 4033 Shasta way.
Altamont	January 20	Mrs. Ralph Benoit, 4709 Busbee street.
Klamath Falls	January 21	Klamath Lutheran church.
Bonanza	January 20, 21	High school work shop.
Chiloquin	January 22	Mrs. Markwardt.
Midland	January 27	Mrs. Leroy Houck.

At the December meeting of the Future Farmers of America in Malin, Barton was presented with an honorary lifetime membership in appreciation of his assistance in buying, selling animals and selecting good breeding stock.

SPEED

PORTLAND, Jan. 9 (P)—How fast is a flood? It's 3.1 miles an hour here.

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Spud Growers Slate Meet

The Klamath Potato Growers association is holding its annual meeting at 1:30 in the afternoon, Monday, January 12, in the Merrill grade school gym.

A plan for promotion of the potato industry, as outlined at this year's meeting of the Oregon Seed League, is to be presented. Growers have always felt that basic promotion efforts depend on production of heavy yields of high quality potatoes. Because "current season" leafroll caused quality deterioration is more directly connected with percentage of "tuber borne" leafroll in seed than with any other factor, growers are particularly interested in seed.

H. E. Finnell, in charge of seed certification for Oregon, will discuss seed quality and indicate extent of available supplies of suitable seed stocks. Finnell expects Oceanside test plots to be ready for inspection before the end of January. Date for Oregon's field day at the plots should be announced at the meeting.

Dr. J. A. Milbrath, plant pathologist, at Oregon State college, and closely connected with seed certification work, will discuss potato diseases.

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VFW Head Pleads For UM Training

SEATTLE, Jan. 9 (P)—The United States must either "get together" with Russia or prove that

this country is so strong that "Russia can't even think of licking us." Ray H. Brannaman, national commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said last night in a plea for adoption of universal military training.

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