

Achievement Month Work Pushed Up

May, which has been set aside as achievement month for all 4-H club members, shows many Klamath county members completing project work and turning in completed record books.

Plus are awarded club members qualifying by completion of first, third, fifth and tenth years of work, by the First National Bank of Oregon. Cards that give the years completed are presented to club members for a record. A member may carry more than one project per year but calendar years are counted in presenting achievement awards.

Each community arranges and plans its own achievement days, Francis Skinner, county club agent, explains. Programs vary with each community as some are planned as separate events while others are a part of a school assembly.

Programs have been planned by Bly, Fairhaven, Summers Lane, Merrill, Malin, Chiloquin, Henley, Keno, Shasta school, Sprague River and Mills school.

Other communities that will have achievement days are Gilchrist, Khevin, Allamont and Fort Klamath. Dates for these club days have not been set.

1948 Held Good Turkey Year

SALEM, May 27 (AP)—Oregon turkey growers will have a good year in 1948, thanks to a smaller crop and a big drop in the number of cold storage turkeys on hand.

That's the word from Noel Bennion, extension poultryman at Oregon State college. He said the country will have 20 per cent fewer turkeys this year, and the number of turkeys in cold storage is down 50 per cent from last year. That should hold prices up.

In Oregon, there has been a drop in the number of breeder hens. But Oregon will export a record number of 1,000,000 poultas and more than 2,000,000 hatching eggs this year.

Bennion says the demand for poultas and hatching eggs exceeds the supply. He said there would be many more turkeys grown this year if producers could get eggs or young birds.

While the national figures are down, Oregon hatcherymen have turned out 25 per cent more turkey poultas than they did a year ago.

One Oregon turkey hatcheryman, H. J. Romie of Canby, won the grand championship with his poult exhibit at the Midwest egg, chick and turkey poult show. It was held at Ames, Iowa, two weeks ago.

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Farm Bureau Talks Problems

The usual feature of the Malin farm bureau was a healthy discussion of various problems which concern the welfare of the farmer as a whole.

One point worthy of consideration is the bill which will give the non-property owner the right to vote bonds and thereby raise the taxes of the property owner. The bureau unanimously voted against this measure and favored only property owners having this privilege.

Some of the acute problems which confront Klamath basin farmers came up for considerable discussion among which were leaf roll and other potato diseases. Probable causes of declining clover seed yields and the ever present search for new and better varieties of crops were also discussed.

More funds are needed to carry on the valuable work being done at the experiment station saving individual farmers time, money and mistakes. A motion was made and carried favoring an increase in the Klamath county experimental budget from the present \$10,000 to \$15,000 per year.

Dairy Production Record Set

Lane county's Dairy Herd Improvement association has set an all-time record for dairy production in the past year, reports Harold Ewalt, OSC extension dairyman. In making this new state record,

the 689 cows in the association averaged 8310 pounds of milk during the year. Their butterfat average was 411 pounds per animal.

H. J. Merz an Ada dairyman, led the association. His herd of 30 registered Jerseys produced the astounding average of 19,656 pounds of milk and 622 pounds of butterfat.

Ewalt says the records were made possible by good aires, good management and better pastures.

TILE GOOD

With all the rain the Willamette valley has had this spring, Art King, OSC soils specialist, thinks it's time to promote the merits of tile drainage.

King recommends that farmers

Weed Killers Used In Grain Crop Control

Chemical weed killers make excellent exterminators in both grain and grass seed crops, but a little experience will go a long way in getting the most out of time and materials.

One basic principle of weed spraying is this: Make certain all the leaves are wet with a uniform coverage of the water and chemical.

Wind is a spray obstacle to be sometimes overcome here in the Klamath basin. This is where experience really enters the weed-spraying picture. Pressure is the most common method of overcoming the wind difficulty. However, high pressure is not the answer. The higher the pressure, the smaller the spray droplets and then, even the slightest wind will disrupt the spray operation.

A pressure of 30 to 60 pounds will deliver a good spray pattern under most conditions.

Nozzles for disseminating weed killers are usually the fan-type. Spacing and height of boom above the foliage is determined by the angle of fan-on the nozzle. For the new low volume applications of 2-4-D sprays consisting of 8 to 25 gallons per acre, the most practical angle of nozzle spread is 65 to 70 degrees. Where 65 degree nozzles are spaced 18 inches apart on the boom, best results are obtained with the boom about 18 to 20 inches above the foliage. However, the higher nozzles are placed above the foliage level, the more likely wind is apt to disrupt the spray job.

put in tile to drain the excess water off their fields. He said more drainage tile is available now, but probably not enough to meet all the demand.

Oregon Crops Behind Time

PORTLAND, May 27 (AP)—Oregon crops, delayed by the cold spring, are still far behind the normal schedule, the U. S. weather bureau reported today.

Some sections of the Willamette valley estimated only a quarter of the usual acreage has been planted, the weekly crop-weather review said. Some early corn has rotted in the ground.

Eastern Oregon's wheat belt had better reports, however. Winter and spring wheat prospects were described as ranging from good to excellent.

The fruit orchard outlook varied from good to poor. The most pessimistic report came from the Eugene area, where one weather bureau correspondent said the yield might run as low as 35 per cent of normal. It was too early to be certain, however.

The past week's rain curtailed sugar beet thinning in Malheur county, and halted potato planting in the Deschutes valley.

Time Here To Plant Annuals

This month and next are the best months for planting the annuals we use for cut flowers. They may be planted in the vegetable garden or used for a screen. Some of the more common types are zinnias, larkspurs, snapdragons, calendras, marigolds, asters, etc. Prepare the

soil carefully and fertilizer will help in many cases.

Spraying or dusting for the control of diseases and insect pests of roses may begin now as they are coming into leaf. During June, an application of complete fertilizer, 4-12-4 formula, can be given at the

rate of about two pounds per 100 square feet. Water it in well.

Gladioli can be planted any time now. Glads will grow in any good soil. Dig deep, pulverize well and be sure to work in plant food. Don't plant them in the same spot two

years in succession. They must have sunshine. Keep them away from shade or from root systems of shrubs. Four inches of soil over the bulbs is enough. Space bulbs three inches to five inches apart.

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