Feature

Heretofore, says Miller, fall prac-tices suffered. County fund alloca-

tions were frequently gone early in the program year. Thus it was impossible for county committees

impossible for county committees to offer assistance on practices nor-mally started during fall months.



88,000 Acres Certified Seed in Oregon Last Year

By The County Agent
Survey recently completed by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics shows that producers in the Pacific Coast states expect to reduce baby chick purchases by at least 15 per cent for flock replacements this year as compared with 1951. In the nation as a whole, the decrease was 10 per cent. High cost of feed, labor, and low self-ing price of poultry products are given as the reasons for this decrease.

It is not a hay alfalfa. It looks to be well adapted to Eastern Oregon. Real resistant to dry seasons. It is known as a creeper.

A report received from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service indicates that the two Klamath county cooperative hunters, Bob Plank and Francis Shaver took a total of eight coyotes and 7 bobcats during the month. In addition, 18 wild housecats and 25 porcupines were taken. Bobcats have been hanging around ranches and farms doing considerable damage to domestic birds and animals.

Certified seed in Oregon last year totaled nearly 88,000 acres. This was an increase of 11,000 acres above 1950. The certified alf-This was an increase of II,000 acres above 1950. The certified alfa seed acreage d'aibled with plants, but where bees were railent being first, Ladak second, and Ranger third in total acreage were Nomad, Grimm, and Orestan. Clover acreage increased greatly with Ladino leading the field with 25,000 acres ertified. This was 5,000 acres above 1950. Among the grasses, alta fescue topped all varieties with nearly 12,000 acres. A 50 per cent jumps above 1950. Certification Specialist H. E. Finnell's reports showed that 4,600 acres of certified grain nearly doubled that of the year before.

A bulletin on how to reduce mechanical injury to potatoes has been received at the county agents' office from the state of Idaho. This is an excellent bulletin aboving the various steps that can be taken to greatly reduce mechanical injury in growing, digging, hauling, packing, shipping and displaying potatoes. Any potato grower wishing one could call at room 213, Federal Bldg, or merely drop a card to the County Agent's Office.

Hashed Brown

E. R. Jackman, farm crops spe-elalist, and H. H. Rampton, As-sociation Agronomist, at Oregon State College have assembled some general information on alfalfa va-rieties that is of considerable in-terest. Much of this information has a bearing on Alfalfa growing here:

A good share of this spring's certified seed potato stocks have ended up as French fries and hashed browns. That's the word today from Elmer Johnson of Oregon State college. The seed certification specialist says Oregon's 1951 certified potato acreage was the lowest since 1942, And recent potato market advances channeled some certified potatoes into table use.

As a consequence, Johnson says potato growers will have trouble this spring finding good certified seed to plant, Last year, the state's total certified potato acreage was just 2,247 acres, a drop of almost 1-3 as compared with 1950.

Compared with 1950 when 18 varities passed certification, 15 varieties were passed last year. They were grown in 13 counties, Klamath with 999 acres was the ranking producer. Robert Cheyne of Klamath Falls was the state's leading grower with 35 acres of netted gegms, 109 acres of white rose.

Again last year, the grower with the most certified varieties was Ernest Hamback of Tigard. He had 11. A superior variety from Maine to Washington. More hardy than Ranger and will stand tougher con- fliations. The advantages: vigorous, frost resistant, can go dormant, making it advisable for dryland or areas where water may be short, has some will resistance. Enhas a large first cutting, excellent for high elevations and it has resistance to leaf and. sistance to leaf spot.

RANGER
Ranger is made from Cossack,
Ladak and Orestan. It is variegated, leafy, dark color, good yields,
wilt resistant and winter hardy.
Good demand for seed. Not as agressive as other varieties in resisting weeds.
GRIMM

GRIMM
An old standby under irrigation, but has little if any wilt resistance. Is hardy, leafy, dark color, vigorous and high yielding. Lack of wilt resistance its biggest drawback. For long time stands, Ladak, Ranger and Orestan would be better, Grimm if plowed up in three years in a crop rotation plan may be as good as any.

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ORESTAN

Leafy no leaf spot damage, good yield, and high wilt resistance.
Good for long time stands.

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34 Gilts Bring In

Thirty-four purebred gilts sold for an average of \$83.25 Friday in the third annual Oregon Purebred Swine Growers bred gilt sale at the County Fairgrounds.

Woods Orders

Namath county farmers who are planning to plant forest tree seedings his spring for the purpose of establishing woodlands, shelterbelts or windbreaks should get their orders into the hands of the state forester in Salem by March 15, according to County Agent C. A. Henderson.

This early date has been set because the trees must be lifted from the nursery before the growing season starts in the Willamete valley where the Oregon forest nursery is located, according to Henderson. However, this does not mean that the farmer must accept shipment at that time since the state maintains a refrigerating plant where the farmer condition indefinitely and shipment will be made when planting conditions in this area are suitable.

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Gives excellent yields and is nematode resistant. Quick recovery after cutting, prevents grass and weed enroachment. Superior in So. Oregon and worth trying in long season areas. May not be too well adapted to Klamath county conditions. Honey bees for pollination are coming into greater use each year. USDA entomologists have found that honey bees are needed to pollinate cantaloupes. Where all bees were kept out only 4 marketable melons were secured from 160 plants, but where bees were kept in, 180 marketable melons were secured. Experiments in the Ohio Valley with honey bees on red clover showed a need for honey bees for increased pollination.

Alfalfa fields in California secured yields of 1800 ibs of seed with a rate of 3 colonies of honey bees per acre.

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"Trees available which are adaptwere of the to planting in this climate include the white fir, ponderosa pine, clude the white fir, ponderosa pine, black locust, Russian mulberry, Russian Olive, caragana and Chianese elm," Henderson said. "This gives a selection that will meeted most of the needs of the farmer in his tree planting project whether it is for shade, protection from the winds, or growing forest products such as posts, poles, or fuel."

The county agent states that the list of species available, order bianks and planting bulletins are available at his office.

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Truman will forego his usual
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Press Secretary Joseph Short explained the President wants full opportunity that day to work on his foreign aid address which will be broadcast and televised that night.

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Ag Program Ag Confab **Gets Added Readied For** Mar. 27-29

Land-grant college representa-tives from six states as well as U.S. Department of Agriculture ob-servers will be present Mar. 27, 28 and 29 at Oregon State college for the statewide agricultural con-ference, F. L. Ballard, associate director of the extension service, has announced. Thirty-four purebred gilts sold for an average of \$83.25 Friday in the third annual Oregon Purebred Swine Growers bred gilt sale at the County Fairgrounds.

Total for the sale was \$2847, Sale Mgr. Ben Newell has announced about 85 persons participated.

Top gilt was Laddle Tofell consigned by Richard West, Malin, which sold for \$132,50,

The Berk farrowed before the sale, and seven piglets were at her ride when sold.

Newell said this was the second highest sale in the state so far this year, though its total income was below previous sales here. Demand for the animals was sufflicient so that all consigned were sold.

The sale was \$2847, Sale Marketing Committee Chair-sale Mgr. Ben Newell has announced. Says provisions were added late last year making it possible for county PMA committees to start their program year in October for certain practices. Up to now, the program year has been carried out on a calendar year basis. With the change, farmers may now start permanent type practices in the fall and carry them through to conclusion without damper of losing assistance. Only prowision is this, prior approval must be received from the county PMA office.

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Five states have already asked staff members of the Oregon extension service to discuss program making procedures before repre-senting groups. Director Ballard appeared recently on extension con-ference programs in Utah and Oklahoma.

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Among questions of vital importance to Oregon's production patterns are the growing California market for farm products, the rapidly increasing food processing industry, and adjustments to specialty crops which tend to overcome the disadvantages of increasing freight rates. These are typical interest areas, Ballard says, which are being given consideration by farm people taking part in preparam farm people taking part in prepa-rations for the statewide conference. Not all thought is being expend-

ed on economics of agriculture. Ballard says there is growing re-alization that increased returns from land should be used to sub-

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Farmers A trio of experts will face Klam-ath County farmers at the Winema hotel Mar. 20 for a weed and bug session, the County Agent's Office

hotel Mar. 20 for a weed and bug-session, the County Agent's Office has announced.

Visiting experts will include Rex Warren, extension specialist in farm crops; Virgil Freed, weed spe-cialist; Robert Every, entomology specialist. All are from Oregon State College.

Field representatives of interested chemical companies have been in-vited to report on the latest agri-cultural chemicals for weed and bug control.

bug control.

The meet is slated for \$ a. m. at the Winema.

Subclover

A new set of recommendations for establishing, managing and utilizing subclover for forage and seed in Oregon has been issued by the Oregon State college agricultural experiment station.

Latest information on this widely used pasture legume for western Oregon has been collected by H. H. Rampton, United States department of agriculture agronomist stationed at OSC. It has been published as a revised version of station builetin 432, now available at county extension offices or from OSC.

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