

Butte Valley SCD Annual Report Made By Directors

The 1953 Butte Valley Soil Conservation District annual report, released by the directors at their meeting on February 8, lists some interesting data on soil and water conservation practices applied by farmers within the district.

A total of 129 farmers and ranchers, owning or operating 98,458 acres of land, are now SCD co-operators in applying soil and water conservation practices. Eighteen conservation farms and ranch plans were completed during 1953 on a total of 19,297 acres.

Based on data compiled from SCD co-operators farm plans, 3,942

acres of new land were brought under cultivation in 1953, and 1,125 acres broken out of sagebrush on the Butte Valley land utilization project. A total of 2,289 acres were leveled for flood irrigation. Most of this land was under irrigation for the first time.

Over 4,000 acres of crop land was in stubble mulch for control of wind erosion and a systematic crop rotation plan of legumes and grasses in rotation with cash crops was applied on 5,000 acres.

Other practices include the construction of five overnight storage ponds for irrigation and six miles of concrete pipeline and concrete irrigation ditch and also, 1,503 acres of land were subsoiled.

The directors report that the district has paid off the indebtedness on the D-7 Cat and carryall during 1953 and that the SCD leveling rig, operated by Houston Yates, leveled 493 acres of land on 10 co-operators farms. The 1953 calendar year report compiled by the district secretary, Elmer Kappen, shows more than \$30,000 of operations were carried on by the SCD, and at the close of the year cash on hand amounted to \$6,513.

Directors of the Butte Valley Soil Conservation District are all land owners and farm operators within the district. They include: Walt Robison, chairman of the board, and Directors James Butler, Lee Harrington, Charles Owens and Lewis (June) Parsons. Chairman Walt Robison points out that the directors meet at the district office in Madocel the second Monday of each month. Meetings begin at 8 p.m. and are open to any interested person who may care to attend.

Guernsey Cow Makes Record

PETERBOROUGH, N.H.—A registered Guernsey cow, Adamsdale Trudy's Tilly, owned by the Estate of the late F. C. Adams, Klamath Falls, has completed an official Advanced Registry record of 8,231 pounds of milk and 439 pounds of butterfat on twice daily milking for a ten month period, starting her record as a junior two year old.

"Tilly" is the daughter of the outstanding Guernsey sire, Adamsdale Norman, that has 15 daughters in the performance Register of The American Guernsey Cattle Club.

This record was supervised by Oregon State College and was reported to The American Guernsey Cattle Club for approval and publication.

'53 Figures Show Insemination Gain

Noel Wright, technician of the Warren Proved Sire Service, 5141 Shasta Way, announced today that their organization inseminated a total of 2,819 cows in 1953, as compared to 892 in 1952.

Warren's Proved Sire Service uses semen from the American Breeder's Service stud at Palo Alto, which has boosted the record of cows bred from \$6,913 in '52 to \$120,460 in '53.

The local service is one of 287 cooperatives and private breeding organizations in 31 states that has contributed to the three quarter-million first service cows bred.

With the three quarter million mark first service cows bred artificially in 1953, the desire for the best proved sires is becoming apparent by the nation's dairymen who milk cows for a living.

Chemical Weed Killers Tested

Scientists have advanced another step toward chemical control of weeds as result of weed killers applied to onion plots before the first and the second irrigations.

In late spring accurate weed and onion stand counts were taken on plots to determine the degree of weed control and onion stand injury. Experiments have been underway since 1949 to find materials which can be used in combination to kill both grasses and broadleaved weeds.

Best of the early treatments tried appears to be a 70 pound per acre application of a special grade (dust) of calcium cyanamid, followed by a spray of 3 pound per acre of chloro-IPC in 100 gallons of grass and broadleaved-killing chemicals, giving good weed control with no appreciable reduction in onion yields.

FARM NEWS

By OTTO ELLIS, Farm Editor



DONNA PARKHURST, KUHS STUDENT, receives award for winning speech contest from Paul Breithaupt, soil conservation district supervisor.

KUHS Student Wins Contest

Donna Parkhurst, Klamath High School student was the winning speaker of the conservation district speaking contest held Wednesday at the Poe Valley Grange Hall. Miss Parkhurst was presented an Elgin wrist watch, contributed by the supervisors of the Poe Valley Soil Conservation District.

Rumored up in the contest was Catherine Dearborn of Bonanza High School. Both speakers will advance to the finals in the conservation speaking contest to be held at the Bly School Friday evening February 26.

The awards were announced and presented by Paul Breithaupt, program chairman for the meeting. In opening this meeting Breithaupt mentioned the need for an active interest in conservation by young people of this community.

Judges for the contest were: Al Halvorson, Klamath Experiment Station; Stanley Miller, Crater Lake Machinery Co., and Alden Bruner of the local agricultural conservation office.

Utah Opens New Fertilizer Plant

Now producing phosphate fertilizers for western farmers is the new \$5 million plant of Western Phosphates, Inc. at Garfield, Utah. After months of planning and more than a year in building, the new plant commenced production of agricultural grade liquid phosphate acid earlier this month.

Shipments of aged treble superphosphate in pelletized form. Shipments of aged treble superphosphate will begin during February. A third product, ammonium phosphate 11-48, will be in production by early spring; this material also will be pelletized.

Initial annual production of phosphate materials will be about 30,000 tons. Of this figure, treble superphosphate will represent the largest tonnage. These fertilizers will be distributed in the western United States by the Wilson Geo. Meyer & Co., Intermountain.

Farm Acreage Gain Small Since 1919

In 1953 only about two per cent more cropland was cultivated than was farmed in 1919. But production on this acreage last year yielded ample food for 55 million more people than we had some 35 years ago.

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Labor Damage Suit Settled

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — An out-of-court settlement of a \$15 million dollar damage action against five labor organizations for picketing a cooperative Everett mill was announced Tuesday. The sum was not disclosed.

It ended a nearly three-year dispute in which employees of the Everett Plywood and Door Corp. at one time kept shipments moving by pushing boxcars across the picket line by hand.

The damage suit was by Everett Plywood and Door, which was organized several years ago with the employees as shareholders.

It was against four AFL woodworkers' organizations and the Switchmen's Union of North America local. Three individuals also were named as defendants.

The sawmill unions were the Logging and Sawmill Workers local 2781; the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners; the Puget Sound and the Everett District Councils of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers.

Army Identifies Korean Dead

WASHINGTON (AP) The Army Tuesday identified 60 additional soldiers whom it has determined to have died in Korea. All previously were listed for more than a year as missing in action.

The list included: Sgt. Wilfred E. Woods, son of Mrs. Clara E. Woods, 709 E. Sherman St., Lebanon, Ore.

Maj. Richard J. Karnos, husband of Mrs. Evelyn M. Karnos, 6340 Lake St., Tacoma, Wash.

Salem To Decide On Street System

SALEM (AP) — Salem voters will decide next November if they want to keep the one-way street system in downtown Salem.

The City Council denied Monday night a request by opponents of the system that the question be put on the May primary ballot.

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Delegates To Alsike Hearing Make Reports

While there will be no immediate relief in the alsike clover seed situation resulting from last week's tariff commission hearing in Washington, D. C., growers from this

area who attended feel optimistic about remedies discussed at the meeting.

In addition to requesting that the tariff on Canadian alsike seed be

raised, seed growers recommended an alternate plan, whereby Canada be allowed to export only 730,000 pounds of alsike into this country annually. This figure is the 10 year average.

Local representatives felt this might be the best plan as Canada's clover crop is very inconsistent, ranging from one million to nine million pounds annually.

A decision on the hearing held Tuesday must be made by the tariff commission within nine months, but in the meantime Canadian alsike seed is pouring into this country. Last month one million pounds were received here.

Local men attending the hearing were: Stan Buckingham, manager of the Tulelake Growers Association; Elmer Lemer, Merrill, representing the Klamath Alsike Seed Growers; Scott Warren, a member of Secretary Benson's potato advisory committee, who also attended a spud meeting in Wash-

ington, and Delos Mills, Macdoel rancher, in Washington on other business, assisted the group in their recommendations.

4-H NEWS

MIDLAND CRAFTERS

Brad Blafsky was elected president for our Midland 4-H Craft Club at the home of our leader, Mrs. Pauline Risley, Feb. 10. Other officers are Larry Blafsky, vice president; Terry Bejer, secretary; Jack Mitcham, treasurer; Chuck Blafsky, reporter. Mrs. Risley showed us things that we are doing to make later in the year. Refreshments were served.

CHUCK BLAFSKY

HENLEY BEEF CLUB

The fourth regular meeting of the club was held on Feb. 7, at the home of Rod and Tom Wright. Before the meeting our leader, Stan Masten, and two members weighed most of the calves. The weights were:

Peter Scala, 760; Tim White, 420-435; Audrey Kiger, 490; Rosie Scala, 560; Betty Scala, 580; Hollis Kiger, 605; Bobby Brower, 475; Rod Wright, 625, 675 and 575; Dick Dehlinger, 465 and Tom Wright, 500, 560 and 585.

At the meeting a law was passed that calves that won't lead won't be weighed.

The meeting was adjourned and the club had a contest of guessing weights of the Wright's calves. Shari Dehlinger won on guessing the weight of a single calf. Ted Barry won on the weight of a group of six calves. Rope halters made at the previous meeting were given as prizes.

Afterwards refreshments were served by Mrs. Wright.

Tom Wright

POE VALLEY SEWING TEENS

The Teens met for their meeting at the home of the leader, Mrs. William Tubach. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Mary Wells. Roll call was answered by different kinds of materials. There were six members present and two absent. There was also a visitor, Hope Holbrook. The minutes were read and approved by Martin Tubach. There is going to be a quiz at the next meeting on what we know or should know about clothing.

Demonstration day this year will be April 3, and the Spring Fair will be April 22, 23 and 24. Feb. 13 was officers training at Altamont Jr. High School from 10 until 12.

The meeting was then adjourned by Mary Wells.

The next meeting will be Feb. 24 at the Poe Valley Community Hall. After the meeting the members played some games, then got to work on their sewing.

Carol Relling

POE VALLEY SHEPHERDS

The Poe Valley Shepherds met for their third meeting at the home of Janice Marshall. The meeting was called to order by the president, Elliott West. The roll call and minutes were read by Virginia Roenicke. The members talked about pamphlets they are to receive. They are trying to find out all they can about other animals.

After the meeting one of the members had a pamphlet on pigs, there were two pages of pigs to judge and everybody judged them. Carol Relling is to write to the company who published it and find out the correct one and why.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Marshall.

Carol Relling

POE VALLEY GARDEN CLUB

The Poe Valley 4-H Garden Club was organized Feb. 11 at the Poe Valley Community Hall. Mrs. Wilbur Relling is the leader. There were four girls present, Carol Relling, Mary Wells, Marie Breithaupt and Carolyn Koehn.

As yet, no name has been decided upon. Each member is to bring a suggestion for a name for the new 4-H club. Our next meeting will be March 11, at the Poe Valley Hall.

Carolyn Koehn

MERRILL BEEF CLUB

The fifth meeting of the year of the Merrill Beef Club was held Monday Feb. 8, at the home of Claudette and Carl Shuck. The meeting was called to order by the president, Don Heaton. Further plans for Demonstration Day were discussed. However, no final decision was made. Record books were given out. Plans for our annual card party were discussed. No final decision was made there either. The meeting was adjourned and

Don Heaton

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Pest Reporter

MR. CMU... 'KARMEX'... 'TELVAR'

CMU comes of age. This month DuPont announces two new products of the substituted urea family of chemicals.

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