

### Farmer Of The Week



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Tommy Watters was caught by the photographer in the middle of calf branding operations at his cattle feeding ranch at Shady Pine, just north of Klamath Falls. In top photo, a calf, one of 97 head purchased last week from a Lakeview rancher, bawls as Louis Givens applies the hot branding iron and Watters (left) checks his ears. In the photo at the left, Watters loads a hypodermic needle to inject a triple vaccination into a newly purchased calf. The inoculation will protect the calf against shipping fever, blackleg and malignant edema. The calves are run from the pen into a "squeeze chute," which is arranged so that it will squeeze the calf to hold him steady while the men work. The calf's neck is in a yoke which holds it steady in case medication must be applied to eyes. Watters injects all of his calves with the triple shot, and sickly looking calves also receive a shot of penicillin. In addition to the 97 calves purchased last week, Watters is presently running about 125 head of yearling steers, and attempts to keep some animals in the feed lot at all times to spread his sales over both strong and weak markets.



### Shady Pine Rancher Uses Year-Round Feed Lot Plan

Trying to get as much production as possible out of a relatively small acreage is the problem facing this week's Farmer of the Week, Tommy Watters, who operates a livestock feeding operation at Shady Pine, just off Highway 97 north of Klamath Falls.

Watters, who has been concentrating on cattle for a short time after attempting to raise potatoes on his land, found that the spuds did not do very well, and that the pasturage he raised would support a relatively large number of cattle, especially when supplementary feeding methods are used.

In an effort to even out the soft spots in the market, Watters is attempting to keep some stock in the feed lot at all times. Then, he says, he will have something to sell at any time there is a good opening.

At present, he is running about 125 head of yearling steers, which will soon be turned into the feedlot. He anticipates that, because they enter the lot in relatively good shape after the supplemented range diet, they will spend about 100 days before being ready for market.

In addition to these animals, he last week purchased 97 head of just-weaned calves. These weaners will be ready for conversion into club steaks beginning early next summer, and will be sold during the summer and early fall season.

Watters said that this is the way he likes to operate. The steers, which will be available this winter, and the calves, which will be ready for sale next summer, will give him a continuous supply of animals for sale. Other growers, he says, tend to sell a single crop of steers yearly, and might get caught at a low spot in the market.

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### Fair Share Chiefs Predict Clean-Up Of Drive Target

Operation Fair Share leaders were optimistic Saturday that the United Fund - Red Cross target of \$129,627 could be met through clean up operations scheduled to follow the Monday and Tuesday report meetings at the Winema Hotel.

Following Friday's report meeting, divisions had reported an average of about 61 per cent of their individual targets. The divisions, their targets and amounts reported to date follow in that order:

Contractors, \$5400, \$2996.30; department stores, \$7,000, \$4,998.70; farm equipment, \$2,300, \$1,983.48; finance, \$7,900, \$4,589.50; foods, \$6,800, \$2,652; furniture, \$1,900, \$1,533; fuels, \$2,500, \$1,820.

50; hotels and restaurants, \$3,000, \$1,916.

Laundries, \$950, \$385; lumber, \$26,500, \$15,935.50; building materials, \$2,300, \$1,412; motor trades, \$5,400, \$3,675; personal and professional, \$8,300, \$4,528.50; printers and publishers, \$3,700, \$3,706.50; public employees, \$3,200, \$1,148.

Recreation, \$2,600, \$1,414; city schools, \$3,500, \$3,947.48; county schools, \$2,100, \$1,349; OTI, \$2,500, \$2,792.71; utilities, \$4,200, \$3,128.60; transportation, \$7,800, \$6,598.20; miscellaneous, \$550, \$337.30; residential and air force, \$5,000, \$1,906; county, \$18,000, \$8,105.65.

In the county, Poe Valley, Olene and Pine Grove lead with 83 per cent of their joint target; or \$1,000. Hly has 750 or 85 per cent; Wocus Algona and Shady Pine, \$500 or 80 per cent and Henley and Midland have reported \$1,750 or 49 per cent.

Other county communities and their targets are Gilchrist, \$250; Crescent, \$3,000; Chemult, \$250; Port Klamath, Crater Lake and West Side, \$1,000; Chiloquin, Klamath Agency, Modoc Point and Sprague River, \$1,250; Keno and Warden, \$1,000; Bonanza and Dairy, \$1,200; Langell Valley, \$500; Beatty, \$100; Malin, \$3,000 and Merrill, \$3,000.

Reports are expected from most county communities Monday, according to Wing Commander Bob Beach.

### State Vets Visit Klamath

State Department heads of Spanish American War Veterans paid official visits October 25-26 to the Earlbert Applegate Camp No. 23 and the auxiliary, No. 14, USWV. Headquarters for the meeting were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons.

Present were Commander B. P. Boland and Mrs. Boland, Portland; department president, Millie Schwietering and Fred Schwietering, Eugene; department aid, Mary Harding, Astoria.

Open house on the afternoon of the opening day was followed by a business meeting and banquet at a local cafe.

State officers pertinent information on legislative consideration that effects widows pensions and benefits on hospitalization for veterans of the Spanish - American War. Reports were also heard on the national encampment held recently in Long Beach. There were some changes made at the meeting on use of the American flag and the ritual. New rituals are to be distributed soon.

T. M. Bieler, commander of the local camp and Mrs. Stella D. Meyers, president of the auxiliary commented the department officers and urged rather visit during the coming year.

### Over The Garden Gate

**MERRILL**  
By Mary Lou Swisher

The Lost River Garden Club met at the home of Dorothy West Tuesday afternoon, October 26, with Marjorie Hodges, co-hostess, and nine members present.

There was round-table discussion on fall planting and fall flowers. A project to clean the flower beds soon, at the recreation hall was discussed. Also plans are for a cleanup meeting again in May.

The door prize was won by Dorothy Kandra for her dry arrangement.

There will be no meetings in November or December. In January, a potluck luncheon will be held at 1 p.m. at the home of June Orem with Virginia Pope, co-hostess. Movie films on the 1955 Rose Festival in Portland and the 1954 Pasadena Rose Parade will be shown and each member is to bring a guest.

### Paisley Resident Claimed By Death

**LAKEVIEW** - Walter Harris, 75, who has lived in Paisley the last eight years, died October 26 at the Lakeview Hospital.

Harris, who was known as "Big Chief," was born July 18, 1880 in Indian Territory, Oklahoma. No survivors are known.

On Monday, Harris fell and cut his head at Paisley and was brought to the Lakeview Hospital by the Lake County disaster car. The Ousley - Osterman Mortuary conducted burial services at the Odd Fellows Cemetery on October 27.

### School Bus Law Defined

Complaints that some drivers still disregard Oregon's school bus stop law have been reaching the secretary of state's office since schools opened this fall.

The secretary's traffic safety division said school bus drivers are plagued by motorists who merely slow down and then proceed to pass a bus stopped to load or unload passengers.

Some school bus drivers also share the blame for confusion over the law. Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury said. An occasional school bus operator will wave a driver past even though children are leaving the bus.

The law, Newbury said, requires drivers to stop when meeting or overtaking a school bus stopped to load or unload passengers on a two-lane road. Where there are three or more lanes, only those drivers moving in the same direction as the bus must stop.

Drivers cannot continue as long as there are children leaving the bus or crossing the road.

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**WACKY MAESTRO SPIKE JONES and His Musical Insanities of 1956** have been booked for two performances Friday, November 18 at the Pelican Theater. The troupe is sponsored by the Klamath Falls Lions Club. Jones is pictured above with two charmers whom he calls his "country cousins." Performances will be at 5:45 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Featured in the two-hour show are Singer Helen Grayco and the City Slickers.

The Inner Gorge of the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon is cut through dark Pre-Cambrian rocks formed some one and a half billion years ago, says the National Geographic Society.

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