

Rancher's Report

By BILL DECKER

Word comes from Lakeview that the quality of the bulls at the Fourth Annual Lake County Range Bull Sale, to be held October 5 and 6, will be very high. Several breeders of purebred cattle in the northwest have indicated that they will consign stock to the sale.

The judging and exhibition of the bulls is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Friday, October 5, and the sale will start at 1 p.m. the next day. The grading will be done by a committee composed of William Farrell, county agent for Grant County; Harry Stearns, purebred cattleman from Prineville; and Ray Stanfield, superintendent of the ZX Ranch at Paisley. The sifting committee are: Dr. V. V. Hill, Lake County veterinarian; Dr. R. E. Tangeman, veterinarian from Susanville, California; Tom Jenkins, a Burns rancher; and Bob Fitzgerald, from Lakeview.

The Lake County Cowbelles will serve a luncheon at the fairgrounds at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. All arrangements for reservations can be made by contacting the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, Lakeview, Oregon.

Since only 500 applications were received from hunters who wanted to take part in the special December 1 to 4 antlerless season announced for the Swan Lake, Poe Valley and Langell Valley areas, there is a chance that even though the closing date for applications has passed permits will still be granted until the 800 limit has been reached. Remember that the area open for this special hunt lies within boundaries drawn from Hatfield north to the Klamath Indian Reservation line up Highway 97, and east on the reservation line to Highway 66, then south to the Bonanza cutoff and south-east on the Langell Valley Road to the California State Line. There is plenty of good hunting to be had in all that country and anyone who wants to bag an antlerless deer should send a check for \$5 and an application blank which may be obtained from any licensee agent to the Oregon Game Commission.

1634 Southwest Alder Street, Portland, Oregon. Permits are being granted on a first come first served basis until the 800 limit is reached.

Our Fort Klamath correspondent reports that the annual fall movement of cattle from that area is nearly complete. Prices have ranged from 16 to 18 cents and in general this has been a good pasture year in the Wood River Valley. Recent heavy shippers include Jim and Bill Owens, Joseph and Patrick McAuliffe, Lloyd and Stewart Nicholson and the Loren Miller Company.

Dan Dunham, the Lakeview lad who holds the top post in the national Future Farmers of America, is going on a State Department good will tour to Japan next month. Dunham will visit chapters of the Future Farmers of Japan, an organization patterned after the FFA.

The USDA has announced that the grade name "Commercial" will be changed to "Standard" for slaughter and veal calves and for veal and calf carcasses as of October 1. The change is being made to bring calf grades in line with the new grade names for young slaughter cattle and beef which went into effect on June 1 of this year. Grade names for veal and calves will now be: Prime, Choice, Good, Standard, Utility and Cull.

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson announced this week that his department would consider action to boost hog prices if they fell between \$14.50 and \$15 on the Chicago market. As most of you know, hog prices have been in a pretty sharp decline recently, but at mid-week they rallied and reached \$17 in Chicago. Oregon State College forecasts that farmers in this state stand a good chance of taking advantage of feed supplies and raising hogs this year. They base their suggestion on the reduced number of hogs in the nation.

Sheep Producers Council Shifts Representation Setup

The American Sheep Producers Council, which is the organization promoting the use of wool and lamb with funds raised by the deduction of one cent a pound from the incentive payment on wool, at their annual meeting in Denver, Colorado, on September 10-11, re-organized the body to give greater presentation to all the wool growers of the United States, reports R. A. Ward, general manager of the Pacific Wool Growers of Portland who just returned from the meeting.

Under the new plan there will be allotted one delegate for each \$25,000 or major fraction thereof paid in to the promotional fund of the A.S.P.C. from the wool incentive payment. There will be one director for each \$100,000 or major fraction thereof paid in.

The United States will remain in the same five regions as before. Region I which is the area east of the Mississippi River will have 18 delegates and 5 directors. Region II which is the Central West will have 21 delegates and 4 directors. Texas, which comprises Region III, will have 20 delegates and 5 directors. Region IV, the Intermountain states, will have 32 delegates and 8 directors. Region V, the Pacific coast area, which includes Idaho, Utah, Arizona and Nevada, as well as Oregon, Washington and California, will have 31 delegates and 8 directors.

This makes a total of 122 delegates and 30 directors from the five regions. But there will also be delegates-at-large from the national farm organizations, to the number of 15. These in turn will elect 10 directors as follows: Pacific Wool Growers, 1; National Wool Marketing Corporation, 3; National Wool Growers, 1; National

Grange, 1; National Farmers Union, 1; National Livestock Producers, 1; National Lamb Feeders, 1; American Farm Bureau Federation, 1. This makes a total of 40 directors on the board and 137 delegates.

An executive committee of nine, composed of one director from each region, two directors from the directors at large, and the president and vice president, will also serve.

At the annual meeting on September 10, R. A. Ward was re-elected a director of the American Sheep Producers Council; G. N. Winder of Colorado was re-elected president. This board will serve until the new organization goes into effect on March 1, 1957.

GRAIN BINS

Farmers who store grain in bins make sure the bins have been thoroughly cleaned. Old grain, trash, feed sacks and other objects furnish living quarters for insects which destroy thousands of bushels of farm-stored grain yearly.



NEW HONORS have come to R. A. (Rube) Long, left, well known Fort Rock rancher. In the picture he is showing to Robert Morehouse, also of Fort Rock, the plaque presented to him this year by the United States National Bank as retroactive recognition of his being named Grassman of the Year for 1954. — Photo by Parks.

Long To Head Range Group

FORT ROCK—Rube Long has received word of his nomination for the post of national director of the American Society of Range Management, a professional group organized to further the study of range management and pasture problems.

Six men have been nominated and two directors will be elected. The only other Oregon man on the slate is E. W. (Bill) Anderson of Pendleton, Soil Conservation Service range specialist. A third western nominee is a rancher living in Colorado.

The society was organized in 1947 and is best known for its bi-monthly publication, Journal of Range Management, which contains technical papers dealing with vegetation, soils and grazing and is world wide in scope.

Long has been active in the Northwest section, serving on various committees and taking a prominent part in section meetings. The society encourages rancher participation and two past presidents have been ranchers.

Stilbestrol Permit Given

Eli Lilly and Company of Indianapolis announced today an agreement with Charles Pfizer and Company, Inc., which licenses the Pfizer firm to market its terramycin - stilbestrol combination premix for use in cattle feeds. Under the agreement, Pfizer is withdrawing its straight stilbestrol premix from the domestic market.

Lilly holds the exclusive license to manufacture and market stilbestrol premix, which is supplied to feed manufacturers under the trade name 'Stilbosol' (Diethylstilbestrol Premix, Lilly).

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