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County Agent Reports Farm News Briefed From The County Agent Radio Programs

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Several events will take place this next week that will be of interest to many farm people. The annual water supply forecast meeting will be held Monday, April 6, at the fairgrounds, starting at 3 p.m. Mr. W. T. Frost, snow survey supervisor, Soil Conservation Service, will report on water conditions as they exist in the Klamath Basin.

The Oregon Angus Association will hold their annual purebred sale Friday, April 10, at the Klamath County Fairgrounds. Thirty five bulls and 20 heifers have been consigned to the sale.

The bulls will be graded and sifted before the sale and the heifers judged and placed. The sifting and grading will start at 9:30 and anyone interested may witness this activity. A committee, consisting of Louis Hill, Merrill, and William Hammond, Montague, California, cattlemen, and Jack Miller, head of the Animal Husbandry Department at Oregon State College, will do the sifting, grading and judging.

The sale of the cattle will start at 1:30 p.m. with St. Williams as auctioneer. The cattle offered for sale are coming from some of the best Angus herds in Oregon and California. Anyone interested in Angus bulls or heifers should plan to attend this sale. Catalogues listing the cattle entered are available at the county agent's office.

Wool growers who wish to market their wool through the Klamath Wool Pool must sign a marketing agreement before April 15, the closing date set for this year's signup.

The wool market has improved somewhat in the last week or so. Reports from Southern California indicate that 95 to 98 per cent of the wool shorn to date has been sold. Although there is more activity in the market, prices are still about 5 cents below prices paid last year.

The Wool Pool directors feel that all wool should be signed up immediately so that they will be in a position to make a sale at any time the market appears to justify selling the wool.

Wool marketing agreements may be signed at the county agent's office, with Dorman Turner at the First National Bank in downtown Klamath Falls or with Ray Petersen at either auction sale on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

With farming activity at a peak possibilities for accidents are increasing so a word of caution to

all farmers to be careful and take a little extra time in handling machines and electrical equipment to keep accidents to a minimum is in order. Accident rates on farms are too high and every effort should be made to prevent them.

The power company has asked the county agent's office to call attention to frequent accidents occurring when farmers stand irrigation pipe on end to clean out dirt and other material accumulated during the winter. Often overhead electrical lines are overlooked and the long irrigation pipe comes in contact with the wires and serious electrical shock results.

All cattlemen are anxious to know when the down turn in price of cattle might take place. No one knows but here is one man's opinion. "Beef cattle numbers have hit a new all-time high. This signals beginning of a downturn in beef prices that may be only gradual in 1959 and will pick up speed in 1960. Larry Simerl, University of Illinois economist, feels 1959 may be like 1952 for beef producers and feeders. Here's what happened in 1952:

"The buildup of herds was very fast with six million added. Choice steers hit \$37 in April, 1951, then held pretty well through that year (as in 1938). Prices then worked down to \$30 by the end of 1952; and in April, 1953, were down to \$22. Increased numbers in 1952 added six pounds of beef per person to our meat supply. This year's steers are running 47 pounds heavier. More competition from pork and poultry can be expected."

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