



NEW EXPERIMENTAL MATERIALS for weed control are being sprayed here by John Retterath of Farmer's Air Service. Simazine, used experimentally for weed control in alfalfa, is not okayed for general use by the farmer in hay production.

Park Oats Tops Grains

Park oats, a high yielding, high quality oats has replaced at least 90 per cent of all other oat varieties grown in the Klamath area.

Gene Gross of the Klamath Experiment Station states that in 15 years of testing varieties for possible release, Park has been the best all-round oat for production in the Klamath Basin conditions.

Park oats is well adapted to both mineral and peat soils. Yields in excess of 4,000 pounds per acre are not uncommon and approaches barley on an income basis.

Non shattering, disease resistant, and stiff straw are all qualities which make Park desirable. It can also be cut for good quality hay. Park is one of the highest test weight oats available, averaging two to three pounds per bushel over other oats.

Park oats makes a white oat which is excellent for feed purposes with a very low hull and high percentage of groat ratio.

Better crop varieties are one of the major functions of the Klamath Experiment Station. Gross has been testing oats, among other crop varieties, for better yielding better quality production on the farm.

Park oat was released as a variety from the Montana Experiment Station and tested at the same time at the Klamath Falls station. The original cross was made at the Aberdeen Idaho Agronomy Station. Cooperative work such as this brings every possible new advance to the Klamath Basin farmers. World wide sources of crops varieties funnel in to Gross for testing as a possible crop in Klamath area.

Agents Offer Spray Advice

Insect, disease, and weed control are three important problems of the home owner and gardener. Recommendations on the control of these problems are part of the service of the county agent's office in the post office building.

Varieties of ornamentals, landscaping, and lawn culture are also handled by this office. Insect pest in the home, mosquito control and other suburban problems have increased in the last few years.

As the population of the area moves toward more suburban living, the demand for information on these problems increases. While this is a smaller portion of the work of the county agent's office, it is important to those home owners needing advice on these problems.

This service has increased through demand during the last few years, and is added as an extra service while continuing the farm and rural consulting activities. Advisory service in all fields is available as part of the extension work of Oregon State College.

Waumbek Methna was the Indian name for New Hampshire's White Mountains. It means "white rocks."

THINGS TO DO

Inspect your premises at least twice a year and eliminate all fire hazards. Remove rubbish regularly from the house, particularly attics, closets and cellars. If burning rubbish, use an incinerator of metal or heavy mesh wire placed away from the house.



HUGE BAGS OF WOOL are shown being checked out as part of the operation of the Klamath Wool Pool which was first organized in 1955. Shipment of fleeces has grown from 4,400 in 1955 to 21,000 in 1960. Wool clips are sold each year to buyers by sealed bid.



SHEEP POPULATION, particularly farm flocks, are increasing in the Klamath Basin. Many producers are identified with wool and lamb pools to assure stabilized returns. Many farm flocks begin lambing in mid-January, shooting for the Easter fat lamb market. Range flock operators schedule lambing for late February and early March to prepare lambs for fall delivery.



APHID EGGS on a stem of a rose bush show the need of spraying. Insect and disease control recommendations are a part of the numerous activities of the County Agents Office in the Post Office building in Klamath Falls.

SEAL KEEPS FLOORS DRY
To prevent ground moisture from getting up through a concrete floor, lay a vapor seal under it before it is poured. This seal can be inexpensive polyethylene film, asphalt roofing paper, or aluminum foil. Moisture can move up through a concrete floor slab and add to wet litter problems, or cause spoilage of feed or forage stored directly on the surface. A potato is no more "fattening" than an apple of equal size.

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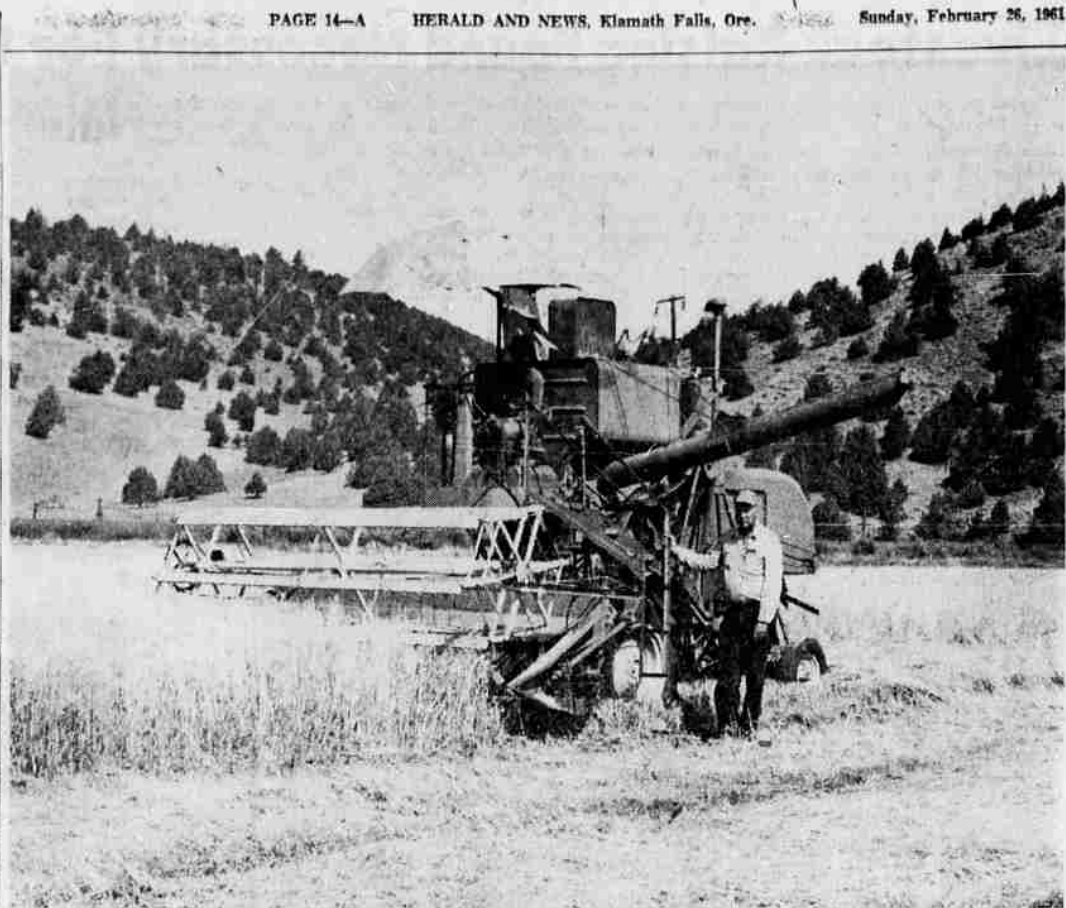
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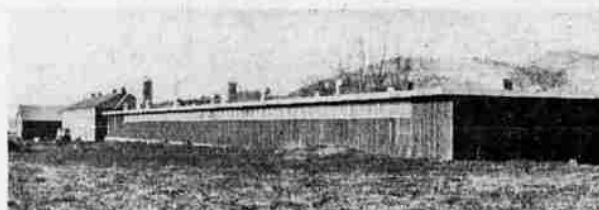
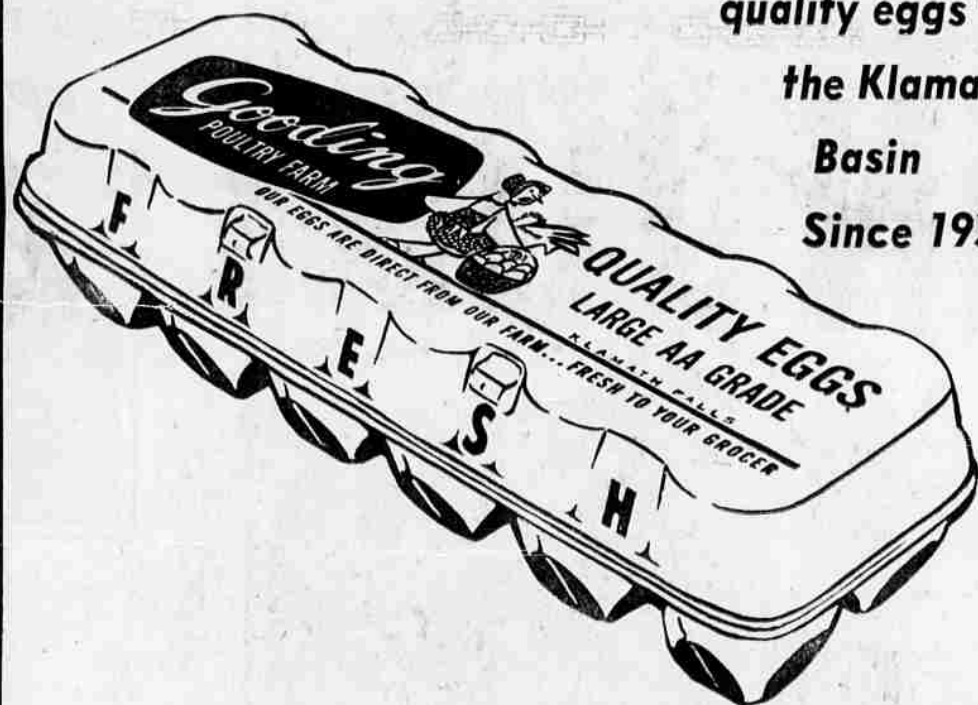
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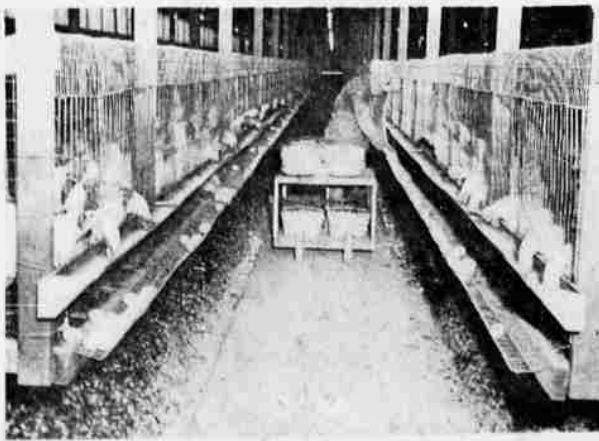
PARK OATS being combined on the Lower Lake Experiment Station are shown here. J. D. Finchum harvests the first commercial field of this variety of certified seed grown for increase in the Klamath Basin.

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