



SPRING 4-H FAIR — These were views taken at the recent Klamath County Spring 4-H Fair held in the Exhibit Building at the Klamath County Fairgrounds. At far left, youngsters learn the fine points of judging from Mrs. W. T. Schlick. Second from left, Lisa



Kent, member of the Eager Beaters Cooking Club of Langell Valley, prepares to demonstrate one of the exhibits. Third from left, Vickie Hartell, Pelican Pins and Needles



Club, examines an exhibit, and at far right, Helen Castro of the Gilchrist Busy Bakers is shown judging cakes.

Canadian Thistle Campaign Kicked Off In Poe Valley

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An intensified campaign to control Canadian thistle kicked off with a meeting of Poe Valley farmers June 20.

Similar meetings are scheduled for the Community Hall at Lorella Thursday evening, June 27, and at the Bly Grange Hall Friday evening, June 28.

Farmers are insisting on intensified control effort against Canadian thistle because this noxious weed is spreading.

Control work in the past has successfully reduced infestations of other noxious perennials but has not prevented spread of Canadian thistle, largely because some thistle infestations have been allowed to produce seed.

Pressure from farmers for enforcement of the Weed Control District law resulted in establishment of a Weed Revolving Fund, in the pending county budget, for additional weed control service capability for the County Weed Control Unit.

Spray service is available to

landowners at cost. The arguments for providing the service were that many farmers have neither time or equipment to spray thistles at the time when herbicides should be applied.

Weed Control District laws require landowners to control noxious weeds. The County Weed Control supervisor is charged with carrying out control work where landowners do not, and provides for assessment of costs against ownership involved. The law gives county weed supervisors quarantine powers.

Minimum acceptable control consists of cutting or mowing before seed formation; however, the Canadian thistle campaign is directed toward eradication over a period of time through use of herbicides and use of soil sterilants.

County Weed Control Supervisor Schieferstein announced that control by mowing or cutting will be considered acceptable if carried out by July 20.

Mowing or cutting after seed formation will not be acceptable, Schieferstein said.

Newer herbicides such as ATZ, Amitrol "T," Banville D, TBA, Bimol and Tordon are materials ranging from newly promising to proven to be quite effective in the case of ATZ.

An eight-month restriction of grazing after application of ATZ limits use of this every effective herbicide. Single applications of ATZ, Amitrol "T," or Cyrol sprays applied at bud and bloom stage to thoroughly wet foliage have given a

high percentage of kill in most of many Canadian thistle infestations treated by county equipment the last few years.

ATZ has been used at six to eight pounds per 100 gallons and Amitrol "T" at two gallons of two-pound material per 100 gallons of solution.

Repeated spraying with four pounds of 2,4-D per 100 gallons also gives eventual eradication. Two spray applications annually are recommended for 2,4-D with the first application delayed until thistles are growing actively and there is enough foliage to receive a lethal dosage of spray.

Air applications or spray boom application of less than one pound of 2,4-D per acre for selective control of annual weeds have little effect on deep rooted perennials. Effective control requires spot treatment property timed and gallonage near or exceeding 100 gallons per acre, depending on growth present.

A river bank and island survey of Lost River by USRS to map channel infestation is scheduled soon.

4-H NEWS

POE VALLEY SHEPHERDS

The sixth meeting of the Poe Valley Shepherds was held the twenty-first of May. This meeting was held at the home of Kriss Spielman. The president called the meeting to order and the secretary read the minutes. At this meeting we had two reports. One by Jerilyn Peacock, on fattening lambs, and Lou Ann Ferguson had one on showmanship. Dr. Olney asked how many had their lambs, and what they were feeding. He also wanted to know when the rest of us were getting our lambs. We talked about the way we are supposed to make out record books. Sandra Lewis told how much she was feeding. The meeting was adjourned, and refreshments were served.

Lou Ann Ferguson, News Reporter.

LANGELL VALLEY CHAMPS

The Langell Valley Champs Swine Club held their sixth meeting at the home of their leader, Dick Botens on May 26, at 7:30. A new member, Diane Atwood, who has been a member of the club during previous years, joined the club.

During the meeting the different breeds of pigs that the members had were discussed. Taking breeding gilts to the fair was also talked about. Mr. Botens stressed the fact that you save on feed for your pig by using hog concentrate. He also said that each member should have already wormed his pigs.

Visitors at the meeting were Jeanie Struve, Mr. Art Struve, Mrs. Eli Rosandich, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Colwell. Homemade ice cream and cookies were enjoyed by all.

The next meeting will be a project inspection tour on June 8 at 1 starting at the home of Dick Botens.

A project inspection tour was made by the Langell Valley Champs Swine Club on June 8.

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PLAN THISTLE DRIVE — Klamath County ranchers and farmers met at the Poe Valley Grange Hall on Thursday, June 20, to plan an intensified Canadian thistle control drive. Similar meetings are scheduled at Lorella on June 27 and Bly on June 28. Shown here, left to right, are John Reitmeyer, Irwin Beck, Roger Reid, Dean Wells, M. G. Burke, John Mathes, Emil Wells, Lloyd Hankins, Edward Freuer, Walt Jendrzejewski, Bill Marshall, Harold Schieferstein, Ernest Ritter and George Stevenson.

— County Agent Photo

Law Covers Seed Labels

Oregon seed growers are being alerted against hazards of selling annual ryegrass seed that would be labeled merely on their "declaration" as to its kind without benefit of a laboratory test.

New regulations going into effect July 1 under the Federal Seed Act would make growers liable at any step in the marketing channel down to the ultimate seed buyer if later tests did not conform to the grower's declaration used as a basis of sale.

Under the new seed act provision, ryegrass seed must be labeled either perennial or annual, or a mixture of annual and perennial. It is no longer permissible

to label annual ryegrass as "common."

Perennial ryegrass seed will continue to be certified and marketed on the same basis as in the past.

Mrs. Louisa A. Jensen, in charge of the Oregon State University official seed testing laboratory, said it is not possible to determine in a field inspection how seed may respond to a fluorescence test in the laboratory. Roots of germinating annual ryegrass seed gives off blue light under ultraviolet lighting in the laboratory test, while the roots of perennial ryegrass seed show no color.

None of the export or sale restrictions applies to commercially propagated plants or shrubs mentioned above, provided the approval of the Oregon Department of Agriculture is received.

Persons violating the law protecting Oregon's wild flowers and shrubs are subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.

Polyethylene is the cheapest of the plastics. But, because it is thin, it has the shortest life, chemists report.

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Don't be tempted to dig them or even pick them.

The Oregon Department of Agriculture points out that plants, flowers, shrubs, bushes or fruit growing on the right-of-way of public highways in the state are protected by law.

That same law applies to those growing within 500 feet of the center of any public highway unless you have written permission of the owner.

However, the owner of the land is not prevented from removing or trimming those plants, trees or flowers growing on his property along the roadside.

Neither does the law apply to any shrubs, plants or vegetation declared by law to be a public nuisance.

It also is unlawful for any person to export from the state, sell, offer for sale or transport bulbs, corms, rhizomes, roots or plants of the following: wild lilies; mariposa tulip or butterfly lily; mission bells or snake lily; adder's tongue, dogtooth violet or avalanche lily; lady's slipper; purple lady's slipper; bitter root; and Douglasia or native rhododendron or azalea.

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Lake County 4-H Fair Final Results Listed

LAKEVIEW—Several 4-H County Fair contests in the home economics divisions were held recently at the Lakeview Junior High School, according to Barbara Glodi, county extension agent.

In demonstrations, Judy Edwards earned a blue ribbon on her demonstration called "Sewing on a Button." Barbara Reinartz, red, with "Banana Bread," and Susan Swearingen, white, with a demonstration called "Decorative Coathangers." These were all individual demonstrations.

In the team demonstrations, Mary Sutherland and Patty Hoyes teamed up on the subject, "Vitamins and Vegetables," to win a red award; Linda Dooley and Noreen Murphy gave a demonstration on "How to Make TV Slippers," earning a red award, and Janet Haney and Carol Dubose won a white award on the subject, "Threading a Sewing Machine."

In the clothing judging contest, Barbara Garrett, Elaine Morris, and Noreen Murphy were named as the state fair team. Other blue awards went to Rita Morgan and Judy Edwards. Receiving red awards were Susan Swearingen, Linda Dooley, Janet Haney, Doris Lee, and Roberta Tracy.

The state fair team in cooking is Cinda Weir, Anita Hampton, and Barbara Taylor. Red awards

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