

**AROUND THE FARM** BY W. G. NIBLER  
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Tansy ragwort will soon be out in bloom and that is the time to check your farm and your community for bright yellow blooms. While there are other weeds with yellow blooms the cluster of bright yellow blooms on tansy ragwort set it off quite well.

If there is any question as to whether or not the weed is tansy ragwort, ship off a few flowers, put them in an envelope, and mail them to the office.

Robert Robinson, Clatskanie is county weed supervisor and he will check any doubtful cases. He will have some of the tansy ragwort with him so you will have a chance to see the weed.

Folks in the Tide Creek, Shilo Basin, Beaver Homes and Fern Hill areas in particular should be on the look out. Small spots of tansy ragwort have been found scattered through all these areas.

So far the Pebble Creek area of the Nehalem valley is the only spot where tansy has been found in the Vernonia area, but it would be very easy for the seeds to work down the watershed into the Nehalem Valley proper and folks in that area will want to keep a sharp lookout.



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**Sneeze Weed Invades Oregon**



Watch out for this enemy! It's ragweed, scourge of midwestern hay fever sufferers. It has shown up in Oregon. A drive to wipe it out before it gains a strong foothold in the state is being led by Oregon State college. Citizens can help by reporting the location of plants resembling ragweed and sending a sample to the OSC herbarium for identification. Ragweed grows 1 to 6 feet tall and has long branching spikes (top) bearing small greenish heads or berries.

**Most of Mills Close for 4th**

MIST — Most of the mills are closed down for the week of the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Albif Wright and David and Miss Virginia Mathews came down from Portland and spent the week end with their parents, the L. P. Mathews.

The Austin Dowlings had guests last week from Everett,

Washington. They were relatives.

Catherine Elliot was a guest of Beverly Clossner a few days last week.

The MHC met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Richard Banzer. Thirteen members were present. A delicious dinner was served at noon by the hostess. The business meeting took up after dinner. The next meeting will be at Dass park and will be a picnic the fourth Thursday in July.

Chas. Melis and friend, Marvin Vaughn, from Florence spent the week end at the A.R. Melis's.

**New Law to Be Observed Aug. 2**

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They may also apply for them to the central office here in Salem. One of these places will be conveniently close to any motorist and the mail always available. Requests will be filled as quickly as the forms are ready.

"The next thing to remember is that all questions must be answered accurately and fully. I particularly call attention to the fact that a place is provided to report whether the operator or owner had some form of liability insurance in effect at the time of the accident. If there was, and it covers possible damage claims up to \$11,000, this will relieve the motorist of any further responsibility under the important security provisions of the new law.

"The next thing to remember is that the report must be filed not later than 24 hours after the accident. While the law says the report should be filed with the secretary of state, it may be filed at any of our regional offices, any sheriff's office or any police station, all of which will forward the reports to Salem. This should ease the motorist's problem at a time when he probably will be having trouble enough.

"The third thing to remember is that every driver involved in the accident must report. One of the sorriest mistakes a driver can make is to decide he was blameless and therefore cannot be made to report. The law gives neither the driver nor the secretary, as administrator, the faintest latitude to decide who was at fault. On a competent court may do that. The penalty for failure to report may be \$100

fine and suspension of the operator's license.

"Finally, here is a word for motor vehicle owners. If you permit another person to drive your car and it is involved in an accident, you must file the required report within 24 hours after you learn of the accident if the operator is physically unable to do so. Should you fail to comply with the new law in this respect, the penalty may be suspension for all cars owned by you.

"In layman's language, these are the principal requirements regarding the filing of accident reports under the new law, beginning August 2.

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