

AROUND THE FARM

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Several Columbia county strawberry growers have used soil treatment to control strawberry root weevil. Since we have been getting a number of questions about this, it might be well to discuss it here.

Oregon State college is not yet recommending soil treatment but some canners are now accepting the fruit from treated soil and assisting growers in making application. While the experiment station has found soil treatment very effective in controlling weevil, there are still some answers on flavor, carry over, etc., that they want to investigate before recommending treatment.

The material used is 10 pounds of actual chlordane per acre. The material is usually applied to the soil as a spray after plowing and before the soil is worked down for planting.

Soil treatment is being used only before planting a new field rather than on established fields because the chemical must be thoroughly mixed with the soil.

For best results, the soil should be in ideal moisture condition for working to assist in thorough mixing of the chemical with the soil.

The price of pasture seed is down. In seeding pastures at present seed prices it will pay to increase the seeding rate—even to double the usual amount.

For example, if seeding ladino clover and alta fescue for pasture seeding 25 pounds of alta and 5 pounds of ladino will make it possible to get pasture earlier. Growers experiences in seeding at heavier rates indicates the extra feed produced the first season will more than pay back the extra seed cost particularly at today's seed prices. The heavier stands of grass helps combat weeds.

That premature browning of camellia blossoms may not be caused entirely by frost or rain. Camellia flower blight, a disease, may be a large part of the trouble.

This disease lives over from year to year in the old camellia flowers that fall to the base of the plant.

Control consists of removing all old camellia blossoms from both the bush and the ground.

A 3 or 4 inch sawdust mulch around the camellia bushes will help in picking up all the old flower parts.

Even so, if diseased flowers have been falling to the ground for several years it may be some time before the disease will be reduced. It would help to scrape up a two inch layer of soil around the plant before putting down your sawdust mulch. This would remove diseased flowers from previous years.

Leaders to Hear Exchange Youth

Dave Patterson, International Farm Youth Exchange delegate to Finland in 1952, will speak at the Columbia county 4-H leaders association meeting at the K.P. hall in Rainier Saturday, May 9. Mrs. Alta Janes, association president announced this week.

Patterson lived with farm families in Finland six months during the summer and fall. He will tell of his experiences and show colored slides taken during that period.

Now a senior at Oregon state college, Patterson's home is at Mullno. He has been active in the campus 4-H club which has played an important role in Oregon's participation in the IFYE program.

The regular business meeting will be held during the morning. Patterson will speak between 1 and 3 p.m., stated Mrs. Janes. All persons are welcome.

Riverview Home Taken After Loss

RIVERVIEW — Mrs. Ethel Hall and son, Tommy, have moved into the J. A. Wirtz home on Third Street, having lost their home when the Rio Vista apartment house burned.

Word was received Monday of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cline April 26 in Paris, France.

Mrs. J. A. Wirtz of Portland made a business trip here Monday. She visited a few minutes with several of her former neighbors while here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lindsley of Portland spent a recent week end at the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lindsley.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ross of Portland and Mrs. Cassie Livingstone enjoyed Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Olof Jacobson.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wood and children of Portland visited at the Olof Jacobson and J. P. Wallace homes Sunday.

Miss Kathy Cowie of Castle Rock spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long.



MEMBERS of the Timber route home extension unit shown modeling dresses made during the cotton dress workshop. From left to right, Mrs. Floyd Shulke, whose dress is of red and black polished cotton, Mrs. Joseph Johnson, whose dress is of blue Indian head and Mrs. Oren Weed, wearing blue and white pique piped in red.

Three members of the Timber route home extension unit are shown above modeling the dresses they made in the cotton dress workshop. Mrs. Floyd Shulke at the left, is chairman of the Timber route unit for 1953-54; Mrs. Joseph Johnson, center is vice-chairman of the unit for the coming year; and Mrs. Oren Weed at the right was one of the two workshop project leaders in this unit. Mrs. Ed Crawford was the second project leader for the unit.

AROUND HOME...

Some of the new Hollywood beds can be placed in the living room in their original ticking which no one would want to hide with slip covers, advises Frances Gallatin, home agent. Plaids and a diverse selection of prints give every taste a chance.

Round tables are gaining in popularity. Some tables are topped with stain-resistant laminated plastic with limed oak graining that matches the wood base. Drop-leaf and extension tables and lamp tables, coffee tables, desk tables, and both side chairs and captain's chairs are included in current designs which are styled to look well in either living room, dining room, or kitchen.

Wrought iron furniture is much in evidence. Nests of tables help conserve space in limited quarters.

Two types of furniture have been developed to fit today's multi-purpose room—a multi-use furniture in which a single piece serves two or more purposes; and interchangeable pieces which can be used equally well in several different kinds of rooms.

When opening a can of paint that has been used before, be sure to remove any "skin" that has formed at the top of the liquid. Try to lift it off in one piece. Strain the paint through a piece of cheesecloth, old stockings, or fine mesh screening to remove bits of paint "skin" that might mar the finish when it is applied.

When tinting paint or enamel, don't add a dab of color to the whole can and expect to stir it evenly to one smooth tint. Some of it will not mix properly and will appear in streaks when you least expect it.

Mix the oil color with a little of the paint or enamel, and stir thoroughly. Then combine the mixture with that in the large container and blend well.

See that the last streak of color is absorbed and then strain the whole mixture through a cloth strainer or a section of old stocking.

To simplify mixing paint to match work already done, says Miss Gallatin, smear a little of mixed paint on a piece of window glass. Then hold the glass against the surface to be matched and compare the colors.

The women shown above, together with many other unit members from all parts of the county, will take part in the cotton dress revue which is a feature of the Homemaker's Festival program to be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Rainier high school May 7. Everyone is cordially invited, says Frances L. Gallatin, home agent.

Homemakers' Festival will be held during national home demonstration week May 3 to 9, the slogan of which is "Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World."

The cotton dress workshop was the highlight of the 1952-53 home extension program in Columbia county, during which over 200 members completed their cotton dresses. Other members plan to complete the workshop before this fall to be eligible for the better dress workshop in March, 1954.

"Yesterday and Today" is the theme of the May 7 Festival program. It will be carried out by the style revue in which old-fashioned cotton dresses as well as the workshop dresses will be modeled. The guest speaker, Esther Taskerud, state agent, 4-H club work, OSC, will also use the theme as the title of her talk.

Members of the Lindberg unit will have charge of the plant exchange. Anyone wishing to buy a plant, please bring one or more plants wrapped separately and clearly labeled with the name of the plant. The money raised will be used for home extension committee projects.

Anyone wishing a ticket for the Festival luncheon, please note: some extra tickets will be on sale at 9:45 a.m., May 7, at Festival. When those are sold, no more will be available.

Lunch Room Open Again at Mist

MIST — Mrs. Lottie Pugh has once again taken over the Nehalem lunch room here and opened the doors Friday under new management. The Pughs were owners a few years ago of the lunch room for quite a while, moving up on the farm originally owned by Clyde Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bridgers were visitors from Vernonia at the Austin Dowling home Saturday.

The Shalmon Libels had company from Brownsmead Thursday.

Mrs. Walter Bateson called on Mrs. George Jones Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Monroe are expecting a few days visit from their daughter from The Dalles.

Wet Weather Stops Planting

MIST — Weather is so wet farmers can't get their crops in between rains.

Mrs. Robert Berg and Mrs. Howard Jones were in Portland Sunday.

Mrs. Austin Dowling and son, Bernard, were Vernonia shoppers Saturday.

C. O. Hansen spent a few days last week at Grays River, Washington.

Clyde Johnson is quite ill at his home in Vernonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Dunlap were Saturday callers of the Austin Dowlings.

Mrs. Chet Clenderien is up and around after her recent sick spell at her parent's home here.

The Max Oblacks have had lots of illness in their family recently.

Graduation Date Set for May 20

MIST — Little Billy Howry has the measles.

Littles less than a month of school. On May 20 the graduation exercises will take place in the Mist gym. Birkenfeld will have their graduates here also.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Wikstrom were Portland business visitors one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Eastman were calling on village folks one day last week.

Claire Devine's little child has the measles.

Mrs. Claud Kyser's mother, Mrs. Karr, from Washington is visiting at the Claude Kyser home.

Mist Club Judges Foods at Meeting

The Busy Bees 4-H Cooking club of Mist met at the home of Bertie Lu Ashley April 16 to judge foods. The club wished to thank Mrs. John Howrey, Mrs. Ray Garlock, and Mrs. Charles Hansen for baking bread used in judging.

Carolyn Garlock cooked cream of tomato soup and Margie Kyser made tapioca pudding which was served to the members. The club voted to send \$1.50 to the bank for the international farm youth exchange.

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RESOURCES

CASH ON HAND AND DUE FROM BANKS	\$ 6,280,839.39
U.S. GOVERNMENT BONDS	8,945,533.47
MUNICIPAL BONDS AND WARRANTS	1,724,016.26
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK STOCK	54,000.00
LOANS AND DISCOUNTS—NET	13,000,373.40
BANK PREMISES	128,584.25
FURNITURE AND OTHER EQUIPMENT	249,697.46
OTHER ASSETS	1,249.63
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	\$30,383,293.96

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL	\$ 1,000,000.00
SURPLUS	800,000.00
UNDIVIDED PROFITS	181,216.85
RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES	50,000.00
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CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$2,032,216.95
DEPOSITS	28,304,743.82
OTHER LIABILITIES	47,333.19
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