

**AROUND THE FARM** BY DON COIN WALROD  
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The bentgrass seed crop for the nation, most of which is produced in Oregon is forecast at two and a half million pounds, the largest on record. What is of even more interest to us here in the producing area is the fact that the use, or disappearance as the report says, for the 1952-53 season has been the greatest on record. Nearly two and one-third million pounds went into trade channels during the past season.

Ed Schroeder, roving fieldman for the Oregon Dairy Breeders association visited with us a while recently when relieving Paul DeShazer, manager-technician of Columbia-Sauvies Dairy Breeders association, so that Paul could take care of his duties as livestock superintendent at the county fair.

In explaining ODBA's program for a "balanced battery of bulls," Schroeder told us of the proving of Lila Coronator Cap, or J-20 as he is listed in the association's catalog. This bull was purchased as a calf. Upon reaching breeding age, he was "sampled" by breeding to about a thousand cows over the state. Then not wishing to use the bull further until he was proven, he was loaned to Evergreen Breeders association, Washington.

Now J-29 is proven and is back in heavy service. In the proving he raised the production of his daughter to 9212 pounds of milk from 8419 averaged by the dams and 475 pounds of butterfat for the daughters from 435 for the dams. There were 47 dams and their daughters involved in this proving. Service from this bull and others is available to Co-

lumbia county dairymen through the two county associations, Clatskanie Dairy Breeders and Columbia-Sauvies Dairy Breeders located in the St. Helens area.

In 1952 approximately one-fifth of the dairy cattle of the United States were bred artificially. Here is the way some of the states breeding more than 30,000 cattle annually line up. Naturally the big dairy states topped the list with Wisconsin leading with 810,070 cows; Minnesota, 361,607; and Pennsylvania with 327,124 cows bred artificially.

The small New England states surprises us. Vermont bred 53,405; Maine 48,200; Massachusetts, 47,235; and Connecticut, 37,634 cows.

Weevil in grain was one thing that Ralph Kieger, Clatskanie, did not want, so while visiting with him about how to clean up a granary before storing, he told us about his crop. Ralph is growing a hull-less oat that he originally obtained from Iowa.

Ralph wanted to know if we could make arrangements to have some tests run on these hull-less oats as well as some of the common oats for comparison. The results of the test by Dr. J. R. Haag at Oregon state college showed the hull-less oats to have a protein content of 17.86 per cent while the common oats had a protein content of 14.81 per cent. This protein value on the common oat is higher than one would expect, but it is indicative of the high quality oats that Columbia county produces.

Under average conditions the feeding value of the hull-less oats would probably be about one-third more than that of the common oats. If yields are high enough it might be profitable to grow some of these hull-less oats.

**AROUND HOME...**

Good care of window curtains can lengthen their life, according to Mrs. Myrtle Carter, Oregon state college home furnishings specialist. She has several ideas for stretching the big investment in fabrics for window treatments.

Clean curtains often, and when possible reverse the top and bottom when re-hanging them, she suggests. Changing them from one window to another will give equal exposure to sun or strong heat over a radiator.

Wash only those fabrics that are really washable, Mrs. Carter cautions. Follow manufacturer's direction for laundering, or if in doubt, dry clean the curtains.

The furnishings specialist reminds that wind and rain are hard on curtains. Look out for strong winds that might snag them and cause unsightly holes. Curtains wet with rain may get yellow streaks or circles when they are dried by radiator heat, she says.

**Awards Won for Work At Columbia County Fair**

Robert Bates was one of the winners in livestock shown at the Columbia county fair recently, winning first for both his Guernsey senior calf and Guernsey yearling heifer. In 4-H showmanship he placed second with his senior Guernsey.

Benjamin Franklin was born in America.

**Plane Trip Home Ends Three-Week Stay Here**

RIVERVIEW — Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Wallace left Wednesday by plane for their home at St. Louis after spending three weeks at the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wallace.

Peggy McKee returned home Sunday after spending two months at Wenatchee, Washington with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Smith of Portland visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Solomon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gibson visited his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitcham, at Battle Ground, Washington Sunday.

Captain and Mrs. W. H. Manning and two daughters of Falls Church, Virginia arrived Monday to spend a few weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Olin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Schafer and children of Sunnyside, Washington visited at the home of Mrs. Blanche Millis Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fulle of Lincoln, Nebraska visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schalock, several days last week. On Sunday they attended a family get-together at the home of an aunt, Mrs. Minnie Volker, at Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Olin of Kelso visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Olin, over the week end. They also enjoyed a visit with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker, and children of Empire who visited her grandparents for a week.

**County to Be Well Represented in 4-H Work September 5-12 at Fair**

Columbia county 4-H club work will be well represented at the Oregon state fair at Salem on September 5-12, according to Harold Black, county extension agent.

Thirty-four of the home economics, garden, flower and forestry exhibits which won blue awards at the county fair will be entered. In addition, 13 club members are planning to exhibit livestock and 30 will be participating in special contests.

Columbia county will be represented in special contests by the following: senior dollar dinner contest, Harriet Heath, Vernonia; cake baking contest, Wilburta Bowen, Rainier; junior bread baking, Carolyn Heath, Vernonia; health achievement contest, Gaynell Shearer and Royce Dailey, Bachelor Flat; clothing demonstration, Janice Dodson and Carol Hanifin, Deer Island, and cooking demonstration, Sandra O'Neal and Marlene McMillan, Scappoose.

Judging teams which earned the right at the county fair to represent the county at Salem are: cooking—Wilburta Bowen, Caroline Sherburne and Barbara Lincoln, all of Rainier; clothing—Mary Miller, Georgine Miller and Diana McIntire, all of Deer Island; livestock—Donald Sensenbach, Marion Mariana and Shirley Thomas, all of Goble; crops and weeds—Judy Hanson, Vaden Hurst and Dawn Dilley, Clatska-

nie; poultry—Bonnie Tracy, Robert Bullis and Jeannie Gaston, Rainier; rabbit—Donna Lovellett, Darlene Yarmer and Marlene Yarmer, Deer Island; vegetable—Dorothy Stroh, Robert Johnson and Ronald Johnson, Bachelor Flat; forestry—Monty Nelson and Dick Terry, Deer Island, and Jerry Rensch, St. Helens.

Club members planning to exhibit dairy or beef animals are: Donna Buckley, Margaret Buckley, Rosalie Kirkbride, Robert Bates, Jerol Moran and Ronald Andereg, all of Vernonia; Wayne Larson, Birkenfeld; Joanne Johnson, Sue Johnson and Judy Hanson, Clatskanie and Dawn Dilley, Delena. Bruce Johnson, Scappoose, will be exhibiting turkeys and Vaden Hurst, Clatskanie, will be exhibiting rabbits.

Chocolate and coca both come from the cacao bean.

The opposite of leeward is windward.

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