

## Sod Waterways Part of Program

Permanent sod waterways to carry run-off water and prevent erosion can be established as one of the Columbia county agricultural stabilization and conservation cost sharing practices for 1954.

This practice provides for the government to share part of the

cost of establishing waterways at the rate of 90 cents per thousand square feet of area soded. To qualify, certain things must be done, such as shaping and smoothing in preparing a good seed bed, having a soil test made and applying the lime fertilizer materials recommended. A minimum of 30 pounds of nitrogen per acre would be suggested to insure rapid growth.

When seeding waterways it is best to drill seed shallow and in figure eights so that drill marks will not run parallel to the flow of water. Seeds recommended by County Extension Agent Don Coin Walrod include alta fescue, creeping red fescue or mixtures of the two. Under some conditions and with approval of the committee, other seeds might be allowed.

Establishment of sod waterways will be particularly applicable to farms in hilly areas where the removal of surface water over sod-covered strips will prevent erosion.

Farm owners planning to use cost-sharing programs during 1954 are urged by A.S.C. Secretary Donald Grievies to sign up at the office in St. Helens prior to December 31.

### Bakers Attend Yule Theme Party Monday

Harriets Little Bakers' 4-H club had a party Monday, December 21, at Donna Savage's home. Games were played and gifts exchanged. Refreshments of coolade, cookies and ice cream were enjoyed.

The next meeting will be January 4 at Mrs. Heath's home. A contest concerning measurements used in cooking will feature that meeting.

Wedgewood ware is not always blue and white.

### That's A Fact

**WHO WAS THE RICHEST MAN WHO EVER LIVED?**



**RAMSES** EGYPTIAN RULER OF THE 19th CENTURY B.C. COULD HAVE BOUGHT THEM ALL OUT—AND AT THE SAME TIME!! THE ESTIMATED WORTH OF HIS NUBIAN MINES ALONE WAS OVER \$10,000,000,000!!

THERE ISN'T MUCH CHANCE OF ANY OF US GETTING A PIECE OF THE MINES OF NUBIA TODAY... BUT YOU CAN HAVE A NEST-EGG OF \$13.70 IN LESS THAN 20 YEARS IF YOU GET AN \$18.75 U.S. SAVINGS BOND EACH WEEK. NOW... THEY'RE BETTER THAN EVER!!

**"IT ALWAYS WORKS"**

1. THINK OF ANY NUMBER
2. ADD 10
3. SUBTRACT STARTING NUMBER (1) FROM NUMBER YOU HAVE NOW
4. DIVIDE BY 2
5. THE ANSWER IS 5 (OR HALF OF THE NUMBER YOU ADDED IN STEP (2))

AND NOW...

WHAT'S THE WAY YOUR U.S. SAVINGS BONDS WORK FOR YOU? REGULAR SAVINGS THROUGH IMPROVED E BONDS GIVE YOU A GUARANTEED INTEREST OF 3% COMPOUNDED SEMI-ANNUALLY IF YOU HOLD YOUR BONDS TO MATURITY.

**INVEST IN U.S. SAVINGS BONDS NOW!!**



Office Desk

Errors attract attention. Proof of that was very evident after last week's issue of The Eagle had gone into the mail and subscribers had the opportunity to read it. Apparently one of the gremlins responsible for misarranged type was at work because just two pieces of type, the figures in a price, were transposed. Readers were not slow to notice the result and inform this office of it.

To make the matter more mysterious, the ad in which the price in error appeared, was one that had been printed correctly in three previous issues. Those things will happen in a print shop and The Eagle shop is no exception.

The ad was that of the St. Helens Pulp and Paper company wanting logs and quoting the price of \$51 a cord. Because of that \$/@\*&\$(& gremlin, readers

will see the ad this week again with the correct figure being quoted at \$15 per cord.

Three people here have been fortunate in recent weeks as far as money is concerned. They have held dollar bills which carried winning serial numbers in the current give-away program of a Portland paper and have received \$25.00 each. The lucky people have been Bill Braun, Mildred Tupper and Cleve Robertson. It paid them well to check the serial numbers on their bills.

The handling of the office work relating to affairs of the City of Vernonia earned a compliment Monday evening from Bill Holm, partner in the auditing firm of I. D. Wood and company, Portland. This firm annually audits the books of the city and Holm met with councilmen Monday to cover in detail the audit completed early this fall for the fiscal year of 1951-52.

Holm wasted no time in explaining the audit and the details relating to the handling of city affairs as determined when the audit is made. The audit goes into considerable detail as to methods followed, whether those methods are satisfactory or not and suggests ways to improve where the auditor thinks improvement should be made.

His report for the fiscal year completed June 30 lauded the handling of city business. He was pleased with the accuracy of re-

## ACP Offers Aid For Drainage

Many farmers in Columbia county are expected to take advantage of the financial assistance offered under the local agricultural conservation program for the installation of underground drainage systems, according to Don Coin Walrod, county extension agent.

Assistance is limited to the installation of tile or other approved underground conduit, such as lumber box drains or peat soils. No assistance is given for repairing existing drains.

Maximum cost sharing farmers can expect is 10 cents for four-inch tile installed with increased amounts for larger sizes of tile. If the tile is over eight inches, 50 per cent of the cost installed would be allowed. The government cost share of lumber box drains is 13 1/2 cents installed.

Farmers must receive approval of the county agricultural conservation program office in St. Helens before the practice is started in order to qualify for the assistance.

Details did he suggest changes. Only one warning came from the auditor and that was to use caution in estimating the amount of taxes that will be collected when next year's budget is prepared. To overestimate tax collections now when payments are getting slower, would hinder the making of a satisfactory budget, he pointed out.

A hell box is a printer's waste bin, used for damaged type, etc.

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Merry Christmas  
May Your Holiday  
be a Glad One  
Nehalem Dairy

HELLO...

1953

JOYOUS NOEL

Bright and Happy Day to You!

TO EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY... MERRY CHRISTMAS

Ma, Oscar and Shirlee

Always So Enjoyable

Light Olympia Beer is equal in quality to the finest European beers... the favorite of those who appreciate perfection. Enjoy its purity of flavor and sparkling lightness.

Light OLYMPIA BEER

"It's the Water"

OLYMPIA BREWING COMPANY, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, U. S. A.

Merry Christmas

May you prosper in the wealth with which Christmas abounds...

Peace, love of life, kindness and the brotherhood of all people.

Jones' Grocery Store

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

OUR WARM AND SINCEREST GREETINGS GO OUT TO YOU AT THIS HAPPIEST SEASON OF THE YEAR.

Bill's Riverview Tavern

Season's Greetings

To All Our Friends and Neighbors—We Extend to Each and Every One of You Our Warmest Wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and A New Year of Health and Prosperity.

SINCERE BEST WISHES—

Nellie Tipton Robert Montgomery  
Larry Garner Henry Bass  
Richard Gwin Fred May

SAFEWAY