

Awards Given By Bank Group

As 4-H club members in every Oregon county observe national 4-H club week, March 1 to 9, the Oregon Bankers association announces the continuation of a long list of projects to encourage additional club work in this state. This cooperative work has just been summarized by L. J. Allen, acting state club leader, who said it is but one of many instances of close cooperation by organizations and industries with this youth movement.

Nine projects are included in the OBA program for the coming year, a program which has figured largely in the past in winning for the OBA the 1000-point award for its work with agriculture for 17 consecutive years. Directing the program in each county is a banker designated as county agricultural chairman. A. A. Atherton, state Bank of Malheur county, is the representative in this county.

Three top projects are the OBA trophy, offered annually to the outstanding club girl in the state in leadership and achievement; awards to senior members to encourage continued work by those 19 to 21 years old, and leadership for farm accounting projects and contests in each county.

The bankers also provide many summer school scholarships, sponsor a bankers' day program at the session, provide subscriptions to the National 4-H club news to 2400 volunteer local club leaders, supply

prizes for runners-up in the state style review, entertain the two outstanding club members at the state OBA convention, and sponsor a trip to the National Club congress for two local leaders each year.

Beyond these definite projects, which cost the association more than \$2000 per year, individual banks engage in similar local operation and serve the club members as lending agencies in financing their projects, Allen points out.

Malheur County club members who benefited from the OBA program this past year are Rosemary Reed and Geraldine Dickey of Brogan, and Donna Winniford of Harper.

Rosemary Reed and Donna Winniford received summer school scholarships from the Ontario Branch of the U. S. National bank for outstanding achievement in their project work and Geraldine Dickey won a cash award from the OBA for placing in the blue ribbon class in the state style review contest.

AAA NEWS

POTATO GOALS NEEDED FOR PRICE SUPPORTS.—Potato growers who intend to plant more than 2.9 acres will need to have a farm production goal for 1947, if they want government price support protection this year's crop.

Those who are on county AAA committee lists of "established growers" during 1943-46 were notified of their farm potato goals by February 22. Growers who did not



SAVES SISTER . . . Running out of her home in Orange, N. J., when she heard her mother scream, "Fire," Margaret Boccino, 7, realized that her sister, Angelina, 14 months, was still inside. Margaret rushed back to the first floor, where the flames were spreading, saved the baby. She is demonstrating here how she saved her sister—who apparently does not appreciate either the demonstration or the photographer.

report a goal by that date have until March 3 to file and appeal with the county committee. No farm goals will be set after that date.

State and county production goals for Oregon call for a 15 per cent reduction from last year's 53,000 acres, which produced a surplus estimated at 1500 carloads.

EGG PRICES WATCHED.—County AAA committees now are making for principal Oregon markets in regular weekly reports on egg prices in connection with the department of agriculture's 1947 price support program for eggs. Purchases at 33 cents a dozen currently are being made to support prices to producers in mid-western states.

cent of their cropland in legumes will be a requirement of payment and will extend through-out the 1947 season.

The maximum amount that can be used for the H-5 practice in Malheur county is limited to \$14,000 and the lively interest shown to date may mean that payment will need to be pro-rated.

FARMERS PLANTING MANY FARM CROPS

NEWELL HEIGHTS (Special)—Many farmers are planting acre-

ages of sugar beets this week. Grains and new seedings of clover, peas and many various crops have been seeded. Most farmers are ahead of their usual spring schedules due to the late open fall. A few early gardens are in.

Mrs. Millie Harris is helping to sort potatoes in Adrian at the Jewell shed.

Tony Zubizareta, formerly of Newell Heights but now of Boise, submitted to an emergency appendix operation a week ago at the veterans hospital. Fermin Zubizareta of Boise also was a visitor in the community Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harris attended the suzart ball in Nyssa Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hardman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles West, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Norland and Bob Kurtz attended the V.P.W. meeting in the Peterson home near Adrian Wednesday night. Two new members were voted in. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kurtz spent last week-end in the home of their son, Billy. Dads day was observed on Saturday at the college. Saturday night they attended the basketball tournament in North Powder, along with 40 others from Adrian. Mrs. Bill Kurtz and son, Dale, returned home with them for a week's visit.

Mrs. Bill Kurtz and Mrs. M. L. Kurtz and little Dale called on Mrs. Otis and Mrs. DeHaven Tuesday afternoon. Thursday they spent the day in Ten Davis, Idaho, in the I. C. Durnil home.

Caroline Scheimer, Shirley Smith, Jennifer Tompson and Joyce Kurtz attended the regular meeting of their missionary society in the K. I. Peterson home Thursday evening. Officers were elected for the ensuing year.

The men of the community are sponsoring the annual basketball banquet again this year. Rev. Moore heads the ticket sales and again this year as before parents and friends are taking this opportunity to show their backing for a fine sports program in the school. March 12 is the date of

the banquet. Week-end guests in the M. L. Kurtz home included Mr. and Mrs. Merle Kurtz and Dud Kurtz of the College of Idaho, Bill Kurtz, who drove here from LaGrande for his family, and Mrs. Carrie Laughlin of Ten Davis. On Sunday Otis Kurtz of Middleton was a guest in the Kurtz home.

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Budget Revealed On Conservation

A county conservation budget of \$140,000 for work to improve and conserve soil and water resources on Malheur county farms and ranches in 1947, was announced by Glen L. Hutchinson, chairman of the county AAA committee.

This is Malheur county's share of the funds provided by congress to combat soil erosion and depletion under the 1947 agricultural conservation program, Mr. Hutchinson explained. The 1947 allocation is slightly less than last year's conservation funds, he said.

The funds will be used to share with farmers in the cost of carrying out approved conservation practices, the chairman said. Payment rates are set to reflect about half the cost of performing erosion control, soil building and water control measures.

Although the county committee has approved 29 practices for the 1947 program, primary emphasis will be given to the conservation measures most urgently needed and which would not be performed in the necessary volume without program assistance.

Weed control now includes a payment for application of 2-4D to control morning glory and Canadian thistle as well as clean cultivation and application of other approved chemicals.

Land leveling, installing concrete pipe to control erosion and other improvements in irrigation system also earn a payment as in 1946.

The H-5 practice developed by the county committee provides an attractive incentive for green manure crops and hauling barnyard manure on the cropland. However, farmers should be sure that they will qualify by maintaining 50 per

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