

YOUR Gate City Journal's



4-H CLUB ACTIVITIES

By County Extension Agents

Range Management Camp Set

The annual range management camp will be held this year at the Tupper guard station in Morrow county, according to information just received from E. R. Jackman, extension agronomist at Oregon State college. Dates of the camp are July 29 through Aug. 3.

This event is sponsored by the American Society of Range Management and the program is arranged to give those attending an intensive "course of sprouts" involving some of the more important factors of range management. Representatives from the sponsoring organization, the forest service, soil conservation service and the extension service all help in putting on the program.

Each county in eastern and southern Oregon may send a maximum of four boys to this event. All delegates are sent on scholarships provided by some sponsoring organization. Details of arranging for scholarships and selecting delegates are the responsibilities of a county chairman.

George Russell, county chairman.

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Hog Sprinkler Reduces Loss

A low-cost system for sprinkling hogs with water in truck-trailers, used experimentally during hot weather, reduced death losses to zero and effected substantial reductions in loss of weight of the hogs in transit, according to the USDA.

The sprinkler system consisted essentially of a series of water pipes installed in the truck-trailer body above the hogs. Small holes drilled through the pipe at intervals permitted water to spray on the hogs and a hose connection was provided so that the driver could connect the pipe system to a faucet when he stopped enroute.

The researchers also developed a new sprinkler system that can be installed in a truck at a cost of about \$35 on the basis of 1956 prices.

Man for Malheur, has announced that the full quota of four scholarships has been obtained. Donors of these are the Malheur Farm Bureau, Pomona Grange, Malheur Woolgrowers and the Malheur Cattlemen.

Delegates will be selected next Tuesday, according to Russell. Any boy between the ages of 14 and 18 is eligible to apply. Membership in 4-H or FFA is not required to be eligible for selection.

Applications may be sent to George Russell, Vale, the county agents' office or through the FFA supervisors in Ontario, Adrian, Vale and Nyssa.

Enrollment Reaches Record
The mid-year enrollment summary compiled for the state 4-H club department shows that we have the largest enrollment in 4-H that we have ever had.

Here are the figures for the different projects: clothing, 395 members; foods, 361; health, 315; agriculture, 354; miscellaneous (woodworking, junior leader, etc.), 84. This makes a total of 1510 projects carried in 117 clubs by 1062 different 4-H club members. This is greater than in any previous year.

Adrian Club to Take Tour
The Adrian livestock club is holding a tour Saturday to visit projects of the different members. The tour is under the direction of Ross Mills, club leader, and Bill Looney, junior leader.

Farm and Barn News and Views

By LeRoy Pulliam

New varieties are continually replacing the old as plant scientists develop better crops to keep pace with modern progress. These crops are tested on local experiment stations. On July 9, 1957, Neil Hoffman, superintendent of the Malheur experiment station held a field day for ag teachers of the Snake river district.

We were able to see many promising plants, particularly in Park oats. So far there has been no lodging in this variety and it has been on test since 1957. Neil feels very optimistic when he states that Park oats is a high yielding and will replace Cody and Overland oats. It has been yielding 140 bushels (plus) consistently and due to its stiff straw characteristics has withstood wind and water conditions prevalent in this area.

Dessert Seed company here at Nyssa has plantings of this new variety and the seed, although limited, will be available to farmers next year.

In other grains, some of the spring barleys look good but they are only numbered now. That is, the breeders are not ready to name and release any of these this year.

As far as the winter wheats are concerned, Omar will be replacing Elmar. Also on test is Burt, Columbia, Redmond and Staring. The latter is a winter wheat selection brought over from Holland. These all show considerable promise because of stiff straw and increased yields.

Of interest to the hay growers is the Lahontan variety. Orestan has been our best yielder to date but Lahontan out-yielded Orestan last year and will yield at least 10% more than Orestan this year. The first cutting was larger and the second cutting has enough difference to be seen to indicate it will be larger also.

Vernal is being grown locally for seed and has a demand for hay crops in other areas of the United States.

When it comes to weeds, there were two trials that really im-

Sawdust Cover Saves Spoilage on Ensilage

Workers at the South Carolina experiment station have studied top spoilage in both upright and trench silos filled with corn silage. They found that the silage saved by putting on a sawdust cover paid for materials and labor several times.

Sprinkling and packing the sawdust several times at two-day intervals increased the efficiency of the cover. Wetting the sawdust made the sealing more effective. Felt paper was placed between the silage and the sawdust cover.

pressed me. One was in corn and one in onions.

Mr. Hoffman pointed out that chlora IPC on onions had ideal conditions this year, however, with no weeds in both the 4-lb. and 6-lb. applications. This was used as a premerge spray. Many onion growers in the area used this on onions this year.

How many cultivations do you need to control the weeds in corn? Neil Hoffman had two trials. The best was Simazin at one pound per acre. This was applied at emergence of the corn. Six weeks later the corn was ditched to irrigate. No weeds have made their appearance yet. In the Dinitro general applications (second year for this) the same results were noted. The corn went 42 days last year and was ditched for irrigation only.

As yet the carryover of some chemicals is not known. Care should be taken to avoid extra application rates. Also these chemicals are not the only answer to any weed control, only a tool to aid in increasing the yield of the crops to be produced.

There is a sign at the entrance to the station that says "visitors welcome." Neil would be happy to make arrangements for special groups and has his regular field day every year. Or if you like, go see for yourself. It will be time well spent.

Oregon Trail

Mrs. Frank Byers
Phone 2325

The Merry Matrons club met at the home of Adelle Lundy July 10. Twelve members and four visitors, Mrs. Kessler of Salem, Dorothy Mitchell, Carol Simpson and Linda Ehler of Seattle answered roll call with their favorite recipes. The new president, Helen Rookstool appointed Peggy Whitman and Marjorie Phillips as the social committee. In a quiz game Gladys Byers and Linda Ehler won prizes. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Dorothy Mitchell and Lillian Lundy. The next meeting will be July 24 with Lillian Lundy hostess and Catherine Bohannon as co-hostess.

Mrs. Jay Williamson of New Plymouth visited Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Robert Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jones and their granddaughter, Lydia Jones of Los Angeles visited several days at the Russell Gressley home. Lydia remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rookstool visited Dr. and Mrs. Long of Nyssa Tuesday evening.

H. E. Byers and son, Clark of Ft. Dodge, Iowa visited from Thursday until Sunday at the home of his brother, Frank S. Byers and family.

Mrs. Ed Kido and children visited Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mark Hartley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Goodson and family were Wednesday evening visitors at the F. G. Holmes home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chenault and Kathy spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bishop of Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Holmes and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Byers and their house guests, H. E. Byers and Clark of Iowa visited Thursday evening with the F. G. Holmes and Robert Holmes families.

Mrs. B. F. Rookstool and Mrs. Harold Rookstool attended the funeral services for Eugene Fuhrman at Nampa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams spent Sunday at the John Adams home near Parma.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bohannon and family attended a barbecue at the Leroy Pulliam home Friday evening for members of the Christian church.

Miss Lonna Chadwick of Covina, Calif., spent the week end with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hartley and family.

W. P. Hendricks and Kenneth Reece of Nyssa fished near Beulah Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Holmes and family visited Mr. and Mrs.

Nu Acres News

Farmerettes Club

Linda Holton went to the Elks rehabilitation center for her physiotherapy Tuesday. She visited Ellen Hutcherson and Diane Sarchiapone who are taking physiotherapy there.

A son was born Monday at the Malheur Memorial hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stokes.

Delwin Conner of Ord, Neb. arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Conner Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Werner (Patty Herold) of Caldwell are the parents of a girl born July 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Speas of Idaho Falls were weekend visitors at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Quinten Speas. Dennis recently returned from two years on an LDS mission field. A family dinner was given Saturday. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barker and family of Oregon Slope.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Conner and Grace have been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Omar Betts this week while Mrs. Conner was ill. Shanna spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barker in Ontario and Shirley stayed with the Jay Conner family.

Angela Jinks was honored with a party for her 3rd birthday anniversary July 6 at her home. Guests were Mrs. Jesse Smith and

children, Ruth Nelson, (her Sunday school teacher of Payette), Mrs. Rinhold Stohler, Judy and Ronald, Sandra Smith, Patty, Lorrie and Tommy Hawks, Kathleen Keck and Kathy and Sheryl Hodge. She received many nice gifts. The traditional birthday cake was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Conner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Conner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Conner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ballard and family and Marilyn, Carolyn, Gene and Gary Betts had a weiner roast at the Jay Conner home Friday evening.

Mrs. Edith Durham is reported to be about the same. Mr. Durham is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Conner and family and Mrs. Louis Kissell went to Melba, Ida., Thursday to visit Mrs. Conner's grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schmidt of New Plymouth visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Holton Thursday.

Mrs. Jay Conner and Mrs. Virgil Ballard visited at the Omar Betts home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Unwin visited Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Mills Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Conner and family of Newport, Ore. who have been visiting relatives here, returned home Saturday taking Kenneth Kissell with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Howard and family visited the Ralph Barker family of Oregon Slope Sunday evening.

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