



Farm and Barn News and Views

By LeRoy Pulliam

Here is a story on a new high-yielding high energy, hull-less barley developed at the Utah State Agricultural college by R. W. Woodward, agricultural research service agronomist.

The new barley, not yet ready for release, is being tested at 29 experiment stations in the west and a number of places in the east this year.

If hull-less behaves like Bonneville barley, a parent of the most promising selections, it should be adaptable in northern Utah, southern Idaho, eastern Oregon and irrigated areas of Washington.

With hulls easily knocked off in threshing, the new barley has less than half the fiber of other barleys. Tests by General Mills indicate it has 82 percent of the feeding value of corn while most barleys are only about 70 percent as good. They predict it will be a main constituent of high energy feeds.

Researchers have substituted it for two-thirds of the corn in poultry rations with a saving in feed costs and no loss of vigor. The high barley diet with fat produced the cheapest gains in their experiments.

The new hull-less barley is stiff strawed, does not lodge and resists smut. Kernels are larger and more plump than wheat. Otherwise it could be mistaken for wheat by the untrained.

However, Woodward emphasized that until it is tested widely and carefully over three or four years, no one will know what weaknesses the new crop may have or its possible uses. Any new crop presents problems as well as new farm values and only time can tell what will result.

The new barley also is being tested by the prepared breakfast industry as a possible new raw material. It makes a tasty cooked cereal when ground and may be desirable if rolled or puffed. It has interested the malt industry, too.

Today 100 percent of the barley grown in Tibet and 50 percent of that grown in North China is hull-less. In those areas the "naked" barley is the staple food of

Conservation District Planned For Ridgeview

Newell Heights — A planning meeting for formation of a soil conservation district was held in the Perle Davis home in Ridgeview Friday night. Districts represented at the meeting were Adrian, Big Bend, Ridgeview and Succor creek.

This was the first step before presenting the plans to farmers of these areas. A proposed boundary was mapped to run from the Owyhee river south to near Sheaville and from the state line to the boundary on the west formed by another conservation district, it was reported.

Leavitt-Russell Attend Union Meet

Mr. and Mrs. DeVone Leavitt, Susan and Penny and Frank Russell of Parma returned recently from Klamath Falls, Ore.

Leavitt and Russell spent the week attending the Oregon State labor convention as delegates from the Amalgamated sugar factory representing the AFL-CIO union.

Mrs. Leavitt and the girls spent a pleasant vacation viewing the scenery near the lake town.

the people. It is parched, ground into flour and eaten as dough.

Woodward began his breeding work in 1950 after a world collection of freak barleys was turned over to him. Since then he and his associates have made 40 crosses and handled some 40,000 plants, all but 70 of which they have discarded because of undesirable characteristics. These new strains vary in color and protein content so that a whitekerneled high or low protein type could easily be released if desired.

From the best two or three of the 70 strains, Woodward hopes to release a new hull-less barley variety within a year or two.

Last year the most promising strains yielded up to 157 bushels per acre in tests in northern Utah, under irrigation. Hull-less yielded up to 6,500 pounds per acre, or 200-500 pounds more than the wheats or regular barleys.

Owyhee News

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Shirley Skinner returned home Sunday from 4-H camp where she was camp counselor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Franklin, Butch and Kenny Trotter and Brenda Walters were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Walters Friday night.

Mrs. Martha Klingback of Seattle and Kenneth McDonald and Butch spent Wednesday visiting in Payette and Emmett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glen and son of Othello, Wash. came Tuesday to visit with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rice and girls of Quincy are spending a few days with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Deffer returned home Friday from the Yellowstone Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cleaver and Mr. and Mrs. La Vern Cleaver spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Day.

Mrs. Patsy Landou and son of Oakridge, Ore. are spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George DeHaven.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Marshall, Mrs. Mary Marshall and Mrs. Don Share and children visited at the Lee Strickland home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newbill and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morfitt visited at the Kenneth McDonald home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piercy were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Elliott Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. Elliott's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Walters and Brenda of Boise and Mr. and Mrs.

Oregon Trail

Mrs. Frank Byers
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Mr. and Mrs. Allen Mitchell and family of Weston and Mrs. James Marshall and children of Arlington visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rookstool from last Monday until Sunday. Ted Rookstool who had been visiting his sisters returned home with them.

Mrs. Max Jones and Larry of Los Angeles arrived Wednesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gressley.

Mrs. Roy Miller and children of Caney, Kan. visited Tuesday and Wednesday at the B. F. Rookstool home.

Mrs. Alva Goodell spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Robert Holmes.

Mrs. La Vern Cleaver and children were lunch guests Monday at the Clyde Bohannon home.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gressley and houseguests, Mr. and Mrs. Max Jones and children of Los

Jack Walters of Nyssa were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Walters.

Wanda Peutz was an overnight guest Sunday at the Kenneth McDonald home.

Brenda Walters of Boise spent last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Walters.

Bobby Skinner, George Sadamori and Tom Willey went salmon fishing Tuesday and returned with two salmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Clarry of Parma were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Walters.

Mrs. Martha Klingback of Seattle spent from Monday until Friday visiting her son, Kenneth McDonald and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wood were Sunday dinner guests at the Chester Mills home.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brewer and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brewer returned home Monday from Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Patton and girls of Quincy are spending a few days at the E. E. Crocker home.

Angeles, were dinner guests Friday at the Keith Gressley home. Mrs. Glenn Brown, Eugene and Colleen left Saturday for Kansas to visit with relatives and friends for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rookstool were hosts at dinner Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Allen Mitchell and children of Weston, Mrs. James Marshall and children of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rookstool and children and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rookstool and Ted.

A picnic dinner was given by his children Sunday for Mr. Voyce who left Monday for Holland to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Holmes and daughters returned home Thursday from a vacation trip to

the coast. At Westfir they visited Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holmes and family and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Byers and son. They visited the sea lion caves and the ocean near Winchester and at Portland with Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKee and family and with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Tall at Wallowa. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams were Sunday dinner guests at the Paul Baker home in Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hudgins of Pasco, Wash., visited at the Wayne Rookstool home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Holmes were among members of the Owyhee Riding club who made a trip to Lowman over the week end.

Lydee Jones entertained with

a patio picnic at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gressley Sunday evening. Guests were Pamela Alexander and Sharon Tobler.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rookstool attended a picnic dinner Sunday at the Wyatt Smith home near Nyssa honoring Mr. and Mrs. Archie Smith and Delbert of Howell, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Holmes and sons, Stanley Byers and Larry Holmes attended the rodeo at Emmett Friday evening. Larry Holmes rode a Brahma bull.

Mrs. T. E. Sager, Bela Sager and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sager and Elton of Paramount, Calif., spent Friday at the Raymond Sager home.

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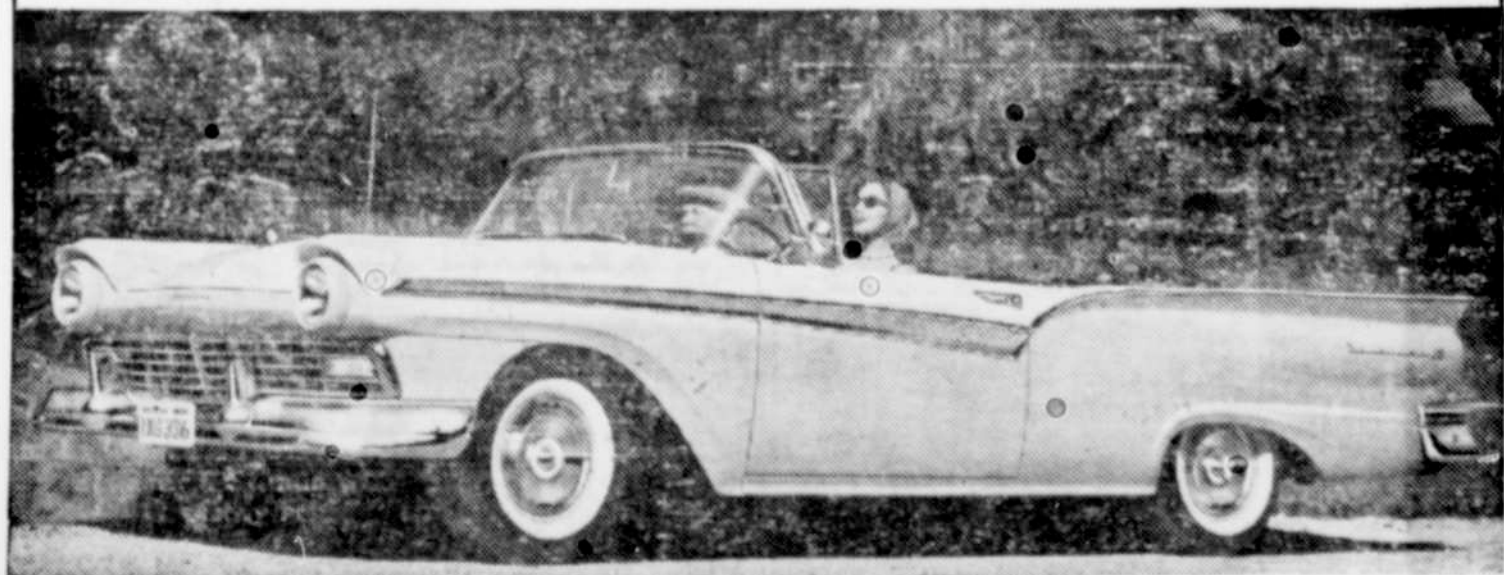


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