

OKK Club Group Votes To Sponsor Benefit Coffees

By Edna Mills

OWYHEE—OKK club met last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Werner Peutz with Mrs. Don Brewer as co-hostess. Eleven members and one guest, Mrs. Guy Moore, were in attendance. Mrs. Moore accepted an invitation to join the group.

Members voted to hold coffee hours to raise money for the new March of Dimes and also to raise money for their annual 4-H scholarship. Mrs. Claude Skinner and Mrs. Werner Peutz were winners of the door prizes. Game prizes were won by Mrs. Chester Mills, high; Mrs. Ellis Walters, low; and Mrs. Kenneth McDonald, traveling.

Next meeting will be Feb. 22 at the home of Mrs. William Peutz with Mrs. Kenneth McDonald as co-hostess. Roll call will be a Valentine exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crocker spent Thursday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Reed in Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Walters accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kyrar to Caldwell recently to visit Mrs. Trula Crosby. Ray Franklin of Parma was also there.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Schweizer and Don Share were Monday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Share.

Mrs. Don Brewer and sons were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brewer.

McDonald Home From BJC
Butch McDonald returned home Thursday after finishing a semester at BJC. He will be at home until sometime in March when he will start spring baseball training.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morfitt were Friday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Werner Peutz.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Boles of

Nu Acres News

By Farmerettes Club

Mrs. Effie Neilson visited Jan. 15 at the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Neilson and family at Ontario. The occasion was the birthday anniversary of her grandson, Clifford, Jr.

David, Darlene and Kent Howard went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moss of New Plymouth Jan. 14 and helped their daughter, Carleen, celebrate her seventh birthday anniversary. The Moss family brought the children home and spent the evening visiting the Howards.

P. M. Jorgensen became seriously ill Jan. 8 and was rushed to Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario where he was treated until Jan. 12. He is now getting along satisfactorily at home and has been called upon by many friends.

Mrs. Robert Smith of New Plymouth has been staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kimmes, while her husband is on Air National Guard duty in Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Martin returned Jan. 10 from Oregon City where they spent the holidays with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lynch and family.

Mrs. John Wolfkiel was called to the bedside of a sick aunt at La Grande last week. She telephoned later that her aunt had succumbed.

Mrs. J. T. Martin has received word that her oldest brother, who resided in Topeka, Kan., had passed away Christmas morning.

SAGER NAMED TO TERM HONOR ROLL AT OSU

Harlan R. Sager made the fall term honor roll at Oregon State university, according to an announcement received from the OSU news bureau.

Sager, a freshman in the school of science, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sager of Nyssa.

To be eligible for honor roll listing, students must make a B-plus or better average for the term.

Vale were Saturday evening dinner guests and spent the evening playing pinocle at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crocker.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Callahan and family of Parma were Thursday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Callahan.

Butch McDonald was a weekend guest of David Blakeslee at the State Line store.

Mixed Trends Seen for Meat Animals During 1962 by OSU Farm Economist

Indicators that usually point direction of livestock prices in Oregon suggest improvement in lamb prices in 1962 but slightly lower average hog prices and about the same average prices for cattle as last year.

These are the conclusions drawn by S. C. Marks, Oregon State university extension agricultural economist, after a careful study of the state and national situation. Oregon livestock price trends are influenced by changes in regional and national market supplies and demand.

Marks makes his observations in the Oregon Farm and Market Outlook report just published at Oregon State and now available in county extension offices.

On the national level, Marks says prospects are for continued strong demand for meat, with increasing military requirements and any other government purchases lending support to the markets. Red meat production should increase enough to provide consumers with about the same supply per person as in 1961, with the domestic supply supplemented by imports, mostly for processing.

Cattle Buildup Accelerated

Oregon cattle prices may move lower during the next two or three years as production is on the upswing and beef and veal output is increasing faster than the nation's human population, Marks points out. Cattle numbers have been increasing since 1957. The 1960 increase was less than one million head but 1961 slaughter data indicated the buildup is being accelerated.

The rate of increase since 1957 has been in fairly close balance with population growth and, Mark says, if the increase of 1959 had been held to around 1 1/2 million head instead of going to 2.9 million, cattle prices for the past two years might have averaged higher.

In light of population growth alone, some analysts believe cattle slaughter will have to be increased about 500,000 head a year just to maintain beef consumption per person.

Feed Grain Prices Uncertain

The supply of feed grains and concentrates, while a bit smaller, is still plentiful. However, feed grain price prospects are uncertain but seem likely to be above the lows of the past two seasons, Marks noted.

Starting in October, government owned milo (grain sorghum) was offered in Oregon and other

Northwest states at \$43 a ton carloads. This was above prices prevailing on local feed barley during the past season in Oregon's main livestock producing areas. In several counties barley was still a cheaper feed than government milo, although it was \$5 to \$6 a ton higher than a year earlier.

"This has kept Oregon livestock and poultry producers in an abnormally unfavorable position to supply Pacific coast meat-eaters," Marks stressed. Unless regional differences in feed grain prices narrow, the Pacific Northwest will lose much of the opportunity for economic development associated with the livestock and poultry industries, he warns.

Hay Prices To Be Lower

Hay supplies in Oregon and the West in general are probably adequate for the larger number of roughage eating animals. Oregon hay prices this winter are expected to remain below levels of a year earlier, he noted.

Oregon's sheep-lamb markets in 1962 "stand a fairly good chance of recovering at least partially from depressed price levels of past years," Marks believes.

The wool outlook for 1962 is for some increase in domestic use of wool, increased mill activity and foreign trade in raw wool and wool products. Somewhat higher average prices for shorn wool seem to be in prospect, Marks reported.

Oregon hog prices will probably average a little lower than in 1961 although "substantial price recovery from the 1961 fall low is in prospect for early 1962."

The U. S. 1961 fall pig crop was up 4 percent from the year before. Farrowings during August and September were slightly smaller than the same months in 1960 with the result that smaller marketings are in prospect for late February. An upturn in early spring hog prices is expected to follow, Marks concluded.

CLUB SETS MEETING DATE

A meeting of Nine Stitches 4-H club was held Jan. 17. The group discussed meeting dates and decided to hold them every Wednesday when possible.

Owen Gann and Ben Storm returned home Saturday from Portland where they attended a John Deere school last week.

The Old Timer



"The man who's waiting for something to turn up might start with his shirt sleeves."

Insurance Claims For Unemployed Reflect Decrease

As the new year began, unemployment insurance claims in Oregon continued to show a definite decrease compared to last year, David H. Cameron, department of employment commissioner, said recently.

"We are happy to report that unemployment insurance weeks claimed have decreased approximately 25 percent for the week ending Jan. 11 compared to the comparable week last year," the commissioner said.

A total of 34,896 weeks were claimed in Oregon compared to 46,490 a year ago. At the same time the rate of insured unemployed decreased from 11.7 for the week a year ago to 8.8 for the week ending Jan. 11. This rate was also lower than the record unemployment insurance payout year of 1959 when the comparable rate was 14.2.

Highest rate of insured unemployment in the state was at Hood River with 29.8 and lowest was in Portland at 5.2.

Other rates compared to last year around the state showed Corvallis, 7.9, down 2.6; Eugene, 8.9, down 2.7; Klamath Falls, 10.8, down 3.1; Medford, 11.7, down 4.6; Pendleton and Milton-Freewater, 10.9, down 7; Portland, 5.2, down 1.8 and Salem, 10.0, down 3.9.

The state rate of insured unemployment for the past four weeks rose from 6.2 to 8.8 which was normal for this time of year due to seasonal layoffs.

As of Jan. 12, the Oregon unemployment insurance trust fund contained \$43,560,170 compared to \$44,866,337 a year ago, still recovering from last winter's heavy claims load.

Temporary extended unemployment insurance benefit payments totaled 158,243 through Jan. 12 for a gross amount paid of \$5,204,190 since the federal program began in April 1961. To date 8609 claimants have exhausted their benefits under the TEC program with approximately 3600 claims now being paid per week.

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Merry Matrons Postpone Meeting Due to Weather

By Mrs. Frank Byers

OREGON TRAIL—Merry Matrons club meeting has been postponed until Jan. 31 because of the cold weather.

Club will meet at the home of Virginia Rookstool. Roll call will be answered by Pollyanna suggestions.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hartley were Friday evening dinner guests at the Bud Tibbets home.

Robert Holmes spent Thursday and Friday at Twin Falls attending a beet growers meeting. He returned home Saturday evening. On Thursday evening he was a dinner guest at the home of his niece, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Jennings and sons of Fruitland were dinner guests Sunday evening at the W. P. Hendricks home. Mr. and Mrs. Almie Hendricks were Sunday evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Goodson of Parma were Wednesday morning callers at the Frank Byers home and luncheon guests at the Roy Holmes residence.

Drivers Examiner Sets Regular Tests Feb. 2

A drivers license examiner will be on duty at Nyssa city hall Friday, Feb. 2, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., according to an announcement received from the Department of Motor Vehicles of Oregon.

All persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are requested to file applications well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure time for completion of the required license test.

No man has ever been called a liar by the object of his flattery.

Navy Adds 3-Year Enlistment Program

Chief Melvin T. Smith, recruiter in charge of the Navy Recruiting branch station in Ontario, has announced that a new three-year recruit enlistment program has been authorized and will be in effect until at least June 30, 1962.

Chief Smith added that while some of the post-recruit training schools are precluded by the new program, three-year enlistees are eligible for advanced schooling through training quotas from the fleet and programs such as the STAR plan.

The three-year enlistment, said the local recruiter, will in no way replace the present four and six-year programs but will afford an opportunity to patriotic young men to serve in the Navy for a shorter term of enlistment than was available before.

ARMY RECRUITING OFFICE HAS NEW OPERATING HOURS

The U. S. Army Recruiting office at Ontario has announced new hours of operation.

Located in the Moore hotel at Ontario, the office will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. At all other times applicants should call, collect, the U. S. Army Recruiting office at Caldwell, 459-8886, or the Recruiting Main station in Boise, 343-5497.

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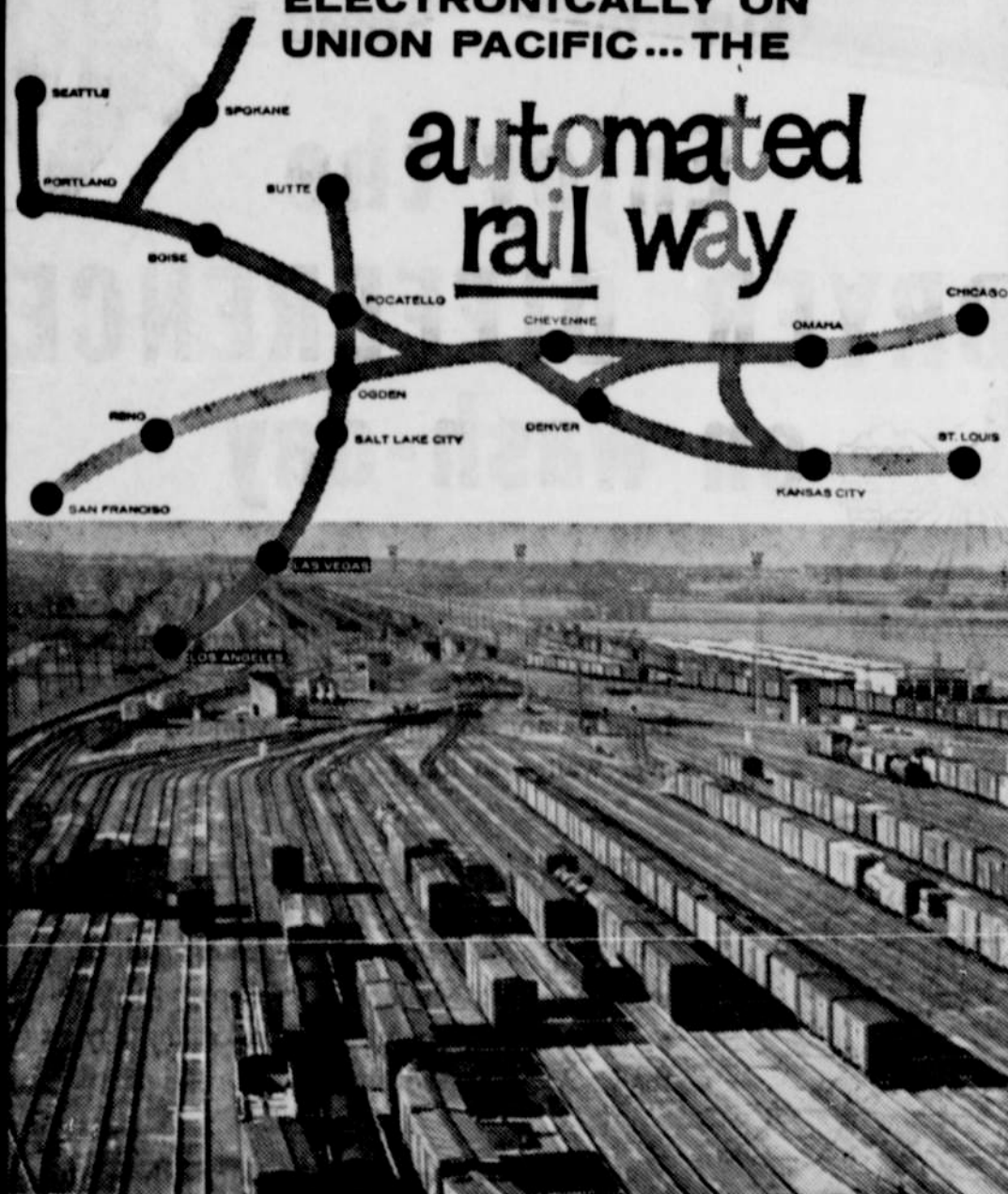
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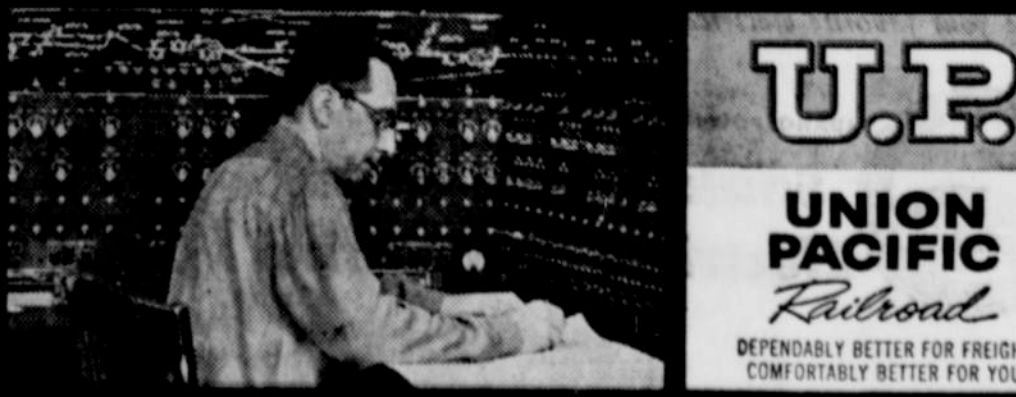
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31, 12 noon—Located 5 miles north of Nyssa on highway 20-26 to King avenue, then 2 miles east (Follow signs). FOUR TRACTORS—1958 John Deere "620" with 1100 hours on it; 1948 Moline "U," in good condition; 1951 Ford, just overhauled; 1947 Ford Ferguson, in good condition. Other Farm Machinery and Irrigating Equipment. EMIL WOHLCKE, Owner. Terms, cash. Lunch on grounds.

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