

### Farm Bureau Commends FFA Convention

"If there is one way to demonstrate to our young people the necessity for order and a natural progression of events, it is through contests like this."

Floyd Hawkins, 3rd vice-president of the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation, congratulated the winners of the State FFA Parliamentary Procedure competition Tuesday night in Ontario upon presentation of the trophy to the entry from Silverton High School. Second place went to Canby and third to the team from Nyssa High School.

"Parliamentary procedure illustrates how all human societies, from the highest level of government to the neighborhood club, assures every man, woman or child a voice in their decisions," Hawkins said.

"Only through this orderly conduct of our affairs can we

as a people remain free of tyranny in any of its many forms—internal or external. Only through the lesson taught by these exercises in citizenship to such groups as the Future Farmers of America can we of this generation feel that some of what we pass on to succeeding generations has meaning," he concluded.

Hawkins, a Vale rancher, told the audience that his being present Tuesday to present the award was just one instance where State Farm Bureaus throughout the United States work hand in hand with farm youth organizations.

He promised the contestants that, if they drove tractors as well as they conducted their business, he would see them at the Oregon State Fair during the annual Oregon Farm Bureau-FFA tractor driving championship.

### Workmen's Compensation Assessment Raised

Oregon employers and their employees will soon be paying an additional daily assessment to the State Workmen's Compensation Board, so that benefits paid to previously injured workers can be raised.

The scheduled April 1 increase was authorized by the recent special session of the Oregon Legislature, which instructed the Workmen's Compensation Board to raise the assessment against Oregon employers from three to six-cents-a-day (\$1.32 a month) for each worker employed. In addition, the employees' assessment was raised from five to eight-cents-a-day (\$1.76 a month). These assessments are to be collected from the employer by his workmen's compensation insurance carrier.

The largest of these car-

riers is SAIF, the State Accident Insurance Fund, which insures some 40,000 Oregon employers. Don Clark, SAIF's Baker District Office Manager, is concerned that area employers are unaware of this increase or its April 1 effective date.

"Many employers, especially the political subdivisions, will need to consider this change when reviewing their 1974-75 budgets," he said. "When you're dealing with a large number of employees within tight budget restrictions, even an increase of a few cents a day can really make a difference."

Clark said SAIF is personally contacting as many of its policyholders as possible and will soon be sending notices to all 40,000 of them.

### RISE Program Underway In Malheur County

The fifth RISE (Reach Independence and Security through Employment) program is now underway in Malheur County. This pre-employment training program is jointly sponsored by the Oregon Cooperative Extension Service, Children

Services Division and Employment Division of the Oregon Department of Human Resources.

The RISE Program is under the direction of Karen Tipton, Special Extension Agent; Mel Dennis, Children Services Division, is liaison officer between the three agencies. Activities are centered in a mobile home in Ontario, rented for the program.

The six weeks program is designed to rehabilitate women on public assistance. It is a first-step program to develop self confidence and basic skills needed to obtain a job or be successful in basic education and vocational training.

The trainees spend four hours a day, five days a week in training. They are taught nutrition, foodbuying, home management techniques, health care, family relations, money management and personal grooming. Sixteen days will be spent at on-the-job work experience to develop good habits and explore job opportunities. Local business, schools, hospital, day care center and government agencies are cooperating.

Two participants in the program have been hired as aides to assist Mrs. Tipton. They are Julia Jaramillo and Rita Morris.

### Growers Receive Second Payment

OGDEN, UTAH — Continuing strong prices for sugar during February and March have resulted in The Amalgamated Sugar Company making a second 1974 supplemental payment to its contracted growers throughout Idaho, Oregon, and Utah for beets grown in 1973.

Growers are now receiving checks amounting to \$2.00 per ton for last year's beets.

This current payment is being made less than six weeks after the sugar company made its first supplemental payment of \$2.00 per ton to contracted growers for 1973 sugarbeets. Combined, these two supplemental payments have given contracted growers over \$10 million, in addition to the company's initial 1973 beet payment of \$50 million.

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