

### 4-H Clubs Have Many Activities

**Blue Ribbon Baby Beef**  
The Blue Ribbon Baby Beef organization held its meeting February 22, at the home of its leader, Ralph Hild.

Sixteen of the seventeen members were present. Among the seventeen members there are 68 calves. At the beginning of the meeting our manuals were passed out. We then elected officers as follows:

Leader, Ralph Hild; Assistant Leader, Pete Haines; President, Lyle Schaffer; Vice-President, LeRoy Hild; Secretary-Treasurer, Deloris Hild; News Reporter, Dorothy Hild; Song Leader, Betty Hild; Cheer Leader, Helen Hike.

Other members are Herbert, Gary, Dale, Joy, and Lyle Hild, Larry Valley, Tommy Livingston, George Born, Billy Roloff, and Richard Rummel.

We put the gold seal, which we won last year, on the charter.

Lyle Schaffer, the president, appointed some standing committees. After the meeting was adjourned we sang some songs. The next meeting will be March 21, at the home of Billy Roloff. At an appropriate hour a delicious brunch was served by Mrs. John Hild.

Dorothy Hild,  
News Reporter,  
Culinary Artists

The achievement meeting was held February 22, at the home of its leader, Deloris Hild.

We passed out our material, and then elected officers as follows:

Leader, Deloris Hild; Assistant Leader, Mrs. Maynard Tritsch; President, Beverly Meisinger; Vice-President, Nancy Tritsch; Secretary-Treasurer, Edna Jean Wetenkamp; News Reporter, Dorothy Hild; Song Leader, Bessie Topfiff; Cheer Leader, Shirley Mae Hild.

Other members are: Edith Wetenkamp, Phyllis, Carol and Mary Ellen Tritsch. After we chose officers, Deloris Hild gave us a demonstration on how to make pudding. We then read and

### A Three-Sided Issue



Carol Louise Kavanaugh, 10-month-old expert on baby supplies, sits amid diapers, soap, baby oil and talc that will soon be on their way to European babies. The supplies were collected by the Philadelphia, Pa., Federation of Women's Clubs and Allied Organizations for Distribution in Europe, which have already sent over \$50,000 worth of diapers abroad.

discussed our lesson on how to bake cookies.

The next meeting will be March 14 at the home of Dorothy Hild.

At the close of the meeting a lunch was served by Mrs. John Hild.

**Blue Ribbon Swine Club**  
A group of 4-Hers met at the home of Ralph Hild on Sunday afternoon, February 19, to organize a 4-H Swine Club. The name of the club is Blue Ribbon Swine, with Richard Livingston as the leader and Ralph Hild, assistant leader.

The officers were elected as follows:

President, Lyle Schaffer; Vice-President, Tommy Livingston; Secretary, Herbert Hild; News Reporter, Dorothy Hild; Song and Yell Leader, Johnny Horn.

Other members are Lyle Meisinger, LeRoy and Gary Hild.

We did not receive our manuals but hope to have them by the next meeting, for which the date has not been set.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. John Hild.

Dorothy Hild,  
News Reporter,  
Soil Savers Club

The regular meeting was held

### Consumers to Expand Their Construction

With a construction program estimated at upwards of \$15,000,000 for the ensuing five years, Consumers Public Power District has announced that they will advertise for bids on \$2,500,000 of new bonds to help finance some phases of the construction.

It was stated that approximately \$10,000,000 of the \$15,000,000 construction expenditure will be financed from current earnings and that bonds will be issued to cover the remaining \$5,000,000 as the work progresses.

The proposed new bonds will be scheduled over a twenty-two year amortization period terminating in 1971, thus, the new bond issue will not extend beyond the original bonds.

The new bond issue will be entirely separate from the original bonds, covering new extensions of transmission facilities which will return additional revenue to make them self-liquidating. Therefore, the new bond issue will have no effect on the retirement of the original bonds, nor the provisions of the law whereby a city or village may acquire its distribution system.

The proposed construction program, which is already underway with over \$4,500,000 scheduled for 1948, will provide new facilities to assist in increasing power supply into many areas of the state and improvement of transmission and sub-station facilities throughout the state-wide system to keep pace with the rapidly increasing use of electric power. It will also

include enlargement and extensions of distribution systems in the various communities served throughout the system where increased electrical use has out-grown the facilities.

The bond prospectus covering the new bond issue has already been prepared and approved by the Board of Directors of the District and it is expected that advertisement for competitive bids on the bonds were published February 13. Tentative date for opening and considering bids has been set for February 25.

### Social Security

"How long must I work to be eligible for Social Security retirement benefits?"

This question is asked thousands of times each week throughout the country—so here's the answer in general terms.

You must work long enough in covered jobs—jobs in private industry or business—to become "fully insured" under the Old-

Age and Survivors Insurance system.

To become "fully insured" a wage earner must have worked in covered jobs in one-half the calendar quarter periods elapsing between the beginning of the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance program on January 1, 1937, (or his twenty-first birthday if that was later) and the date on which he reaches age 65 or dies. It is also necessary that he be paid wages of at least \$50.00 in each of the calendar quarter periods in which he is required to work in covered jobs.

There is a minimum. In no case can a worker become "fully insured" unless he has at least six quarters of coverage.

There is also a maximum. Once a wage earner has acquired 40 quarters of coverage—that is 10 full years in covered jobs—he is "fully insured" for life.

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### Pope Names Him



Pope Pius XII named Archbishop J. Francis A. McIntyre, above, to be archbishop of Los Angeles. Archbishop McIntyre is now coadjutor of New York. He succeeds the late Archbishop John J. Cantwell.

at the home of Harlan Hennings Thursday evening, Feb. 19. There were 12 members present.

We had the regular business meeting and received literature about soil conservation from our leader, Pete Haines.

After the meeting, the rest of the evening was spent by playing cards. Lunch was served by Mrs. Hennings.

The next meeting will be the 18th of March. The place it is to be held has not been definitely decided as yet.

HARLAN HENNINGS,  
News Reporter

### Farm Sheep are Lowest in Many Years by Survey

The numbers of sheep in farm flocks are down to what they were eighty years ago, declares K. C. Fouts, extension animal husbandman. Sheep numbers are the lowest since 1867.

Farm flocks are profitable, Fouts says, launching a campaign to encourage Nebraska farmers to raise more sheep and increase the number of farm flocks.

Lambing troubles which discourage so many farmers can be prevented, he continues.

The last eight weeks before lambing are important to the lamb crop. In this period the causes for "pregnancy disease" or "paralysis" show up or are prevented. These troubles can be largely avoided by giving ewes a balanced ration, following good management practices, and laying out a program for the farm flock and following it through.

A balanced lambing ration requires protein and clean green alfalfa. When grass (including corn fodder or silage) forage is used an added pound of alfalfa plus about one sixth of oil meal per head per day is needed. Leafy green alfalfa has added value even when fed in small amounts. When oil meal is fed, one pound of bone meal per day should be added for each thirty-five ewes.

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