

## Livestock, Crops Tour Dates Set

The annual south coast 4-H livestock and crops tour will be held July 14-15.

It is open to all boys and girls in livestock, poultry and crops clubs. Letters have been sent to those who are eligible according to Douglas County 4-H Agent Frank von Borstel. He has requested that those who are interested call him at the County Extension Office in Roseburg, telephone OR 3-8133.

During the two-day tour the youngsters will visit a meat packing plant in Bandon; Sweet's Dairy Farm in Sixes; and the Wedderburn Livestock Ranch near Gold Beach. They will travel by bus.

## Standards Are Lifted On Potato Containers

All Oregon standards for potato containers have been repealed, announced the Oregon State Department of Agriculture. This means potatoes may be sold in any type and size container—but the state filled bags, boxes, cartons or other labeling requirements must still be met. Potato containers must still be labeled with the grade and net weight and the name and address of either the grower, packer or shipper.

The repeal order is now effective. It follows a hearing several weeks ago in which everyone present expressed approval of the proposal to remove restrictions on the kind and size of containers for this commodity. Frank McKennon, department plant division chief, says the repeal will permit Oregon potato shippers to adjust more quickly to changes in consumer packaging preferences.

## Livestock Inspection Fees Reduced July 1

Livestock brand inspection fees in Oregon were reduced Friday from 30 cents to 25 cents a head, reports M. E. Knickerbocker, chief of the division of animal industry of the state department of agriculture.

Also effective July 1, the department put into use a new series of stock brand inspection certificates. These will be issued only by authorized inspectors, about 100 of whom are working throughout Oregon on full or part-time basis.

The reduction in fees will mean a substantial saving to Oregon cattlemen and allied livestock enterprises, says J. F. Short, director of agriculture who approved the official order on the 5-cent drop in inspection costs.

During 1954 the movement of cattle through brand inspection points in Oregon reached a new high of more than 700,000 head. Through May, 1955, inspections each month this year were higher than in the same month last year.

## War Veterans Get Priority On Farm Units

War veterans are offered priority in a current drawing for 81 full-time farm units in the South Columbia Basin Irrigation District near Pasco, Wash., it was reported today by the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Veterans' applications must be submitted by August 1 to the office of the Bureau of Reclamation, Ephrata, Wash., to be included in the public drawing for the farms.

The farms, located 25 miles north of Pasco, range in size from 56 to 135 irrigable acres and in price from \$1,338 to \$8,062. Most of the land is suited to production of row crops such as potatoes, sugar beets and truck crops, as well as hay and pasture. The land will be irrigated by water from the Grand Coulee Dam.

To qualify, applicants must have assets worth at least \$4,500 in excess of liabilities, must have had at least two years of farming experience, and must intend to engage in farming.

Application blanks may be obtained in Oregon from county veterans' service officers or from the Department of Veterans' Affairs, State Finance Bldg., Salem, or State Office Bldg., Portland. They may also be obtained by writing the reclamation bureau at Ephrata.

## Northwestern Turkey Show, County Fair Slated Jointly For Aug. 26-28

SHOW COUNTY FAIR—24 cont.

The 24th annual Northwestern Turkey Show will be held in conjunction with the Douglas County Fair August 26-28.

Officers of the show have announced that all entries must be made by August 15 to be considered.

President Elmer Davis, Roseburg, noted earlier that there were several reasons for changing the date of the show generally held several months later. Chief among them has been the decrease in the number of birds raised in southern Oregon during the past years.

Likewise, Davis said, support from exhibitors has been dwindling. Another deciding factor, he continued, was the withdrawal of financial support from the 1953-54 county budget.

The president said the officers of the show were particularly gratified by the few loyal exhibitors who have "stayed with us through the years."

Judge of the turkey show this year will again be H. P. Griffin, Sonoma, Calif. He has examined birds at the show since its inception. Several years ago the officers of the show made him lifetime honorary judge of the event.

The 1955 show will be divided into four departments: brooder, commercial 4-H and FFA. There will be no dressed division. An entry fee of \$1 per live bird is charged in the brooder and commercial departments and must accompany the entry. Birds must belong to the exhibitor.

Deadline for show entries is August 15. After arrival, no bird may be removed from the show room without permission of the manager.

Upon completion of judging the show management will allow display of advertising cards on easels, no larger than 4 x 16 inches. Turkey feed is furnished free during the show.

## Turkey Show Entry Deadline Is Aug. 15



## Freight Car Loadings Reach All-Time High

SEATTLE, Wash.—Freight car loadings of Pacific Northwest forest products reached an all-time high during the first five months of 1955, the Pacific Northwest Advisory Board reported here.

The board said forest products filled 192,954 of the 468,115 cars loaded during the period. Grain and grain products filled 37,592 cars; logs, 69,404 and fruit, 16,274.

The report covered loadings in Washington, Oregon and Idaho north of the Salmon River.

## Southern Pacific Plans To Build 950 Boxcars

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Southern Pacific Railroad here has announced plans to add 950 boxcars at a cost of \$4.4 million dollars.

D. J. Russell, president of the line who made the announcement here, said that in addition to the 950 which have been ordered, the company received 765 new freight cars to June 1 this year and on that date another 1,744 were on order but not delivered.

He said this makes about 44,000 freight cars received or on order since World War II. Some 26,000 of these, he said, are boxcars.

## Globe-Trotting Douglas Arrives In Bangkok

RANGOON, Burma.—Globe-trotting U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas arrived Saturday from Bangkok. He was accompanied by Mrs. Douglas and a friend, Miss Josephine Black.

Douglas was met at the airport by Burmese Supreme Court Judge U Myint Thein and U.S. Ambassador Joseph C. Satterthwaite.

Douglas and his party had tea with Burmese President Ba U. A formal dinner was given by the Burmese government Saturday night for the visiting justice.

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## Former Douglas Agent To Work In Coos Area

Mrs. Ken Metzler (the former Betty Patterson), who was home demonstration agent for Douglas County, has accepted a position as extension agent in Coos County.

She and her husband are residing in Coos Bay where he works on the Coos Bay Times. Mrs. Metzler will divide her time between the women's extension program and 4-H work, beginning July 5, according to county 4-H Agent Frank von Borstel.

## World's Fastest, Highest Flying Plane Used In Tests Of Solving Heat Barrier

By VERN HAUGLAND

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP)—The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics disclosed here that it is using the world's fastest, highest flying airplane, the Bell X-1A, for research on the heat barrier.

Another champion of flight, the Douglas Skyrocket—first plane to fly twice the speed of sound—is exploring means of carrying bombs or fuel tanks beneath the wings, at supersonic speeds.

Still another experimental aircraft, the stiletto-like Douglas X-3, is testing the puzzling behavior of air in the transonic range—the extreme buffeting which occurs in the 600-to-800 miles-an-hour speed category.

The NACA gave about 100 visitors to its high speed flight station here a glimpse of research activity carried on 11 and more miles above the earth with the nation's most advanced aircraft.

Among the group at this station, 100 miles northeast of Los Angeles, were Undersecretary of Commerce Louis Rothchild, Civil Aeronautics Board vice chairman Joseph Adams and several congressmen.

Walter Williams, chief of the center, showed the visitors half a dozen planes of radical design being used for heat research because, he said, they operate at speeds where friction heating from the resistance of air already is a problem.

The pride of the fleet is the X-1A, which has been flown by Maj. Charles Yeager to a record speed of more than 1,600 miles an hour—2 times the speed of sound—and by Maj. Arthur Murray to an altitude of more than 90,000 feet.

A sister NACA plane, the X-1E, displayed here is under modification for an extremely thin wing and for larger tanks for its rocket fuel. It too, will be used in the study of aerodynamic heating at supersonic speeds.

Williams said a third Bell experimental ship, the X-1B, is at Langley Field, Va., having structural temperature gauges installed throughout to check heating in great detail at every point of air friction. The X-1B will be flown here later this month.

Also in the research fleet here is the Bell X-5 transonic jet plane which can vary the sweepback of its wings, in flight, between 20 and 60 degrees.

NACA said this plane has been tested at altitudes up to 40,000 feet, and has made more than 150 research flights.

**GRASS CUTTING MIXUP**

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Police here roamed the streets for the first time in years looking for a ringleader after a man reported somebody swiped his lamb.

The search ended when a friend of the sheepman reported he'd borrowed the lamb to mow his backyard.

The number of U.S. women working in private households as maids declined from 2 million in 1949 to less than 1½ million in 1950.



**SHEEP IN DUCK CLOTHING**—An estimated 50,000 New Mexico sheep will be wearing 10-ounce duck jackets on the range next winter. They are the idea of J. R. Stauder, sheep and wool specialist at New Mexico A & M College at State College, N.M., shown demonstrating the garment, above. Last winter he conducted tests on the Victor-Perez ranch near Encino, N.M. Results showed that the fleeces from the jacket-wearing animals contained an average of four pounds each less dirt than the "babe" sheep. Elimination of dirt results in lower shipping charges because freight rates are based on gross weight; lower shearing charges because crews demand bonuses for shearing excessively dirty sheep.

**SECOND WIFE ARRIVES**

TRIPOLI, Libya, (AP)—Queen Alix, second wife of Libya's King Idris, arrived from Egypt by yacht to join her husband. They were married in Cairo June 5. The bride, 38, drove through the crowded, beflagged streets of Tripoli before taking the road to Garian, the hill station where the 66-year-old Monarch is now staying.



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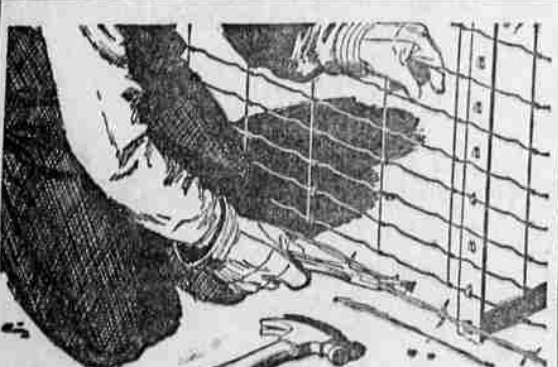
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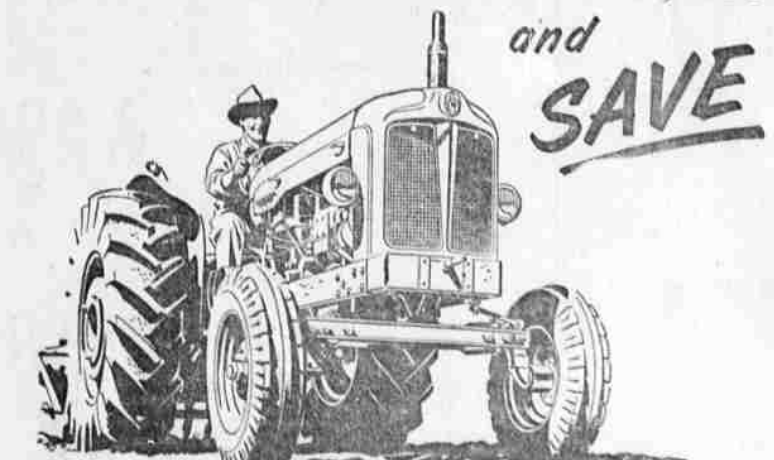


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