



DICK TURLEY, energetic manager of the Douglas County Fair, sparked organization of this year's edition of the event. The fair was re-organized in 1953, has been drawing larger and larger attendances each year. Last year, the fair was judged tops among counties of Oregon.

May Nearing Top In Radio Money

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Harley May of Deming, N.M., former collegiate rodeo champion, won more than \$3,000 in the first two weeks of August to climb within 61 points of second place in the year's money-winners on the rodeo circuit.

The latest standings announced by the Rodeo Cowboys' Assn. show Guy Weeks of Abilene, Texas, narrowly ahead of May. Atop the list is Jim Shoulders of Henryetta, Okla., with a big lead.

In the individual classifications Shoulders leads in bull riding and bareback riding. May leads in steer wrestling. Ray Sharton of

Bandera, Texas, leads in calf roping, and Deb Copenhaver of Post Falls, Idaho, leads in saddle bronc riding.

The 19 top all-around cowboys: Jim Shoulders, Henryetta, Okla., 26,032; Guy Weeks, Abilene, Texas, 16,752; Harley May, Deming, N.M., 16,691; Eddy Akridge, Hesperia, Calif., 12,338; J. D. McKenna, Sheridan, Wyo., 12,023; Alvin Nelson, Sentinel Butte, N.D., 10,752; Duane Howard, Minnewauken, N.D., 10,752; Jackie Wright, Dayville, Ore., 10,675; Johnny Hawkins, Manhattan Beach, Calif., 10,611, and Jim Bob Altizer, Del Rio, Texas, 10,434.

Only 400,000 Farmers Apply For Tax Refund

WASHINGTON (AP) — Only 400,000 of an estimated three million eligible farmers have applied for refunds on taxes paid on gasoline used on farms, the Internal Revenue Service said Thursday.

This is the halfway point for filing refund claims for the tax paid during the first six months of 1956. The deadline for filing is Sept. 30.

A revenue spokesman said no figures were available on the

amount of refunds paid the 400,000 who have filed. One source estimated the average might run around \$10 each, making total refunds to date about four million dollars.

Although there may be a big rush to meet the Sept. 30 deadline, the rough estimate of refunds to date contrasts sharply with the 30 million dollars the government had expected would be claimed. When Congress approved a bill

last spring authorizing refund of the two cents a gallon federal tax on farm gas and diesel fuel, it was estimated the refund would total 60 million dollars annually.

Effective July 1, the federal tax on gasoline and diesel fuels went up from two cents to three cents a gallon. Therefore, in the fiscal year ending next June 30, farmers will be able to claim three cents a gallon for fuel used on farms and for farming purposes.

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