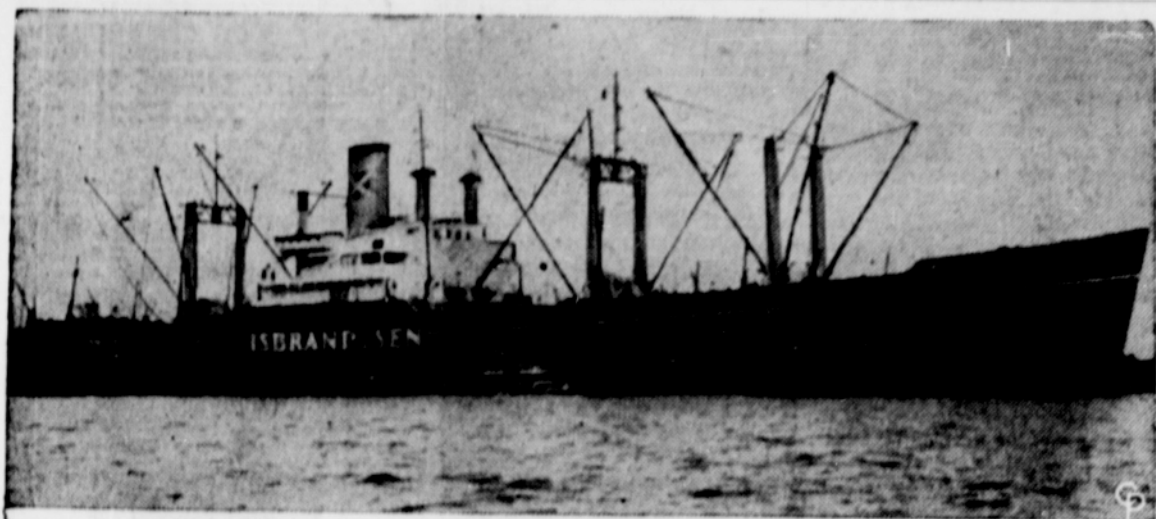




U. S. FREIGHTER WHICH WAS SHELLLED AND SEIZED BY NATIONALIST WARSHIPS OFF SHANGHAI

Douglas Fir Achieves New Milestone In History of American Forests Recently

Portland, Oregon, February 1 (Special)—A new milestone in American forestry was achieved during 1949 by the Douglas fir industry when it adopted, for the first time in U. S. forestry history, a region-wide seed certification policy for assuring superior trees from artificial reforestation.

A super race of Douglas fir trees is ultimately possible from this advanced step in forest genetics, according to W. D. Hagenstein, chief forester, in his report on the past year's forest accomplishments to the annual meeting of the Forest Conservation Committee of the Pacific Northwest Forest Industries here last Thursday.

The Forest Industries Nursery at Nisqually, Washington, which produces seedlings for use throughout the Douglas fir region, will hereafter use only certified seed, Hagenstein said. Each company receiving trees from the nursery will supply its own seed, paying particular attention to place collected, elevation, form of parent tree, local climate and proximity to area needing artificial reforestation. The industry's nursery com-

mittee is the certifying agency for superior tree seeds and will keep systematic records of each lot so that its progeny can be followed and studied.

In a report filled with optimism, Hagenstein told of forestry advances during the past year in the Douglas fir regions.

Some 22,200 acres of idle lands were artificially reforested by industry in the Douglas fir region, to break all existing records. The Forest Industries Tree Nursery supplied 7,000,000 trees for hand-planting 12700 acres, and 9,500 acres were seeded by airplane and helicopter.

He reported an increase of 256,551 acres in the Douglas fir region certified during 1949 as West Coast Tree Farms. This brought the region total to 3,270,692 acres of taxpaying forests pledged to permanent management since 1941. Five additional companies employed foresters for the first time, despite a downturn in forest products markets during 1949.

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DAIRMEN: HOW TO LOSE MONEY (IT SAYS HERE)

Note to dairymen: Here's how to waste the money you have invested in your dairy herd improvement association, according to O.S.C. extension dairy specialists.

1. Never look at the herd record book.
2. Don't ask for suggestions from the tester.
3. If the tester makes suggestions, don't follow them.
4. Stay away from all meetings and activities of the association.
5. Tell neighbors you've received no help from the association.
6. Drop out of the association at the close of the year's testing.

DHIA testing, it is pointed out, is a method to determine low producing cows which may profitably be culled.

Swine Growers Bred Gilt Sale At Salem Feb. 4

Thirty-two top quality animals representing nine breeds and offerings from 22 breeders will be sold during the fifth annual bred gilt sale sponsored by the Oregon Swine Growers association at the state fairgrounds near Salem, Saturday, February 4.

Sale time has been called for 11 o'clock in the morning and lunch will be served on the grounds, reports Ben Newell, Marion county extension agent, who also serves as swine association secretary.

The Oregon Swine Breeders association, headed by Lyle McKinley, Shedd, is also sponsoring three similar sales in other sections of the state. Bred gilt sales will be held in La Grande, February 18; Prineville, March 1; and at Klamath Falls, March 4.

Bred to be represented among the offerings at the Salem sale include Chester White, Duroc-Jersey, Spotted Poland China, Yorkshire, Berkshire, Minnesota No. 1, Hereford, Hampshire, and Poland China. The sale committee is headed by F. L. Zielinski, St. Paul.

All animals will have been passed upon by a sifting committee before they are allowed in the ring. This committee is composed of A. W. Oliver and Joe B. Johnson, O.S.C. animal husbandry department staff members, and Edwin Riddler, Sherwood.

Auctioneer will be H. J. McMurray, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Sale catalogues are available from Newell by writing to him at his office in the post office building, Salem.

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With spading shovels wiped clean of snow last week and an eye on the brown sod of the early pea patch, old man winter again stepped in flipping a foot of new snow on the brown earth Monday night. Then rains about had that melted away until the rain changed to wet snow Friday at daylight and piled up 4 or 5 inches more. Spading shovels were back again shoveling snow.

Just as residents were complaining themselves on having power for nearly a week and thru the last two storms, the light went out with a flash, Friday noon, that blew fuses, burned out light bulbs, and damaged refrigerator and radio units. It is said a broken wire crossed a high voltage line, sending a high voltage charge thru the wires before they burned out.

Power was off about 33 hours and folks with power water pumps found snow water again was better than no water and were glad there was snow to melt. A new storm with more snow has everyone jittery and just tired of winter as they wait for it all to end. It has been said nothing lasts for ever, or can it?

One temporary arrangement for water while the power was off at the Elvis Kelly, Claris Abeen and Roy Ewing homes was to connect by garden hose with the water line from the hill of C. C. Gilham.

Woodards logging crews resumed work last week and kept at it all week hauling the snowy logs and say it was a snowy mess. Cutting crews were more reluctant to weather the weather and have not started work, pending better weather.

School was able to stay open all week, with attendance about as usual, and most youngsters glad to terminate their home confining vacation. Regular 4-H club meetings were held at the school on Tuesday, with members planning to go to the 4-H officers training classes in Cottage Grove Saturday, which were later postponed because of bad roads everywhere.

Some children are still absent, especially among the smaller children off the bus route who find it difficult to wade the deep snow to the bus. Harold Cox has been out for some time due to illness and Mary Tullar just returned after two weeks with bronchitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hill and Phillip Higdon and son, Doyle attended the University of Oregon—University of Washington game in Eugene Saturday evening. They report the roads as pretty slippery, especially on the return trip.

A visit with Grandma proved to be exciting for Jill and "Tenny" Johnson last week when young "Tenny," a toddler fell on a drinking glass, cutting his nose lengthwise, and requiring 5 stitches. He did not even break the glass. Before that, Jill, past three, was bit by a neighbor's dog, not serious, but a good nip under the chin.

The children returned with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Johnson to their home near Fresno, leaving Saturday after a visit since New Years with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Morton.

To top it all off, before they left, Mr. Morton was believed to have the mumps. Luckily the children had had those. However, it turned out to be only an abscessed tooth.

Mrs. C. E. Fisher came down from Portland last week to visit the Johnson children and her granddaughter, Mrs. Johnson after they had made an unsuccessful attempt to go to Portland the week before and found not even a bus running.

Bears Tax Message



WHITE HOUSE clerk Herbert L. Miller is shown as he arrived at the Capitol with President Truman's long-awaited special tax message. The President recommended cuts in some wartime excise taxes and increases in corporate, gift and estate taxes to provide an additional billion in revenue. (International)

Bill Barkemeyer was married at Klamath Falls, January 22, to Fay Anne Green of Merrill, Oregon where the young couple will reside and where Mr. Barkemeyer has employment in the potato packing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lukens and family are back and have moved in the Roy Edde house. They have lived in Springfield, Klamath Falls, and Springfield and have acquired a new baby girl since moving from here over a year ago.

Mrs. Harry Garman has been having a time all winter with a chronic cold and complications, being a little better this week.

Mrs. Glenn Stimmel has written that the girls are playing out with just sweaters, in Tennessee, tho they did have an ice storm earlier this winter.

Mary Long has been home from school with pains in her side again. The doctor thinks it is adhesions from her appendix trouble last spring, not serious and probably brought on from a fall at school while skipping rope.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Small are popping buttons off their vests this week from becoming grandparents, Saturday January 21, of their first grandchild, a son, born to their daughter, Uleta, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kelso of Cottage Grove. The baby, first boy in the family, weighed 8½ lbs. and was named Richard Clark.

Harry Stump was under the weather for a few days recently, but he reports it was nothing serious and is much better and back on the job.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Bennett of Cottage Grove were the first to take home one of the J. H. Quigley registered Cocker pups last week. They have named the little black curly fellow, "Shadow."

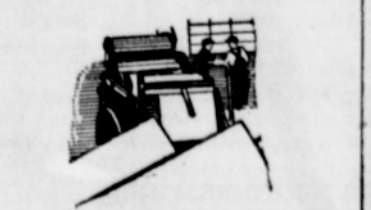
"Butch" and Kathleen McEwen of Springfield visited their grandparents, the E. M. McEwens over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Tucker are moving back to Woodards camp in the cabin formerly occupied by "Bud" Wood.

Jim Barnes has been weathering the bad weather with a bad case of styes.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes plan to move from the Shoe String to the Briar Tower place soon, to be nearer modern conveniences and where the snow isn't so deep.

At Arco, Idaho, where Atomic Energy Commission's nuclear reactor testing station is under construction, contracts for at least \$9 million of buildings are due for award this year.



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