

Oregon's Seed Industry Near \$25 Million

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Oregon's seed industry which brought \$23,299,486 in 1949, is expected to go to \$25,000,000 in the new crop.
Harvest of all but late clovers is being completed this month with warehouses in the Willamette valley so full that outdoor storage is being resorted to in many places. Almost every seed-processing plant in the valley has huge quantities of seed grains stored on the ground in adjacent areas to the plant.
Oregon has been climbing to the top of the nation's seed producing states in recent years until there are now 90 per cent of the rye grass and the bent grasses, the same per cent of the alta fescue grown in the country produced in this state. Of the fine-bladed fescues, fully 80 per cent is produced in Oregon.
The crop this year is reported as being excellent. Ideal weather conditions for seed harvest have prevailed almost throughout the summer. One rain in July knocked down some seed varieties, but loss, in comparison to the size of the crops this season, was reported as nominal.
Almost all of Oregon's 36 counties are growing some seed this year. Different seeds are produced in different areas. The coast counties concentrate upon bent grass; southern Oregon upon Ladino clover, sugar beet seed and lotus; the Willamette valley grows vegetable seed, cover crops and grasses, along with 50 to 60 other varieties of seed; the Columbia basin has peas, crested wheatgrass and a few range grasses; the Blue Mountains have seed peas and grasses; Malheur country had red clover, vegetable seeds, bentgrass, alfalfa and bluegrass. Jefferson county leads all in Ladino.
Linn county still leads all counties in value of seed produced. The crop in Linn this year is estimated at well over five million dollars. Jefferson ranks second, Malheur third and Marion fourth. Marion's seed crop this year is expected to top two million dollars although exact figures will not be known until well into 1951.
Folk county follows Klamath for sixth place with Benton in seventh and Yamhill in eighth. Clackamas county is in 12th place in seed production.

Triple Duty Berry Cultivator



SILVERTON — The machine pictured here will cut off the tops, remove the runners and cultivate a narrow band on both sides of the row of strawberries, all in one operation. The picture was taken at a demonstration at the A. S. Howe farm in the hills above Silverton, with more than 150 attending. Howe is inventor of the machine. Operating the machine are Herbert Williams on the tractor and Alden Waterson at the rear. (Farm Photo for The Statesman).

Patton Cites Need for More Production

James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union, emphasized the necessity for a greatly expanded economy which would serve for either peace or war to members of the executive board of the state group at a conference here Monday.
"We will need greater production to serve the needs of the world whichever way we go," Patton said. "We must get away from this whole idea of scarcity."
Patton, with Mrs. Patton and their son, Bob, are currently on a motor trip through Oregon and were weekend guests at the Ronald E. Jones home at Brooks.

'Burma Surgeon' Known in Salem

Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave, the "Burma Surgeon" who has been arrested on suspicion of aiding Karen Re'els, is well-known in Salem where he spoke a couple of years back at a Knife and Fork club meeting.
Mrs. W. B. Johnston, 1845 S. Liberty st., said Monday that Dr. Seagrave married a cousin of her, the former Marian Morse, and that the couple had visited here several times.
Mary, where nomination is the equivalent of election. But a third, Rep. William M. Whittington, is retiring and three candidates are trying for the party nomination in his district.
That leaves four house members unopposed.

Business Rise May Increase Tax Revenue

High state officials here Monday said they were hopeful that the current burst in business and employment would tend to increase state income tax returns and wipe out a substantial part of the \$9,000,000 loss in collections reported by the state tax commission for the past fiscal year.
It was pointed out, based on reports of the state unemployment commission, that the volume of general business is increasing with employment at its peak for several years. "The more employment the larger the income tax collections," State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson said.
Pearson said the board of control has discussed briefly a long-term building program for the state under which the legislature would be asked to appropriate a definite amount of money every two years. It was Pearson's suggestion that the building program cover at least 20 years and that the biennial appropriation range from \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000 with the latter amount preferred.

Marion County Inductees Take Physical Exams

A second contingent of Marion county draft eligibles will leave for Portland for physical examinations this morning.
A group of 32 returned from Portland last night following a one-day trip, and 28 are slated to go today.
One man failed to arrive for yesterday's examinations which were the first since reactivation of the draft. Results are expected in about a week, according to Mrs. Ruby Wilhelm, clerk of the selective service board here.
About 160 Marion county men in the 18-to-26 age bracket will be called for physical examinations early in September and will report to Eugene for physical examinations.

Huggins Chairman Of Spike Jones Show in Salem

Appointment of George Huggins as general chairman for the Spike Jones engagement in Salem September 11 was announced Monday by Larry Moore, president of the sponsoring Salem Chamber of Commerce.
Huggins takes the place of Maurice Cohn who was chairman until he received active duty orders with the U. S. air force this week.
Huggins reports that the early sale of tickets is making headway. Sales are at Helder's, Salem Record shop and Warren's radio shop. Later tickets will be held at local banks. Spike Jones and his full novelty band will play here at the high school auditorium.

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Valley Obituaries

Mrs. Olive G. Shutt
SILVERTON — Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday for Mrs. Olive G. Shutt, 75, who died in the Silverton hospital late Friday. The services will be from the Everhart Funeral home in Molalla with interment in Miller cemetery, Silverton.
Mrs. Shutt was born January 6, 1875 at Moros, Ill. She had lived on Route 1, Scotts Mills for the past 32 years. Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Alene Lawrence of Scotts Mills and one brother, Joseph Clough of Silverton.

Morris Johnson
UNION HILL — Morris Johnson, 23, resident of Union Hill for the past six years, died Sunday at a Portland hospital of a heart ailment.
Johnson was born in Michigan, Jan. 29, 1928 and resided in California before coming to the Salem area six years ago with his parents. He attended Silverton high school.
Surviving are a daughter, Betty Johnson; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Johnson, Union Hill; brothers, Rex, Hurley, Robert and Eugene Johnson; all of Michigan; and a sister, Moroe Johnson, Union Hill.
Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 24 at 1:30 p. m. from the W. T. Rigdon chapel in Salem. Interment in Union Hill cemetery.

Harold W. Buss
MONMOUTH, Aug 21 — Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 3 p. m. at the Evangelical church here for Harold W. Buss, 50, who died August 20 at the family home here. He was born Sept. 23, 1899 at Morrisville, Ill., and lived his early life in Minnesota. He was married in 1917 at Park Rapids, Minn., to Elsie Dudley. They engaged in farming and moved to Monmouth and bought a farm in 1936, operating it until it was absorbed by Camp Adams cantonment. For three years they lived at Hillsboro returning here in 1946 where he bought and has operated a hardware store.
Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Pearl Buss, Monmouth; widow, Elsie, and 10 children: sons, Walter of Roseburg; Chester, Portland; Royal, Eugene; Harold, Sonora, Calif.; Vergil and Larry at home; daughters, Mrs. Roger Beckley and Mrs. Gene Neff, Medford; and Raymond, Young, Monmouth; and Jennie Jo, at home; and 16 grandchildren.

3 States Name Candidates at Polls Today

By The Associated Press
Voters in New York, Mississippi and Wyoming primaries name their candidates today for 53 house seats—45 of them in New York.
Wyoming also will pick nominees for Governor while Delaware democrats hold a convention to choose an opponent for republican representative J. Caleb Boggs.
New York waits until party conventions September 6 and 7 to select candidates for governor and senate. The possibilities there haven't entirely jelled, although Senator Lehman (D-Lib NY) is considered a sure shot entry in the contest for the democratic senatorial nomination.
And Lt. Gov. Joseph R. Hanley appears a likely choice for the republican nominee for governor if Gov. Thomas E. Dewey stands by his decision against trying for a third term. Some republicans, though, still are crooking a finger at Dewey.
Five Contests
In the New York house races, only five present members have children. Surviving brothers and sisters are Chester Buss, Mrs. Earn Julius, and Mrs. Ruby Jacobsen, all of Morris, Minn.; Mrs. James Tilton, Forest Grove; Mrs. Lowell Brisbane, Monmouth and Mrs. Karsten Skaggs, Portland.
Rev. A. L. Lonsberry will officiate, and interment will be at Fir Crest cemetery here.

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