Oregon Farm Income in 1949 Shows Total of \$27,549,000 By CLAUDE STEUSLOFF

Marion county 1949 total farm income of \$27,549,000 is down 8.2 per cent from last year, indicates data compiled in the county

For the third straight year since 1946 real net income, which depends upon net dollar income and buying power of farmer dollars has declined.

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During 1948 a peak of 180 percent above the 1938-1947 average was reached. In 1942 Marion county farm income was \$17,218,000.

Specialty crops brought in \$5,514,000 this year, 21.1 percent of the total income. For several years Marion county has been among the leaders in Oregon for cash return from this group of crops, principally hops and peppermint. It is also a leading producer of fiber flax and flax seed. Marion county now has some 4000 acres in peppermint.

Dairy products, livestock, eggs and poultry income amounts.

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Dairy products, livestock, eggs and poultry income amounted to 36.7 percent of the total. Dairy product sales were \$3.526,000; livestock \$3,251,000; eggs and poultry \$3,333,000. Turkeys helped the poultry figure by more than two million dollars.

Hopewell—Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rogers, Miss Bertha Magness, Mrs. Tom Brown and Mrs. E. F. Kolin and Wayne and Colleges and poultry figure by more than two million dollars.



Tunnel Pierces What May Be Source of Pitchblende

Denver, Dec. 7 (P)—A mining company official said today a 3,600-foot tunnel into the heart of the Rockies had pierced what may be an important mother lode of pitchblende—prime source of uranium.

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The tunnel was drilled on what the official termed a half million dollar gamble in America's race for atomic supremacy.

Alexander Pregel of New York, vice president of the Canadium Radium and Uranium corporation, said here in an interview with the Denver Post that the tunnel, its location picked by scientific deduction, picked by scientific deduction, picked by scientific deduction, making the United States self-

r, Colo. Geologists long have felt some primary source of sitchblende along the backbone of the Rockies provided the scat-ering of secondary deposits found near the surface.

A number of these deposits

corporation, said here in an interview with the Denver Post that the tunnel, its location picked by scientific deduction, pierced the lode.

Pregel constantly referred to secrecy demands in connection with the atomic program but did give these details:

The lode was located in the lold Caribou mine district high in the mountains west of Boulder, Colo. Geologists long have Congo and the Great Bear Lake (Congo and the Great Bear (Con

Congo and the Great Bear Lake region in Canada, two of the major source of ore. Production in western Colorado and Utah comes principally from carnotite, a secondary ore.

Bonus Checks At Leeds Store

Employes of Leed's Shae store, 170 North Liberty street, will receive Christmas bonus checks in amounts based on their

The Leed's shoe stores are operated by Edison Brothers' Stores, Inc., of Sa. Louis, which operates 213 stores in 116 cities and is the largest exclusive retailers of women's shoes in the

tailers of women's shoes in the United States.

The company will also contribute this year approximately \$225,000 to its employes' retirement pension plan which has been in force six years. The plan does not require financial contribution from employes.

The company's group insurance plan was also expanded

