



TICKET TIME—Jack Brazeal (left), chairman of tickets for the Deschutes County Fair, discusses grandstand seating arrangements with Fair Director Friday Holmes.

He doesn't think main job is getting to moon first

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LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The new chief of the U.S. program to land astronauts on the moon before 1970 said today he does not like to think of the task of being "a race with the Russians."
"I don't think our main motive should be trying to get to the moon first," said Dr. George E. Mueller, who will head what is perhaps the most ambitious research and engineering enterprise ever undertaken by man.
"Naturally I think the United States should be pre-eminent in space, and I think we can. But I don't regard getting to the moon as a race."
Sound Program A Must
"I think we must have an ordered, sound and well conceived program," said the bespectacled 45-year-old space executive who has had 23 years experience in missile guidance, deep space

communications, microwave research and space payload design. "We must think primarily of doing the best job we can."
Mueller, vice president for research and development at Space Technology Laboratories, Los Angeles, acknowledged that "of course we must always keep an eye on what the Russians are doing."
But he added:
"I believe we should concern ourselves chiefly with the job we are doing. The real purpose is the accomplishment itself."
Mueller, a quiet and exacting man, was named a week ago to succeed D. Brainerd Holmes as chief of the U.S. Apollo program. He will take over the \$21,000-a-year post Sept. 1.
His duties include spending \$10 million a day economically for the next eight years and overseeing 30,000 persons in 280 plants across the nation.

Around the Space Technology Laboratories he is known as "cool and calculating" by his associates who say he "uses up a lot of shoe leather."
"He is the shoe leather type," said an associate. "He constantly walks from laboratory to laboratory, keeping abreast with what's going on."
"And he has instant understanding. Mueller can merely look at a problem and get a grasp of what's involved. He has striking powers of appraisal."
Missile Expert
Dr. Mueller is an expert in the Defense Department's Atlas, Titan, Minuteman and Thor missile programs and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Pioneer and Explorer space projects.
He is married to Maude Mueller and they have two daughters—Karen, 19, an exchange student in Germany, and Jean Elizabeth, 16, a high school senior.
The new Apollo project director studied electrical engineering and physics at Purdue, Ohio State and Princeton universities.

Soil moisture rated adequate for good growth of corn crop

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — The government's weekly weather and crop bulletin said soil moisture in

the Corn Belt now is rated as mostly adequate for good growth and development of the 1963 corn crop.

Hearing called on referendum

OLYMPIA, Wash. (UPI) — Chief Justice Richard B. Ott of the State Supreme Court has scheduled a hearing for Thursday to decide if the court will consider the tolerance policy gambling referendum dispute.

Ott directed attorneys on both sides of the issue to appear before him to discuss the matter. He was expected to accept the case and set it for an oral hearing before the full court later this year.

The Amusement Association of Washington has urged the high court to reverse the decision of Thurston County Superior Court Judge Charles T. Wright who ruled that the referendum should appear on the November, 1964, general election ballot.

Wright said the issue should go on the ballot even though the petitions supporting the referendum were stolen June 21 before they could be canvassed.

SEAT BELTS REQUIRED

NEW YORK (UPI) — Twenty states and the District of Columbia have passed legislation requiring seat belts in new automobiles. Fifteen of the new seat belt laws were passed during the 1963 legislative sessions. Six other similar acts are pending. The laws now in effect cover 46 million of the nation's 65.5 million cars.

The Weather Bureau said near-normal temperatures and moderate to heavy showers in the week ended July 22 gave the 1963 corn crop an additional boost in practically all sections of the Corn Belt.

More than three-fourths of the acreage reached the tasseling stage by the end of the period in Kansas and Missouri and three-fifths in Iowa and Illinois, the bureau said. Slightly less progress was shown in the remaining corn belt states.

The bureau said the average height of plants in the Corn Belt now ranges from four to six feet.

The bureau said the winter wheat harvest is almost finished in the eastern half of the Corn Belt, and has started early in Montana.

Harvesting of the oats crop moved along rapidly between showers in most areas, the bureau said.

Widespread showers have improved soybean stands in most sections of the commercial belt and halted deterioration in the previously dry localities, the bureau said. The rains were too late in some parts of Ohio.

The bureau reported excellent growth and fruiting of the cotton crop throughout the Southwest, where insect and disease damage so far this season have been generally below normal. Harvesting of the crop already has started in parts of Texas.

The bureau said cotton continued to make good to excellent progress in the eastern half of the Cotton Belt.

The Agriculture Department has

recommended a 7 per cent cut in acreage for 1964-crop winter vegetables for fresh use. The agency also called for a 2 per cent decrease in the total 1964 winter potato acreage.
The department's acreage-marketing guides are designed to help growers in planning production. Their use is voluntary.
The 1964 guides call for a total of 236,000 acres to be planted to 15 winter vegetables. There were 253,700 acres planted in 1963.
Acreage increases recommended included: Spinach, 15 per cent in Texas; beets and cucumbers, 10 per cent; and cabbage, 5 per cent in Texas. Decreases included carrots, 20 per cent; tomatoes, 10 per cent; and lettuce, 5 per cent in California, Arizona, and Florida.
The winter potato guide for 1964 is a planted acreage equal to 1963 in California and 5 per cent less than 1963 in Florida. The department said the recommended acreages would produce about 3.8 million hundredweight.
The Crop Reporting Board said the 1963 tame blackberry crop in Oregon and Washington would total 23,731,000 pounds, 18 per cent less than the crop harvested in 1962, and slightly below the five-year average. Oregon and Washington are the largest producers of blackberries.
The department has announced plans to buy canned green beans, packed in 1963, for use in the national school lunch program.
The department also has said it will assist California growers in marketing fresh plums. The department will offer to buy plums as a surplus removal activity, and distribute them to institutions and other eligible outlets.
KLAMATH FALLS (UPI) — Circuit Judge David Vandenberg Monday rescheduled the first degree murder trial of Archie Foster, 26, Salem, to open here Sept. 9.
It originally was set to begin Monday.
Foster's attorney, Charles Burt of Salem, asked for the change because he was involved in a traffic accident recently.

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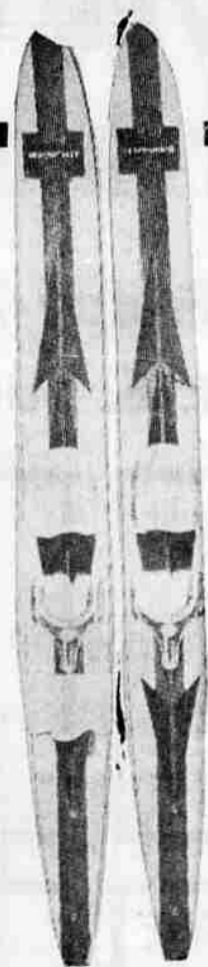
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