

Oregon's Cash Farm Income Set At \$408,093,000 for Past Year

Salem—(U.P.)—Oregon had a cash farm income of \$408,093,000 in 1952, says E. L. Peterson, director of the State Department of Agriculture.

Peterson said figures from the latest report of the Federal Bureau of Agricultural Economics showed a total which was \$39,503,999 less than in 1951 and about \$45,000,000 under the earlier estimates on the 1952 farm income.

Consumption Value Less—Peterson said crops accounted for \$326,323,000 of the 1952

sales of farmers, and livestock and livestock products, \$181,770,000. In addition to the cash receipts for agricultural products as they came off the farm, consumption on the farm of products not offered for market totaled \$21,200,000 or about a million less than the year earlier.

In the commodity breakdown, cattle and calves continued as the No. 1 farm industry, accounting for \$58,008,000 of the 1952 total. Wheat held as the leader of all crops, at \$48,594,000, and truck crops held second place at \$26,215,000.

In the livestock fields, dairy products were totaled at \$56,948,000; eggs, \$20,320,000; turkeys, \$11,993,000; hogs, \$11,002,000; sheep and lambs, \$9,301,000; chickens (including broilers), \$7,788,000; wool, \$2,923,000; other poultry, \$1,886,000; and miscellaneous products, including mohair, horses and bees, \$1,601,000.

In only three of the livestock fields—hogs, dairy products and miscellaneous poultry—were the cash receipts higher than in 1951.

On the crop side, potatoes accounted for \$18,948,000 last year; hay, \$10,543,000; barley, \$10,096,999; 13 field seed crops, \$23,993,000; hops, \$5,790,000; oats, \$4,277,000; peppermint, \$4,348,000; sugar beets, \$3,808,000; corn, rye and miscellaneous seeds, \$1,721,000.

Pear Values Topped—Tree fruits and nuts, included in crops, were topped by \$12,182,000 from pears. Other values in this breakdown: Strawberries, \$8,446,000; apples, \$6,014,000; prunes and plums, \$3,491,000; cherries, \$3,056,000; peaches, \$1,300,000; canberries, \$4,991,000; walnuts, \$2,772,000; filberts, \$3,108,000; miscellaneous fruits, \$142,000.

Forest products from farms sold for \$10,932,000 and greenhouse and nursery products, \$12,159,000. The cash returns from 17 of the 35 separate items listed under the crop heading were lower in 1952 than in 1951.

Pear Check To Fall—While it will be another year before any similar breakdown is released on the 1953 harvest now entering into its final period, Oregon farmers already know that their combined pay check will fall under the 1952 figures, Peterson said. The Oregon farm marketing for the first six months of 1953 were 17.3 million dollars behind the same period in 1952, federal bureau figures released this month showed.

First Degree Murder Charged in Portland

Portland—(U.P.)—Daniel Edward Ray, 45, was held today on a charge of first degree murder in the shooting of his half-brother, Dr. George L. Ray.

Daniel Ray waived preliminary hearing in Municipal Court yesterday and was bound over to the Multnomah county grand jury.

Mrs. Harriet Ray, wife of the slain doctor, was reported improved at Providence hospital and was listed in serious condition. Her condition had been critical since she was shot twice in the head during Daniel Ray's shooting spree last Friday night. Also wounded in the shooting was Mrs. Mattie Ray, 65, of Porterville, Ida., mother of the victim. She was reported in good condition.

Tombstone Damaged By Portland Vandals

Portland—(U.P.)—County officials today estimated vandals did some \$5000 worth of damage to tombstones in the Lone Fir cemetery in Portland.

John Zimmerman, superintendent of the county cemeteries, said the vandalism occurred in the old part of the cemetery. Damage consisted mostly of marble and granite stones broken or pushed over.

Workmen attempted to piece together the old stones.



HOUSE UN-AMERICAN activities committee chairman Harold Velde (R., Ill.) (right) is interviewed by reporter after his group heard Dr. Marek S. Korowicz (far left) testify that Communists consider United Nations their best platform for spreading propaganda in western world. Dr. Korowicz fled Polish delegation to UN to seek asylum in United States. (International Soundphoto)

Stockholders Approve NCC Control Transfer

Portland—(U.P.)—Stockholders of National Credit Card, Inc., at a meeting here last night approved terms of an agreement transferring control in the company to duPont family interests in return for equity capital.

Officials said the agreement brings in \$500,000 working capital and gives the Bulldog Corporation of Washington, D.C., exclusive rights to sale of \$3,500,000 worth of capital stock to private investors.

The firm is an Oregon corporation.

NO WONDER HE GRUMBLED

Floyd, Iowa—(U.P.)—Farmer Art Debban paid the Charles City fire department the standard country call fee of \$100 to put out a fire in his barn, but not without a grumble. The sparks Debban saw in his barn turned out to be fireflies.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

Strike Raises Gold Boom Hope

Perth, Australia—(U.P.)—A spectacular strike at a mine 300 air miles northeast of Perth has of ore for 3,174 ounces of gold worth nearly \$0,000 pounds.

The Hill 50 mine of the only company operating at the once thriving town of Mt. Magnet up to 16 ounces to the ton had been struck when a drill went through the 1140-foot level, several hundred feet below the mine's present workings.

Mt. Magnet lived up with the news and a number of other mining ventures rushed to peg out leases in areas adjacent to Hill 50. Now lease application notices are overlapping the notice board at the Mt. Magnet office of the mines department.

The mine plans to begin to treat its high-grade ore early next year. The manager estimated that it would take at least three months to sink a shaft down 200 feet from present workings to where the rich strike was made. Tunnelling to reach the ore would take another three months.

One feature of the mine that makes for easy working is that the rock in which the ore is found is so hard that no timbering is needed underground.

Meanwhile, until Hill 50 gets into the big money it is showing good profits on the ore now be-

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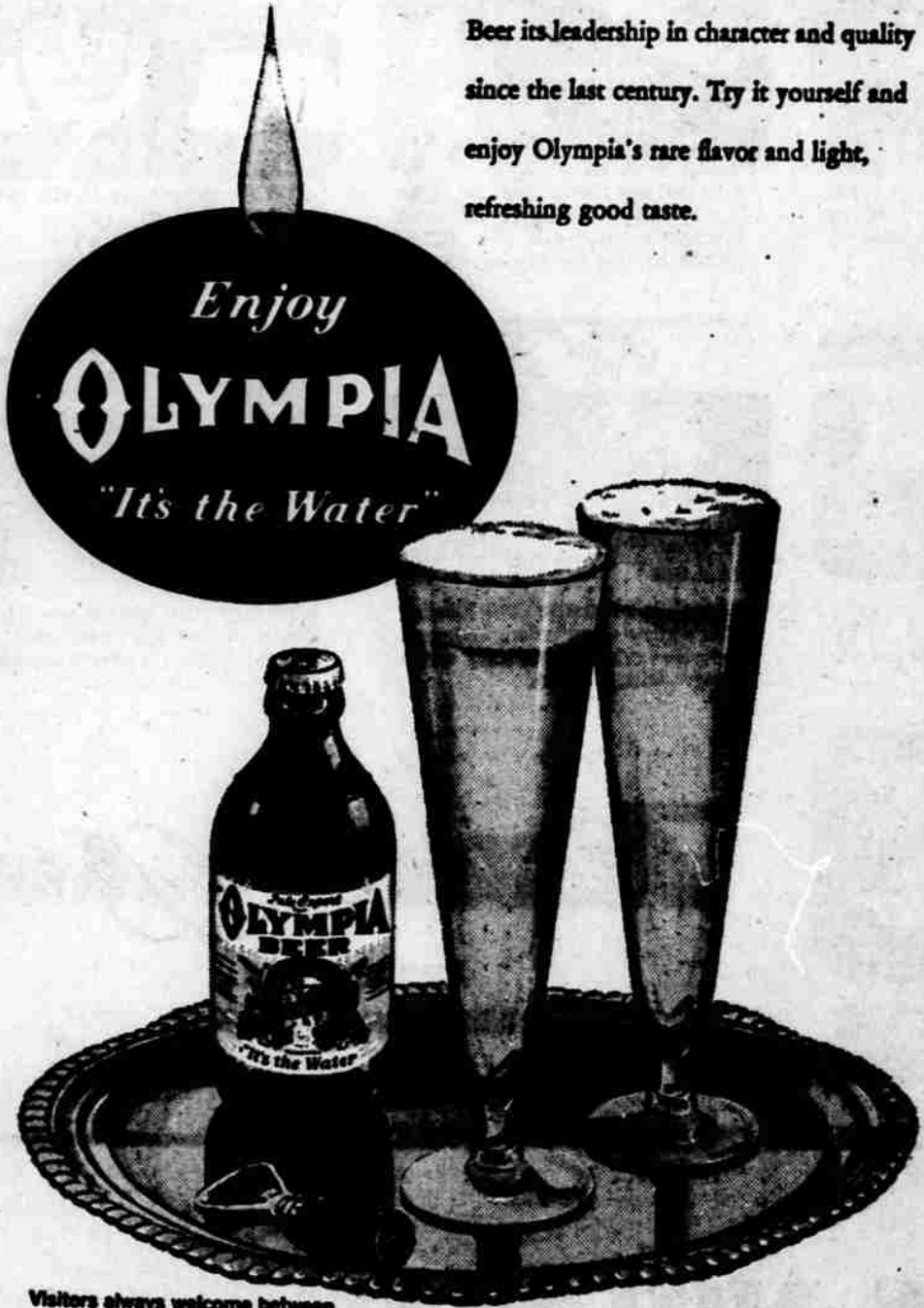
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