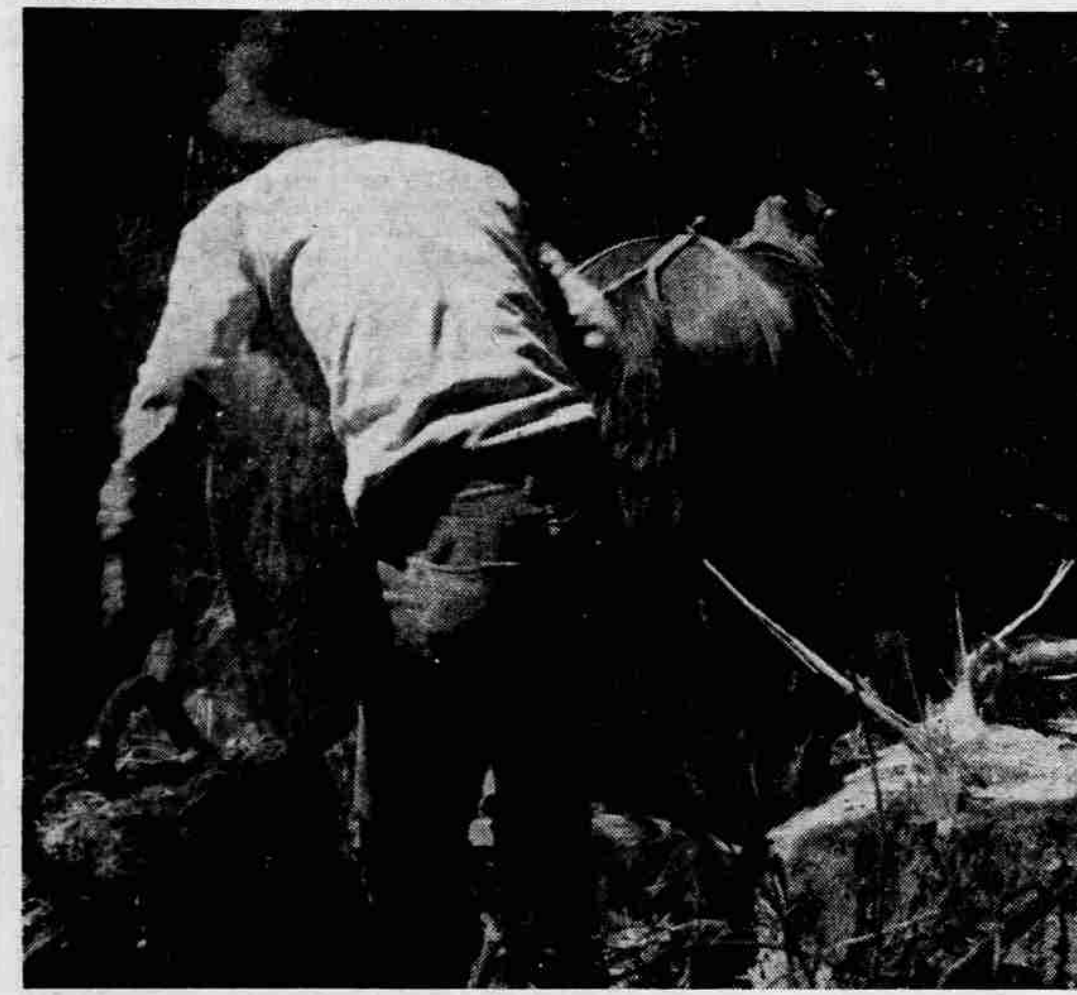


# Horses Returning to Area Logging Business

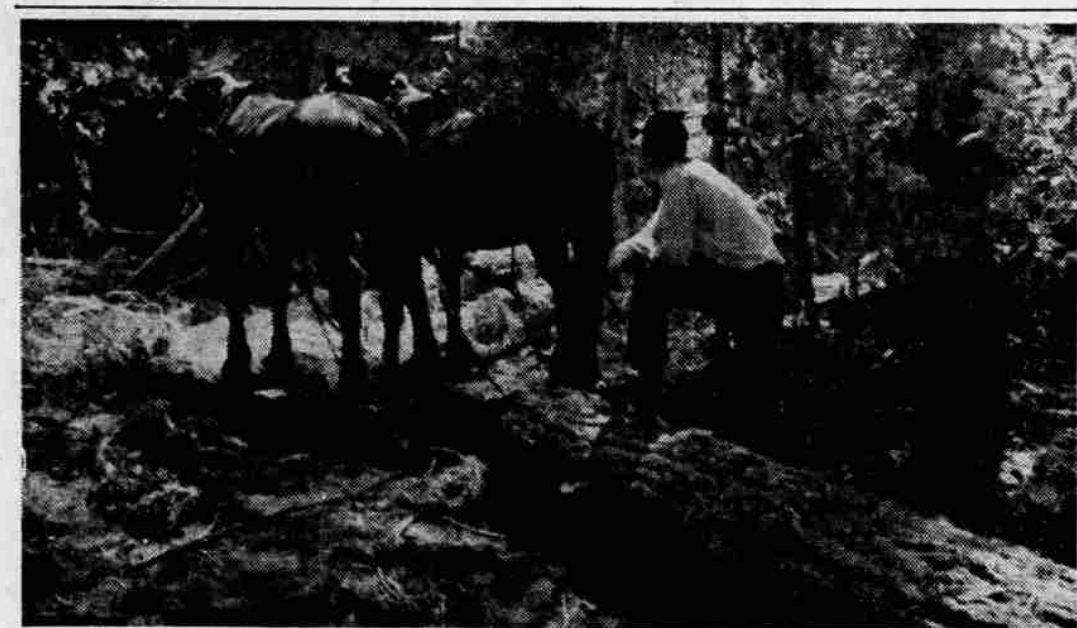
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**MATCHED PAIR**—Curly Thomassen is horse on the left smiles at the camera proud of his matched team of horses, which he says is one of the best he's seen. The view.



**HOOKED**—The hook (lower left) bites into a log as Curly Thomassen gives the command that gets the team started. The horses respond to Thomassen's voice as they work, although reins are also used.



**LONG HAUL**—Taking a breather before returning to work, Curly Thomassen relaxes while his team waits patiently. Elk Lumber company uses horse loggers in "salvage logging operations."

## Limited Operation Being Conducted in Persist Area

By RON ABELL  
Mail Tribune Staff Writer  
Horse: a large solid-hoofed mammal domesticated by man since a prehistoric period, used as a beast of burden, a draft animal, or for riding or driving.—Webster's Dictionary.  
So it's been no mystery since even pre-history That the horse, Of course, Keeps man from getting blistered. —R. A.

The horse, as any caveman could have told you, is a work animal. Just like the elephant, the yak, the ox, or the water buffalo.  
But modern life being what it is, old Dobbin has gradually been replaced: first by the steam engine, then the automobile, then the tractor, and finally even in the psychological western movie, until today the only place he's found is on a racetrack or in a parade.

Even a once significant term, "horsepower," is treated with derision. Why, one of those little foreign cars has 30 or 40 of them!  
Well, in Jackson county the good old days are coming back.  
Horses are being put to work in the logging industry. On Limited Scale

That's on a limited scale, of course. But up in the Persist area, in the woods between Prospect and Elk creek, three teams of horse loggers are currently at work under contract to Elk Lumber company.  
Roy Elmgren of Medford, forester for the company, said that they were the only teams he knew of locally and the men themselves agreed, though it's been suggested that in other parts of the state there has been a slow revival of the old art.

If horse logging sounds like an unfamiliar concept, it should be explained that the horses aren't used in place of men, but rather in place of machinery.  
Specifically, they're used in place of tractors.

And more specifically, their four-legged horsepower is used to skid logs down to a landing and load them on trucks.

**Big Advantage**  
As Elmgren explained it, there is one big advantage to using horses: they do far less damage to timber areas than do tractors.

Because of their relative mobility they are able to haul logs through wooded areas without skinning up standing timber, without knocking down small trees and without blasting out a wide skid trail.

Jim Ros, who both in Idaho and Oregon has been a horse logger for 35 years, said, "You go in an area that's been logged by horses and a year later you can't tell anyone was in there. But you look at where a Cat's been and it's all torn up."

**'Back to Nature'**  
Elmgren agreed. He drove through an area that had been horse-logged a short time ago and showed that it was practically "back to nature."

As a forester, he is concerned primarily with the protection and conservation of timber lands held by Elk Lumber. He said that the company's "tree farm" program and the interests of future logging inspired the company to contract timber areas out to horse loggers where it was practicable.

Horses can't replace tractors in big logging operations because their production capacity is smaller, but even so, four teams of horse-loggers were responsible for about 3 million board feet of lumber at Elk last year.

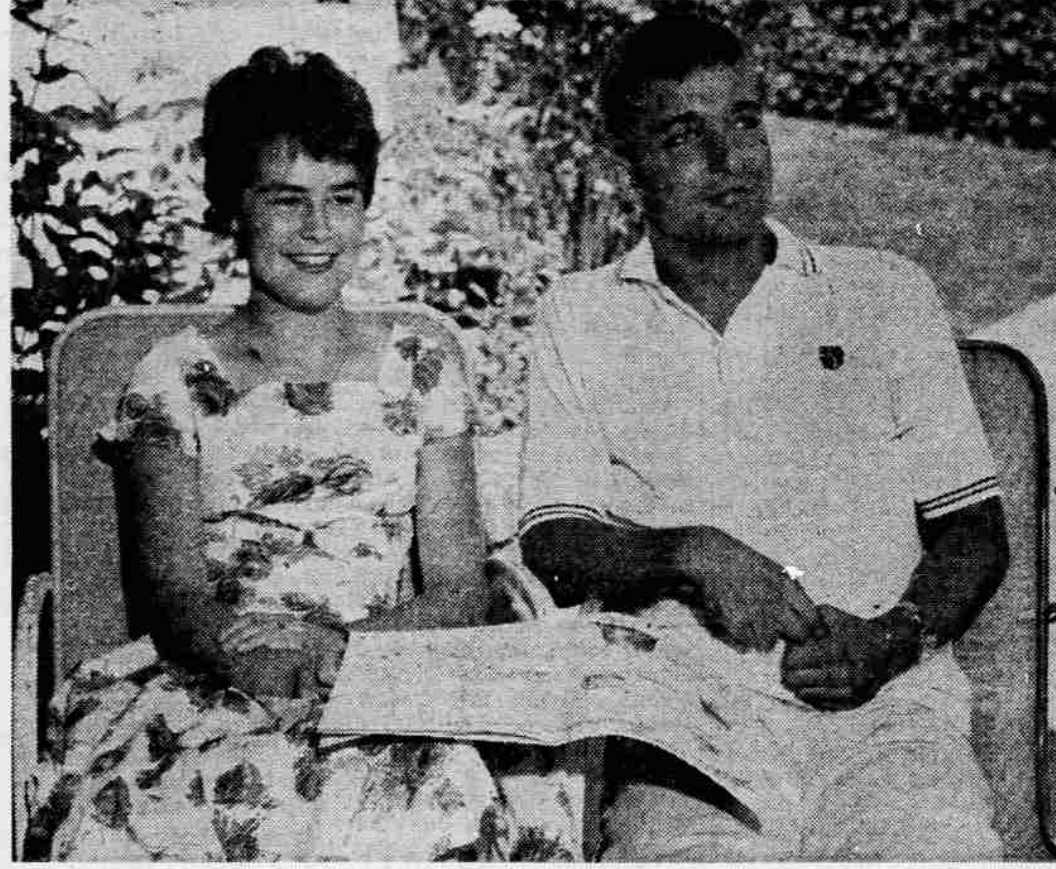
**7 1/2% of Output**  
That represented about 7 1/2 per cent of the company's output and, as even the horses could tell you, that ain't hay.

The primary drawbacks to using horses in bigger operations are that strong as they are, the beasts can't be used to haul long distances or over especially steep grades.

Tractors can skid logs over as long a haul as necessary but horses are seldom used for distances of more than 100 yards.

Besides Ross, the other two horse loggers currently in the local area are Jess Williams, who has been engaged in the art for about 10 years, and C. W. (Curly) Thomassen, who has been doing it for about six years.

**Enjoys Work**  
Thomassen said that he enjoys the work, partly because he's his own boss and partly because, when he wants to



**FAIR EXCHANGE**—Participating in the American Field Service exchange program are students Therese Inglin (left) and Reinhart Kostlin. They arrived in Medford on Aug. 20 and will stay with local families for the coming school year while attending Medford High school as seniors.

## Foreign Students Arrive Here To Attend Medford High School

A charming pair of youngsters arrived here last week from almost halfway around the globe and will attend Medford High school as seniors during the school year to come.  
They are participants in the American Field Service exchange program, which this year is bringing more than 1,300 teenage foreign students to the United States.

Introducing Medford to the girls of Geneva, Switzerland, is pert Therese Inglin, whose auburn hair and brown eyes frame a fetching smile and the biggest dimples this side of the Alps.  
**Staying with Finch's**  
Therese, who will be 17 years old next month, is staying with the Richard Finch family at 223 Bradford way.

And representing the tall young men of Germany is 18-year-old Reinhart Kostlin, with short, sandy hair, blue eyes—and a sun-tan to be envious of here or in his native town of Ludwigsburg.  
Reinhart is staying with the P. G. Humphreys family on Ross lane.

The American Field Service is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is the furthering of understanding and accomplishment of this end, teen-age students from abroad are brought to this country to study for a year.  
Sharing the cost of bringing Therese and Reinhart to this country are the field service, local Rotary and Lions clubs—who are sponsoring the students, the Finch and Humphreys families—at whose homes they will stay for the school year, and the families of the students themselves.

**Leave Rotterdam**  
Therese and Reinhart left Rotterdam earlier this month on the Dutch ship, "Waterman," along with about 800 other exchange students.  
After a 9-day boat trip they docked at New York, stayed four hours and left by airplane for San Francisco, this

time with the scholastic contingent reduced to 70.  
A short layover in San Francisco preceded a bus trip to the Rogue valley, and Therese and Reinhart arrived here on Aug. 20, with almost a month to go before school opens and the better part of an exciting new year to look forward to.

**Bus Trip East**  
A bus trip to the East coast next June, followed by a White House meeting, will treat them to a look at the United States that they had missed on their way west.  
Two things at least Reinhart and Therese have in common, in addition to their good humor and healthy good looks: they both speak German and they both come from big cities.

Geneva has a population of near 200,000, and Ludwigsburg is a suburb of Stuttgart, which exceeds a half a million.  
The quiet Rogue valley will be quite a change for them.  
**Big Difference**  
They said that a big difference they had noticed already was that here, most people seem to own their own houses.

Therese has an older sister in Switzerland and living with the Finch family here she will have two "sisters" for a year. Similarly, Reinhart, with two brothers and two Humphrey boys as part of his "family" here.

Both young students express themselves well in English. Reinhart studied it for six years at school, along with Latin and Greek; and one would never guess that Therese has studied English for only two years. She also speaks French, German and a bit of Italian.

**Does America seem different to them?**  
**Doesn't Seem True**  
Well, yes and no. People are people the world over. "I had heard that in America people were always hurrying," Therese said, "but this doesn't seem to be true."  
She added that she has seen a lot of things she hadn't seen before, and "I like them."

She has run across a lot of foods that are new to her, she said, and she was pleasantly surprised at the number of home appliances found in the homes here.  
And, she explained, in Switzerland one has to be 18 years old before he can drive a car. She said it seems strange to her to see 16-year-olds driving around city streets.

Both youngsters have been busy since arriving in Medford—meeting people, getting acquainted and getting settled.  
**Works Out Daily**  
Reinhart has been doubly busy because he has been working out twice daily with the Medford High football team.  
School starts on Sept. 14

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## Space Craft Test Flight Postponed

Edwards AFB, Calif. — (UPI) — The first powered flight of America's first manned rocket craft, the experimental rocket ship X15 was postponed Friday because of technical difficulties.

The black, needle-nosed ship was to be carried aloft under the wing of a giant B52 jet bomber and released at around 40,000 feet where test pilot Scott Crossfield would have put power to the two 8,000-pound thrust engines.

## Club Enters 4-H Fair in Yreka

Montague—The Willow Creek 4-H club entered a variety of exhibits in the Siskiyou County 4-H, FFA fair last week in Yreka.

The club entered an activity booth, with the theme "Fitness Through 4-H Activities." It was illustrated by displaying several kinds of projects which provide entertainment as well as personal advantages for the 4-H member. It was a second place booth in its division.

Miss Ardye Joslin, Miss Dorothy Hessig, and Miss Judy Young all entered Hereford steers. They sold them at the Junior Livestock auction Sunday. Ardye sold her 925 pound steer for 35 cents a pound to Mrs. Ruth Barklow and Charles Harris of Yreka. Dorothy sold her steer at 38 cents a pound, which weighed 1,005 pounds to Simons and McCarter Insurance and Mt. Shasta Milling company of Montague. Homer Atchley of Yreka bought the 1,040-pound steer from Judy at 35 cents a pound.

Carol Petersen and Judy Young entered range ewes which they took home following the fair for breeding stock. Judy Silva entered the only clothing project of the club. She took several prizes.

A 200 pound live hog dresses down to 146 pounds.



**WINNING** Democratic nomination for governor of Mississippi, Ross Barnett, 60, lawyer who advocates defiance of U. S. Supreme Court desegregation rulings, is assured of election.

## Local Students Make Dean's Honor List

James Culver Miller, son of James C. Miller, 411 Oakwood dr., and a student at California State Polytechnic college, San Luis Obispo, has made the president's list for the college year 1958-59.

Miller, an animal husbandry major, maintained an average of B or higher in all studies to make the list, it was reported.

Older people have fewer short illnesses than younger people but they also have more longer illness periods.

## Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

JEROME BEATTY has made it his business to discover what today's successful authors are saying between books. Here are a few nuggets he collected:

J. P. Marquand: "If you have one strong idea, you can't help repeating it and embroidering it. Sometimes I think that authors should write one novel and then be put in a gas chamber."

Robert Penn Warren: "Poets are terribly sensitive people and one of the things they are most sensitive about is cash."  
Robert Frost: "You've got to love what's lovable and hate what's hateful. It takes brains to see the difference."  
William Saroyan: "The writer who is eccentric is probably the sanest man alive."

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## Eagle Point Schools To Open Sept. 8; Classes Scheduled

Eagle Point — Schools of Eagle Point district 9C will start classes Sept. 8 at the regular scheduled time, Glen Hale, superintendent, has announced.

School will be in session all day, and buses will operate the same as last year, he said, since most students registered last spring. New students will be registered the first day of school.

The faculty at Elk-Trail, he said, is the same as last year. The only change in the Faculty at Shady Cove will be the addition of Naomi Smith, who will replace Anne Briggs, who will be in charge of the new special education room in the Eagle Point grade school.

**Grade School Faculty**  
The Eagle Point grade school faculty will remain the same, Hale said. New high school faculty members are Ardice Tilly, who will teach English; Frances Henry, library and speech; and Kenneth Vannice, physical education, social science and coaching.

A general meeting of all high school students is scheduled at 8:35 a.m. in the gymnasium, Hale said. Students will be given their schedules

## Verification Needed On Winner of Beef

The winner of the prize beef drawing of the Kiwanis County Fair has until Monday, Aug. 31, to verify their ticket number, according to Russ Renner, general chairman.

Renner stated that the winning numbers were posted at the Armory, at Swem's, Puruckers, and in the lobby of the Medford Mail Tribune for the convenience of residents who wish to check their tickets against the winning numbers.

The general chairman explained that ticket holders should check their numbers against the posted list and, should they hold a winning ticket, immediately identify themselves by contacting Kiwanis County Fair, 1221 Court st., Medford, to confirm and to give their name and address. The tickets as drawn were additionally identified in the order in which they were drawn.

**TOUCH SYSTEM**  
Boston—UPI—Though his left eye has been removed and he has only 9 per cent vision in his right eye, Bob Mattison earns a living tying fishing flies. He works in the kitchen of his home and is able to tie about 40 flies per day, doing the job almost entirely by touch.

**MISSING PERSONS**  
Spring Valley, N.Y.—UPI—At least one telephone number was accidentally left out of the new Rockland County directory—that of the Spring Valley police department.