

STATE TO GET LESS MEXICAN HARVEST HELP

Oregon will receive less Mexican harvest help this year, and Klamath county will be proportionately cut in this type of labor, it was brought out at a meeting of the Potato Growers association at Henley Tuesday.

Last year's allocation of Mexican nationals for Oregon was 5200. The anticipated allocation for 1945 for the state is 5000, which is 200 less men. Klamath county received about 750 men in 1944 and this year's anticipated allocation is about 600. However, with the overlapping farm needs, this number will probably be sufficient for the harvesting, Hardy surmised. American laborers, of course, will be given preference over foreign labor and prisoner of war labor.

Ben Tucker, emergency farm labor assistant of Oregon State college, and O. B. Hardy, district representative of the war food administration, in discussing farm labor situations with 162 potato growers at the meeting held in Henley, advised growers planning to house their own laborers, to start obtaining necessary articles now. Blankets, cooking utensils, and other materials are becoming more difficult to obtain from the government and other agencies, it was stated.

Ninety-four contracts were signed by growers at the meeting, for Mexican national labor for the coming harvest season, contracting for 1115 men.

Because of lack of funds, Tucker stated, only one migrant camp will be available for Klamath county. In other areas permanent migrant camps are being set up, he said, grower associations taking an active interest in obtaining camp sites. The association purchase, or secure long time leases, on the sites for establishing camps on a permanent basis.

Farm housing of workers, Tucker pointed out, is the best and most efficient method used, in considering a long time labor program.

Milton-Freewater growers organization has already purchased a permanent camp site, constructing a large utility building, permanent tent bases and water facilities. Estimated complete cost of the camp is about \$1900. The Dalles and Coburg are other areas in the state where growers are working on a similar basis.

Both Merrill and Malin communities were interested in having the migrant camp here, and in a vote taken by growers, it was decided to have the location at Malin. Construction of the camp will begin in the near future.

Hardy discussed the contract of the WFA with growers. Due to the cut in the budget for the 1945 program, he pointed out, temporary camps for Mexican laborers cannot be located closer than 25 miles apart, and must be operated with a minimum of 100 men for not less than 45 days.

One large base is planned to be located at the old Merrill CCC camp site.

If Bonanza growers can show where they can support a camp under the WFA requirements, one might be established there, Hardy said, but the prospect is rather doubtful at the present.

Scientists say that nicotine increases the sugar content of the blood.

Four-H News

Oregon 4-H club members have until July 1 to enter the \$8000 scholarship contest of the National Junior Vegetable Growers association, according to H. C. Seymour, state club leader and chairman of the national contest for the western states.

Recent unseasonable weather emphasized one of the goals of the contest, Seymour points out. That is adding to the nation's food supplies for the home, for other civilians and for the armed forces. City, suburban and farm 4-H gardeners are eligible for the contest, whether their gardens are 20 by 30 feet or are commercial acreages. A course of study emphasizing efficient production and marketing is sent to each club boy or girl entering the contest.

Prizes include \$100 war bonds to each of 33 sectional winners, \$200 scholarships to each of four regional champions and a \$500 scholarship to the national champion. Entries may be sent to Prof. Grant B. Snyder, junior grower adult adviser, 103 French hall, Massachusetts State college, Amherst, Mass.

APPLICATIONS FOR SUPPLIES CHANGED

Servicing of county farm transportation committee, by AAA committees will be discontinued, June 30 reports R. B. Taylor, chairman of the state AAA committee. Funds allotted to AAA to handle the farm transportation program will be expended at the close of the fiscal year, and additional funds to continue the program were not provided by the federal bureau of the budget.

After June 30, applications for farm trucks and for farm gasoline will not be filled at county AAA offices. Farmers will apply directly to local or state ODT and OPA offices after that date. AAA committee authorizations for conversion of tractors and other farm implements from steel to rubber also will be terminated.

Weekly Market Trend

(Editor's Note: The following market information is supplied from material obtained over the government leased wire in the office of the extension economist at Oregon State college. The material, in the form of a weekly summary of trends in the livestock market, is not intended to replace day by day market reports.)

CATTLE MARKETS
Salable receipts of cattle at North Portland on Monday, June 4, totaled 1650 head, 650 more than the 1000 but slightly fewer than a year ago. There were also 350 head of calves offered. Despite the increased number, trading in fed steers was active with good to choice grades at the ceiling of \$18. Fed heifers were \$17 but other classes moved slowly with prices down 25 cents from last week's close. A few stockers sold at \$13.50 to \$13.25.

Midwest markets were slow, with prices weak to 25 cents below Chicago reported the heaviest run of steers and yearlings since February.

LAMB MARKETS
Although 2000 head of sheep and lambs were received at North Portland Monday, only 900 were offered for local sale. Trading was active and prices steady. Good to choice spring lambs were mostly \$13.75.

HOG MARKETS
Offerings of hogs continued light at all markets with prices firmly at ceiling. Except in the case of hogs the flow of livestock to market so far this year has been heavy. Slaughter of cattle in federally inspected plants during the first quarter this year was 11 per cent larger than during the same period last year and 30 per cent above the 1940-44 average. Calf slaughter was 17 per cent above average. Sheep and lamb slaughter showed an increase of 9 per cent over the same quarter last year and 18 per cent over the five-year average. Hog slaughter, on the other hand, was down sharply, being only 33 per cent of the first quarter last year and 76 per cent of the five-year average. Despite this increased slaughter, civilian meat supplies have been insufficient for the demand, especially in the consuming centers some distance

FOOD RATION STAMPS GOOD

FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	
RED STAMPS							
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E F G H J	THRU JUNE 30						
K L M N P	THRU JULY 31						
Q R S T U	FROM MAY 1						
V W X Y Z	THRU AUG. 31						
Next stamps become good in June							
BLUE STAMPS							
H J K L M	THRU JUNE 2						
N P Q R S	THRU JUNE 30						
T U V W X	THRU JULY 31						
Y Z A B C	FROM MAY 1						
D E F G H	THRU AUG. 31						
Next stamps become good in June							
SUGAR STAMPS							
35 SUGAR	THRU JUNE 2						
36 SUGAR	FROM MAY 1						
	THRU AUG. 31						

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from producing areas. Military and lend-lease demands have been heavy.

Per capita consumption has declined from the high levels of a year ago. The BAE estimates that available civilian supplies are now 10 to 15 per cent lower than the rate of consumption in the first quarter of 1945. The bureau estimates that per capita supplies for the year 1945 will be 120 to 125 pounds compared with 120 pounds consumed in 1944. Most of the reduction from last year will be in pork, but other meats will also show some decrease.

WOOL MARKETS
Graded fine and high half-blood wools from the northwest moved on the Boston wool market last week on a fairly steady basis at ceiling prices of \$1.20, clean basis, for fine and \$1.18 for half-blood. Graded staple wools from Wyoming were appraised the past week at the following prices: Fine, 40 1/2 cents; half-blood, 37 cents; 3/8, 35 cents; 1/2, 33 cents; and one-fourth blood with a shrinkage of 54 per cent was appraised at 45 cents a pound in the grease.

Legality Of Nevada Divorces Challenged

PORTLAND, June 7 (AP)—Legality of Nevada short-residence default divorces was challenged in a suit on file in circuit court today based on a recent U. S. supreme court ruling.

Mrs. Anna Kelley, Portland, seeks invalidation of the Reno decree granted her husband, Emery B. Kelley, April 17. She charged he was a legal resident of Oregon and did not establish bona fide Nevada residence. Mrs. Kelley asked legal separation without divorce, alleging desertion in 1938.

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YOUR GARDEN

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Don't let this exceptionally wet weather discourage you from planting a garden. There is still plenty of time to plant a garden. It is true your vegetables may be a little late, but plenty of moisture in the soil and good growing conditions will help to offset the late planting.

In checking the planting dates of the various vegetables in the "Klamath Planting Plan," one will readily observe that it is not too late to plant a garden.

In the most of the garden plots, the soil is dry enough now so one can walk between the rows and not pack the soil too hard.

It would be a good plan to check your garden thoroughly for insect damage and observe your vegetables carefully to see if they should be thinned. Most everyone when planting sows the seed a little thicker to allow for those seeds which fail to germinate or for those plants that may be killed or die when very young. Thinning plants to the desired distance should be done early before they make much growth or become crowded. The "Klamath Planting Plan" shows the proper spacing of the various vegetables varieties within the row. This little bulletin can assist you to get the desired spacing. The largest and most vigorous plants should be left and the weaker ones removed.

Thinning should be done when the plants are small and when the soil is moist so that the roots of the plants which are left to grow will be disturbed as little as possible.

Cultivation's most important function is weed control. Weeds are most easily killed when small. When weeds are allowed to go beyond the seedling size, they compete seriously with the vegetables for soil nutrients, water, light, and air. A single cultivation will kill practically all seedling weeds, but it usually requires pulling to get rid of weeds when they are allowed to make a growth of 4 or 5 inches.

Cultivation should be done in shallow cultivation. It is usually experienced rains. It is also a good time to cultivate at this time to break the crust of the soil caused by rain. Shallow cultivation is ways preferable to deep cultivation. Obviously, no cultivation which are deep will disturb or cut off the systems. A "scuffle" box is an excellent tool for shallow cultivation.

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