

## Farm Census Lists Oregon

WASHINGTON (AP)—Four counties in Washington state, three in Oregon and two in Idaho ranked among the nation's 100 leading agricultural counties as shown in the 1954 farm census.

Reporting on the census, the Commerce Department said Fresno County, Calif., topped all counties in value of farm products sold in 1954, with \$208,212,800 (M).

Yakima County, Wash., with \$100,593,564, was among the first 10, ranking eighth in the nation. Whitman County, Wash., was 26th with \$50,728,273; Twin Falls County, Idaho, 62nd with \$32,371,545; Canyon County, Idaho, 64th with \$32,072,372; Lincoln County, Wash., 78th with \$28,716,300; Chelan County, Wash., 85th with \$27,729,500; Umatilla County, Ore., 89th with \$26,966,656; Marion County, Ore., 91st with \$26,573,259; and Malheur County, Ore., 98th with \$25,907,764.

In 1949, the year of the last previous agricultural census, Twin Falls County ranked 57th and Canyon County 61st. Lincoln, Chelan, Umatilla and Malheur counties were not among the first 100 in 1954.

## IRBM Missile Tests Begin

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States has started preliminary firings in its intermediate range ballistic missile (IRBM) programs with an Army test already made and an Air Force launching expected later this fall.

The Army experiment, reported to have been made last week at the armed forces' missile test center on the Florida coast, is believed to have been an initial test of the behavior of a missile-like object without a warhead or other features of an actual weapon.

The Pentagon declined to discuss the report.

There were reasons to believe that the device was lobbed out some hundreds of miles along the seaward range from Patrick Air Force Base.

The test device climbed on a high trajectory which carried it out of the dense atmosphere of the earth, then brought it back in the "re-entry" phase. The re-entry of an object traveling at thousands of miles an hour into the atmosphere has been one of the major problems of ballistic missile designers. Friction of air creates intense heat.

In this preliminary experiment, the Army presumably was more concerned with studying the efficiency of the fuel, propellant system and the effect of re-entry than in obtaining accuracy.

The Defense Department's specifications call for a 1,500-mile range for the IRBM.

The Air Force is understood to plan for an initial test firing of its Thor intermediate range ballistic missile sometime after October. It probably will also be an experimental device.



**RUMMAGE RAIMENT**—fit for a queen will be on sale at 734 Klamath Avenue, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 2-3, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the University of Oregon Mother's Club scholarship rummage sale. Mrs. Lane Warren, center, models some merchandise for two other Oregon Moms, Mrs. Fred Heilbroner, left, president of the Klamath Falls club; and Mrs. Francis W. Peak, rummage sale committee member. Bargain items will include a wide choice of household furnishings—from essentials to bric-a-brac. All proceeds are earmarked for the Oregon Mothers' annual scholarship award to further the education of some qualifying college student.

### Home Extension

SHASTA-HOMEDALE

By Leah Ferrell

The Shasta-Homedale Extension Unit held its first meeting of the year on September 21, in Joan's Kitchen at the fairgrounds. The meeting was presided over by the chairman, Mrs. Bob Callagan, assisted by the vice chairman, Mrs. Ray Brackman and the secretary, Mrs. H. G. Berry.

Mrs. Callagan announced her standing chairmen as follows: hospitality, Mrs. Jim Rumelhart; luncheon, Mrs. Ray Brackman; recreation, Mrs. D. D. Ervin; publicity, Mrs. Orville Ferrell; 4-H, Mrs. Wilbur Book; finance, Mrs. Claude Williams; Azalea House, Mrs. William Clark; ACWW, Mrs. Charley Thomas.

The project for the day was "Care of House Plants" presented by Mrs. Ferrell and Mrs. Ben Angus. Condition of the soil, watering plants, fertilizing and insect control were discussed. Mrs. Angus demonstrated the proper way

to mix soil and plant cuttings. She also showed the best way to prune a plant to insure healthy, vigorous growth. It was decided that success with house plants in a dwelling depends upon the wisdom used in selecting those that will thrive in the environment in which they are to be placed and with the care that they receive.

Home Extension Unit, at the recreation hall.

Mrs. William Pohl and Mrs. Irven Johnson explained watering, use of fertilizers, how to tell sizes of pots and lighting requirements of certain plants. They demonstrated mixing soils, repotting plants and how to root a Rex Begonia and an African Violet.

There were 11 members present included Mrs. Charles Crane and Mrs. Leonard Will, new members. Mrs. Roberts, mother of Mrs. Warren Fruits, was a visitor.

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## 'Sir Lancelot' Makes TV Debut For Current Season

By CHARLES MERCER  
NEW YORK (AP)—The best half-hour filmed series of action and romance in this new television season has made its debut on NBC-TV. It is "Sir Lancelot" which concerns the knights of King Arthur's Roundtable many centuries ago.

Doubtless designed primarily for younger viewers, "Sir Lancelot" actually appeals to anyone of any age who enjoys watching heroic action. Filmed in England, this program unravels a magnificent pageant of knights and castles, of jousting and broad swords. The producers appear to have spared no effort in recapturing the authentic details of the days of chivalry.

The worst new comedy situation series of the season follows "Sir Lancelot" on NBC-TV. It is "Stanley," a disaster which has crashed around the portly person of Buddy Hackett.

Though Hackett is a resilient soul, it's questionable whether he'll be able to extricate himself from the ruins.

In the opening show, Hackett played a newsstand dealer who was trying to obtain opera tickets for a bum. The contrived situation split wide open at the seams. How it all turned out was a matter of indifference to this department, which switched to other channels.

"Studio One" on CBS-TV played a good idea fancy on its first program of the new season in the story of a collector of Lincolnia who decided to burn an original of the Gettysburg Address. If played

straight in its natural dramatic development, the drama, "A Special Announcement," might have been more interesting.

As the wealthy collector, Bob Cummings gave a convincing performance which showed he has assets other than light comedy. In its breathless desire to withhold the reason why Cummings was going to burn the precious document, the drama went into a

long series of flash-backs. The obvious reason—that the collector wished to bring attention to the story line straight and let its spirit of the document by burning natural dramatic values carry it?

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