

Incomes of Oregon Farmers for 1962 Show First Increases in Three Years

For the first time since 1959, Oregon farmers in 1962 closed the year with higher incomes, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, Oregon State university extension agricultural economist. However, production expenses, on an average, took nearly \$8 out of every \$10 farmers received in cash.

Cash receipts from farm marketings in 1962 increased six percent over 1961 to reach nearly \$436 million, the most Oregon farm operators have received since 1951, Mrs. Horrell said after reviewing U. S. Department of Agriculture reports and other information.

The farmer's cash intake was increased by 1962's higher government payments of \$15.1 million, nearly \$5 million higher than 1961. Oregon farmers were also credited with \$42.4 million in non-money income for a total of \$493.3 million.

Production Expenses Climb

Production expenses for 1962 came to \$363.3 million. They climbed five percent over 1961, Mrs. Horrell pointed out. Production expenses are now at the highest point on record, having increased 17 percent since 1951. Current operating expenses increased with higher outlays on almost all items except fertilizer and lime.

A considerable part of Oregon's increase in cash farm receipts came from cattle and wheat, the state's two leading products. Cattle and calf receipts are at a record high, being up more than a tenth over 1961.

Malheur county, Oregon's leading beef producer, showed an 11 percent increase with only Tillamook county failing to show a gain.

Wheat Receipts Increase

Wheat receipts zoomed 36 percent last year, Mrs. Horrell said. Umatilla, number one wheat county in the state and eighth in the nation, upped its 1962 crop wheat receipts a good 50 percent. Fruit and vegetables also showed an increase, but feed crops, dairy and poultry products and miscellaneous livestock showed lesser amounts taken in from sales.

On a per farm basis, net income rose 10 percent last year to \$2,866. This average net income per farm

still lags behind the peaks of 1951 and 1952 by around 20 percent, she said. Nationally, income for each farm person last year averaged \$1,436, with more than one-third coming from off-farm sources. This compares with a per capita income of \$2,445 for the non-farm person.

Oregon Ranks 30th in Cash Sales

On the basis of cash farm sales, Oregon ranked 30th and rated 29th among the 48 states in net income per farm. California was first in cash receipts from marketings, while Arizona held top spot on the basis of net income per farm.

Last year's increases in production costs stemmed mostly from higher prices, Mrs. Horrell reported, as total amounts of goods purchased stayed about the same as 1961.

Since the early 1950's, the rise has been about evenly divided between higher amounts used and higher prices.

Farm Wages Higher

Farm wages increased some as did prices on farm machinery and equipment. Fertilizer use continued to expand, but the average cost per unit of plant nutrients in fertilizer is on the downturn. Farmers have attempted to battle increasing production costs by adopting newer and more efficient farming practices.

At the same time, the farmer is receiving less of the consumer's food dollar as marketing costs continue to rise, Mrs. Horrell pointed out. In mid-1963, the farmer was receiving only 36 cents out of the retail dollar spent by the consumer for U. S. producer farm foods.

In the past 10 years, the nation's food marketing bill has risen nearly 50 percent, Mrs. Horrell said. Reasons for this include more products being marketed, higher cost per unit of marketing services and increases in wages, transportation rates, packaging materials, machinery and other goods and services which marketing firms buy.

Classifieds Bring Results!

Bon Voyage!



DONNA LEE WILSON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wilson of 807 Adrian Boulevard, Nyssa, is shown on the deck of the North German Lloyd Lines "M. S. Berlin," just before sailing from New York harbor bound for one year of studies at the International Music center in Oldenburg, Germany. Donna Lee was graduated from Nyssa high school and the University of Oregon in Eugene. She was a member of the Nyssa school faculty from 1958-60, having taught third grade and high school English.

—Photo Courtesy of North German Lloyd.

Books on Crime in United States Head New List at Malheur County Library

New books going into circulation Saturday, Oct. 5, at Malheur county library include the following:

"Organized Crime in America" edited by Gus Tyler. This compilation is a history of big crime and its organization in America.

"Crime Without Punishment" by John L. McClellan. A report on the work of the Senate Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field.

"The Americans" by Oscar Handlin. A new history of the people of the U. S.

"America and Russia" by the American Heritage magazine. The story of Russian-American relationships from 1809 when John Quincy Adams was our first emissary to Russia through World War II.

"John F. Kennedy, President" by Hugh Sidey. A narrative history of the president written by the White House reporter for Time magazine.

"Psychology" by George A. Miller. This book explains what the science of psychology is like and how it got that way.

"Occupation: Angel" by Marguerite Cullman. The author reminisces about how she and her husband have backed profit-making plays since 1938.

"Hidden Treasure" by Jeanne Horn. The author gives the history, possible location and value of lost treasures throughout history.

"Pancakes Aplenty" by Ruth Ellen Church. Tasty, tempting recipes for pancakes plain and fancy, including waffles, fritters and omelets.

"The Concise Encyclopedia of Favorite Flowering Shrubs" by Marjorie J. Dietz. One-hundred popular shrubs chosen for variety, landscape value, beauty, permanence and low maintenance requirements.

"The Living Reed" by Pearl S. Buck. A novel of Korea.

"A Finger in Every Pie" by Victoria Case. Heart-warming stories of the men and women who were pioneer settlers in Oregon and the Puget Sound country.

"The Anniversaries" by John Espey. Three generations of a southern California family are portrayed in a novel that ends with the death of the clan patriarch.

"Books With Men Behind Them" by Edmund Fuller. A detailed examination of the work of seven contemporary writers.

"Two Brothers" by Vasco Pratolini. An Italian author writes autobiographically of two brothers who are brought up separately because of their mother's early death but who bridge the gap of separation and grow to love each other.

"West of the Mountains" by D. Geneva Lent. A study of James Sinclair, a well-known free-trader, whose life reveals some of the facts about the 19th-century Northwest.

"California Information Almanac." A comprehensive study of California—past, present and future.

"The State Parks" by Freeman Tilden. A compendium of information to most of the important state parks.

"Seven Tears for Apollo" by Phyllis A. Whitney. A novel of suspense set in modern-day Greece.

Coming Events . . .

Today, 1:45 p.m.—WSSC prayer group and general meeting at Methodist church.

Tonight, 7 p.m.—PTA executive board meeting in junior high school building.

Tonight, 8 p.m.—Amity club meeting at home of Mrs. Solon Lewis.

Tonight, 8 p.m.—Legion and auxiliary meeting in community hall.

Oct. 4, 10:30 a.m.—Senior Citizens' club meeting at Catholic parish hall.

Oct. 4, 2 p.m.—Rebekah Sunshine club meeting in IOOF hall.

Oct. 4, 4 p.m.—"Coke time" for teenagers at Methodist church.

Oct. 6, 1 to 6 p.m.—Dinner sponsored by American Legion and auxiliary in community hall.

Oct. 7, 8 p.m.—Eastern Star meeting in Masonic hall. (Robert Morris night.)

Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m.—Knife and Fork club meeting at East Side cafe.

Oct. 9, 7 p.m.—Fellowship dinner at Methodist church.

Oct. 10, 10:30 a.m.—Nyssa Home Extension unit meeting in Methodist church.

Wyckoff Attends U of O Classes

(From the Nyssa High Bulldog)

By CHRIS WYCKOFF

This summer, I had the privilege of attending the 14th Oregon Student Council Workshop. The workshop was held on the University of Oregon campus at Eugene from Aug. 11 to 16.

The workshop was a crowded one with 188 students and 22 instructors present. The consultant was Dr. Donald I. Wood of Rice University.

Busy Days for All

Every day was packed with activity. After breakfast, all of us would meet in a general assembly where the topic of the day would be presented by Dr. Wood.

We then would separate into six buzz groups to discuss the problem and its possible solutions. Late in the afternoon we would gather again to report what we had discussed in the buzz groups.

Every evening we would participate in recreational activities. These included a talent show, a picnic and a "grubbers" dance. We also had access to the university recreational facilities.

Suggests More Delegates

Student council members holding a great variety of offices participated in the workshop. In fact, some high schools sent their entire group of student body officers. It would be valuable for our school if we could send more than one delegate.

The workshop was a big opportunity for me to learn much about the organization and operation of the student council. With the cooperation and support of the student body, I feel that the effect of the workshop will be beneficial to the whole school and will result in a year of progress for NHS.

RETURNS FROM BOISE

Mrs. Ida Walters returned home Friday from Boise where she had spent several days helping to care for her granddaughter, Mrs. Gary Launt who was ill. Mrs. Launt, the former Brenda Walters, was staying at the home of her mother in the Idaho capital city.

VISIT HOSPITAL PATIENT

Mrs. Boyd Wilson and her mother, Mrs. Cassie Gaskill, visited Saturday with the latter's brother, W. W. Seaward, who is a patient in St. Alphonsus hospital in Boise.

Proposed Wheat Standard Revision Hearing Dated October 8 in Portland

An informal public hearing on proposed revisions of official U. S. wheat standards will be held in Portland Oct. 8, reports Ray H. Teal, Oregon State university extension seed marketing specialist.

The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the auditorium of the Federal Office Building, 1001 NE Lloyd Boulevard. It will be conducted by the Agricultural Marketing Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

If the revisions are adopted as part of the official wheat standards, the changes will become effective about May 1, 1964, Teal said.

One of the major changes affecting the Pacific Northwest wheat industry would involve changing the Western white wheat subclass, first established in 1922, to "mixed white wheat."

Major Revisions Noted

It is felt by some that "mixed white wheat" is more descriptive of the subclass which contains more than 10 percent of wheat of the white club varieties and more than 10 percent of other white wheat. Percentages of white club and common white wheat in the mix would be made part of the grade designation.

Another major change would be to express dockage, that is, unmillable materials removed from wheat before milling, to the nearest whole and half percent. Under present regulations, dockage up to 0.9 percent is now shown on inspection certificates.

Other proposed changes in wheat standards would be to eliminate the subclasses Red Winter Wheat and Western Red Winter Wheat in the class Soft Red Winter Wheat; to provide maximum limits for total defects in numerical grades and to change the limits of shrunken and broken kernels in numerical grades.

It is also proposed to combine the tables of grade requirements for all classes of wheat; to change the maximum moisture limits for tough wheat; to delete smut dockage in the special grade for smutty wheat; to provide a special grade of "heavy wheat" for all wheat classes and to change the limits of wheat of other classes in numerical grades.

Last Changes Made in 1957

In announcing the proposals, the USDA pointed out that the last changes were made in 1957 and that improvements in wheat production and marketing practices appear to justify changes to reflect this improvement, Teal

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