

Matching Fund Project on Movement of Cattle Slated to Begin This Year

What happens to Oregon's cattle? To what use are they put? Do they go to Oregon feed lots and eventually end up in the state's slaughter plants? Do they remain on the range or are they shipped out of state?

Oregon Department of Agriculture will begin probing for these answers in a new marketing service matching funds project starting this year on cattle movement.

This project, which will utilize information available from the brand inspection service of the department, is a cooperative one between the Agricultural Marketing service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Department of Agriculture.

Government Contributes \$19,600

It is one of four matching fund projects in which the department is participating. The experiment station at Oregon State university is also participating in the other three. The federal government's contribution this year for these four projects is \$19,600.

The other three besides the cattle movement are specific gravity separation of potatoes, a virus-free nursery stock project and a project to determine the reliability and reproducibility of fluorescence testing in the marketing of ryegrass seed.

One other matching fund project was completed during the 1963-64 fiscal year. This was on packaging material for storage and shipment of seeds.

Separation Process Described

Through the project on specific gravity separation of potatoes an experimental machine that sep-

arates the heavy solids potatoes from those with lower solids has been developed. This is done by running through a salt solution of desired density in which the potatoes with heavy solids sink to the bottom.

This is beneficial in marketing because the heavier solids content potatoes are better for baking and French fries, while the lower solids potatoes are better for hash browns, patties and boiled potatoes. Last spring brief retail merchandising trials were made in the Portland area and this marketing season pilot merchandising trials are planned for that area.

Virus-Free Stock Developed

Object of the virus-free nursery stock project is to assure that Oregon nurserymen can propagate virus-free plants. The project has covered cherries, prunes, peaches and apples. Procedures, methods, and in most instances, varieties of cherries, prunes and peaches have now been found or developed to furnish and maintain virus-free budwood of all major varieties.

Another phase of the virus-free project is being carried on with funds from Oregon nurserymen. This is in rose viruses.

The project on determining reliability and reproducibility of fluorescence testing in the marketing of ryegrass seed was initiated last season.

Fluorescent Test Used

It is the result of an amendment to the Federal Seed act requiring all ryegrass seed sold in the U.S. to be labeled as to content of annual and perennial seeds, based on results of a fluorescence test.

Preliminary surveys and referee tests indicate a wide variation of test results among laboratories, seed lots, various fluorescence levels and replications within a particular seed lot. This study will require several years for completion.

The seed storage project recently completed showed 10-mil polyethylene the best material for moisture resistance, while burlap with four-mil liner and laminated paper with polyethylene bags were the best for maintaining seed viability and germination qualities.

Sealing methods did not affect the viability of seeds but did cause significant difference in seed moisture.

RETURN FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Winchell returned Saturday from a week's vacation trip to the coast. In addition to sightseeing trips, they also went deep sea fishing and both caught their limits of salmon.

Dryden Descendants Meet to Observe 100th Anniversary of Idaho Arrival

Approximately 100 descendants of the William Wallace Dryden family gathered Monday at the park in Nampa for the centennial observance of the family's arrival in Idaho.

The Drydens left Missouri by prairie schooner in May 1864 and were among a group of 50 wagons in the train. Each family was required to have two wagons. The Drydens' livestock included four yokes of oxen, one saddle horse, a four-horse team and a pony for the eight children.

Winter in Boise Valley

Original destination was California. Some of the pioneers went on to that state; however, others took the Landus cutoff and headed for Oregon country. They arrived in the Boise valley during September that year and decided to camp there for the winter.

They were impressed by the abundance of grass and fertility of the valley, so decided to remain there and took up homesteads. They built log cabins near Middleton, Idaho, at the site of the Ward massacre. Descendants of some of the families still reside on the original homesteads.

The Drydens lived there for five years and in 1869 moved to Reynolds Creek, being one of the first four families to settle in that area. Mr. Dryden ranched, raised stock and also did a little preaching and blacksmithing.

Bible Used as Textbook

He established and conducted the first public school in the area using the Bible as his textbook.

Charles E. Share, a son-in-law of the W. W. Drydens, built the stage station in 1877 and for a number of years operated Share House on Reynolds creek, an overnight stop on the run between Boise and Silver City.

The Drydens' son-in-law, William Hemingway, drove the stage for Share and was killed by Indians during the Bannock uprising. He was grandfather of the Jordan Valley and Succor creek Fenwick families.

First Law Officer

Thomas Dryden, a son of the settlers, was a scout during the same Bannock war and was later appointed U.S. marshal for Mal-

heur county and was also the first Nampa town marshal and Caldwell chief of police.

The descendants of these hardy pioneers have stated that they were very proud to meet for this centennial observance.

Among those attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Share, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Don Share and children, all of Nyssa. Charles Share and Mrs. Marshall are great-grandchildren of the late W. W. Dryden.

Classifieds Bring Results

Nyssa Births . . .

Aug. 21—To Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Sessions of Adrian, a 7-pound, 10-ounce boy, unnamed.

Aug. 22—To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris of Nyssa, a 6-pound, 5-ounce boy, Rickie.

Aug. 24—To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stam of Nyssa, a 7-pound, 10-ounce boy, unnamed.

Aug. 26—To Mr. and Mrs. Jim Warren of Nyssa, a 7-pound, 15-ounce boy, unnamed.

VISIT IN NAMPA

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Renstrom and Mrs. Irma Myers visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Peterson at Nampa. Mrs. Peterson is Renstrom's mother.



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Elementary Teachers Listed

Mrs. Clarice Poor, principal; Charles Holton, vice principal. Mrs. Opal Alcorn, Mrs. Gladys Engelhardt, Mrs. Lucile Cary, Mrs. Berniece Fisher, Mrs. Marguerite Leslie, Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, first grade; Mrs. Frances Bates, Mrs. Beverly Aldrich, Mrs. Mildred Elliot, Mrs. Eula McConnell, Mrs. Lucille Pett, second grade.

Mrs. Zette Bumgarner, Mrs. Helen Gonyer, Mrs. Vale Hagey, Mrs. Naomi May, Mrs. Betty Ott, third grade; Mrs. Eva Chadwick, Mrs. Elaine Nelson, Mrs. Gladys Spitzer, Mrs. Madge Thomson, fourth grade.

Mrs. Marjorie Mitchell, Mrs. Joy McPartland, Mrs. Nelda Schenk, Laverne Shell, fifth grade; Elvin Ballou, Mrs. Mary Hatt, Mrs. Tavie Hendricks, Mrs. Hazel Lane and Virgil Seward, sixth grade.

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