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## **Oregon State Agricultural Economist** Predicts Lower Prices for Livestock

Livestock prices in Oregon much for feeder cattle this sum-probably reached their peak for mer and fall, according to the the year in March and should con- economist.

tinue to drop somewhat during Widespread drought in the Westhe rest of the year, according to tern and Great Plains states is Stephen C. Marks, Oregon State also having an effect on the cattle university extension agricultural market by forcing ranchers short economist. on feed supply to sell part of

Production of both red meat their herds. Unless rains come, and poultry is increasing, Marks more cattle will be sold off the points out. This helps balance ranges earlier than usual.

continued strong demand for However, if the present greatermeat. There are more cattle in than-average supply of cattle in feedlots being finished for mar- feedlots is cleaned up by the end ket now than there were in 1965, of the year there could be some and this also will hold prices price relief then, Marks says. down.

### Feeders Caught in Squeeze

Falling prices mean that cattle well under year-earlier levels this feeders are getting caught in the summer and fall, predicts Marks. squeeze between the prices they Hog prices hit an 18-year high paid for feeder cattle that went of \$30.85 in Portland last winter. into their lots this spring and the They dropped off considerably, price being paid for cattle going but then came back up some. to market now.

Feedlot operators in turn are raising even more pigs for sumnot going to be willing to pay as mer and fall markets than they

## RETURN FROM PENDLETON

Mr. and Mrs. Ewen Chard returned home July 26 after spending two weeks in Pendleton with prospect of another record corn their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Doyn Price and family. Mrs. Price recently un- tion for market next spring and summer. derwent major surgery.



# Thundereggs Embellish Journal Window

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# DISPLAY BY MAURICE COREY THUNDERECCS CAL ARE Hog prices will probably dip

AMONG THE MANY THUNDEREGG displays at Nyssa business firms is this one by Maurice colorful "eggs" in the window are those furnished Corey. It occupies a good portion of the window by Adolph Schroeder. They are pictured elsespace at the Journal office and includes stones from various beds in the area. Individual samples

are labeled as to where they were found. Other where in this issue of the Journal.

-Staff Photo.

Miss Sager to Study At Whitworth College Bonnie L. Sager has been ad- rated better than last year. mitted to Whitworth college for

The Nyssa student is a daugh-

Proctor said the freshman class

concluded.

To Buy, Sell or Rent,

**Outlook Mixed for Oregon Harvest; OSU Economist Reports Ups, Downs** 

Harvest prospects for many of Oregon's farm products are not as bright as last year, with the exception of some berry, tree fruit and vegetable crops.

Growers look for record crops in snap beans, strawberries and red raspberries, but Mrs. Elvera Horrell, Oregon State university extension agricultural economist, said the outlook is for smaller output of grains+this season.

the 1960 to 1964 average.

age for that date, Mrs. Horrell

Ranges are rated poor in the

northeast section and only fair

Cattle, Sheep in Good Shape

year.

said.

remain 6 percent below average, Wheat is expected to be the economist predicted.

down 20 percent, barley off In tree fruits, prospects are for 13 percent, corn down 15 per- more cherries and peaches, fewer cent and oats off as much as 30 apples and pears and about the percent. Rye output is expected same tonnage of prunes. Oregon to be down a fifth but still above also looks for more filberts and walnuts this year, although the The state's hay crop is expected walnut crop may drop below avto fall more than 14 percent short erage.

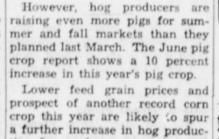
#### of last year. Supplies are expect-Berry Production Up

ed to be short, even though there Latest estimates place Oregon's was a larger carryover from last strawberry crop fractionally higher than the record crop produced Oregon's pastures continue to in 1964 and 70 percent above last deteriorate this summer. July 1 year's small crop. Chances are condition was 76 percent of nor- good for a record red raspberry mal compared to 91 percent aver- crop this year.

Black raspberries will dip below last year but remain above average; boysenberries and loganberries are expected to top last year. Growers are also harvestin other areas of the state. Cattle of tame blackberries. ing a somewhat larger acreage

and sheep are still in good shape A record snap bean crop may in most parts of Oregon, but only also be in the offing, but processin the northwest corner are they ing peas may be down a fourth. Prospects look favorable for sweet





Hog Prices Reach \$30.85

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