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Dairying Is America's Greatest Food Reservoir

With the armed forces requiring nearly 11 billion pounds of milk, or its equivalent of milk products and with an equivalent of over 10½ billion pounds of milk required for leasehold and other foreign outlets, Payette county dairymen have a real patriotic duty to perform by increasing their herds and milk production and according to all indications they will be fully compensated for their efforts.

In the year just ended approximately 118½ billion pounds of milk were produced on the farms of America. That is the second highest annual production in the history of any nation, and is exceeded only by the production of the United States for the preceding year.

Of this amount nearly 13 billion pounds remained on farms to be consumed as whole milk or made into butter. The remaining 105½ billion pounds was sold by farmers partly in the form of fluid milk and partly as cream.

According to the latest census figures 2,414,000 farms in the United States report selling some dairy products each year. That is approximately 37 per cent of all the farms in the United States. "It indicates," stated Milton Hult, President of the National Dairy Council, "that more farmers are engaged in producing America's number one protective food than in any other important branch of agriculture. The wide-spread nature of the industry makes for its stability and gives added assurance of a reasonably uniform supply."

Pardon Board Both Judge and Jury

By a two to one vote the Idaho pardon board last week granted a full pardon to Duncan McD. Johnston, former mayor of Twin Falls, who was serving a life term in the state penitentiary for murder. Attorney General Bert Miller voted with Secretary of State George Curtis for his release after releasing a public statement expressing doubts as to Johnston's guilt, although no new evidence had been brought forth.

The Twin Falls man was found guilty of murdering George Olson, jewelry salesman, by a jury and later this conviction was upheld by the state supreme court, the trials costing the taxpayers of Twin Falls county thousands and thousands of dollars.

It is the duty of a pardon board to determine whether a criminal has paid sufficiently for his crime, not to act as judge and jury.—Minidoka News.

More Time Should Be Devoted to Teaching Young to Work; Already Know How to Play

(From the Emmett Index)

We see where many cities are setting up youth centers. There the young people may go and find amusement. All of which is worthy in its way, yet this solution to the juvenile problem misses its mark a million miles—as do so many similar movements. Teaching children to play never has solved anything. They know how to play when they are born, and all adults need to do is furnish the machinery. Why not teach them to work?

There is the solution to all youth problems, and evidently our nation's experts have overlooked it completely. Those employers who hire young people out of schools find them a fine lot, hardy and willing. Yet almost without exception they know little or nothing of work. They don't know how to start to keep busy; to not only occupy their employer's time, but to occupy their own. In short they just don't know how to work.

We coddle our young ones, then when they turn out badly we blame everyone and everything except them and ourselves. How foolish. Before they start to school we buy them toys and games so they can play. In school they play baseball and basketball and football; they play in the band; they play at this and that, and some of them we suspect play at going to school. Then, because they cannot keep their hands and minds busy, communities are asked to set up machinery to furnish more play. When, in the name of common sense, are we going to start teaching them to work? Yes, work, plain old common, sometimes grimy work? Your boy or girl with a steady job and enough gumption to hold it just never seems to have time to get into trouble.

Every Town Will Need an Airfield

There are rumors afloat that the government desires another airfield between Pocatello and Boise.

If this is true probably no better location could be found than on the government-owned land north of Rupert and efforts should be made to bring this to the attention of proper authorities.

If this city is to hold its own in post-war days it must have an airfield, one large enough to accommodate the large planes, and preliminary plans for such a field should be underway.

There will be passenger transports, freight transports and private planes galore when this war is over and the city that does not provide for them will be out of luck.—Minidoka News.

would be virtually a conclusion that all other branches of the government and all levels below the federal are unimportant. For a citizen of the United States, the ballot should permit consideration of every office from the precinct to the top. Even Hitler had "JA" and "Nein" ballots.

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The State Land board is kept extremely busy these days considering sales and leases of state lands, in keeping with the active market and demand for farm and grazing lands. Endowment funds supported by such sales are growing at a more rapid rate than for many years. Sales are being made on a heavy cash payment, indicating some stability to the sales.

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A visit to our sister state of Utah impressed me with the fact that Idaho will not face as direct a problem in the post-war years as will Utah. It is to be hoped that the steel plant at Geneva can be operated in the post-war years for the benefit of the intermountain and west coast area, but it should by all means be free from bureaucratic whims by being operated as a private enterprise.

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Possible closing of the military programs in our schools of higher education will frame some serious problems in supporting these institutions for the duration for civilian use only. Idaho must sooner or later re-align its whole educational program from the first grade to the university, and it may be as well to do it while enrollments are low in the higher institutions than later when many educational careers will be disrupted. The federal government, realizing that we can never again

let ourselves become as ill equipped for trained men in the armed forces as we were before Pearl Harbor, might well consider the establishment of small military colleges throughout the country, rather than depending on West Point and Annapolis for our top-flight men to be spilled out with the old ROTC program.

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At Omaha recently I was privileged to visit Boys' Town, where youth are not wanted elsewhere, but where a definite social misfit, an opportunity to build character and manhood into themselves. The results there are surprising, but not altogether unexpected. As this has a much better chance to feature the human side of reformation and rebuilding than does a governmental institution.

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Anise Grows in Northwest
Anise grows well in the northwest area between the Cascade and Rocky mountain ranges but has the disadvantage of requiring hand labor for thinning and weeding in conflict with sugar beet labor. Plantings in 1942 were very light and much of that planted was lost due to scarcity of hand labor.

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Children Sensitive
Quick, stinging statements made to children are remembered far longer than grown-ups realize and may be responsible for some of the inferiority complexes of later years. A thoughtful consideration and a sympathetic understanding of children, on the other hand, pay big dividends in family happiness, joy and contentment.

ROUND-UP

As a result of recent OPA action—glass jars of apples, apple sauces, apple juice, and sweet cider will sell at retail for approximately two cents more than the same-sized tin cans. . . . Ration point values for country butter will be lowered in areas where necessary to move it faster and prevent spoilage. . . . Effective June 1, the country shipper may add \$1 a hundredweight to his ceiling price for sales to the ultimate consumer when he makes such sales in amounts up to 800 pounds. . . . reductions are expected in some lines of lamps and lamp shades which have been selling at excessive prices. . . . Lard is temporarily removed from rationing. . . . WFA has announced that—the price of feed wheat has been increased one cent per bushel and feed wheat will be sold through grain distributors to carlot buyers at established county prices without merchandising charges. . . . WPB says that—Repairmen may use up to \$25 worth of authorized material for installing cooking, plumbing, heating, or used air-conditioning or refrigeration equipment units and he may use up to \$250 worth of material for an authorized new air-conditioning or refrigeration system. . . . Vitamin A, "Anti-infection" vitamin, has been placed under allocation for the first time to insure equitable distribution in face of mounting demand. . . . Agricultural discs for plows, harrows and other farming implements are expected to be produced in sufficient quantity to balance the first half year's program for 1944. . . . Old used collapsible tubes should be turned in at once to drug, retail and chain stores so that needed tin can be salvaged.

U. S.'s First Sponge Source

Key West was America's first native sponge source, and in 1891 was yielding nine-tenths of the U. S. supply. The crop was limited to sponges reached by a "hooker" with a 30-foot pole.

Forest Toll Is High

Insects, disease and decay take an annual toll of \$110,000,000 from our forests—much of this loss being in old, over-ripe timber which should have been harvested years ago.

Timber Crop Grows

Timber is a crop which is growing at the rate of 11,300 million cubic feet a year, or an annual increment sufficient to build 2,665,000 new homes each year.

Beeswax Goes to War

Beeswax is an essential constituent of polishing waxes for airplane wings, for protective coatings and lubricants for shells and bullets and is used in numerous other vital war products.

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The talk made by Wendell Willkie in Boise touched a responsive chord in a call for more serious treatment of political matters in

this country, from the president himself down to the last voter in the most remote precinct. Freedom requires the exercise of responsibilities along with its benefits and is not a jocular matter.

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A gathering of leaders of the legislature to go over possible "soldier vote" legislation was held Sunday in the capitol, and the call will be issued in the daily press by the time this column is published. Meanwhile, the senate and the house in Washington are jockeying back and forth over a proposition which at best could allow a vote to the armed forces simply on the presidential level. Such a ballot