

FARM and GARDEN NEWS

Spud Raisers Demand Fair Treatment

Tired Of Being Held Up To Scorn As To Price Support, Leader Says

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—(AP)—A spokesman for potato farmers told congressmen from potato-producing states last week that the growers are "tired of being whipping boys for the farm price support program."

W. M. Case of Grand Forks, N. D., executive secretary of the Red River Valley Growers association and member of the National Potato council's legislative committee, told the potato bloc:

"We are tired of being held up to public scorn as the recipients of so many millions of dollars without any credit at all for the growers' own efforts over a period of three years to reduce costs."

"The record clearly shows that potato growers, on the whole, have done almost exactly what the government has requested of them under programs that have been in effect."

The meeting was called by Senator Brewster (R-Me.) of the informal congressional group from potato states, to discuss a threat mandatory price supports might be withdrawn from potatoes, the only perishable crop in the price support program.

Chairman Pace (D-Ga.) of a House agriculture subcommittee previously called a hearing on his bill to institute production and marketing restrictions on potatoes and to prescribe penalties for violators of such controls. Grower representatives opposed the measure, saying they had not had time to study it.

Oppose Change Now
They urged that potatoes be left alone for the present—supported at 60 percent of parity and with acreage goals set by the secretary of agriculture. Par-



HIGH SPEED PLANTER—J. G. Futral, associate agronomist at Georgia Experiment station, operates the planter developed by him and Associate Professor R. L. Allen, of Georgia Tech, which will enable farmers to increase their planting speed from three to 15 miles an hour.

ty is a figure calculated to give a farmer a fair return in relation to things he buys.

Pace said that the current program benefits non-cooperators more than cooperators and is costing the government "unjustified" amounts. He said the agriculture department estimates the potato support program will cost between \$50 and \$100 million this year.

This, he said, could endanger the whole price support structure. Case said the present "very low level of 60 percent of parity" amounts to the equivalent of insurance on the cost of production.

He said the record will show that under the present support price support and goals, acreages have been cut voluntarily to 41 percent less than in 1943 and are the lowest in 70 years.

Elgarose

By MRS. THELMA HANSON
Mr. and Mrs. George Sandberg and children, Donald and Donna,

visited with Mrs. Bartholomy of Drain Sunday, Marjlen and David Bartholomy, who had been visiting the past few weeks in Portland with their grandparents, returned here with them.

Donald and Margie Hanson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hanson, returned home after visiting the past three weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Grise of Dairy, Ore.

Mrs. Lucille Edwards and her baby daughter, Margaret Ann, who was born at the Mercy hospital July 23, are now at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Temple Starkey of Chowchilla, Calif., are visiting the latter's aunt, Mrs. Ada Durch, of Elgarose.

Mable Casper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Casper of Myrtle Point, has returned to her home after visiting with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Casper, in Elgarose this past week.

Compromise On Farm Program Offered Brannan

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—(AP)—A bi-partisan Senate group today offered Secretary of Agriculture Brannan a compromise model of his new farm program. They expected the administration farm leader to back it.

If he doesn't, senators said, he probably will get a farm plan that he has publicly branded as such worse.

Brannan was invited to a closed-door session of a seven-member agriculture subcommittee headed by Senator Anderson (D-NM), who preceded him as Secretary of Agriculture.

After much tugging and hauling, Anderson has achieved agreement among disputing senators for a new farm program that appears to pick up a few suggestions from all opposing camps.

It would continue through next year government price supports on corn, wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice and peanuts—the so-called basic crops—at near the present and wartime levels.

It would do the same thing for a long list of non-basic crops that can be stored, such as oats, barley, rye, meats, butter and similar products.

It would allow Brannan—under numerous limitations—to try out "production payments" on non-basic crops that are perishable—probably fresh vegetables, oranges, grapefruit, and other fresh fruits.

It would put into operation a "flexible price support" plan similar to the one Congress decided last year to set going in 1950. But the price supports would be higher.

Unless the Senate, House and Administration can agree on a compromise, the flexible price-support act voted last year to operate next year goes into effect.

The Boston Museum of Fine Arts' collection of Chinese and Japanese sculpture is the most important outside of Tokyo.

And Another Thing.

We get pretty busy this season of year—turkeys eat lots, pullets eat lots, cows eat lots, and we have to make lots of feed. We have to deliver lots of truck loads. Sometimes we are several days behind in deliveries. Other times we have some slack time.

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New Record Corn Crop Looms To Crowd Huge Carry-Over From '48

CHICAGO — (AP) — In the mid-west corn is busting out all over.

Another national crop in excess of three billion bushels—the fourth in history—appears assured. There is a good possibility the crop will set an all-time record for the second year in a row.

Some sections of the country have poorer prospects than a year ago— notably the northeastern states, where a long spring drought dried up moisture reserve in the soil. But the crop is in splendid condition in the main midwest producing belt.

Latest estimates on the crop range from 3,560,000,000 bushels, made by C. M. Galvin of the grain firm of James E. Bennett and Company, to 3,750,000,000 bushels, made by H. J. Gramlich, general agricultural agent of the Chicago and Northwestern railway.

Last year's all-time record totaled 3,650,548,000 bushels. Gramlich believes this will be topped.

Although predicting a slightly smaller output, Galvin admits "with ideal weather, the remainder of the season, it is entirely possible that a new record production could be established."

This new crop will fall upon a land which already has more corn left from previous years than ever before. On July 1 there were 1,239,440,000 bushels of old corn still left on farms—just about three times as much as a year earlier. The new crop thus raises a big problem: Where to store it?

Corn must be stored if farmers are to get a government price support loan. The loan has not been announced yet, but on the basis of present parity prices grain men estimate it will be about \$1.54 a bushel at Chicago.

Secy. Brannan Sees Threat To Dairying Industry

JUNEAU, Wis.—(AP)—Dairy farmers are not going to get adequate price protection and consumers are not going to get the dairy products they need under the farm bill recently selected by the House of representatives, dairymen were told here.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan passed on this prophecy in a speech in the heart of the mid-west's dairyland. He criticized the House for rejecting his own farm plan.

The House measure, said Brannan, which would continue present farm price supports for another year, would assure dairymen an average of only \$3.33 for 100 pounds of milk. This is a level "so unrealistic" that it has little meaning, he told members of dairy co-operatives at their annual picnic.

His own plan, aimed at higher farm income and cheaper food, would support milk prices at an average of \$4.22.

Two New Rules Sept. 1 For Milk Distributors

SALEM—(AP)—Milk distributors after Sept. 1 will have to use the bottle caps which cover the pouring lip of the bottle, the state department of agriculture warns.

The department adopted the regulation last Sept. 1, but it gave the distributors a year to change over.

Another regulation effective Sept. 1 will require trucks hauling milk for bottling to be completely enclosed. This doesn't apply to producers who haul their own milk.

Producers hauling their own milk will have to have their cans protected from dust and direct rays of the sun.

Governor's Wife Will Enter Fair's Cake Contest

SALEM—(AP)—Governor and Mrs. Douglas McKay have big plans for the Oregon State fair, which will be held here from Sept. 5 to 11.

Mrs. McKay, one of Oregon's outstanding cake makers, will enter the angel food cake competition. She's been a top winner in that class at recent fairs.

The governor will have a day set aside in his honor, Thursday, Sept. 8, being Governor's day. That also is Oregon Mayors day, and about 150 mayors will be here.

Meat Market Sued On Sale Of Horseburger

PORTLAND, Aug. 8.—(AP)—A restaurant has sued a meat market for \$30,000 damages because of horsemeat in hamburger.

Lee and Lena Sharp, the restaurant operators, filed the suit in circuit court against Ivan and Ernest Crystal, operators of the Salem Meat Market of Portland.

The Crystal brothers recently were convicted of selling unlabelled horsemeat to a number of cafes.

The Sharps contended they did not know they were buying horsemeat, and asserted they suffered undue humiliation when the facts came out.

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British Buy Of Canada Lumber Draws Protest

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Rep. Mack (R-Wash.) says that economic cooperation dollars paid to Great Britain are being used to buy lumber almost exclusively from Canada to the injury of the American lumber industry.

He said in a house talk yesterday that in the first six months of the current year Great Britain bought 218,057,217 feet of lumber from British Columbia while lumber mills in Washington and Oregon shipped a combined total of 7,800,704 feet to the United Kingdom.

"This means that of all lumber orders placed with American ECA dollars by the British 97 percent were allocated to Canada and only three percent of the orders to United States mills," Mack said. "United States lumber mills are getting fewer lumber orders from the British now, at a time when the American people are donating billions of dollars to them, than we did before ECA was started."

"I would like to suggest to the British that if they continue this selfish policy of discrimination against American industries they danger the whole ECA program inevitably will undermine and endanger themselves and other nations as well."

"Certainly the American taxpayers cannot and will not continue to give huge sums to Europe if American dollars are to be employed to destroy the prosperity of the American industry and thereby deprive American workers of their jobs."

Elkton

By PHYLLIS A. SMITH
Ross McDonald has been called to Riverbank, Calif., by the illness of his mother, Mrs. C. F. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hansen and infant daughter have moved into their new home at Long Prairie. The Hansen's home was completely destroyed when an oil heater blew up last winter.

Henry Beckley is serving on the Federal Grand Jury at Eugene.

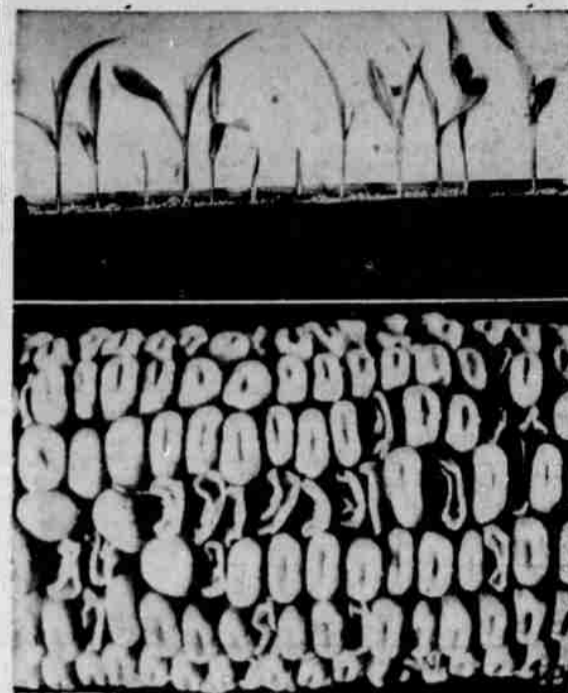
Louise and Patty Grubbe have returned home after a two-weeks' visit with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Goodman of Corvallis. Of special interest to the Grubbe girls, was a trip to Taft, where they visited the Tucker doll home. There were many historic relics there and dolls dating back to the 18th century.

Donna Lee Winterbotham spent the weekend in Portland.

Mrs. Margaret McFeeters, Mrs. Jack Gorman's mother, is reported ill at the Jack Gorman home. Mrs. M. H. Miller of Santa Monica is also visiting at the Gorman home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buck of Willamina are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Abraham. Other visitors at the Abraham home are Mrs. Leo Reed and daughter, Nancy, and Glenda Anthony of Canyonville.

Marvin Nelson is passing out cigars in honor of his new son, born this week to Mrs. Nelson at



HOW ATOMIC BLAST AFFECTS PLANT SEEDS—These photos of corn grown from seeds exposed to the atomic bomb explosion at Bikini shows the effects of irradiation in the tests made at the California Institute of Technology. Top photo of corn plants show three plants with stunted growth. Bottom photo of a mature ear of corn shows the damaged and undeveloped kernels. (AP Wirephoto)

Peach Growers Reject Reported \$30 Ton Offer

SALEM—(AP)—Willamette valley peach growers have organized a committee to confer with commercial packers on prices for the 1949 crop.

Clyde Lafollette of Cornelius said reports of \$30 a ton to be offered for processing peaches were ridiculous. He said the crop

couldn't be harvested for less than \$45 a ton price. He added that in view of the small hold-over from last year, a more realistic price would be \$60. He noted last year's average price was \$75.

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Should be sprayed on. If you have big patches, an orchard spray rig is your best bet. If only small patches, rent our power sprayer, if you can get electricity to it. Otherwise a hand sprayer.

But remember, this killer does its best work before plants become dormant. Get it first time you come to town. Of course, you are busy. Who isn't? But you can save enough good fertile land for crops instead of brush heaps to pay for several days time. Let's line up that job for about next Thursday.

The Farmer's Worst Enemy.

Atom bombs killed 65,000 Japs, more or less; automobiles kill 35,000 Americans annually, and the death toll from accidents alone in the U. S. is close to 100,000 every year.

Many of these deaths are on the farms. And many, many of them are in the preventable class. We might even say they are due to carelessness, hurrying too fast, and taking chances when we know we are being risky. We can't do anything about it, but YOU CAN. Why not resolve to be careful for the next 30 days. Every year, one fourth of American farms witness an accident, mostly preventable. Do your share of preventing and stay in one piece.

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Policeman: "Did you get the car number?"

Wreck victim: No, but the woman driving had on a black turban trimmed in red, and her coat was imitation fur.