Milk Production About at Seasonal Low Point But Above Recent Years

Although milk production is about at the seasonal low point it is well above other recent years, according to the weekly dairy market review prepared by the OSC extension service from USDA market reports and other data. Milk flow during the month of November was at a record high level for the month but on a per capita basis was about the same as in the early 1930's when the nation's population was some 11 per cent smaller and purchasing power much smaller than at present.

Recent storms in important dairy sections of the nation curtailed production and movement of milk from farms to further complicate the already critical dairy markets situation.

Intense firmness characterized all the dairy products markets during the week ending January 4, as supplies continued short of the broad demand. Supplies of butter and cheese were especially short as the more favorable price for butterfat in other products continued to divert milk away from creameries and cheese factories.

Butter production in the United States for the week ending December 27 was 39 per cent less than a year earlier and at the lowest level since December 1920.

Not only was production down but the major part of the reserve stocks in storage has been exhausted. On December 29, the 35 large markets of the nation, which normally hold approximately 77 per cent of the total reserve, reported commercial stocks below 39,000,000 pounds. This compares with nearly 50,000,000 pounds a year earlier and a five-year average of about 64,000,000. There was considerable other butter being held in storage but it was for the account of various government agencies and military use. Government holdings on December 1 made up about 60 per cent of the total reserve.

Demand for cheese was in excess of available stocks with prices holding firm at ceiling levels. Production of American cheese during the week ending December 27 showed a slight increase but was 13 per cent less than a year earlier.

Of interest to the cheese industry is an amendment to OPA regulations which allows two-cent increase on styles larger than daisies for a minimum curing period of six months. The USDA has also announced termination of the cheddar cheese subsidy of three and three-fourths a pound, effective February 1. The stabilization director has authorized the OPA to make a corresponding increase in ceiling prices of cheddar cheese.

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Oregon State Grange Will Hold County Conference Next Tuesday

REEDVILLE — Oregon State Grange will hold a Washington county conference Tuesday, January 15, beginning at 1:30 p. m. at the Grange hall in Aloha. A pot-luck dinner will be served at 5:45 p. m. and an evening session will follow. This will be an interesting and instructive meeting which every Granger should attend, according to W. Heinrich, master of Aloha grange.

Aloha grange will meet Thursday, January 17, for a pot-luck dinner at 6:30 p. m. at the Grange hall. A short business session will be held and an evening of dancing will follow. Mrs. J. Lorentzen is in charge of the dance.

In the list, given last week, of local officers installed in the Eastern Star ceremony held at Beaverton Masonic temple, December 27, the names of Louisa McGeorge, as associate matron, and Evelyn Selander as courtesy girl, should have been included. Corinne Schappert was installing organist.

Mrs. Warren Williams and infant son, Warren Gregg, born December 28, at Wilcox Memorial hospital in Portland, came home Sunday, the proud father had purchased a new car to bring them home.

Bill Frost, who visited his parents here while on leave from the merchant marine corps, left Saturday for New York, where he will sail on the Victory ship Grinnell.

Health Clinic Coming

Another pre-school children's health clinic in the series sponsored by the county health department and Reedville P.-T. A., will be held January 15 at 1:30 p. m. at the school house. Mothers wishing an appointment should contact Mrs. Archie Brownlee, chairman in charge.

Rev. Harry Hampton preached a New Year's sermon Sunday morning. Longfellow's poem "Crossing the Bar," as arranged by Mrs. Flora Dean, director, was sung by the choir. Mrs. Otto George was officially elected treasurer of the church building fund at a congregational meeting which followed. Rev. Hampton acted as moderator.

Hillsboro Future Farmers Chapter Busy During 1945

Hillsboro Future Farmers of America chapter had a busy time during the past year, carrying on a total of 76 enterprises and registering an income of $7,234.87, according to a report of J. B. Thomas, advisor.

Nineteen of the 50 members carried on more than one enterprise for their project. Six acres of truck crops brought a net income of $561 for six boys, and 13 members raised 34 acres of field crops, receiving a total profit of $607.12. Seventeen boys had enterprises in the dairy industry, owning 22 head of dairy cattle. Net income from this group was $925.37.

Twenty-two members raised 207 animals in their livestock projects. This included beef animals, pigs, sheep, and weaner pigs, and $2613.44 was cleared on these projects. In the poultry program, 17 boys raised 4,206 units of poultry and cleared $2,527.94. Only one boy took care of bees for part of his project and he made a profit of $15.

Vets Wanting to Start in Poultry Offered Counsel

The best way for a returned veteran to get started in the poultry business, if he lack experience and capital, is to take a job as a hired man on a good poultry farm, says Noel L. Bennion, extension poultryman at Oregon State college. If he makes good as a hired man, it won't be long until he will have a chance to rent or buy a good farm, and he will have learned a lot about good management while working for an established poultryman, he says.

Many veterans and newcomers to this country are showing interest in getting started in some phase of the poultry producing industry, Bennion finds. Many do not realize the amount of capital required to develop a successful poultry enterprise, however.

Exclusive of the land and home, it will require about $5 per bird to build and equip a brooder house and laying house under present conditions, Bennion reports. Then one acre of range land will be needed for each 250 pullets during the growing period. At least two acres of land are needed for 250 pullets raised so that a two-year rotation system may be followed.

If adequate land is not available, pullets can be grown in confinement successfully if not overcrowded. Under such conditions they need about two square feet of floor space per bird during the period they are two to five months of age. This, of course, means additional housing space.

Veterans, newcomers or others planning to build or remodel poultry houses may obtain plans and specifications by contacting any county agent or the state college poultry department. Bennion says many mistakes are made in housing by using plans for poultry buildings not adapted to Oregon conditions.

Any veteran inexperienced in poultry production will find out by working for a while on a poultry farm whether he likes working with chickens well enough to stay with it, Bennion concludes.

Co-operation Asked In News Reports

Co-operation of people in various local activities and projects in turning news items in at the Argus office, either by letter, telephone or in person, will be greatly appreciated by staff members.

Vetch Growers Urged to Apply

Willamette vetch growers in Washington county, who have not as yet made application for certification of the 1946 crop, are reminded that the deadline for signup is February 1, reports Palmer S. Torvend, county agent.

The Crops Department, Oregon State college, has found it necessary to set a deadline because of the large acreage to be inspected which will necessitate the beginning of inspection the early part of February. Application may be made at the county agent's office in Hillsboro.

Grange Meeting Slated for Aloha

The state grange conference will be held at Aloha grange hall Tuesday, January 15, at 1:30 p. m. A round table and panel discussion, led by state officers, will be held in the afternoon, followed by a pot-luck supper.

Demonstrations and a program by the state lecturer, Garnet Ruckman, will comprise the evening session, which is scheduled to start at 8 o'clock.

Bloom vs. Stratton

SUMMONS

No. 13564

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Washington.

WILLIAM L. BLOOM and EMMA L. BLOOM, Plaintiffs,

vs.

J. A. STRATTON; the Unknown Heirs of J. A. Stratton, deceased; J. B. Worth and Lulu C. Worth, his wife; Ermen M. Scott and Evelyn M. Scott, his wife; also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, Defendants.

To J. A. Stratton; the Unknown Heirs of J. A. Stratton, deceased; also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein:

In the Name of the State of Oregon: You, and each of you, are hereby required to appear and answer the Complaint, filed against you by Plaintiffs in the above-entitled suit, on or before the expiration of four weeks from the date of the first publication of this Summons, and if you fail so to answer, for want thereof, said Plaintiffs will apply to the above-entitled Court for the relief prayed for in said Complaint, to-wit:

For a decree adjudicating that the fee simple title of Plaintiffs in and to certain real property, described in the Complaint herein and hereinafter described, and the whole thereof, is good and valid, and that you, and each of you, and all persons claiming by, through, or under you, or any of you, have no interest or estate whatever in or to said real property or any part thereof; and perpetually enjoining and barring you, and each of you, and all persons claiming by, through, or under you, or any of you, from claiming or asserting any right, title, interest, estate or lien in or to said real property, or any part thereof, adverse to and conflicting with said Plaintiffs' fee simple title thereof.

Said real property hereinabove mentioned and referred to is situated in Washington County, Oregon, and is described as follows:

Commencing at the northwest corner of the A. C. Lassen Donation Land Claim in Township 1 South of Range 1 West of the Willamette Meridian; thence North 0° 49' 30" West along the center line of Shackleford Road, 1055.60 feet more or less to the north line of the southeast quarter of Sections 3 Township 1 South, Range 1 West of the Willamette Meridian; thence North 89° 58' 40" East 17.24 chains along the north line of said southeast quarter of Section 3; thence South 0° 53' East to a point on the north line of the A. C. Lassen D. L. C., which is south 70° 27' 45" East 18.75 chains more or less from the northwest corner of said A. C. Lassen D. L. C.; thence along the north line of the A. C. Lassen D. L. C. to the place of beginning; save and except the following two described parcels, to-wit:

Beginning at a stone monument on the north line of the southeast quarter of said Section 3, which monument bears north 0° 49' 30" west 1055.60 feet and north 89° 58' 40" east 1044.11 feet from the northwest corner of the said A. C. Lassen Donation Land Claim; thence south 0° 53' east 13 rods; thence westerly and paralleling the said north line of the southeast quarter of said Section 3, 16 rods; thence north 0° 53' west 10 rods to the north line of said southeast quarter of said Section 3; thence easterly along said north line 16 rods to the place of beginning.

Also beginning at a point on the north line of the southeast quarter of said Section 3, which is north 0° 49' 30" west 1055.60 feet from the northwest corner of the A. C. Lassen Donation Land Claim; running thence south 0° 49' 30" east 10 rods; thence north 89° 58' 40" east 16 rods; thence north 0° 49' 30" west 10 rods to the north line of said southeast quarter of said Section 3; thence westerly 16 rods along said north line to the place of beginning.

This summons is served upon you and each of you by publication thereof pursuant to an order made and entered on January 9th, 1946, by Hon. R. Frank Peters, Judge of said Court, directing that this summons be published in the Hillsboro Argus once a week for four weeks.

Date of first publication of this summons, January 10, 1946.

HAMPSON, KOERNER, YOUNG & SWETT, Attorneys for Plaintiffs, 800 Pacific Building, Portland 4, Oregon.

(Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7, 1946)

Farmers Here in Lead with Early Program Confabs

Leading farmers in 15 counties now busy preparing for county farm program conferences later in January and early in February are taking timely steps to prepare the agriculture of this state for the inevitable postwar changes and adjustments, says F. L. Ballard, associate director of extension at OSC. While this is in line with a national movement, Oregon is ahead of other western states in launching a definite schedule of such county program conferences.

Oregon farmers are experienced in this type of program planning, having pioneered in such activities more than 20 years ago following the first world war, Ballard recalled. From that earlier planning profound changes resulted which placed emphasis on what could be produced and marketed with a profit, considering Oregon's geographical handicap in freight rates, rather than on limitless production regardless of market possibilities. Several series of county conferences in intervening years have kept up-to-date information before farm and home leaders.

"Fortunately Oregon emerges from this war with relatively little dislocation of its established production pattern," says Director Ballard. "Some thin land has gone back to wheat, sheep numbers are abnormally low and there may be a temporary excess of foods for processing, though this last is an enterprise linked to new processing methods in which Oregon is expected to play a major role.

"It is time to check up, however, and look toward fundamental long-time developments as well as immediate adjustments." Ballard continued. "Agriculture here has been divided about equally between livestock and crops for income. It is time to decide whether increased emphasis on crops in some sections will reduce soil fertility so as to endanger a permanent profitable agriculture. Other fundamental issues are at stake, including betterment of rural social conditions so as to challenge the best youth to stay on the farms."

The first of 15 county conferences are scheduled in the counties with most diversified agriculture and where planning is most urgent. The extension service will offer its help in holding additional conferences in other counties as rapidly as possible.

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