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Monopolies in Food Products

The Federal Trade commission spent \$300,000 in making a study of food trusts and practices in handling of farm products. The report has been ready for a long time, but just recently has its publication been ordered. The contents have not been disclosed, but portions of the report have been revealed. Maybe the material will be useful to the committee now taking up the investigation of monopolies.

For food manufacturing has drifted into comparatively few hands in many lines. Six companies, headed by National Dairy Products and Borden's handle a third of the commercial milk production. Three companies, General Mills, Pillsbury Flour mills and Colorado Milling & Elevator co. bought about 40 per cent of the wheat crop. Ten bread companies produce about 80 per cent of the bread. Three tobacco companies, American, Reynolds and Liggett & Myers, control about half the tobacco crop. Three meat packers, Swift, Armour and Cudahy buy about 41 per cent of all the cattle and calves raised in the country.

The report shows that the processors were more successful in maintaining their gross income during the depression than were the farmers. The farmer's share of the dollar varies from 12 cents out of the tobacco dollar to 45 cents out of the real dollar. In bread the farmer for 13 cents, the miller and baker 63 cents, middlemen 24 cents. Nothing has been told yet of what the report says about the division of the dollar, or any method of increasing the farmer's share. Perhaps that too is something to be assigned to the monopoly investigators. But the material shows what a chore the monopoly committee has ahead of it.

This monopoly problem is both social and economic. Socially speaking it is far better to have a multitude of small producers and operators in order to distribute wealth and ownership of property widely. Economically, it is often better for large scale operation which can through mass production methods lower costs so that more people can consume the products of industry. Sometimes monopoly comes, however, not from increased efficiency but from manipulation and unfair elimination of competition. Such monopolies benefit neither producer nor consumer.

The periodic campaigns to cut out the middleman have not proven very successful. A fortune awaits the person who can make short cuts in distribution of merchandise. In spite of all the effort to curtail the number who take their toll, that number still seems huge. The only comfort the producer can get out of the situation is that if all these middlemen were forced to become producers the original producer would have no market and would have greatly increased competition, which is just another way of stating the fact that the law of compensation still operates; nobody is going to get it all. How to obtain a wider and fairer distribution of created wealth is a problem which has been with us a long time, and promises to remain for long. Each generation has to tackle it and attempt solution in terms of conditions then prevailing.

Wheat Surplus

The crop estimate for wheat released Monday set 967-412,000 bu. as the probable yield for the year, which is nearly a hundred million bushels more than last year. The carryover is estimated at 200 million bushels, so the available supply will be well over a billion bushels. As consumption and export are estimated at 750 million bushels the carryover July 1, 1933 will be about 400 million bushels, or twice the present amount. Verily the nation will be buried in wheat. Already it is announced that acreage for 1933-9 will have to be cut from 71 million to 55 million acres.

Why do farmers keep on raising wheat if it isn't going to be consumed except at give-away prices? They raise wheat because they are equipped for it or because they gamble on a fair price. Continued long enough low prices will of course bankrupt the grower and force him out of business.

However, there is one element in farming which is too often ignored by those who talk parity price in terms of 1914. That factor is the power machine. The tractor and the combined harvester have revolutionized wheat-growing, cutting costs sharply. With power equipment a farmer with one or two helpers can farm several hundred acres. The per bushel cost is much lower than pre-war cost, on comparable yields. This mechanization of farming is what has made possible the glut of wheat because it has made practical the farming of marginal lands.

Similar improvements have affected other crops. A tractor permits one man to cultivate 40 acres of corn in a day. A cotton-picker may make unnecessary the labor of thousands of hands in cotton picking. Old figures for cost of production have become out of date. That is one reason why farm production holds up as it does; and a rational study of the farm problem calls for recognition of this effect of power machinery on farm economics.

Shooting the Colorado Gorges

A party of two women and four men have successfully traversed the Green and Colorado rivers, shooting dangerous rapids and finally arriving, behind schedule but safe, at Lee's Ferry, Arizona. There is nothing in the law to prevent people from undertaking dangerous journeys of this character; but the question arises as to whether there might not be good purpose in such a law. The rest of the world which via newspaper sits over the brink of the canyon waiting anxiously for boats to come in sight has some rights too.

The Colorado has been negotiated successfully numerous times. Major Powell made the first voyage in 1869, for the government. Last year Buzz Holmstrom of Coquille made it alone, a most remarkable achievement. Now some women have made the trip. That ought to be enough.

Alas for such observations. The blood of man is restless and adventure forever calls. New thrills are always most tempting, but where they are not available then the old will be worked over. So we may expect new parties to try the Colorado gorges by small boat just as we see aviators sailing to break records or planning trips to span both poles. And some day Mount Everest will be scaled. When man's blood gets thick and he covets the chimney corner then his day is nearing its end, and the earwigs and the grasshoppers and the streptococcus will claim their conquest by the law of survival.

Germany and China

General Baron Alexander von Falkenhausen, German general in the world war, who has been military adviser to China since 1934, has been recalled by his own government as have 136 other German officers who have been helping China in directing its armies. On leaving General von Falkenhausen expressed the opinion that China would gain the final victory and that "Japan will fail in war and peace."

That may be; but the withdrawal of the German military advisers may prove damaging to the Chinese. And if the new policy of Germany in favoring Japan leads to active support as happened in Spain then China will suffer. Japan is nearing the end of its rope, and while Germany is straining hard to rearm itself and has little to export still that country may be willing to succor Japan in order to maintain a strong ally in the far east as foil to Russia if nothing else. The thing to watch in the far east is whether there is a lineup of powers with the fascists helping Japan openly.

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

Ord's colorful, romantic career, especially that part of it in California, Washington and Oregon during the '40s, '50s:

The reader, if any, who may pursue to the concluding chapter the series beginning with these words, under the above title, will find many facts not heretofore widely known concerning the part of the eventful life of General Ord which was spent on this coast.

Even so, there will necessarily remain many interesting things still untold, which are destined to remain in that state, or be subject to the imaginative speculations of story writers of the future.

First, let us have the sketch in the "Directory of American Biography," the standard work in that field, and the latest in that class published. It follows:

"Ord, Edward Otho Cressap (Oct. 18, 1818-July 22, 1883), soldier, was born in Cumberland, Maryland, the third son of James Ord, an officer in the U. S. navy for a short time, and afterward a lieutenant in the army during the war of 1813. His mother was a daughter of Col. Daniel Cressap, who had been a lieutenant of Maryland volunteers. His grandfather had commanded one of the regiments which Washington sent to Pennsylvania to quell the whiskey insurrection. In 1819 the Ords moved to Washington, D. C., where Edward received his early schooling, mostly from his father, a thorough scholar.

"When but 7 years old he showed marked aptitude as a calculator. At 16 he entered the United States Military Academy (West Point), and graduated in 1839, 17th in a class of 31. On July 1, 1839, he was appointed second lieutenant and assigned to the artillery. His first service was against the Seminole Indians in the Florida everglades in 1840. He was promoted first lieutenant for gallantry in this expedition.

"In 1847 he was sent on the Lexington from New York around Cape Horn to California. Shortly after his arrival he was dispatched with two men to capture three murderers. He caught up with them at Santa Barbara, shot one who attempted to escape, brought the other two to jury trial before an alcalde court, secured their conviction, and promptly executed them. Ord had to take matters in his own hands, for the alcalde would neither assume responsibility nor take any action without Ord's direction. (An alcalde is an administrative official in Spain or Spanish colonies or countries, corresponding with a judge or justice of the peace in the United States. Alcaldes were in authority in Spanish and Mexican California, and in some cases held over after early American settlement and occupation.)

Ord received his captaincy on September 7, 1850. At San Francisco, October 14, 1854, he married Mary Mercer Thompson; they had two sons and a daughter.

"During 1856, in Oregon, he campaigned successfully against the Rogue River Indians and later against the Spokane Indians in Washington. In 1859 he was in the artillery school at Fort Monroe, Va., and served in the expedition that suppressed John Brown's raid at Harper's Ferry.

"At the outbreak of the Civil war, he was stationed at the Presidio, San Francisco, where he was appointed brigadier general of volunteers on September 14, 1861. He was ordered east, and from November, 1861, to May, 1862, commanded a brigade in the army defending Washington, D. C.

"During this period, at Dranesville, Virginia, December 20, 1861, he led the attack against the Confederate forces under J. E. B. Stuart. The morale of his men was low, but, through his brilliant leadership, success was attained and the drooping spirits of the men revived. For his conduct in this action he was brevetted lieutenant colonel.

"He was appointed major general of volunteers May 2, 1862. In the Army of the Tennessee he commanded the left wing from

Girl of the Golden West



August to September, 1862, and on September 19 was brevetted colonel for gallantry and meritorious service during the advance upon Iuka, Miss.

"After the battle of Corinth, in October, he joined the federal army in pursuit of the retiring Confederates at Hatchie, assumed command, and drove back the head of the Confederate column. After this engagement, in which he was severely wounded, he was brevetted brigadier general. From June 18 to October 26, 1863, he commanded the Thirteenth army corps in the Army of the Tennessee in the Vicksburg campaign. During the siege of Vicksburg he served on Grant's staff and later, July 16, 1863, took part in the capture of Jackson, Miss. From August to October, 1863, he served with the Army of Western Louisiana.

"In March, 1864, he joined General Franz Sigel at Cumberland, and, with General George Crook, directed his campaign against Staunton, Va.

"On July 9, 1864, he was given command of the Eighth and later of the Eighteenth Army Corps in the operations before Richmond. In the assault and capture of Fort Harrison, September 29, he was severely wounded. (Continued tomorrow.)

Ten Years Ago

July 13, 1923

Seven Noble Arctic explorers were rescued after six weeks hunt. They are Vigliani group of refugees from Noble's airship, 'The Italia.'

George F. Vick of Vick Bros. Motor Co. and president of Chamber of Commerce was elected member of board of directors at first annual stockholders meeting of Duo-Run Reversible Window Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto K. Paulus are in Salem again after a year in east where Mr. Paulus took law work at Harvard and Mrs. Paulus studied dramatics in Boston.

Radio Programs

- KSLM-WEDNESDAY-1570 Kc.**
 - 7:30 News
 - 7:45 Times O' Day
 - 8:00 The Merry-makers, MBS
 - 8:30 Hits and Encores
 - 8:45 News
 - 9:00 The Pastor's Call
 - 9:15 The Friendly Circle
 - 9:45 Bob Young, MBS
 - 10:00 Women in the News
 - 10:15 Hawaiian Paradise
 - 10:30 Morning Magazine
 - 10:45 This Woman's World, MBS
 - 11:00 News
 - 11:15 Organizational
 - 11:30 Hal Stoken Orchestra, MBS
 - 11:45 Paul Small, MBS
 - 12:00 Value Parade
 - 12:15 United Press News
 - 12:30 Hillbilly Parade
 - 12:36 Voice of the Farm
 - 1:00 Rannic Weeks, MBS
 - 1:15 Country Editor, MBS
 - 1:30 Popular Salute
 - 1:45 The Johnson Family, MBS
 - 2:00 Varied
 - 2:15 Community Hall, MBS
 - 2:45 Marco Vido, MBS
 - 3:00 Mainline Francis, MBS
 - 3:30 News
 - 3:45 Musical Stereophones, MBS
 - 4:30 Dramatic... Drama, MBS
 - 5:00 Howie Wing, MBS
 - 5:45 Dinner Hour Melodias
 - 6:00 Popeye the Sailor, MBS
 - 6:15 The Phantom Pilot (6:15) MBS
 - 6:30 Sports Bulletin, MBS
 - 6:45 News
 - 7:00 Walttime
 - 7:15 The Lone Ranger, MBS
 - 8:00 News
 - 8:15 Vocal Varieties
 - 9:30 Newspaper of the Air, MBS
 - 9:45 Swingtime
 - 10:00 Edward's Old Timers
 - 9:45 Anson Weeks Orchestra, MBS
 - 10:00 The Playboys, MBS
 - 10:15 Frank Brandt's Orchestra, MBS
 - 10:30 Ted Lewis' Orchestra, MBS
 - 11:00 Everett Hoagland's Orchestra, MBS
- KEX-WEDNESDAY-1180 Kc.**
 - 6:45 Family Altar Hour
 - 7:15 Sweetheart of the Air
 - 7:30 Financial Service
 - 7:45 Victrola Ensemble
 - 7:45 Market Quotations
 - 8:30 National Farm and Home
 - 9:20 Tampa & Mary
 - 9:45 Jack and Loretta Clemens
 - 10:00 Melody Time
 - 10:15 Little Boy Blue
 - 10:30 News
 - 10:45 Home Institute
 - 11:00 Jingletown Gazette
 - 11:15 Swingtime Trio
 - 11:30 Your Radio Review
 - 11:45 Brass Hatters
 - 12:00 U. S. Dept. Agriculture
 - 12:30 News
 - 12:45 Market Reports
 - 1:15 Don Wijnand of the Navy
 - 1:30 Financial and Grain Reports
 - 1:45 Charles Sears
 - 1:45 Orchestra
 - 2:00 America's Schools
 - 2:15 Concert Ensemble
 - 2:35 News
 - 2:50 Alma Kitchell
 - 3:25 Your Navy
 - 3:45 Bennett at Walverton
 - 4:00 Galloping Gaiters
 - 4:30 Paul Durand
 - 4:45 Science of the March
 - 4:00 Roy Shield Revue
 - 4:30 Harriet McKinley
 - 4:45 R. May Have Happened
 - 5:30 Orchestra
 - 6:00 Sports by Bill Mock
 - 6:15 Orchestra
 - 6:30 NBC Minutrel Show
 - 7:00 News of the Lone Star
 - 7:15 Orchestra
 - 7:30 Chicago Round Table
 - 8:00 News
 - 8:15 Orchestra
 - 8:30 Baseball
 - 10:30 Orchestra
 - 11:00 News
 - 11:15 Charles Runyan, Organizer
- KOW-WEDNESDAY-820 Kc.**
 - 7:00 Organizational, NBC
 - 7:15 Trial Blazers
 - 7:45 News
 - 8:00 Vaughn De Leath, Singer
 - 8:30 Time for a Laugh
 - 8:45 Earle Rohlf, Pianist
 - 9:00 Ray Towers, Troubadour
 - 9:15 Three Romances
 - 11:15 Ma Perkins
 - 11:30 Pepper Young's Family
 - 1:00 News
 - 1:45 Your Radio Review
 - 2:00 Organizational
 - 2:15 Candid Ladies and Girls
 - 2:30 Woman's Magazine of the Air
 - 3:30 News
 - 3:45 Jimmy Kemper & Co.
 - 4:30 Beaux Arts Trio
 - 5:30 Reminiscing with Ricardo
 - 6:00 Kay Kyser's Musical Class
 - 7:00 Amos 'n' Andy
 - 7:15 Uncle Ezra's Radio Station
 - 8:00 Orchestra
 - 8:00 Town Hall Tonight
 - 9:00 Orchestra
 - 10:00 News Fishes
 - 10:15 Wrestling Matches
 - 11:00 Orchestra
 - 11:30 Reverts
- KOAC-WEDNESDAY-850 Kc.**
 - 8:00 General Sociology
 - 9:00 Homemakers' Hour
 - 9:30 School for Brides
 - 10:15 Story hour for adults
 - 11:00 The Bellman
 - 11:20 Music of the Masters
 - 12:00 News
 - 12:15 Farm Hour
 - 12:30 Safety talk-State Department, Salem
 - 1:15 Market and crop reports
 - 1:45 Monitor Views the News
 - 2:00 Latin America-Dr. U. G. Dubach
 - 6:30 Farm Hour
 - 6:30 Agriculture view by Editors
 - 7:45 News

Italians Build Model Homes in Midst of Sahara



While the New Deal proceeds with housing projects on a vast scale, similar advances are being made in Africa where solid 14-inch thick cement houses are being built for Italian working men and their families at low rentals. Each home comprises a four-room apartment plus tiled kitchen and bath with ample garden space reclaimed and irrigated from the desert.

Sage of Salem Speculates

By D. H. TALMADGE

It does no good to fete bewail,
Given no relief to fate deplore,
To give despair the right of way,
But sinks discouraged spirits lower.
'Tis better far to laugh at fate,
Good humoredly to shake a fist,
Full many times a threat'ning cloud
Sunshine has changed to rain-bowed mist.

"I call my sox golf sox," said a not very funny comedian in the varieties at the State theatre Friday, "18 holes y'know."

Nature Story
Over in the Wilson river country, where the Moore family spent three or four days last week, Lloyd (Brick) Moore caught a half-grown mink with his bare hands. The animal was evidently out for a stroll on the highway, and was picked up without much difficulty. "Brick" planned to bring the mink home and raise a fur coat or something, but the plan failed. The mink died.

A certain writer of a certain class of stories purporting to be true pictures of western life, is mentioned by the "itty editor" of midwest paper as being a "good writer." Thus it is shown how truth crushed to earth may rise again through the humble efforts of an erring linotype operator.

Which suggests the thought that, this being a political campaign year, truth is at the beginning of a busy season. And something tells me that it will be crushed to earth less frequently than has been the case in some former years.

I reckon a heap of our troubles result simply from our refusal, for one reason or another, usually a not very good one, refuse to believe in that which is obvious. Somewhat like the gentleman, who, according to an old story, saw a kangaroo for the first time. He said, "Shucks! there ain't no such animal."

Individual Influence
"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy." Yes, Horatio, and there are more things on a bedroom floor and on the floors of adjoining apartments than are dreamt of. It is a good deal as Len Hoiwoy once said—this life is too highly potentialized. I presume Len knew what he meant, but the several of us who were lis-

tening at the time didn't, although Henry Rassel shook his head in a confirmatory way and spat, which was a sign he agreed with Len. Anyway, whether he knew what Len meant or not, it was plain he was disposed to give the assertion moral support. That was Henry Rassel's way. He said he knew the folks he knew pretty well and that to those in whom he had confidence he gave his moral support. Saved a heap of finding out things about things, he said, which maybe when he found 'em out wasn't correct. Anyway, he always had an alibi for himself for use on these occasions when, having taken a flight with the great conversers, he found one or more of his assertions in controversy.

A Dash Into Science
One learns in the course of days and by means of desultory nosing about, with no special purpose in view beyond getting to some place from somewhere, that certain customs mentioned by ancient writers still prevail. We of today gather in chosen spots, which may pass for forums if we are not too particular in the observation of old forms. There are spots in Salem, and presumably in all cities, great and small from which the passer-by hears fragments of talk—Townsendism, religionism, New Dealism, and the isms of general political economy in their varied forms. Personally, I do not usually stop at these signals because, they have come during the past several years to have a flavor of monotony, a sameness. But Saturday I heard a mention of the origin of species, which I gathered had been given its inspiration by a duo of monkeys in a case before the Grand theatre to call attention to a Caribbean sea-Central American film then being exhibited. "We have been in a process of evolution for millions of years," attention had been given to the announced chief orator of the assemblage. "Some of us started as fish," the speaker continued, and some as mere gobs of protoplasm, devoid of form or sensibility. And we pass from one form to another, as fishes, reptiles, birds, and mammals, ever succeeding lower until at last we become human beings. "But," he added significantly, "we bring with us through the ages the impulses which are natural to our origin, whatever it chances to have been." Thus it is perhaps permissible to infer that an ardent fisherman of this enlightened age was at one time a fish, or even possibly a mere tadpole. I don't believe it. Even if it is true I don't believe it.

However, I reckon such talk is for the most part harmless. The world has much of it. But the world goes on pretty much as usual.

Brush Fire Burns 45 Cords of Wood

Breaks out Second Time but Volunteers Keep It From Spreading
AIRLIE—A fire burning in the brush where Glen Davis had been cutting wood broke out Friday but by hard fighting was soon under control. Saturday a hard wind came up again and the fire broke out a second time. A double force of men went to work and soon got the best of the second fire. Between 40 and 45 cords of wood were burned.

Stephenson Talks For Garden Group

Lyle Moores Are Called to Independence Due to Mother's Illness
INDEPENDENCE—The Independence Garden club met in the Jones garden with Dr. R. E. Stephenson as OCS as the speaker on "Preparation of Garden Soils." The meeting was well attended. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Homer Brown and small son were at the Dole Pomeroy home this week. The two families were neighbors in Triangle Lake. Mrs. Brown came to the reunion of the Chase clan which was held in Dallas.

Mrs. Lloyd Boreline is reported quite ill at her home. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Moore of Portland were called to the home of Mr. Moore as his mother is ill. Mr. Moore is at a meeting in the gas and coke company. Mr. and Mrs. E. Wunder are on a vacation. Mr. Picken is taking the mail for a few days. The Camp Fire Girls under the leadership of Mrs. Joe Rodgers, Jr., are meeting in the Scout hall on Tuesday night.

Liberty CE'ers Hold Swim Party

LIBERTY—The Christian Endeavor society had an enjoyable affair Friday night with swimming in the Olinger pool, followed by a wiener roast and singing around the campfire. Bobby Stacey of Glendale, Calif., arrived a few days ago to spend the summer with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stacey.

Steinberger Gets Court Ear Today

SILVERTON—The hearing of John Steinberger will be held in justice court here Wednesday at 2 o'clock. John Steinberger is charged with threatening to commit a felony involving alleged injury to his wife and children. The case of drunken driving against Clyde Joast will be heard Wednesday morning.

Deer Get in, not Out, as Fence Is Put About Field

SILVERTON HILLS—Before it all got straightened out in the strawberry patches, the deer had eaten the tops of the young plants on the Bartell acreage. When deer were discovered efforts were made to fence them out. The decision required an electric fence. The morning after the fence was set up it was discovered that the deer were fenced in instead of out. Eleven deer were grazing in the strawberry bed. The deer were chased out, the necessary adjustments made and now the animals are looking for new strawberry beds upon which to graze. The deer seem particularly fond of the tender new leaves on the young strawberry plants.

Valley Patrons, Matrons Association Plans Picnic

SILVERTON HILLS—The Willamette Valley Patrons and Matrons association plans to hold its annual picnic at Silver Creek Falls state park July 17. On the committee are Miss Elaine Clower of Silverton, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Schweizer of Monmouth, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson of Independence and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Scarth of Silverton.

Funeral Services for Aged Veteran Are Today

WOODBURN—Funeral services for Wesley Loney, 99, of Woodburn, will be held Wednesday afternoon from the Ringo chapel with Rev. Ralph G. Kleen officiating. Interment will be in the Miller cemetery with full military honors given the Civil war veteran who young people of the Christian Endeavor gathered to surprise Hazel Leek on her birthday. Mrs. C. C. Sargent is spending some time in eastern Oregon with her husband who is engaged in the grain harvest.