

Babson Reports:

Handicapped People 'Waste' Brainpower

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BABSON PARK, Mass.—This week we will forget the stock market and consider something much more important, namely, some very valuable brain power which is going to waste. I mean in mind especially the brains of some of the so-called "physically handicapped."

1,000,000 Wheel Chairs, Crutches and Canes There are 165,000,000 people in the U. S. I estimate that about 500,000 of these are handicapped from polio and other diseases; 1,500,000 are living disabled veterans from World Wars I and II; over 1,000,000 are crippled from accidents; and about 150,000 are totally blind. There are many more suffering from total deafness and even inability to speak. These add up to 3,150,000, of which at least 1,000,000 have not the opportunity to make full use of their inherent talents.

Although they have pretty much been supplied with jobs of a kind, these 1,000,000 have not—as a rule—such jobs as will enable them to use their BRAINS as they would like. This especially applies to those in wheel chairs and on crutches because—quoting an employer: "A wheel chair messes up the routine of the office or factory." In these days of keen competition management fears anything which might interfere with the flow of products or sales.

Money versus Opportunities

The situation is becoming worse every year due to increasing automobile accidents, of which 36,000 resulted last year in deaths for which there were total awards of perhaps \$400,000,000. Some will say that the non-fatal accidents and even polio can be offset by insurance, as are certain veteran incapacities, but there is no insurance which gives new limbs, new eyes, or even a fair chance to use one's brain. Yet, our brains are our most wonderful and valuable asset. It is not more Government money these physically handicapped need, but more opportunity to do creative intellectual work. Remember that in the above figures I am not including any medical or emotional mental cases. I am interested here in those who have distinct talents. Although the many unselfish agents and counsellors of the Federal and State Governments are doing excellent work with the funds available, they deserve much more help.

Let Us Save Over \$2,000,000,000 Per Year

I estimate that of the above groups, one million adults are today able to use fully their brains and talents. However, much of this creative brain power and special talent is being overlooked. This is unfair to the nation, as well as to these people. Just think, with one million of these brains now idle, 8,000,000 working hours are lost daily, or more than 2,000,000,000 are lost each year. Based on only one dollar per hour, this means a loss of over \$2,000,000,000 per year.

To understand what the loss of these one million adult workers means, consider any city of about 3,000,000 population, such as Detroit, Boston, San Francisco, or Pittsburgh; any one of which has 1,000,000 adult workers. This means the loss of as much creative brain power as is now engaged in the entire production work of one of the above cities, as well as of wageworkers.

Prize for Private Organizations

Let me applaud all those private organizations now engaged in helping unfortunates. I particularly have in mind certain Societies to Help the Blind, the National T.B. Association, the National Association for Infantile Paralysis, the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the American Heart Association, the American Hearing Society, the Disabled Veterans Organizations, the U. S. and State Employment Services, and the Goodwill Industries of America, founded on a shoestring by a personal friend of mine, and now distributing annually the equivalent of \$25,000,000 in useful work. The public little realizes the rewards which would come to the nation by activating these one million creative brains and submerged talents.

I forecast that these submerged physically handicapped, who are mentally talented and alert, can truly become "gold mines." I only wish I were younger and could devote my life to harnessing these brains, talents, imaginations, and visions. Many of them could become inventors of great note, from which the nation as a whole would benefit.

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Portland Produce

PORTLAND (P)—Butterfat—Tentative, subject to immediate change—Premium quality, delivered in Portland 58-61 lb; first quality, 56-58; second quality, 54-57. Butter—Wholesale, f.o.b. bulk cubes to wholesalers—Grade AA, 93 score, 58 1/2; 92 score, 57 1/2; B grade, 90 score, 56; 89 score, 54. Cheese—To wholesalers—Oregon singles, 38 1/2-41 lb; Oregon 5-lb loaf 41-44.

Eggs—To wholesalers—Candied, f.o.b. Portland A large, 45 1/2-47 1/2; A medium, 43 1/2-44 1/2. Eggs—To retailers—Grade AA, large, 49-51; A large, 47-49; AA medium, 46-48; A medium, 45-46; AA small, 41-42. Cartons, 1-3 cents additional.

Live chickens—No. 1 quality, f.o.b. Portland—Fryers, 2 1/2-4 1/2 lbs 29; at farm, 28; roasters, 4 1/2 lbs and up, 29; at farm, 28; light hens, 18; heavy hens, 20-21; old roosters, 12-14.

Rabbits—Average to growers—Live white, 3 1/2-4 1/2 lbs, 21-23, 5-6 lbs, 17-19; old does, 10-12; 5-6 higher. Fresh dressed fryers to retailers, 57-60; cut up, 62-65.

Fibers—Wholesale selling price, f.o.b. Oregon plants, No. 1 jumbo, 22-24 lb; large, 24-26; medium, 26-28-24.

Walnuts—Wholesale selling price, f.o.b. Oregon plants—First quality jumbos, 26-27; second quality, 3 per pound less; to growers, 60 lb plant, free run basis, 15-16 lb 90 per cent crack test.

Wholesale Dressed Meats Beef carcasses—Steers, choice, 500-700 lbs, 38.00-41.00; good, 35.00-38.00; commercial, 32.00-35.00; utility, 29.00-32.00; commercial cows, 27.00-30.00; utility, 25.00-30.00; canners-cutters, 24.00-26.00.

Beef cuts (choice steers)—Hind quarters, 45.00-50.00; rounds, 43.00-46.00; full loins, trimmed, 67.00-71.00; forequarters, 33.00-35.00; chucks, 33.00-36.00; ribs, 41.00-44.00; Pork cuts—Loin, choice, 8-12 lb, 47.00-49.00; shoulders, 16 lb down, 30.00-33.00; spareribs, 40.00-45.00; fresh hams, 10-14 lb, 46.00-49.00.

Veal and calves—Good-choice, all weights, 35.00-48.00; commercial, 32.00-43.00.

Lamb—Choice-prime, under 50 lb, 42.00-44.00; good, all weights, 39.00-42.00.

Wool—All prices nominal. Country dressed Meats, f.o.b. Portland: Beef—Cows, utility, 23-25 lb; canners-cutters, 20-22.

Veal—Top quality, lightweight, 34-36; rough heavies, 22-30. Hogs—Lean blockers, 26-27; light sows, 21-22.

Lamb—Best, 40-42. Mutton—Best, 14-15; cull-utility, 9-10.

Fresh Produce Onions—50 lb Ore-Wash, yellows med No. 1s, 2.00-25; fair, 1.50; 2.75-3.00; Texas white wax, 5.00-50.

Potatoes—Ore. Russets, 100 lbs, No. 1A, 5.50-6.00; No. 1, 12 oz min., 6.50-75; bales, 5-10 lb, 3.60-70; 10 lb mesh, 50-52; No. 2, 50 lb, 2.00-20; Idaho No. 1A, 6.50-7.00; new crop Florida round red, No. 1A, 5.00-25; size B, 4.00-25.

Hay—U. S. No. 2 green alfalfa, baled, f.o.b. Portland, 38.00-40.00 a ton trucked or rail. Timothy mixed hay, 36.00-38.00 a ton, f.o.b. rail, Seattle.

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Grain Market Sustains Loss

CHICAGO (P)—A little easiness at the finish left grains with losses on the Board of Trade Thursday. Wheat closed 1/4-3/4 lower, corn unchanged to 1/4 lower, oats 1/4-1/2 lower, rye 1/4-1/2 lower, soybeans 1/4-2 1/2 lower and lard 7 cents lower to 5 cents a hundred points higher.

Portland Livestock

PORTLAND (P)—(USDA)—Cattle salable 200; market uneven, fed steers rather slow, about steady, other classes active, fully steady with some cows 50 higher for two days; load good 928 lb fed steers 22.50, lightly sorted at 20.50-22.00, few utility heifers 12.00-16.00; canner and cutter cows 9.00-11.00, few to 11.50, utility 12.50-14.50, commercial grades to 15.00, utility and commercial bulls 14.00-16.00, odd head to 16.75.

Calves salable 25; market active, steady; good and choice vealers 23.00-28.00, utility and commercial grades 14.00-22.00, culls downward to 9.00 or below.

Hogs salable 150; market about steady but rather slow; choice 180-235 lb butchers 19.75-20.50, few 250 lb 18.00-18.50, choice 350-550 lb sows 14.50-15.50.

Sheep salable none; demand narrow for slaughter classes; few choice heavy woolled lambs Wednesday 18.50-19.00, medium and good feeders salable around 14.00-16.00; good and choice slaughter ewes quotable 7.00-8.00.

Portland Grain

PORTLAND (P)—Coarse grains, 15-day shipment, bulk, coast delivery: Oats No. 2, 38 lb white 54.50-55.00, barley No. 2, 45 lb B. W. 52.50, corn No. 2, E. Y. shipment 66.00.

Wheat (bid) to arrive market, basis No. 1 bulk, delivered coast: Soft White 2.38; Soft White (excluding Rex) 2.38; White Club 2.38. Hard Red Winter: Ordinary 2.38. Hard White Baar: Ordinary 2.38. Car receipts: wheat 17; barley 1; flour 9; corn 1; mill feed 6.

Stocks and Bonds

Table with columns for Stock Averages, Bond Averages, and various market indicators for April 14, 1955.

Salem Market Quotations

Table listing various market quotations for Salem, including Butterfat, Wheat, and other commodities.

Investment Trusts

Table listing various investment trusts and their performance metrics.

New York Stock Markets

Table listing various New York Stock Market quotations and company names.

TRANSPORT OPERATORS

West's leading motor freight carrier has openings in Portland for transport operators. Must be experienced in heavy equipment. Must be between 25 and 40 years, with a stable work record, be able to pass rigid eye test and physical examination.

Large advertisement for 'Detergent-Action' gasoline, featuring a large 'Q' and 'A' graphic and the text 'What's the biggest difference in today's gasolines?' and 'Detergent-Action'.

Advertisement for Schaefer's Rheumatic Remedy, featuring a man's face and the text 'Schaefer's Rheumatic Remedy For the Relief of RHEUMATISM, LUMBAGO, SCIATICA, and GOUT.'

Advertisement for Chevron Supreme Gasoline, featuring a man's face and the text 'hear see feel THE DIFFERENCE—SMOOTH IDLING CLEAN CARBURETOR BALANCED PERFORMANCE'.

Advertisement for 'We Specialize in SHAG RUGS and BEDSPREADS' with contact information for 'The Commercial Bank'.

Advertisement for 'The Commercial Bank' with the slogan 'The Bank of Personal Service' and contact information.

Advertisement for 'STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA' with the slogan 'We take better care of your car'.