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REMOVE far from me vanity and lies; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me. —Proverbs 30:8.

TO KEEP THE PEACE

Great Britain believes in trusting in God but keeping her powder dry. That implies maintaining a supply of powder for use when the occasion arises. Last Saturday a naval review of the home fleet was held at Spithead, consisting of 194 warships with 30,000 officers and men. The fleet was stretched out in ten lines four miles long. The last great review was in 1914, just before the war, and all the ships then reviewed are now obsolete. The present ships were completed since the war and most of them are of the latest types. This is exemplified the high cost of war or the high cost of keeping the peace, according to the viewpoint taken. The present government of Great Britain is of the Labor party and theoretically opposed to war, so the navy must be regarded for self defense, and only on this ground will the British people submit to the enormous expense entailed.

THE PRICE OF GRAIN

The effect of the law of supply and demand is being strikingly exemplified by the rise in grain prices. This is due not to political machinations, but to the fact that there is a world shortage of wheat and other grains. This shows the futility of fiat price fixing by legislation. If there is a large wheat crop throughout the world then the price will be low, tariffs or no tariffs, for the price of wheat here depends greatly on foreign markets. If there is a strong demand by these then wheat will be high, otherwise it will be low, as we will have more on hand than we can dispose of at home.

"Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth!" This was written centuries before a cigarette was made or tobacco smoked, unless by the Indians. It is especially worthy of remark when forest fires are so prevalent due to the extreme dryness. As to where the quotation may be found and who wrote it, if the reader does not know, we will give him a valuable tip: "Search the Scriptures."

Another New Building

H. C. Gohring has let a contract to J. E. Stockton to put up a store building for him of hollow tile with cement coating, like the Pharmacy and Masonic buildings. The peculiar feature is, that it will be built over the butcher shop and when completed the latter will be torn out. Thus Mr. Gohring will be able to conduct his business with the least interruption. The new store will extend the full depth of the lot, viz. 100 feet.

Band Benefit

To help pay for the new uniforms a benefit for the band will be given tomorrow night, Friday, at the Gem theatre. There will be a 2 reel comedy and Laura LaPlante in "Young Ideas." There will be no show tonight.

County Finances Good

W. W. Everhart, county treasurer, has completed his semi-annual report showing that Clackamas county has a total indebtedness of \$1,450,830.11. Of this amount \$836,520 is for road bonds, \$341,033.11 is for district road warrants, \$273,250 is for bonds issued sixteen of the school districts of the county.

The county has a balance on hand in all departments of \$421,034.27.

The total receipts of the county from all sources during the first six months of the year were \$1,582,763.81, with disbursements during the same period of \$1,161,729.54. Every fund with the exception of the general road fund has a balance on hand. This fund is overdrawn \$17,141.60.

By following an overdraft in this fund the county, according to officials, has effected a substantial saving in interest charges.

The state prohibition fund created by the last legislature, had a balance at the beginning of the year of \$1278.51. Receipts for the first six months from fines amounted to \$5007.55, making the total amount available for this department \$6286.16. From this fund there has been paid to the governor's fund \$1568.59 and for expenses incurred in prosecuting liquor cases on orders from the district attorney, \$3889.24, leaving a balance of \$828.42.

Of the \$1,700,000 road bonds authorized, \$864,000 have not yet been issued. From present indications these will be issued during the coming three years. The first of the road bonds to be retired will be an issue of \$60,000, due in 1925. After that time a block will be retired each year, amounting to approximately \$50,000.

At the present time the indebtedness of Clackamas county entails an interest charge of approximately \$200 per day.

Trial by Telephone

An interesting case recently reported was that of a sheep herder named Holt, employed by J. W. Fisher of Chanico, who left his camp fire burning near Olallie mountain, on the Cascade National Forest. The fire was discovered by Forest officers, extinguished, and complaint filed against Holt. To save time and expense of a trip from the mountains to Eugene and back, Holt is said to have plead guilty by telephone, received his sentence, and sent in his check for \$15.00.

Miss Irene Saling came home Sunday night for a day off from her duties at the Crown Point chalet on the Columbia River highway.

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Return from California

Tuesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Milton Weatherby and son returned Tuesday afternoon from California, after an absence of some months. They were called to Escondido on account of the critical condition of Mr. Weatherby's father, George B. Weatherby, who died a few weeks ago. Mr. Weatherby says southern California is suffering from the drought. In Los Angeles garden irrigation is forbidden, and many are leaving on account of the water shortage. This has affected the supply of electricity, and the juice is being augmented from Southern Oregon. At Escondido there is plenty of water, and a good citrus crop is maturing. Mrs. George B. Weatherby will remain there as she likes the place. The Weatherbys came home by stage from San Diego to Portland.

Birthday Celebration

Last Sunday was the birthday of Mrs. N. B. Ecker, and as that of her son-in-law, W. F. Cary, would come a few days later, it was determined to have a joint celebration. So Mrs. Ecker and her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Cary, prepared a gala dinner and invited relatives and old friends to come and spend the day. Those present from the outside were Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Boyle and son Walden, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ecker from Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith and two children and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones, all of Vancouver, Wn. Mrs. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jones formerly lived in Nebraska when Mrs. Ecker was there. Two birthday cakes were made and Mrs. Ecker was the recipient of a number of useful presents.

Shingles \$3 per M at Seaman & Bullis, Rt. 2, Estacada.—6-19-7-31

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STATE MARKET AGENT DEPARTMENT

BY C. E. SPENCE, MARKET AGT.

August 1 the new cooperative prune exchange will commence operation in Oregon and southern Washington with ten local organizations. Other units will be and are being organized, and the expectations are that a large majority of the orchards of the two states will soon be signed up. Over twenty million pounds are already under contract. The organization is well planned, has able officers and leaders and if the growers will stand by solidly and loyally, the organization should be a power for the producers.

And therein lies the success or failure of most cooperative movements—backing and loyalty of the growers. Without it, organizations will continue to fail—as too many have failed. There may be the ablest leaders, organizers and officers, but the success of the movement gets back to the producers, to what extent they will act and work cooperatively—to that extent they will get behind the organization and stick.

It is going to require mass-character and mass-intelligence behind any organization to make it powerful enough to influence markets and get for producers what is theirs. An organization of producers which has no further interest in the movement than what each individual gets out of it in dollars and cents, doesn't usually last very long or get very far. It needs cooperative religion to put them over—needs members who read and study; who attend meetings; who will get out and hustle; who support the organization every week in the year with trade, capital and good will, and who everlastingly urge others to do likewise. When enough of these kind of farmers bunch up, then cooperation will get the same kind of results that business combinations get, but so long as they play the entirely selfish game; so long as they fall for the bait of temporary higher outside prices and desert their union; so long as they let the interests that prey on them break them up and keep them blindly competing with each other, just so long will cooperation fail.

MARRIED

At Vancouver, Washington, July 26, 1924, Mr. John S. Ficken and Miss Minerva Ritchey.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ritchey, of this place and has resided here for several years. She attended the Estacada high school and graduated last May. The groom is a resident of Springwater. Both bride and groom are well and favorably known and their many friends are extending congratulations and best wishes.

Shave for Less

As work is scarce around Estacada, and those who are fortunate enough to have work are working for such low wages, Earl LaForge, proprietor of the Square Deal barber shop, has come to the conclusion that a barber can do his work a little cheaper than "war prices." So beginning, tomorrow, August 1, the price of haircutting will be 35 cents and the price of shaving 15 cents.

Cuts Foot

Conductor W. H. Grabeel is enjoying (?) an enforced vacation. Last Saturday evening he was splitting wood, when the axe head flew off the handle and cut the ankle of his right foot. The wound bled profusely and Dr. Midford who was called had to put a stitch in it. Mr. Grabeel is able to hobble around with the aid of a cane, but cannot resume his duties for a while.

Miss Elva Morgan of Newberg who has been visiting Miss Florence June Reed, returned to her home Saturday.

Any girl in trouble may communicate with Ensign Lee of the Salvation Army, at the White Shield Home, 565 Mayfair Ave., Portland, Oregon. 9 20-tr

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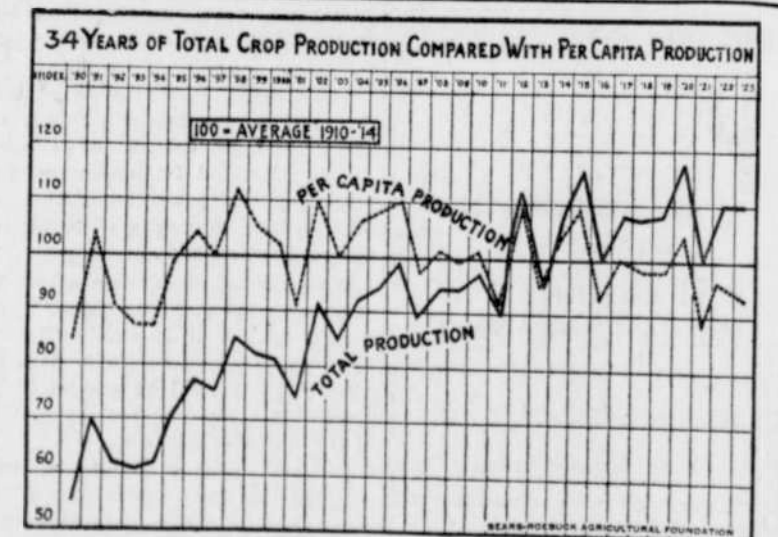
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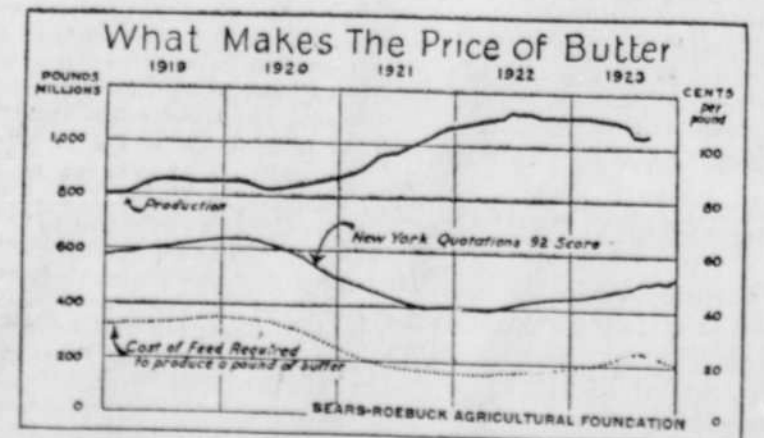
Farm Production Falling Off



Population is gaining on crop production, according to a study made over a period of thirty-four years by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation, based on figures of the United States Department of Agriculture. The accompanying chart shows crop production per capita is falling.

Taking the average of 1910 as 100, total crop production in the last three years averaged 106.3. Owing to the growth of population, per capita production has been only 92.3 when 100 represents the 1910-1914 average.

The chart shows index numbers of both total and per capita production of crops from 1890 to 1923. The production record is based on the total yield of 10 crops—corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat, potatoes, hay, tobacco and cotton, which include more than 95 per cent of the total acreage of all crops. Since yields are expressed in various units, bushels, bales, tons and pounds, the crops are combined by applying a constant average price to the yearly production of each crop.



Evidently production, consumption and feed prices, all play an important part in regulating butter prices in a tariff-protected market like the United States. The cost of feed may regulate in the long run, but over periods of a few years it has little to do with the selling price of butter.