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MOTHER EARTH HAS PIMPLES

There is one phase of the domestic allotment plan that has not been considered. That is its effect on the appearance of the wheat country. The wheat lands of Oregon are noted for their checkerboard appearance when viewed from a height. For years fields have been plowed in entirety, clear to the fence with the exception of small unplowable draws and at this time of year the country was a medley of brown summerfallow or green wheat. Fields were uniform.

Now look at it. The allotment has caused farmers to leave parts of fields sown and parts of summerfallowed fields unplowed. Things are all mixed up. Some farmers have taken out land on the sides, some on the ends and some have left a patch in the middle. The country doesn't look like an even checkerboard anymore; it more nearly resembles a crazy quilt in pattern.

Just what a farmer is going to do when he resumes his normal way of farming is another question. There is likely to be a little summerfallow a little stubble and perhaps some double summerfallow in the same field and if it all be put in crop most anything might result. One almost certain result will be increased acreage as farmers sow spring grain to get their fields evened up again.

KEEP IT

The export association has shipped nearly 25 million bushels of wheat out of the northwest and by its action in establishing a price it has held wheat high enough that farmers in good producing sections could make expenses on the years work. By establishing the association here the AAA officials gave this section of the country a very favorable place in the sun. A part of the processing tax is used to pay for the difference in buying price and selling price. While the wheat thus sold is removed from the national surplus the growers in the great plains derive only a secondary benefit from the deal. The northwest, because it is to a large extent an exporting section, must have this aid to continue to grow wheat at all.

As the continuation of the export subsidy is of vital importance it behooves the farmers of the wheat country of Oregon, Washington Idaho and Montana to guard their position well. Before congress adjourns representatives should be cautioned to look out for the welfare of the wheat growers in this regard and nothing should be overlooked that will aid in retaining the association.

The action of the liquor commission in revoking the license of three beer dealers in Portland will meet with the approval of a vast majority of the people of the state. It is plain by this time that the real wish of the voters who discarded the dry amendment was to allow liquor but to restrict its sale and use within the bounds of reason. That the commission has power to revoke licenses without filing specific causes therefor gives it more power in handling undesirable situations that occasionally develop. The recent action will increase respect for the liquor commission and for law and order.

There is evidently a thought in governmental circles that the export association that has been handling Pacific northwest wheat for the past eight or nine months will be discontinued at the end of the year. It is not too early for the farmers to express themselves on this matter, one that means more to the farmers of the northwest than does the domestic allotment plan itself.

A man came through Portland the other day who is able to swallow his nose. Ain't that something? Some people can hardly swallow their tongue.

Whether silver is taken under the government's wing or not the price is being helped by speculation on it. If enough politicians can be persuaded to buy silver it should be easy to pass the silver bill.

Some day we hope to see a little shower that is not heralded as a life saver to the farmers.

There is a bill in congress to prohibit loans to foreign nations that owe us money. It does seem peculiar that such a law should be necessary.

It begins to look as if the president is going to have to 'settle' the automobile strike every week.

There is less than one percent of communists in this country, a few more fascists and yet they create all the fuss while the believer in democracy goes ahead as usual without worrying about the extremists.

The Old Philosopher

A young fellow, just the other day, asked me.

"Say Dad, how does it feel to be getting old and know your years are numbered?"

Of course, what he meant to ask was "How do you feel about some day dying?"

I thought for a few minutes, just to make him think I was taking the matter seriously and then replied,

"Son, I feel the same way toward Death as you feel toward sleep after your annual 'stuffing of yourself' on Thanksgiving Day." And now that I come to think about it, I believe I was smarter than I thought when I made the remark. It all depends on the eating how you feel afterwards. It all depends on how you live your life as to how you feel toward leaving it.

If a fellow eats too richly of Life, mixing in his diet good and bad with the latter more predominant, he will find himself facing departure from this fair world with a stomach ache.

If he eats too sparingly, nibbling here and there, never having the courage to ask for a second helping when he needs it and can get it—then he fears dying because he never lived as yet, he is still hungry for Life.

Thus it is that we find some people dreading Death, because there is so many things they have put off doing, so many things they want to do, before crying "quits." Then on the other hand, there are the others who fear Death because they have lived so recklessly, and now have found out too late that there is a God.

Of course, that doesn't mean that one should never taste pie or pickles. A little sweetness in the diet makes for a pleasant disposition; a little sour makes the sweet more appreciated and makes our spuds and our gravy more tasty.

If we take too much of the sweetness of Life there is nothing enjoyable left in the world, as sweetness soon grows monotonous.

If we indulge in too much of the sour, and bitter things in life we soon grow twisted and warped.

So I would say, if one wishes to reach old age with a satisfaction with work done and no dread for the "long sleep" he should remember that ALTHO SPUDS AND GRAVY SEEM A COMMON DIET STILL THEY ARE MUCH MORE KIND TO YOUR SLEEP THAN A STEADY DIET OF PIE AND PICKLES.

And as spuds are cheap—that's something.

Grass Valley

Milch Cows for sale. L. D. Eakin Grass Valley.

Emmajean Eakin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Eakin, fell on the school grounds at Rutledge Tuesday and broke her collar bone. Earlier in the week Mrs. Eakin suffered a fractured arm when she was kicked by a cow.

Rinehart Wassenmiller and wife spent Sunday here visiting with Jacob Wassenmiller and family.

Mrs. Glen King was in Portland a few days last week.

Bert Baker was here the first of the week for a visit to the old town, and especially with brother Roy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shepard drove to Portland Sunday for a short stay among the bright lights.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Zeigler last Thursday but the infant did not live. Mrs. Zeigler returned from the hospital this week.

Fishermen are hard to find on the uplands of the county this week for the salmon are running in the Deschutes. Charles Engle was reported to be the captor of five and Clyde Stradley three. Others as well are dining on salmon steak these days.

George Wilcox left for Portland Wednesday morning bright and early expecting to remain for a few days on business.

Henry Tetz and family spent the week end visiting here from their home in Rufus.

Claire Balzer was placed in another cast last week. This makes the second. While he is somewhat improved it was thought better to insure complete rest for another period.

The Lemley and Baker families drove to Mt. Hood Sunday where they met with representatives of the families who live on the other side of the mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Davies were in Maupin over the week end.

Mrs. Laura Weld and children from Wasco visited here last week with Mrs. Weld's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Newcomb.

I. D. Pike was at Hermiston over the week end to look after his farming interests there.

Kent News

Mrs. Ann Schadewitz has been visiting the past week at the Carl Schadewitz home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. Chester Smith.

Mary Magee spent the week end shopping in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Simmons and daughter Betty and son Jerry and Florence Knott of Fossil were visiting friends in Kent Sunday.

Chris Thompson and Miss Helen Thompson were Antelope visitors at the Justeen home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gregg and daughters Frances and Delores and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wilson were shopping in The Dalles Saturday.

Marion and Joe Morrow, Charles Wilson, Cecil Norton and Paul Schilling were business callers at Grass Valley Sunday morning.

Alta Norton spent Sunday in The Dalles visiting friends.

Miss Bertha Craig of Portland was visiting her aunt, Mrs. Belle Hogue Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. McInnes and

daughter Marjorie went to Portland Thursday to spend a few days.

KENT SCHOOL NOTES

The local declamatory contest was held last Friday with nine entries. In division I Shelton Jr. took first with a selection entitled "Little Boy and his Stomach." Junior von Borstel won in division 2 with "Bob Practices." Helen Wilson won in the 3rd division with a selection called "Keeping a Seat at the Benefit." The selections were all well given and the judges said it was hard to decide who deserved the firsts. The final contest for the entire county will be this Friday at Grass Valley.

The upper grade room had perfect attendance last week and are very proud of it.

The intermediate room is going to have a picnic with the balance of the money they earned during the volley ball and basketball seasons.

Annie Laurie Haynes, Geraldine Norton, and Juanita Mitchell received 100 per cent in the last spelling contest.

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OPTOMETRIST-OPTICIAN

The Poppy Poster contest sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary is ended and the posters were judged last Friday. Paul Schilling won first place and Dorothy Southern second. Paul's poster will be sent as an entry to the state contest.

The students who earned basket ball letters have been listed and it is found that there are nine girls and twelve boys. There are also eight girls who earned volley ball letters.

All of the girls in the primary

room received the first Palmer Method award which is a silver star button.

Dorothy Southern and Luther Davis earned county spelling certificates for perfect scores in spelling.

Four students in the upper grade room have earned the Final Certificates for Palmer Method writing. They are Donald von Borstel, Anita Dunlap, Helen Sather and Helen Wilson.

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