

Forward Move in Food Production and Distribution

Three prominent wholesale packing and food distributing plants in New England have recently merged. This is in line with the consolidation of non-competing food products in order to cut down overhead and distributing costs and provide consumers with cheaper and better food.

The same movement has taken place in the production of automobiles, clothes, banking, utilities, newspapers and other lines of business. High hopes are held for the success of mass production and distribution to benefit consumers.

An outgrowth of this better food service idea has been the development of a process which it is contemplated will in the near future open up an entirely new method of food distribution. Perishable foods will be frozen at a temperature of 50 degrees below zero, so quickly that cell-destroying ice crystals will have no time to form, thus retaining the original freshness of the food. It is claimed that berries, fish and vegetables can be transported in this form across the continent in perfect condition as soon as distributing facilities are provided.

Changes in Agriculture

The American farmer, in 1925, according to the Missouri College of Agriculture, cultivated 33 acres per man, as compared to 16 1/2 acres by the farmer in Scotland, 9 1/2 in England, 8 in France, 6 in Germany and 4 in Italy. The production of grain per man in the grain growing section of the United States has increased from 12,000 pounds in 1870 to 25,000 pounds in 1925. The average wool fleece in 1800 was 2 1/2 pounds; now it is nearly 7 pounds.

Make Fat Pork Of It

Feed the surplus wheat to the hogs is the sage advice offered to grain growers by the president of the Portland Union Stockyards, backed by the following alleged facts: The northwest has a surplus of wheat on hand, along with other grain growing sections of the nation. Prices are low. The northwest does not produce pork enough to supply its own people. Hogs are being shipped in from the middle west to supply the demand. Prices for hogs are good. Wheat is splendid feed for hogs. Wheat transformed into pork is worth nearly twice what it is in the sack.

Business Conditions In The Twelfth Federal Reserve District June, 1930

By Isaac B. Newton, Chairman of the board and Federal Reserve Agent, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, July 22, 1930.

Comparison of trade and industrial activity during the first half year periods of 1930 and 1929 are influenced by the declining price levels which have been in evidence since the middle of 1929 and the fact that business activity generally reached unusually high levels during 1929. A composite evaluation of current business records indicates, however, that twelfth district business declined somewhat more than seasonally during June and was less active than at any time this year. The most drastic commodity price declines since 1921 were recorded during the month and resulted in less satisfactory markets for many of the district's products. The low prices were accompanied by curtailment of industrial production and the absence of any appreciable recovery in trade. Most important among the favorable factors in the situation were the generally satisfactory outlook for the district's crops and the reduction of inventories of some basic commodities. Agricultural developments during June furnished evidence that the total volume of farm production in 1930 will at least equal that of last year. Estimates for most crops are higher than last year's production figures, but smaller yields of two major crops—wheat and oranges—will prevent any substantial increase in aggregate production as compared with 1929. Livestock are in good condition, but the relative inactivity of demand has necessitated marketing at reduced prices. Industrial production was at the lowest level of the year during June. The output of copper, lumber, and cement declined and building and construction lost the gains noted in May. A smaller output of crude oil offset an increase in petroleum refining and served to reduce stocks of crude and fuel oil. Trade declined somewhat during June and, as in earlier months of the year, was below the levels of 1929. Department store sales in the district were six per cent smaller than in June, 1929, a greater year to year decline than in any month in recent years. The June figures of wholesale sales, automobile sales, carloadings, and intercostal shipments, revealed little or no recovery in these fields from the relatively low levels of May. June was a month of unusually severe deflation in wholesale commodity prices and quotations for many of the products important in this district were substantially reduced. Wheat and cattle prices declined considerably and, chiefly because of larger crops, canners' quotations for deciduous canning fruits were well below last year's prices. Perhaps the most significant change in the condition of reporting member banks during the past month was a moderate reduction in loans on securities. The lack of change in borrowings of country banks—that is, banks outside leading cities—from the reserve bank was important, however, inasmuch as those banks ordinarily increase their borrowings during June and early July to the highest levels of the year. Instead of borrowing at this bank as is usual at this season country banks have built up record balances with their correspondent banks in reserve cities, chiefly San Francisco. The total volume of credit extended by the federal reserve bank of San Francisco has remained unusually small. Interest rates changed little during the past month.

Air Transportation Is Now Quite Necessary

The future social and economic history of the United States will be determined, to a large degree, by the airplane. "Any improvement in the transportation system tends to increase and balance production and, therefore, makes for greater prosperity," says James G. Wooley, Vice-president in Charge of Traffic of the Western Air Express, and Earl W. Hill of the University of California, in their standard work on airplane transportation. "How wide the range of its utility may eventually become depends upon improvements in the machine itself, refinements in aircraft manufacturing practices and consequent reduction in operating costs. "As it exists today, after 25 years of development, at what appears to be the inception of a period of unprecedented growth and improvement, the airplane fills a very definite gap in the commercial scheme. Already it has established itself as a necessity." We cannot forecast the future of the air industry. It will not replace older forms of transportation, such as the railroads, but will cooperate with them to the benefit of all concerned. It has the potentialities for transforming the social and industrial development of the world.

The Rocking Chair

Is the rocking chair to fall by the way, a victim of the fleeting whims of fashion? asks the Lebanon Reporter. One alleged authority on home decoration insists that the "ensemble idea" is now the thing and that the rocking chair simply will not "fit in" with any grouping of furniture. Will we yet come to the time when the courts will recognize a valid reason for divorce in the fact that the husband simply will not "fit in" with the fashion of the furniture, or the color scheme of the parlor decorations, or some other requirements of the fashions of the day in household matters? What every man knows—and most women, if they will but admit the truth—is that there is no seat more grateful to the tired human frame than an intelligently modeled rocking chair. By that we mean a rocking chair built in complete forgetfulness that there is any such thing as "fashion" in chairs; we mean chairs that are made to sit in instead of to admire. Style has robbed us of a lot of things and we haven't done much protesting. But we'll be doing if we don't propose to have something to say before we'll give up the good old-fashioned rocking chair.

The mule stubbornly refuses to be ousted by the farm tractor or the truck in this country, as statistics show that we have under the harness 1,000,000 more of the long-eared hybrids in this country than in the days before the adoption of the gasoline as an agency for the bearer of heavy burdens. It was predicted earlier in the coming of the tractor that the mule would be the first of draught animals to yield to the mechanical rival, but predictions have failed, for there are today 5,500,000 of the beasts of burden in the United States, which shows an increase of more than 1,000,000 in the last decade. The modern mule is an improvement over his forbears in disposition, and by a more kindly handling in colthood has become almost kickless. If breeders could go further and breed a brayless hybrid he would be the most desirable of all animals that pull our plows.

The new criminal who honestly respects society's ineffectual efforts at self-protection may be of minor interest to the bored reader, says the Richmond Times Dispatch, but he certainly presents a problem for our petrologists. There is becoming a most hazardous occupation. And it is useless to try to explain him and his mad-dog propensities with statistics dealing with overcrowding, uncomfortable living conditions and plain fare; our convicts have never been maintained in the style to which they become accustomed during their periods of affluence. He is the product of a state of mind, and therefore a real problem.

From Vienna there comes news comforting to a world insufficiently provided with padded rooms. The silent piano has been invented. The gymnast who scales oaves and turns somersaults in arpeggios need not provide himself with one of these instruments and put on a pair of headphones and he is self-centered; his piano whippers back his own secrets, and the world at large is no wiser. Students of the pianoforte have long had a grudge against Kents, who voted for unheard melodies. They may now withdraw their opposition and buy a soundless instrument.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All persons having claims against the Estate of Maria Reckman, deceased, are hereby required to present them with vouchers to the undersigned executor at his residence at Grass Valley, Oregon, within six months from July 24th, 1930, the date of the first publication of this notice.
44-125a15 Dietrich Reckman Jr.

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS
Notice is hereby given that on July 2nd, 1930, the County Court of Sherman County, declared Sherman County a Dog Control District, and appointed the following Board of Supervisors (as by law provided):
L. E. Clark, Grass Valley, Oregon.
C. L. Friedley, Wasco, Oregon.
Omer G. Sayrs, Moro, Oregon.
Any person owning any unlicensed dog, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and subject to a fine, as by law provided. Dogs will not appear on 1930 tax rolls unless requested by owners, and the tax is not in lieu of the license.
Notice is hereby given that dog owners will have until August 15th, 1930, to secure license. Any person who shall fail to procure a license within the time herein provided shall be subject to a penalty in addition to the license fee.
Dog licenses may be had for six months, ending as follows: December 31st, 1930. \$1.00 for each male and \$1.50 for each female dog.
By order of the Court of Sherman County,
44-111 G. C. AKERS, Clerk.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County.
In the matter of the Estate of James Harvey Smith, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the above entitled court his final report and account of his administration of said estate and that Monday, the 11th day of August, 1930, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m. of said day has been by order of the court appointed as the time and the county court room in the court house at Moro, Oregon, as the place for the hearing of the said report and account, the objections there to, if any, and the settlement of said estate.
Dated and first published at Moro, Oregon, this 11th day of July, 1930.
J. B. Bourhill, Executor of the Estate of James Harvey Smith, deceased.
Last publication August 8, 1930.
W. C. Bryant, attorney.

Grandpa Wayback Says

The best way to keep in touch with distant relatives is to have a spare room in your house.

You can put me down as favoring the new long skirts as I ain't fell over but two fire plugs on Main street since the gals put 'em on.

The old-fashioned bonds of matrimony seem to have degenerated into short-term debentures.

These here safety zones in the city are nice. Stand inside one and all an automobile can do is to hit you a glancing blow.

The average man is like a thermometer. If you make things hot enough for him at the bottom he'll climb.

The main trouble with the school of experience is that you never graduate from it.—The Pathfinder.

A recent shipment of razors to Africa indicates that they are going to have a big dance over there.

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