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EDITORIALS

CANNED MILK RATIONING JUSTIFIES WARNING

In a letter to the governors of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut, and to leading state and Federal officials, Fred H. Sexauer, president of the Dairy Farmers' League Cooperative Association, again warns of falling milk production. In New York milk shed, as an example, during the first 15 days of May, it was 8 per cent less than for the corresponding period in 1942.

Recent closing of 1,500 dairies and drop, in terms of whole milk powder, loss of 14,280 head in the cow population, in that area alone, means a loss of 14,280,000 pounds per month.

Mr. Sexauer says: "The nation is about to pay dearly for the unsound price and regulatory policies applied against the dairy industry products. There is a constant barrage of propaganda that the farmers' prices are already too high and that they, in asking reasonable prices, are responsible for an inflationary spiral. Threats of subsidies, roll backs on dairy products, seizure of farm crops, should immediately cease. Assurances should be given of prices that will cover increased and increasing cost of labor, feed, supplies, taxes, etc."

"The solving of this impending shortage of dairy products will need the combined efforts of leaders upon whose shoulders rests the welfare of the people of this country."

OLD TAX DODGING GAME

An ardent advocate of public ownership of electric power recently used the tax payments of one large electric company (over \$64,000,000 in one year) to show that the taxes were not paid by the company but the company's consumers, in higher rates.

For years, private power companies have pointed out that taxes levied against them, which in many cases now average 25 per cent of their gross income, can come from no place but the consumer, because taxes have to be added to rates charged.

Publicly-owned power plants, which do not pay regular taxes, have long used their tax exemptions as the

basis for cutting rates below private companies, and as an argument for urging public ownership of power to secure lower rates. They violently oppose every move to tax publicly-owned power plants on the same basis as private plants.

If lower electric rates is a sound argument for tax exemption of publicly-owned electric plants, why shouldn't tax exemption be advocated for privately-owned plants?

Would advocates of public ownership of electric power be willing to grant tax exemption to private plants in order to give the public the same rate subsidies that tax exemption gives public plants? No, indeed, they would hold their hands up in horror at such a suggestion. It is, therefore, evident that low rates to the public is not what they desire so much as socialization of an industry.

Private electric utilities are paying the nation some billion dollars a year in taxes. If those private properties were publicly owned, they would not be paying the billion a year in taxes, but other property and persons would bear additional tax burdens to make up for the tax loss. A reduced rate is a poor excuse for public ownership. It could be secured by lopping the tax bills off the private companies, the same as they are lopped off of public plants. And then communities would not have to go millions of dollars in debt for publicly-owned power plants in order to be the beneficiaries of rates based on tax favoritism.

ANOTHER SNEAK ATTACK

The well planned closing of the nation's coal mines while United Mine Workers' demands were in process of negotiation, is on a par with the Japanese sneak attack on Pearl Harbor.

Words cannot express the contempt of the American people for individuals who are parties to such treachery, and who refuse to work while our soldiers die.

Let us hope that Congress will at last assert its authority and enact legislation providing controls for organized mutiny which endangers public safety for personal gain.

If the enemy had bombed our coal mines, the work stoppage would not have been as complete as when the United Mine Workers deserted their posts. Therefore their action is the equivalent of an enemy attack on this nation.

LETTER FROM WASHINGTON

By Harris Ellsworth

WASHINGTON, D.C. June 12—Concrete suggestions for Congressional action on the food problem have not yet reached the floor of either the House or the Senate. But behind the scenes, Members of Congress and at least two committees of the House are very busy on this subject.

The Republican Congressional Food Study Committee, which has been working two months gathering facts on the food situation, discovered early in its activities that the very thing to do is to unify the control of

food from growing to eating, including rationing and price fixing. We found that ten agencies are now dabbling in the business of handling, buying or controlling food. Most of the difficulties in producing, distributing and retailing food, including the awful mixed-up effort of OPA are actually traceable to the fact that too many other organizations are involved.

Accordingly, a bill written by Chris Herter of Massachusetts and threshed over and revised and finally approved by the 42-member food study committee was introduced in the House by Representative Thomas A. Jenkins of Ohio, chairman of the study committee. This bill provides for the centralized control of food under the Department of Agriculture, with a food administrator clothed with all necessary powers.

Then politics reared its ugly head. The Jenkins bill is apparently recognized by the administration party as being a good bill. It has had wide publicity, but has had no criticism raised against it. On the contrary, Fulmer, Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, has introduced a bill which is very similar to the Jenkins bill but lacking a few of its important points.

Meanwhile, rumors of changes and consolidations by executive order to forestall Congressional action are flying around. In fact, the creation of the Office of Wartime Mobilization under James F. Byrnes was sort of a gesture in the direction of saving the necessity of the passage of the Jenkins bill.

It does not really matter in the long run whether the Democrats are able to claim the credit for the legislation or whether the Republican bill is passed. It is certainly that something must be done and done soon.

The President of Paraguay addressed the House this week. It seems to be the custom to have the head of another nation appear before the Congress when he visits Washington. It is a fine friendly gesture. In all candor, I must say that other than for the slightly colorful nature of the ceremony, such an event is not overly interesting, because the visitor addresses the House in his own language.

Although we hear his voice, we cannot understand what he is saying. Before the visiting dignitary is ushered in, mimeographed copies of his address (in English, of course) are passed around to the Member of Congress. It is thus possible to follow the address, and applause is generally given at the proper places.

When a distinguished visitor comes to address the House, the Speaker names an escort of Members—usually the two party Floor Leaders and two others. The guest is met at the center door of the House floor and is duly escorted down the center aisle. He ascends to the Speaker's rostrum and stands beside the Speaker, who introduces him. The escorts are seated on the rostrum level just below the Speaker—but above the House floor. (Churchill spoke from this second level, I suppose because it was easier to assemble the great battery of radio mikes there). After the guest of honor and the escort party which, by the way, also includes the Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Sergeant-at-Arms, members of the diplomatic corps of the country represented by the visitor file in and take front seats on the House floor.

When a distinguished visitor is to address us, a recess of the House is declared by the Speaker immediately after he names the escorts—so the House is not actually in formal session.

The Agriculture Department appropriation bill is now the top item of interest here. This bill carries the forest protection appropriations. The House failed to include enough fire protection money in the bill as sent to the Senate. The Senate increased the amounts. As the bill now comes back to the House for final approval, the forest fire protection items is almost exactly the same amount as that used for this purpose during the present fiscal year. We will endeavor to keep this sum in the bill and finish its passage next week.

Locals

Clyde Conrad arrived last Tuesday for a two days visit with his parents on his way to Colorado Springs.

Freddie and Sharon Greene of Medford spent the week end with their aunt, Mrs. Clara Vincent.

Bill Skylesman arrived Saturday morning from Portland for a short visit with his parents returning to Portland Monday.

Mrs. Selma Anderson enjoyed Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Axel Benson in Medford.

Mrs. Hallie Heselgrave returned home from Los Angeles, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nolte and Kenneth Jr. Mrs. Nolte is Mrs. Heselgrave's daughter.

Mrs. Kenneth Powell received the sad news of the death of her aunt Mrs. Rose Frazier at Vancouver Sunday.

Dickie Yost of Montague arrived here Saturday to visit his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones and attend Daily Vacation Bible school.

Walter Painter has spent three days at home visiting friends and relatives. He is working in defense work near Prineville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Felix and Mrs. Oel Wallace of Santa Barbara are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Love. Mrs. Wallace was a former resident of the valley.

FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Wood plan to attend the 75 anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg as special guests of the United States June 23.

Mrs. Katherine Lathrop was honor guest at a shower given at the Geraldine Hogan home by Mrs. Merle Obenchain recently.

Sidney Bristow fell from the roof of a Medford building last week, breaking some bones in his foot.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Tucker are expecting their son Ed home soon. He has completed his four year term in the navy and is now a petty officer.

Clyde Lees made a trip to Greagle on his motorcycle to visit his sister Helen Martin and family.

So What—Friends of Delpha Cox and Betty Parish may kill two birds with one stone—or in other words visit both mothers and new babies at the Purucker home.

TEN YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. George Howard announced Wednesday that Diamond Lake will open Friday.

Miss Lola Johnson, daughter of Mr. H. E. Johnson of Okatox, Alberta and Mr. Donald Faber, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Faber, were married at the Alpha Phi Sorority Garden last Sunday afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Heckman left by train for San Francisco on an extensive trip east.

Those from Central Point to attend State Grange were Worthy Master and Mrs. John Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bohnert.

Mrs. Katherine Blood became the bride of Leslie Van Doran at Eugene Saturday evening.

Mrs. Elmer Kyle, Mrs. Esther Sanderson and Mrs. Sadie Koehler returned from Grand Lodge of Nevada Chapter last Saturday. Mrs. Koehler will make a report at their regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Legal Notices

SUMMONS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY
D. E. HARTMAN, Plaintiff

vs.
EDITH HARTMAN, Defendant
To Edith Hartman, the above named defendant:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby summoned and required to appear in the above entitled Court and cause and answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's complaint on file therein against you within 4 weeks from June 17th, 1943, which is the date of the first publication of this summons. And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint within said time or other-

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wise plead thereto, plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in said complaint namely a decree of divorce from you. This summons is published by order of Hon. H. K. Hanna, Judge of the above entitled Court dated June 11, 1943 prescribing that this summons be served by publication thereof once each week for 4 consecutive weeks in the Central Point American, a newspaper published in Jackson County, Oregon.

G. A. Coddling
Attorney for Plaintiff
Postoffice address:
212 Liberty Building
Medford, Oregon
32—June 17, 24, July 1, 8.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON

In the Matter of the Estate of Robert Ray, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her Final Account as Administratrix of the above estate with the County Court of said County, and the Court has fixed the 16th day of July, 1943, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. of said day and the County Judge's office in the County Courthouse in Medford, Oregon, as the time and place respectively for the hearing of objections, if any there be, to the said Final Account, and you are hereby notified to file objections, if any you have, to the said Final Account on or before the time fixed for hearing.

Dated this 17th day of June, 1943.
Molly Ray,
Administratrix
25—June 17, 24, July 1, 8.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EMIL R. PECH, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, Administrator of the estate of the above named decedent, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same, duly verified, as provided by law, to the undersigned

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"HUBERT HUTHIG"