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EDITORIALS

THE FAT OF FARM LAND—

By J. E. Jones

Washington, D.C., December 23—How about the American farmer? The 1946 farm year is a little behind 1947.

The farmers will be right up on their toes when January rings the New Year bells.

The United States Department of Agriculture backs the good news that farmers are certain to have another profitable year, and be able to continue to keep money enough ahead to spend for families needs, plus! But the conservative Department takes note that farmers everywhere are showing a general tendency to spend less freely. Farmers have long memories and know what hard times were in the 1930's.

Official statements show that farm expenses are higher than they ever were. But farmers aren't doing business the way they were in the 1930's. Farm machinery and equipment, plus electricity, motor vehicles—and lots of things have revolutionized life on the farm. The cotton farmers in the Mississippi Delta made good profits in 1946. So did dairymen in every part of the Nation. And the corn farmers of many States have ridden on the band wagon, having carried on farming with all the machinery they could afford to buy. The same story covers the wheat farmers in many parts of our broad land.

To sum up this brief report the farmers of the United States have been doing well. According to estimates of the Federal Bureau of Agriculture and Economics, our fat farm lands have piled up gross incomes in 1946 totaling \$34,600,000,000. And this summary from the National Capital concludes: "HURRAH FOR THE FARMERS."

WE MUST HAVE DEFINITE LABOR LAWS

All the politicians seem to agree that Federal laws to adjust labor-management relations are essential in a Democratic form of Government. Right now there is talk of picking up the Wagner Labor Act, and using it in place of the Taft-Hartley Law.

Now the fact is that all this is political baloney. What is likely to happen is that the new Democratic Congress will try to put through a law which will contain the red meat of the Taft-Hartley Law and the Wagner Act, glossed over to be claimed as a reform by the Democratic Congress.

Thus, by putting one and one together skillful Senators and Representatives might—if they try—patch up a new combination law that will be all right, providing the labor bosses are not allowed to dictate the new law.

President Truman vetoed the

FOOD...through the ages..



"ODDSFISH," MEANING DOLPHIN, PORPOISE OR WHALE, WAS MEDIEVAL FAST-DAY FOOD--A REAL PENANCE, OFTEN CAUSING VIOLENT INDIGESTION!



FREDERICK THE GREAT (1740-1786) AT NINETEEN WAS APPRENTICED TO A BREWER, TO HELP PREPARE HIM FOR KINGSHIP.

MEDIEVAL PEOPLE HAD TWO MEALS DAILY: DINNER AT 10 A.M., SUPPER AT 4 P.M. BY 1455, DINERS WERE SEATED BY COUPLES, SHARING ONE PLATE AND CUP.

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Taft-Hartley Law twice, and the veto was overridden both times. The outstanding feature of the action by Congress in both instances was that enough Democrats joined the Republicans to save the Taft-Hartley Act at a time when the President was yelling "bloody murder."

Congress may, let us hope, put the public welfare ahead of Democratic politics and make a statute that will protect the American economic system, insuring a square deal for employers and workers.

Such a law would make the big labor strikes unnecessary, because

it would furnish protection to the two big elements in the American economic program for everybody—even the PEOPLE.—J. E. J.

MME. CHIANG

Don't fool yourself about Madame Chiang getting the cold shoulder in Washington. This lady is a graduate of one of America's greatest educational institutions. Our National Government has too many irons in the fire to speculate on remedying the conditions in China—and nobody knows that better than Madame Chiang. Already she has

YOUR NATIONAL GUARD DIVISIONS CONTINUE THE OLD TRADITIONS

This is the seventeenth of a series on the Infantry and Armored Divisions of the new National Guard. They are presented to acquaint you with the organization which will be an M-Day Force, trained, equipped and available for immediate service with the Regular Army in the event of any emergency.

42ND INFANTRY DIVISION—Organized from National Guard troops for World War I, as non-guardsmen in World War II, the legendary 42nd "Rainbow" Division has returned to the Guard in the postwar military establishment.



"The Fighting 6888," which earned undying fame as one of the Rainbow Division's Infantry regiments in World War I, has been redesignated the 165th Infantry and is once more an integral part of the Division. It is located in the metropolitan New York area, as are the other two Regiments, the 71st and the 108th, and other elements of the division.

The 42nd Division earned its nickname as the "Rainbow Division" because its troops were drawn from National Guard outfits of 28 States and the District of Columbia when it was first formed in August, 1917. Three months later it was in France, and in March, 1918, it went into the line in the Lunenburg sector. It was in the Champagne-Marne and Aisne-Marne offensives that the Rainbow Division made its reputation, emerging from the war as one of the most celebrated organizations in history.

As a Non-Guard Division in World War II, the 42nd was reactivated and trained too late for the Normandy landing but made up for lost time when it went into action in December, 1944, as part of the Seventh Army's right flank at Saarbrücken. It made its first penetration of Germany in March, 1945, driving through the Hürtgen Mountains. Later it rolled 25 miles east of the Rhine, taking Furth and Schweinan, and adding Schweinfurt in May. The men of the 42nd entered Munich and were co-liberators of 32,000 victims of the torture camp at Dachau. They drove into Austria, and then—shortly after VE Day—occupied Ritzbahl, German film capital.



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CLARKS LEAVE—

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark and D'Ann left Wednesday morning for Seattle, where they will meet their son, Rollie, who is attending Bible School there. They will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Munshaw and little son, Joe, Jr., and John. Mr. and Mrs. Loren Webster of Canada will also be present. Rollie will accompany his parents home the first of the week for the rest of the holidays.

SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with Sec. 111-908, O.C.L.A., to the legal voters of School District No. 6, of Jackson County, State of Oregon, that a SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING of said District will be held at high school building, on the 27th day of December, 1946, at eight o'clock in the evening, for the following objects: To discuss and to vote on the question of removing the building known as the Agate schoolhouse from its present location to the site of the other school buildings of School District No. 6, namely: to the location bound-

ed on the west by Second Street, on the north by Ash Street, on the east by Fourth Street, and on the south by Bush Street, said streets being in the incorporated limits of the city of Central Point; and to vote on the question of approving the expenditure of district funds already voted for building purposes to remove and remodel the said Agate school house. Dated this 13th day of December, 1946.

Otto Bohnert
Chairman Board of Directors
ATTEST:
Mrs. Merle Obenchain
District Clerk
34—Dec. 16 and 23.

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From The American Staff