

DAILY PINT MILK FOR NEEDY YOUNG IS AIM OF DRIVE

Women's Club Survey at Request of Secretary Wallace, Shows Lack of Proper Diet for Children

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Sp.)—"A pint of milk a day for every needy child" is the aim of a drive by the child welfare and community service divisions of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, whose members recently concluded a milk survey under the direction of the consumers' counsel of the agricultural adjustment administration. This survey, which was requested of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace by a committee of women from 12 national organizations, showed that an average of only one-sixth of a pint of fresh milk per capita was purchased daily by the 20,485 families in 59 cities of 46 states, which came under the investigation.

The success of milk projects undertaken by individual clubs in the past is cited by the leaders of the present campaign as an illustration of what can be done in other communities.

Plan Worked Out

Club women of Buffalo worked out a co-operative plan with the Civic Health League and the milk dealers of the city, whereby undernourished children in some 20 schools were supplied daily with fresh milk. The women were at the school every morning during the recess period to distribute to designated children the milk which had been provided by dealers at the lowest possible price. A \$15,000 milk fund, raised by the Teachers' association, paid for the milk for children who were unable to give even a penny, while those able to pay contributed one cent a cup.

The willingness of people to give to milk funds raised by club women was demonstrated in Bergen county, New Jersey, where \$100 was contributed in a small village of relatively poor inhabitants. A mill owner in the county who had refused to give a cent to the mayor's relief committee, contributed \$1000 to the milk fund. Experience has proved that the funds established by women's clubs over a period of two years are still flourishing while those started by other groups, temporarily organized, functioned for a brief period only.

No Overhead

There is no overhead as the women do all the work themselves. Sometimes the milk is distributed by the local milkman to the families reported by social service and private sources. "Milk Fund Week" has proved successful in some communities.

The survey also showed that 14 per cent of the families investigated bought no fresh milk at all, and purchases of evaporated milk by the family of average to low incomes amounted to .31 of a small can per week. The average purchases of both fresh and evaporated milk were very low as compared with the "adequate diet at minimum cost" which furnishes a margin of safety and calls for approximately one and one-half pints per person per day, while purchases were more than 27 per cent below the quantity of milk specified by the "restricted diet" which is so low that it is unsafe to subsist on it for more than a limited period. This diet calls for an average of .9 per cent of a pint per capita per day.

TOUR WORLD IN SMALL SCHOONER



Two University of Washington students, Dwight Long (left) and Joe Lowry, Jr., arrived in Los Angeles from northern ports on a trip around the world in their 32-foot auxiliary schooner, "Idle Hour." They were to sail from southern California to Hawaii. The 21-year-old youths took a month sailing down the coast from Seattle, Wash. (Associated Press Photo)

Sales Tax Is Employed By Seventeen States to Lighten Property Load

Levy on Retail Sales Most Popular Form Of Four in Use; Consumer Tax Next in Favor

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Four forms of sales taxes are in use today in the 17 states that are committed to the sales tax principle.

Most popular of the four is the retail sales tax, with the consumers tax next in importance. The other two are a gross sales tax, levied on wholesalers as well as retailers, and a gross income tax, levied on all occupational income.

The retail sales tax, as the name implies, is a tax imposed on the sales of retail merchants and on certain direct services. The law provides it shall not be passed on to the ultimate consumer.

In most states where it is in effect the tax is considered as an expense of doing business and is carried on the books as an overhead. In some states the tax is applied as an occupational privilege tax.

Collected Monthly

In all the states where it is operative, the retail sales tax is collected monthly by the state finance department or a special tax commission. Voluntary returns are accepted from merchants based on their own book-keeping systems.

For checking purposes, occasional isolated audits are ordered by the state and, where false returns are found, heavy penalties are imposed. Merchants opposing the retail sales tax assert that reduced prices have already cut their profits to a minimum and the increase in taxation is driving them out of business. Proponents of the tax, on the other hand, point to reduced property taxes as offsetting the sales tax which, they claim, is a more equitable distribution of taxation.

Consumer Tax Criticized

The consumers' tax has drawn more adverse criticism than any of the other forms. In structure and operation, as far as the government is concerned, it is essentially the same as the retail tax. In fact, some states technically so label it with the tacit understanding that the tax will be added to the items sold.

In reality, the consumer pays the tax with the retailer acting as an intermediate tax collector for the state. The very fact that it is a consumer's tax is the focal point of the opposition to it. Opponents call it a "nuisance tax," "inverted income tax" and "a tax on property." The levy, they say, places the same tax burden on rich and poor alike; it prevents buying; and it drives business out of the state.

Reaches All Citizens

To this, its friends reply that the reduction in other taxes lessens its load and counteracts any tendency to drive money across state lines. They claim that it reaches persons who otherwise would contribute nothing to the support of government.

The gross sales tax is a tax on all sales of manufacturer, wholesaler and retailer. It is a broader application of the retail sales tax and is administered in similar form. Likewise it draws similar arguments for and against it with the additional cry from its opponents of "double taxation." Its advocates counter with the claim that it falls less heavily on the individual because it is applied among more taxpayers.

The gross income tax is a combination of a gross sales tax and an income tax. It includes all occupational income no matter whether it be from sales, salaries or services. Usually it is graduated so that it does not fall too heavily on the lower brackets.

The proof is in the wear. Buy your HOSE at Ethelwyn B. Hoffmann's.

Another Republican Newspaper Comes Out for Martin

Another normally Republican newspaper has come out for Congressman Martin for governor and against Joe Dunne. This is the Grants Pass Courier, which in its yesterday's issue, endorses Martin in part as follows:

"It seems to us that from southern Oregon's point of view it would be only self-interest if we should give General Martin a strong majority for the governorship in the election next week, on November 6. Southern Oregon, despite repeated rejections year in and year out, still needs and demands its low freight rate outlet that will permit manufacturing and mining to develop here, that will widen our mining and our lumbering outputs and that will give everybody a 'New Deal,' both those who will receive new payrolls directly and those who will profit by dealing with them.

"It seems likely that Oregon is not going to return a democratic congressman from this district in this election. General Martin gave up his post in congress to run for the governorship of Oregon. We will lose his very important voice in our behalf with the national administration unless we can give him the Oregon office to which he aspires.

"Southern Oregon's needs being what they are, we cannot afford to relinquish strong contacts with the national administration such as that afforded by General Martin.

"As governor of this state General Martin will be in a position to intercede with the president for southern Oregon's dream of a main-line railroad connection between here and Eureka, California, on the line of the Northwestern Pacific, owned by the Southern Pacific, with port outlet at Crescent City.

"Southern Oregon is now served by what is almost a branch line operation between Eugene and Black Butte, California. The main line goes east of the mountains, while the population is bulked on our side-track to the west.

"Similarly, the Redwood Empire is served by a spur line without northern outlet, ending at Eureka.

"We can vision a southern Oregon with one main line operated by the S. P. south via Klamath Falls, and another main line south via Crescent City, opening up this latent Empire of ours with the assistance of our national administration.

"If elected governor, General Martin would, we believe, assist us to achieve this dream.

"We feel we should elect him, and give him this opportunity to give us could not, from a financial standpoint, afford to make the campaign. He consented finally, as a matter of public duty. He made that campaign, the campaign of 1932, and is making this one, with no strings on him, and without making a mass of silly promises which he knows that no governor can fulfill. He has no interest in building a political machine, because he recognizes that if elected governor, it will be his last public service, and he wants to give to all the people of Oregon an honest, efficient, economical administration.

I changed my registration from Republican to Democratic last spring in order to vote for him in the primary, because it is my honest conviction that the people of Oregon have not in 30 years had an opportunity to elect a man of his caliber to the highest office in the state.

GORDON VOORHIES, Medford, October 31st.

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Favors Tax Limitation

To the Editor: We generally agree with your editorial policies but in your opposition to the tax limitation amendment we will have to disagree.

Some of the county school superintendents, teachers and other office holders are telling the voters that if this measure is passed there will be no recourse but to seriously restrict school operations and other public agencies. This is untrue.

This proposed amendment gives any school district, town, county, and even the state itself, the right to raise their taxes above the 20 mill limitation for a year at a time if two-thirds of the voters vote to that effect.

Could anything be more reasonable than this arrangement, where every district will have the right to determine what their taxes shall be? Also the state legislature meets before this amendment goes into effect, and it would have the opportunity to adjust revenues to the provisions of this amendment.

To our mind it is nothing but selfishness for any office holder to work against this amendment to reduce taxes when we consider the fact that most of them haven't had their salaries reduced a cent during the years of depression while the taxpayer's income has been reduced almost to the vanishing point.

We must come to the conclusion that your paper and most of the office holders are opposed to letting each district, town or county decide by a two-thirds majority vote whether or they will keep the present ruinous system or abide by the tax limitation amendment if passed.

In spite of all this talk of reducing taxes, this is the first time that the taxpayer has had a chance to have his say about any reduction. Thank you. (Name on file). Medford, R. F. D. No. 2.

Ed. Note:—Does our correspondent believe that ANY measure calling, under present conditions, for a tax increase, could secure a two-thirds affirmative vote?

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Pears Yesterday

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NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—(AP)—Pear auction: Nine cars arrived, 1 Oregon, 3 Washington, 5 California unloaded; 10 on track; market firm.

Oregon Box, 1,850 boxes extra fancy, \$1.65-2.70, average \$2.16; 787 boxes fancy, \$1.75-2.45, average \$2.20; D'Anjou, 840 boxes fancy, \$1.70-2.25, average \$2.

FRISCO HIGH SCHOOL IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Damage estimated at \$75,000 was done to the Lowell high school when an early morning fire today raged through the third floor and attic.

Firemen fought for more than an hour and a half to extinguish the blaze, which broke out in the upper portion of the building and for a time threatened its destruction.

Poultrymen have found Italian eye grass, crimson flower or a mixture of both furnish excellent grazing for their flocks during the mild winters in the south.

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