

Farmers' Income Down 4 Per Cent From Last Year

Washington—(U.P.)—Farmers' cash income in the first half of 1955 totaled \$12,200,000,000, down four per cent from last year because of lower prices, the Agriculture Department reported today.

Receipts of \$7,800,000,000 from livestock and livestock products were seven per cent less than the corresponding period of 1954. Prices of hogs averaged lower, and receipts from meat animals were down.

Crop Receipts Higher

Crop receipts in the first six months were \$4,400,000,000, two per cent above 1954 because of higher average prices. Receipts from soybeans, potatoes, and truck crops were substantially above last year.

Cash receipts from farm marketings in June were \$2,000,000,000. This four per cent gain over May was about the usual seasonal increase, but the receipts were four per cent below those of June, 1954, because of lower average prices.

In a review of the demand and price situation, the department said output of farm products now promises to be at a new high this year. Production of livestock products is at a record level and, if weather continues favorable, crop production is expected to be above last year and the second highest on record.

700,000 Families Live In House Trailers

Cleveland, O.—(U.P.)—More than 700,000 families live in house trailers, according to the Mobilhome Dealers National association.

The association said the families have an average annual income of nearly \$5,000, which is above the national average. It says most of the family men are craftsmen and industrial workers who move about the country with their trailers to wherever they can find the best jobs.



SHOPPING IN LONG BEACH, Cal. Miss Universe contestants (from left), Kim Mee Chong, Miss Korea; Marlies Gessler, Miss Florida; Jean Dernago, Miss Massachusetts; and Keiko Takihashi, Miss Japan, look for souvenir toy animals. (International Soundphoto)

Italian Land Reform Program Half Way Through; Benefits Already Said Shown

Editor's note: One reason the Communists made such headway in Italy was because of the lopsided distribution of land. A man who was one of the first to push a land reform program is now premier. Here is a report on the program.

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Rome—(U.P.)—The gentleman farmer who started a revolution in Italy five years ago expects to win the payoff battle by Christmas.

Antonio Segni, 64-year-old author of the revolution which transformed hovels into homes, ditches into fields and Communists into Democrats, hopes to hand over the last acre under the land reform program this year, halfway through the 10-year project.

It will signal a victory for Italian democracy and a triumph for Segni, now Italy's premier. But distribution of the last plot to the last peasant marks neither the success of the program nor its end. In the next five years the government will help the new landowners develop their property.

It will pump in \$650,000,000 in aid and advice to the new proprietors. But by 1960 it is scheduled to pull out, leaving inexperienced farmers to go it alone.

A generation hence the estates so carefully carved from the rich and given to the poor may be "big" again. Already some farmers are planning to sell out to more enterprising neighbors. And a tendency to collective farming has set in.

One thing is sure. The night Mrs. Antonio Segni received a bottle of perfume five years ago she could not have dreamed what her husband was starting.

The Bribes
Segni, as agriculture minister, gave his wife the perfume to prepare her for the news that he was going to hand away 30 acres of their own estate in Sardinia.

Today 1,222,337 acres have been distributed to 93,247 families.

The government found a simple method for deciding whose land to take. Italian landowners have a historic habit of declaring their holdings almost worthless to avoid taxes. The government took their word. It expropriated low-value land of more than 741 acres which was not cultivated intensively. The owners were paid with 25-year government bonds bearing 5 per cent interest.

On the other hand the government picked beneficiaries by

need and without political discrimination from lists compiled in villages where five to 15 people often lived in a single room. The standard allotment was 15 acres.

The peasant is not given the land. He buys it at low cost and easy terms amounting to about \$30 a year at the outset. After 30 years, when the land is finally his, the peasant will have paid about \$2600 for his 15 acres. Already it has brought about startling results.

In the Po river delta south of Venice, from the Tower of Pisa along the Via Aurelia to Rome, in the islands of Sicily and Sardinia, in the Italian boot's heel and toe, rocklands and swamps have been transformed into waving grain fields, manicured orchards and neat rows of electrified stone houses.

But the project does not lack for critics. The landowners, needless to say, never liked the idea. With rightwing power growing in Italy, they will fight any extension of the program. The Communists, their thunder stolen, have fought the project too and incited peasants who did not receive land.

On the other hand, many former Reds have ripped up their party cards and become Christian Democrats. Whatever the political outcome, the production of food on these lands is up two-thirds. In an over-populated, underdeveloped country, that is

Poor Honey Crop Puts Bee's Diet in Danger

Ithaca, N.Y.—(U.P.)—New York state's bee population is in danger of starvation this spring. Entomologists at Cornell university say the threat of starvation is a result of a poor honey crop caused by storms and extended periods of wet weather in January and early in February.

The experts suggest that beekeepers set up two or three pounds of dry granulated sugar on the winter hive cover. This is called winter feeding and keeps the bees from starving.

Hindus plant basil around their homes and temples to insure happiness.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Hearing on John Day Dam Financing Slated

John Day, Ore.—(U.P.)—A House public works subcommittee will hold a hearing next Tuesday on a bill for construction of John Day dam under financing from advance sales of power.

The hearing was announced in Washington, D.C., today by Republican Congressman Sam Coon or Oregon, sponsor of the legislation.

The proposed \$310,000,000 dam would be located on the Columbia river at the Oregon-Washington border. It is authorized for federal construction by the Army Corps of Engineers, but under Coon's bill, private

Dam Financing Slated

and public agencies would be invited to put up money for its construction in return for contracts for power delivery.

Washington—(U.P.)—The United States and Venezuela have signed an agreement covering research in the peaceful uses of atomic energy. Under the terms of the agreement, the United States will help Venezuela obtain an atomic reactor.

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Aspirin Tablet Found Irritant To Stomach, British Scientists Say

By DELOS SMITH
United Press Science Editor

New York—(U.P.)—A years-long aspirin argument between British and American medical scientists has been renewed with fresh British evidence that the ordinary aspirin tablet is an irritant in any stomach and is very bad for a man or a woman with an ulcer.

This is distressing news to this nation, which consumes 15 tons of aspirin daily, an outstanding world's record, and also is considered to have the highest incidence of ulcers. But the British scientists, Dr. A. Muir and I. A. Cossar, were emphatic.

Their main evidence was this: Two hours before surgically removing the stomachs of 20 ulcer patients, they gave each patient two ordinary aspirin tablets. When they had the 20 stomachs out, they saw fragments of the aspirins with their naked eyes and also saw that in 12 of the 20, the fragments had produced erosions which are hallmarks of an irritant.

Embedded in Stomach Lining
In one stomach, half an aspirin was so deeply embedded in the mucous-producing lining that they couldn't get it out without damaging their specimen. When they did get it out,

July 30 Adjournment Of Congress Doubtful

Washington—(U.P.)—Democratic Leader John McCormack is doubtful the House can adjourn by July 30, as House leaders hoped.

McCormack told his colleagues that important legislation is jammed up in the rules committee behind an impasse on the housing bill. He said he doubted the log jam can be cleared in a week.

But he said he still holds out some hope for a July 30 adjournment.

Rep. Charles Hoeven (R-Ia.) noted that the Reorganization act permits Congress to stay on into August only in an "emergency." He wondered if the House could sit legally since President Eisenhower has declared that the Korean emergency is ended.

"a lesion showing the features of an acute peptic ulcer rather than a simple erosion was visible."

Under the microscope, the stomachs showed erosions not visible to the naked eye. Their similar experiments with 40 others surgically-removed ulcerated stomachs supported their argument, in their opinion. They argued that "erosive gastritis" sometimes goes with ulceration, but the erosions they were talking about "were obviously the result of the local irritant action of aspirin."

They also said that 15 other patients who suffered continually from indigestion and who were "habitual aspirin takers . . . were cured of their dyspepsia by its withdrawal." As for ulcer patients, they found that 110 out of 318 "were well aware that aspirin could be taken only at the risk of a bout of dyspepsia."

Care Needed
The British Medical Journal published their report and commented editorially that "the earlier work of British scientists has been confirmed, and care is evidently needed in the administration of aspirin."

Since 1938, British medical scientists have been indicting aspirin as a stomach irritant.

The journal acknowledged a "discrepancy" between British and American studies of what aspirin does to the stomach—the American view is that it does nothing. The journal said this discrepancy was "more apparent than real" because the American scientists had looked at the wrong places in the stomach.

Crop Yields Improved by Adding Sodium To Soil

Chicago—(U.P.)—The yield and quality of numerous crops can be improved by adding sodium to the soil, according to Dr. Walter P. Mortensen.

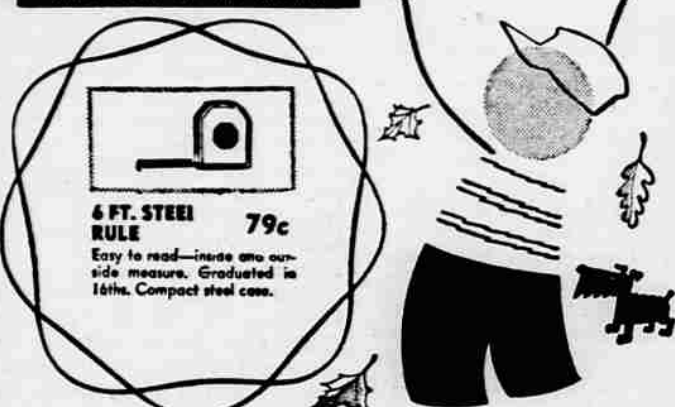
Yield increases due to sodium were found in sugar beets, oats, barley and wheat. Other investigations reported showed increases in yield due to sodium for table beets, celery, flat turnips, radishes, rutabaga, buckwheat, rye, millet, hay crop, cabbage, mangels, onions, carrots, potatoes, mangel-wurzels, lettuce and chichory.

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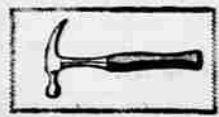
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