

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

At an election held the other day, the nation's wheat farmers voted by a better than four-to-one margin to continue rigid government controls over their 1960 crop. The alternative rejected at the election was unrestricted plantings and sharply reduced price pros.

The present rigid control program (which the wheat farmers approved by an overwhelming vote) calls for planting allotments totaling 55 million acres, marketing quotas based on the allotments and price supports at the present minimum level of 75 per cent of "parity," or NOT LESS than \$1.77 a bushel.

If the wheat farmers had REJECTED the controls, they would have received price supports of only 50 per cent of parity—or about \$1.18 a bushel.

WHAT is to say:

The rejected program would have meant a SMALLER wheat subsidy. The program that was overwhelming approved means continuation of a HIGHER wheat subsidy.

To make the situation more understandable, it should be added that the nation's warehouses are already stuffed with so much wheat that we could go for a year or so without raising a single bushel and still have plenty of wheat to go around.

HMMMMMMMM.

Before condemning the wheat farmers too severely, consider this:

If called upon to vote on a bill requiring you to work longer hours for less pay, what would you do?

You'd probably do what the wheat farmers did. As long as subsidies are available, their beneficiaries will probably vote to accept them.

FOOD for thought:

TOTAL federal subsidies amount to about 15 BILLION dollars per year. Of this total, the farmers get about 3.5 billion. Foreign aid gets about 3.8 billion. Public aid gets about 2.0 billion. Grants to local governing bodies get about 1.8 billion. Subsidies to veterans amount to about 2.2

billion. Business subsidies (transportation and such) total up to about 1.4 billion. The balance of about 0.2 billion goes for grants for public housing, slum clearance projects and such.

On a per capita basis, each billion dollars spent by the federal government costs you as an individual about \$5. So this 15 billion dollars in subsidies costs you about \$70. If you're the breadwinner for a family of four, it costs you about \$300.

It might pay you to figure up some time how much you GET BACK.

HOW did subsidies get started.

Politicians found—quite a long time ago—that subsidies are a good way to get votes.

State to Produce

Contents of Bag

West Covina, Calif. (UPI)—

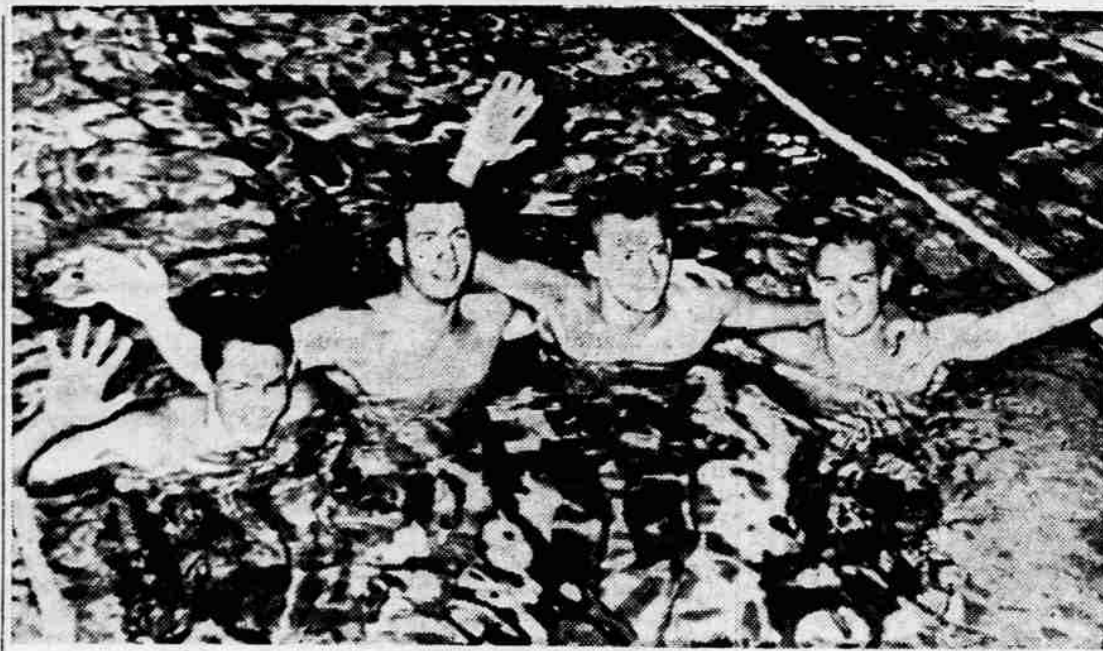
The state said it would produce at a preliminary murder hearing today the "highly significant" contents of a brown bag found near the spot where Dr. Bernard Finch, 41, allegedly shot his socialite wife, Barbara, 33, July 18.

Finch was not expected to testify at the hearing, at which Municipal Judge Arthur H. Miller will decide whether the state has sufficient evidence to hold him for murder trial.

Deputy District Attorney Fred N. Wichello declined to reveal before the hearing the contents of the brown bag he said was found near the \$80,000 home where Finch's estranged wife lived.

Finch's girl friend, Carole Tregoff, 22, and Marie Lidholm, 19, a maid in Mrs. Finch's home were among seven witnesses subpoenaed for today's hearings. Both have admitted being at the scene of the killing, but neither saw the fatal shot.

A housewife would save 40 feet of walking and a third of the time she spends making a bed if she just did one side at a time.



SWIMMING CHAMPS—This happy U.S. swimming team has just set a new world's record of 3:44.4 minutes in the 400-meter free-style relay at the U.S.-Japan swimming meet in Tokyo. Left to right: Joe Alkire; Elton Follett; Lance Larson; and Jeff Farrell.

Gold Dust Legal Tender in Colorado

Boulder, Colo. (UPI)—Gold dust is legal tender again in Colorado—two bits' worth to the sack—as part of the state's centennial celebration.

It's the idea of a Boulder engineer named Kent Schneider, who panned the dust from what's left of an old mill, mixed it with what he admits are a "few impurities" and packaged the stuff in small plastic bags which he sells for 25 cents.

Schneider, who figures the gold in each sack is actually worth 26 cents, arranged for business establishments throughout the state to accept the bags in exchange for a quarter's worth of merchandise.

In Switzerland, 90 per cent of all mustard is sold in unbreakable metal tubes.



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By BENNETT CERF

ROBERT MURPHY, one of our State department's most valuable trouble shooters, picked up a neat trick from Winston Churchill.

Trapped in an interminable conference in Algiers some years back, Churchill casually pulled a fresh pair of socks from his pocket, kicked off his shoes, and changed socks. Murphy was very much more intrigued with this performance than with the speaker of the moment, and leaned over to ask Churchill what he was up to. "I find," explained Churchill, "that changing socks in the middle of a tiring day is a great refreshment."

Now when Robert Murphy lacks time to shower and effect a complete change of costume, he settles for a fresh pair of socks, too.

Two progressive school youngsters were discussing their domestic problems.

"My mother was depressed when I was born," confessed the first little girl.

"Why?" asked the other. "Did she want a boy?"

"No," answered the first. "She wanted a divorce."

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