

From Where We Stand . . .

June Is Dairy Month

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The month should hold particular significance for Lancaster County.

During the past year, Lancaster County dairymen sold a total of \$25,997,000 worth of milk from some 62,600 dairy cows, and this does not include any cows sold for replacement animals or for slaughter. While figures for the value of replacement animals is not easily learned, purebred cows bring in a sizeable return each year. Lancaster County breeders have no trouble placing any purebred animals they may have for sale.

No other county in the state comes close to the Garden Spot in either number of dairy cattle or in the value of milk. Bradford County ranks second, but the total number of cows is only 44,400 and the return is \$15,822,000. Only Chester, Franklin and Susquehanna Counties of all the rest had more than 30,000 cows during 1963.

Only laying hens, which brought in a total of \$19,541,000 in 1963, came anywhere near dairying as a money making farm enterprise.

The dairy cow has often been called "The Foster Mother of the Human Race", and we believe the title is well deserved.

The cow takes rough, coarse material which man can not eat and turns it into the most nutritious, complete, easily-digested, and palatable food known, and all she asks in return is a bit of understanding, gentle care and regular habits.

We have always thought it a bit of irony that the cow's only reward for nourishing us all her life is to nourish us further after she is old and worn out and can no longer produce milk. But we suppose that in the scheme of things, this is the fitting end of so noble a creature.

It is also fitting that the month of June should be set aside to pay tribute to the animal that has played such an important role in the life of almost every one of us.

Whether or not we have any direct connection with the production of milk, each one of us owes a debt of gratitude to the cow for her share in making us, individually and corporately in this nation, one of the most healthy groups of people that ever lived.

Even though we never see the inside of a dairy barn, who among us does not appreciate and enjoy a luscious dish of ice cream or a bowl of strawberries topped with whipped cream, or a slice of good, warm country bread spread with butter and jam? Or who among us could say he never enjoyed a piping hot grilled cheese sandwich, a cooling salad topped with cottage cheese, or a glass of cool, refreshing milk?

And isn't it fortunate that foods that taste so good should also be so good for you? There is not one of us

but could benefit from the nutrition in dairy products.

Therefore, we say again, each of us owes a debt to the dairy cow. Let's all join in honoring her during June — Dairy Month.

At least that's how it looks from where we stand.

★ ★ ★ ★ Your Bargain With Life

To the graduates of 1964:

May we add our voice to all the messages of congratulation you will receive.

That sheepskin you carry so proudly does not mean you are "Educated". It means that you should now have enough "appreciation" of education to want to "become educated".

Your intellectual horizons should have now been widened and you should have an appreciation of where you want to go and how to get there.

The time has come when, if you have not already done so, you must make your bargain with the world. This is something you will have to do for yourself. Your parents, your teachers, or your government can not do it for you.

You have been supplied with the tools of bargaining during the past four years, and the kind of bargain you make may be determined by how well you have learned to use those tools.

You can be almost anything you want to be, or do almost anything you want to do if you are willing to work for it — and sacrifice for it.

Now is the time to begin working for what you really want out of life. Remember those who merely chase happiness in life never quite catch up with it. The truly happy person is he who knows what he wants and is content to work toward his goals.

As you prepare to make your bargain with life you have to have goals. You must look toward the future, but you must live in the present.

The toiler without a dream — a goal — will all his life moil in the mud. The dreamer with out the will to work for his dreams is destined to become a frustrated visionary.

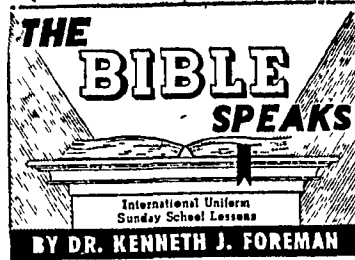
No one will seriously tell you that your bargain with life will be easy. Bargains with life never have been easy, but they can be pleasant.

Each of us, no matter how rich or how poor, how capable or incapable has a sacred obligation to do the best we can to make this country we live in — and the world we live on — a better place because we were here.

If we may be allowed one little bit of advise it is this: look back to recall only the pleasant times; look ahead with hope; look to yourself with confidence and look up with faith.

Congratulations, Good Luck, and may God Bless You.

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A Needy World Lesson for June 7, 1964

Background Scripture: Deuteronomy 10:18-19, Matthew 25:31-46; James 2:14-17; I John 3:11-15
Devotional Reading: I John 3:11, 14-16.

SHARP READERS will have noticed something about these columns since last April. They are all about "The Christian and . . ." even if there was no room for the whole title. First we thought



to the universe; then about the Christian in his family relations and with his neighbors; next about the Christian at work and at leisure. This was followed by the Christian in

Dr. Foreman relation to government and to nationalism; and from now through June we consider our relation to the whole world.

The top and the bottom

A large order? Yes, indeed, staggeringly large. But two points run through all of this. One is that we are related to all these things, Christian and non-Christian alike. The difference between the Christian and the irreligious man is not that one has responsibility for his relationships and the other does not. The difference is that the Christian recognizes, even if too dimly, what his responsibilities are, and tries to do something about it. The other point is that a man's character, indeed his very existence as a human being, is measured in terms of his relationships. You don't put a man into a solitary cell to find out whether he is a good man; you turn him loose in the world of other people.

If you think of the people of this world as a pyramid, the same thing is true as is true of the pyramids in Egypt: there are very few stones in the top layers, compared with the enormous number of stones in the bottom

layers. If you, reading this column, are an American, you are near the top of the human pyramid. You belong to a great "Have" nation, while below you are the millions of people who live in "Have-not" parts of the world.

Never enough

People will say, Oh, why bother with the troubles of folks we can't see and can't help? People do seem to get on somehow, wherever they live. They grow up and have babies and they live to be old, don't they? Well, that's not quite true. Take the country people, millions of them in one country alone, India for example. The American who travels there is shocked by the large numbers of hungry-looking people he sees. Men and women do grow up, though infant mortality snips off the lives of many before they even get started. They grow up hungry; there is never quite enough food to go around. They wear clothes, yes, but such clothes as you wouldn't put down for a prize cow or cat to lie on. They eat food you would throw away.

How can one person help?

The world is so big, and there are so many needy people in it, that we often wonder, how can I possibly do any good? The answer is, to be sure you by yourself can't do much, and you wouldn't know what to do anyhow. But your government and your church are both working on this problem of a needy world. Every time you pay your taxes, you are helping to support such successful enterprises of good will as the Peace Corps and agricultural aid of many kinds in many nations. Every time you go to church, you are invited to share in what is being done by your denomination for the needy world. If you have a heart sympathetic enough to feel yourself neighbor and even brother to the multitudes at the bottom of the pyramid, the church has all sorts of suggestions. It has enterprises going right now that need your help. If you don't know, ask your minister. It may surprise him — but it will give him a chance to surprise you. And if you still don't care to help, then read those Scripture passages again from Old Testament and New, and ask yourself: Can I honestly call myself a Bible-believing Christian?

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Now Is The Time . . .

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To Continue Feeding Hay

Many dairymen have found that the milking herd of cows will continue to consume good quality hay while on pasture. Since the dry weather of last month has slowed down pasture growth in many areas, it is strongly recommended that the cows be given liberal amounts of hay daily. An outside portable hay rack may be used very well for this purpose. The cows will crave some of the dry matter which will help extract more feed value from the grass.

To Prevent Tobacco Mosaic

One of the common diseases of local tobacco is known as mosaic or "foxy" tobacco. This infection causes a mottling of the leaf, stunting of the plant, and the leaves will not develop properly. One of the means of spreading this virus disease is by the workers hands, tools, and equipment. People handling plants should refrain from using any kind of tobacco without a thorough washing with hot water and soap. Tobacco boxes and planters should be washed with a formaldehyde solution. Prevention is the best approach; we do not know of any cure after the infection is present.

To Be Alert for Aphids

The little sap-sucking insect known as an aphid may be found in a large number of plants and trees during the summer and especially during dry weather. This insect does not chew the leaf but merely sucks the sap from the tissue. A large variety of shrubs, trees, flower and garden plants may be affected. Alfalfa plants may be coated with the green aphid; some aphids are dark brown to black. Sprays of lindane or malathion will kill nearly all kinds of aphids.

To Clean and Spray Grain Bins

Small grain harvest is approaching with a favorable yield outlook. We should prepare the storage bins in order to prevent insect damage to the grain during storage. Clean, sweep, and spray all bins before new grain is stored. Use either 1 quart of 25% Methoxychlor or 1 pint of 57% Malathion in 3 gallons of water per 1,000 square feet of bin area. Make the treatment at least several days prior to storage.

● Stock Show

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small arena of the Pennsylvania State Farm Show Building, according to Harold McCulloch, manager of the exposition

State Secretary of Agriculture, Leland H. Bull, chairman of the overall steering committee, said the show will be open to livestock breeders in all states and Canada, and that \$80,000 will be offered in cash premiums. Entries close October. The exposition and parking are free to spectators.

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