

Farm Program "A Failure" Says Congressman

Washington bureaucrats are thinking of adapting the "spy-in-the-sky" space satellite to enforce their rules on American farmers. According to Rep Paul Findley, this is but one more step in a series of acts by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to enforce "a mass of rules and regulations that fill a 12-foot shelf."

Writing in the March Reader's Digest, the Illinois Republican contends that there has never been a better time for government to scrap the Depression-born subsidy-and-control program, which has cost \$51 billion. He has introduced legislation toward that goal, claiming that burgeoning technology means an ever-lessening need for farm labor, and that crop surpluses are down to record lows in some cases.

Yet, he says, USDA bureaucrats are pushing to expand the program and tighten the screws on farmers who come under its rules.

"In a typical Illinois county," he writes, "patrols of a dozen or more tramp the fields with 'measuring worm' chains every summer, surveying to be sure that farmers are not overplanting their allotted acreage. In addition airplanes fly over farms from coast to coast to see that government rules are obeyed. In fiscal 1966 alone, aerial photographs were snapped of 251,535 square miles of farmland at a cost (to the taxpayers) of \$560,951.28."

Despite the battle to bolster the sagging program, it has "manifestly failed when tested against its advertised objectives," says Rep Findley. "Since 1950 the farm population has been cut in half, and farm units are disappearing at a rate of 100,000 a year," he writes. "Reliable estimates indicate that today's farm population of 11 million will decline again by almost half in the next 12 years."

While failing the small farmer, the subsidy program has helped make others rich, Findley charges. In Lake County, Ill., retired executive Dennis Gent converted his Midlane Farm into a county club. "Nevertheless," writes Findley, "because he agreed not to grow corn for ten years on his allotted 307 acres, Washington paid Gent \$70,177."

"In 1966 alone, 5149 farmers and corporations got more than \$25,000 each from USDA. Among these farmers, the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Co. of Honolulu got \$1,236,355, and a Corcoran, Calif. corporation collected nearly \$3 million. Five large farm operators made a total haul of more than \$8 million in subsidy checks."

Technological advances have made inevitable further cuts in farm labor needs "no matter how much money we throw away on our Depression-born maze of controls and subsidies," writes Findley. "The day is coming," he predicts, "when the Kansas and Nebraska plains will be dotted with television towers monitoring computer-controlled tractors that are planting, fertilizing, weeding and harvesting without a human being in sight."

Many experts take the view of Harvard economist Dr. Hendrik S. Houthakker. "Farm policy should not aim at reviving the past but at facilitating adjustments to the future."

Perhaps Congress will have other ideas.

Public Sale

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Saturday, March 16, 1968

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COW SALE 1:00 P.M.**

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**35 FALL COWS, 25 FRESH OR
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Cows milking up to 90 lbs., 3, 4, 5 year olds.

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Public Sale

OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE, DAIRY CATTLE, FARM MACHINERY

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 1968

At 12 Noon Sharp

At R. D. #1, Felton, Pa. between Red Lion and Felton approximately ¼ mile West off Red Lion-Felton road in Windsor Twp. Follow sale arrows. The undersigned will offer at public sale the following.

REAL ESTATE

Dairy farm consisting of approx. 105 acres of which there are approx. 65 acres of good rich farming land and the balance in pasture and woodland, small stream of water goes over part of farm, good water supply. Improvements consist of a large stone & asphalt shingle house with 8 bedrooms also 2 living and two dining rooms, 2 full baths on first floor, 2 electric hot water heaters, also a large dairy barn for approx. 60 head with a block milking parlor for 4 head and milk house complete with Mojonniier 425 gal. milk tank, electronic eye washer, and pipeline milkers, these units go with real estate. Also block garage & chicken house, corn barn & wagon shed, 2 silos. Anyone on the market for a good dairy farm, be sure and see this one. For inspection phone 246-5392 or call auctioneer. Real estate will be offered at 1 p.m. on day of sale. Terms: 10% down, balance in 30 days. Other details on day of sale.

DAIRY CATTLE

**28 Holstein Dairy Cows
2 Ayrshire Dairy Cows
1 Guernsey Dairy Cow
14 Holstein Heifers
2 Ayrshire Heifers**

These dairy cows are grade cattle, all but 1 are from artificial breeding and all are bred artificially. They come in at various dates. One half of heifers are bred others are open. This herd will be TB and Bangs tested within 30 days of sale. Don't miss this sale if you need good dairy cows.

FARM MACHINERY

John Deere No. 40 crawler tractor, Allis Chalmers WD tractor with cultivators and two bottom plow, cultivators for DC Case tractor, manure loader, MC flail chopper, manure spreader, grain drill, cultipacker, weeder, Papec hammermill, side dresser for Case tractor, John Deere wire tie baler, McDeering lime spreader, Sears corn sheller, McDeering ensilage filler, two wheel trailer, two bottom plow, 3 tons of 3-10-10-10 fertilizer, 1 ton of 0-20-20 fertilizer, extension ladder, belt, dinner bell and other articles too numerous to mention. Farm machinery will be sold first. Not responsible for accidents on day of sale.

Refreshments Available

Terms: Cash

H. R. STITLEY

Jacob A. Gilbert, Auctioneer
Phone Red Lion 246-5056
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HORSE SALE

Wed., March 6, 1968 at 12:00 Noon

Martin's Sale Stables
Blue Ball, Pa., Lancaster County

Standard-Bred horses from Ohio, Kentucky and New York states. Ponies, consigned horses and tack.

Horses hitched at 9:00 A.M.

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BUCK VALLEY DISPERSAL

12 mile south of Lancaster along Route 272
at "The Buck", Lancaster County, Pa.

Wednesday, March 6, 1968

10:00 A.M.

**47 HEAD OF REGISTERED
HOLSTEIN DAIRY CATTLE**

**35 milk cows, 3 heifers due sale time,
2 bred heifers, 7 from 6 mo. to yr.**

Pabst Sir Fobes Regal daughter

8 yrs. 339 da., 21,942 m., 753 f.; 9 yrs. 357 da., 25,977 m., 899 f.

Seiling Triune Achilles daughter selling

345 da., 14,084 m., 639 f.; 368 da., 17,321 m., 762 f.

Her two daus. selling Sequoia Ideal Jo due sale time.

Year old Milk and Honey Ivanhoe.

Ivanhoe daughter selling: Susie Colantha Ivanhoe
(milking 85 lbs. per day)



3 yrs. 307 da., 13,933 m., 510 f.; 4 yrs. 320 da., 15,886 m., 627 f.
Her two daughters selling, Penn State Lucifer J. Ti Vic
due sale time. Year old Hector daughter.

This herd on test only two years 1966 and 1967 with O. S.
average of 14,205 m., 543 f. for 2 years.

These animals selling: 3 Ivanhoe, 3 Achilles, 3 Deans,
3 Sequoias, 4 Misty Vales whose daughter was grand champion
at 1968 Farm Show.

5 fresh Jan., 2 Feb., 4 March, 4 Apr., others throughout
year.

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JOHN DEERE 2510 — 125 HRS.

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14T baler, bale elevator, J.D. 3 bottom 16 in. trip (6 mo.), J.D.
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harrow, J.D. crimper, CA - AC tractor with cults., loader and new
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**30 Ton Hay, 30 Ton Corn, 5 Ton Straw
10x50 Silo full of corn silage**

Elec. cornsheller, 2 milk coolers (9 and 2), 2 - 50 lb. DeLaval
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