

Grain sales to China may boost Soviet imports

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — A grain export executive said here that the recently signed agreement between the United States and the People's Republic of China could result in increased

grain supplies for the Soviet Union.

Ted Rice, vice president-commodity research, Continental Grain Company, told a meeting of the Crop Quality Council last week

that the agreement... "made without consultation with Australia, Argentina, Canada or the European Community, has deeply offended them"

According to Rice, "none has been particularly happy about supporting the United States on the Soviet embargo. This will provide an excuse to ignore it."

Rice acknowledged that none has a big surplus available for export to other nations.

"But," he continued, "if each takes the approach of Argentina, i.e., simply sell to the highest bidder, the Soviet

Union will be able to get ample grain. It may mean their taking more barley or sorghum and less corn than they would like, but they can do so if necessary"

In a review of global markets for wheat and coarse grains, Rice indicated he expects record volume in 1980/81

"There are some relatively tight areas," he said, "but world grain supplies are adequate and U.S. stocks are large. A drawdown in stock - especially in the U.S., Canada and Australia - combined with current year

production, will be sufficient to accommodate the increased demand."

Noting the increased significance of the market for wheat in the People's Republic of China, Rice observed that Chinese wheat production is down about 10 percent or more than five million tons from a year ago.

"This loss will not be fully offset by increased imports but we do expect imports, mostly wheat, to be about four million tons higher than a year earlier," he said.

He added that the recent US-PRC grain agreement could encourage the Chinese

to take more U.S. wheat in the first half of calendar year 1981 than they might have without the pact.

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Credit goes to Sherry Curry of the Lancaster Livestock Reporter for her picture of the New Holland Dairy Show champion which ran in our November 1 issue on page A18. The Dairy Show and Sale were held Wednesday, October 29.

Farm Women

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charter members, were remembered, with a white carnation placed on a cross of greenery in honor of each one. Memorialized were Martha Dalheimer and Mary Rohrbaugh of Group 5; Florence Hoffman and Martha Smith, Group 4; Eva K. Myers, Group 14; Evamae Houston, Group 1; Annabel Shaub, Group 20; Ruth Burke, Group 25; Mary Gable, Group 9; and Alverta Kauffman.

Several members, their children, and grandchildren entered this year's special state project, crochet competition. First place winners, whose craft creations will go on to compete at state level, include: Stacy Leiphart, children's division; Steve Kohler, painting; Lisa Perry, craft; Anna Eppley, bedspread; Iva Krout, afghan; Betty Jordan, sweater; Ethel Wilt, stole; Mary Hake, baby afghan; Ruth Krout, miscellaneous; Betty Jordan, scarf; Margaret Tyson, pillow.

Featured speaker for the morning session was the Rev Joyce Johnson, who is co-pastor with her husband at St. Paul (Trinity) Lutheran Church, York R6.

Pastor Johnson spoke frankly on the joys and problems she has encountered as one of the relatively few women in the ministry. A 1979 divinity graduate, she was one of only four women in her class, and only six women had been ordained in the Lutheran Church of America up to the time she began divinity training.

"Women in the ministry is not a new thing," she insisted, recalling several

women mentioned in the Scriptures as having been involved in the early Christian church

"And who in the church does the bulk of the work anyway - women," added Pastor Johnson. She encouraged the Farm Women to recognize that women are ministering in many ways, through all the church and charitable groups in which they take part and by providing the organizational structure for getting things accomplished.

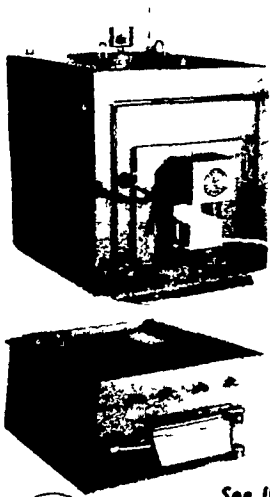
Because women ministers are still a comparative rarity, Pastor Johnson admitted that they must be extra accomplished at what they do, and that women in the ministry cannot afford to be mediocre because they carry the responsibility of proving themselves equal to the position.

She noted that she did not set out to become a minister, and actually "fought the call" until it became so apparent that she knew she must trust in God, and "in ways that men aren't forced to trust Him"

Special entertainment during the afternoon was presented by the Hanover American Association of Retired People's kitchen band, a talented group of senior citizens, with members ranging from 67 to 87 years of age, who performed a variety of old tunes.

The performance for the Farm Women was the 23rd for the band, which has entertained at the White House. Following their hour-long light-hearted presentation, they were given a rousing standing ovation by an appreciative Farm Women audience.

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