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Sheffield Farms People Talk to the Milk Producers

MR. GARLOCK AND DR. CORBIN RECITE INTERESTING FACTS CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SHEFFIELD FARMS COMPANY AND SHEFFIELD PRODUCERS CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION.

In the auditorium of the Sheffield Farms plant in Centre Hall, on Friday evening, about fifty milk producers, patrons of the Sheffield people, met to hear the present milk problems discussed—problems as found by the Sheffield Farms Company and the Sheffield Producers Co-operative Association, in the New York milk shed.

The association had its origin ten years ago, and has been doing business here for about six years, during which time the association members have been receiving a higher price for their milk than any dairymen in the same section who sold to other organizations with a New York market. This was the burden of the Sheffield Producers' Co-operative Ass'n; Dr. C. I. Corbin representing the Sheffield Farms Company, and Harry M. Smith, Bellefonte, R. D., the director from this district to the association, and chairman of the meeting. The speakers expressed entire confidence in their patrons to be able to come to an intelligent conclusion on such a business proposition as they would likely gain called on to decide—the question of standing by an organization capable of bringing them the best prices as experienced during the past six years. Milk prices, everyone knows, have been low, but the Sheffield patrons have been fortunate in receiving more than patrons of competitive associations.

The Milk Problems of Today.

The suffering and distress brought to the whole New York milk shed by the decline of values in general and the collapse of milk prices in particular, has placed upon the constructive dairy leadership of the whole milk shed the duty and obligation to produce some practical plan, workable under conditions as they are now, which will bring some measure of immediate relief.

For the past ten years the New York milk shed, due to increased market demands, has steadily increased in size and now comprises over 80,000 dairy farmers producing market milk for the largest and best market in the world. During these ten years, dairymen's sentiment has been divided and despite the continued efforts of sincere dairy leaders to convince these 80,000 dairymen that one marketing plan is necessary, the division of sentiment and difference of opinion due to different local and market conditions still persists, and the lines between the different groups and their operations are

It was Senator George H. Moses who forced the adoption of the Hoover furlough "plan" in the Economy bill over which the Administration officials are all mixed up on how to apply it. This raises the question whether Senator Moses knew what the furlough plan was all about when he secured its adoption.

as clearly defined as they were ten years ago. There has been some shifting back and forth, some changes have been made, but by the majority the situation remains practically the same and unchanged.

The Sheffield Producers Co-operative Association, a ten-year-old bargaining association, has grown from a membership of 2900 in 1922 to 16,000 at the present time and has enjoyed the greatest growth of any dairymen's organization in the New York milk shed.

The members of this association during all the ten years have also enjoyed the highest prices paid to any organized group on the New York milk shed. Any organization with such a record for growth and achievement must be sound in principle and practice. There are many unorganized dairymen in this milk shed and these have followed the Sheffield Producers Association very closely and thousands of producers are being paid on a basis of Sheffield prices.

Past efforts to unite all dairymen have failed and rightly they should. It would be disastrous to any industry in the country if all competition should be removed.

At the present time one of the competitive organizations of Sheffield Producers is making desperate efforts to force a plan on the dairymen of the New York milk shed under the Emergency Milk Committee, which is nothing new but the same old contract with a new cover on it, and the same amount of teeth and obligation in the contract as before.

The milk of the Sheffield Producers Association is marketed by the Sheffield Farms Company, who is at this time operating 125 country plants. The average prices returned to their producers for the last ten years has netted the producers an average of 27 cents over the cash prices paid by the competitors and the average increase in prices during these ten years between June and November has been 63.8 cents per cwt.

While marketing conditions remain very unsettled and no sound thinking business man or organization can honestly promise or make any prediction on any commodity with the unsettled world condition, yet based on the past ten-year record, the class prices remaining the same for July as for June and noting the large shrinkage in production since the first of July, it brings every indication of higher milk prices for the producers starting with July.

Annual Decker Reunion.

The Decker reunion and picnic will be held at Hecla Park, Thursday, August 4. All families of the clan are invited to attend. Plan to be there not later than 11 A. M. If possible, An ideal place to spend a day with relatives.

SPRING MILLS FISH & GAME ASS'N PROMISES REAL BENEFITS TO SPORTSMEN

Prof. John W. Decker, instructor in agriculture at the Gregg Township Vocational School, Spring Mills, was a most pleasant caller at the Reporter office one day last week. Mr. Decker is the moving spirit in the organization of the Spring Mills Fish and Game Association, which has for its purpose the improving of the interests of sportsmen, especially hunting and fishing. The association shall make a special effort to rear and secure Trout and other fish for the restocking of streams; raising and securing of game for restocking of woods and fields; to protect what we now have and to further the interests of the sportsmen in general; to aid in the enforcement of the game laws and to keep and preserve the home of all game.

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Membership—Any person 16 years of age or older, who is interested in better hunting and fishing, is eligible. The Association is interested in having a large membership in order to carry out the ideals of the organization.

Due—The dues of the Association shall be \$1.00 per year, or 50 cents semi-annually, payable January 1 and July 1 of each year.

If you hunt or fish, help make better hunting and better fishing. Let your interest help your pleasure. Send your name and address to the secretary with your annual dues. We are planning a cooperative Trout rearing project to restock our streams. It is important that you are a member of the Association.

B.F. Kennley, Secretary,
Spring Mills Fish & Game Ass'n,
Spring Mills, Pa.

Dear Sir—

Enclosed find amount of \$..... for dues from to in the Spring Mills Fish and Game Association.

My name and address is as follows—

Name
Address

Wishing you health and prosperity,
I am, your old subscriber,
MRS. MARY H. PRICE.

STATE COLLEGE SECTION OF HIGHWAY LET; \$107,919

The State College section, between that town and Boalsburg, one of three sections on State Highway Route No. 250, between Potters Mills and Philipsburg, will be let to W. C. Gates, of Tyrone, for \$107,919, provided the lowest bid is accepted for its construction. The bids were opened Friday. The contract is for 3.66 miles of concrete pavement in State College borough, College and Harris townships.

The first section of this short cut to Philipsburg, and the west, from Potters Mills, where it intersects with State Highway Route No. 53, is between Tusseyville and Boalsburg, the next adjoining is that referred to above and the third is from the intersection of the same road, built a few years ago, with Route No. 550, at Waddles, known locally as the Buffalo Run road, over the ridge west of Julian, where it intersects with Route No. 220, known locally as the Bald Eagle Valley road.

On the section between Boalsburg and State College there is one bridge to be constructed of concrete. The bid for this section of road is one of 125 bids for ten highway and bridge projects opened on Friday.

The greatest number for one job was 17, for a three-mile strip in Bensalem and Middletown townships of Bucks county.

The fewest, two, were for a quarter of a mile roadway in Meadville.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY FAIR CALLED OFF THIS YEAR

There will be no Clearfield County Fair this year, officers of the County Agricultural Society announced following a meeting last week. Only about \$1200 of \$3000 contributions sought some time ago has been subscribed, which makes it impossible to hold the fair.

Officers have withheld announcement of cancellation as long as possible, hoping to raise enough money to float the project again this year. The \$3,000 sought was to care for last year's deficit.

By cancelling the fair, Clearfield county will forfeit the \$1,000 State appropriation. This is given only after a fair has been held two years, and when the fair is resumed again it must operate at least two consecutive seasons before this appropriation will be restored.

Officers of the Agricultural Society which sponsors the fair are: President, Ed. Henry; vice president, Olen Gearhart, Curt Reed, and W. E. Davis, treasurer, E. Clair Davis.

G. T. V. S. A. A. Picnic.

The annual summer picnic of the Gregg Twp. Vocational School Alumni Ass'n will be held at Penna. Cava, Friday evening, July 29, at 6:30. All alumni are invited to attend. Plans for the picnic are the same as last year. Come and bring all alumni that you can interest in attending. The committee is anxious to have a good turnout. Help them.—Committee.

NORTH DAKOTA LETTER TELLS OF CROP CONDITIONS

Antler, N. D., July 15, 1932.
Editor Reporter.

Enclosed please find P. O. money order for \$1.50 for which credit me for another year's subscription to the Centre Reporter. I have been a reader of your paper for so long a time that I just can't do without it. When it does miss getting here at its regular time I am at a loss until the next issue gets here; once in a while it fails to get here, and I miss it very much.

So far this has not been a very prosperous year and business has not picked up any, so everything is dull. Prospects are better for some harvest than they were a year ago, if the grasshoppers don't get too bad; they are quite bad in places. There are quite a few of them around here, but not as bad as they are in some places in this State. We have had some nice rains so far but we really need a great deal more rain before the ground is filled with moisture. Just at present it is quite dry again and so hot and so much high wind. That is what dries out the ground so quickly after a rain.

On the last day of June we had a hard wind; it destroyed so much garden truck and spoiled whole fields of corn; some gardens look bad, ours among them; so our vegetables will be short again this year.

Last year was the driest and emptiest year in North Dakota that I have ever seen, and I hope I need never again see another such year. If it had not been for the Red Cross, thousands of people around here would have starved to death long before the winter was over, but through the goodness of the Red Cross they were taken care of, and if those same farmers have a harvest this year they will be able to help themselves again, if the price of grain advances. If not, they will have feed for their stock this year, which they did not have last year, and they will have potatoes, for the prospects are good for a potato crop.

Wild fruit is not plentiful this year; I think it was frosted when in bloom, so we must depend on the fruit that is shipped in; so far there has been very little of it sent in.

Wishing you health and prosperity,
I am, your old subscriber,
MRS. MARY H. PRICE.

STATE DEPARTMENT RAPS SENTENCES OF BURGESS

Burgess E. H. Lederer, of State College, and an inspector for the State Department of Revenue do not agree on penalties for motor code violations within the borough.

Excerpts from the inspector's letter follow: "Your docket shows in numerous cases that certain defendants have been prosecuted under a borough ordinance for offenses for which there is a specific penalty provided in the Vehicle code, and when this is the case the prosecutions shall be brought under the Vehicle code and not under any local ordinance.

"Another irregular practice as shown by a number of transcripts from your docket is the imposition of penalties other than required by the code. For example—directing the defendant to attend church for a specified period or writing the vehicle code a certain number of times, as well as dismissing the defendant on probation or with a warning. In this connection I wish to refer an opinion of the Department of Justice stating 'If a magistrate finds the defendant guilty of violating the provisions of the Vehicle code, it is his duty to enter conviction against him, imposing a fine within the limits fixed by the act with the alternative of imprisonment therein provided. A conviction is equal to a verdict and having once imposed this penalty, the magistrate cannot, by any act of his, release the defendant from its payment.

"The Vehicle code requires every magistrate in the Commonwealth to maintain and keep a full report of every case in which a person is charged with a violation of any of the provisions of the code. Failure, refusal or neglect to comply with the above requirements shall constitute misconduct in office, and shall be grounds for removal therefrom."

OSCEOLA BANK MAKES SECOND PAYMENT

The seven hundred and twelve depositors in the defunct Osceola bank recently received a seventeen and one-half per cent dividend, amounting to \$55,174.23. A previous payment of thirty per cent, or \$103,407.90, was made in September. The second payment was made possible partially through a loan received from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTS GET \$32,964 ANNUALLY

Representative Wade said he had been reliably informed that out-of-state residents are now benefiting to the amount of \$225,054 a year as employees of State institutions and that on the department pay-rolls are non-residents who receive salaries to the amount of \$44,870 a year, or a total of \$322,964 paid yearly to non-residents at a time when there is much unemployment among Pennsylvania people.

FOURTEEN PASS TESTS TO DRIVE AUTOMOBILES

Fourteen persons passed the learners' examination to operate a motor vehicle Wednesday of last week, at Bellefonte. Nineteen applicants appeared for the test, but five failed. Those who passed were—Gordon Carters, Barnesboro; James F. Reed, State College; Malcolm A. Swartz, Milesburg; Margaret A. Hoffmeister, Brick Church, Armstrong county; Maglin A. Biddle, Harrisburg; Clayton G. Long, Madisonburg; Eleanor M. Broderick, State College; William Welsh, State College; Emily Espenshade, State College; Lyman Zimmerman, Hubersburg; Hazel Hurley, Bellefonte; Eleanor Stover, State College.

STATE BULLETIN GIVES DETAILS OF CAVES

A new bulletin, prepared by bureau of topographic and geologic survey of the Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs, shows there are now fourteen caves in Pennsylvania, three of which are in Centre county, open to the public, the largest number ever recorded. The bulletin, prepared by R. W. Stone, Assistant State Geologist, contains descriptions of the various caves in the State and includes a score of interesting cave views. The fourteen caves in the State are listed as follows—Alexander Caverns, Keedysville, Mifflin county; Baker Caverns, William, Franklin county; Crystal Cave, Kutztown, Berks county; Hippie Cave, Waterside, Bedford county; Historic Indian Cave, Franklinville, Huntingdon county; Indian Echo Cave, Hummelstown, Dauphin county; Lost Cave, Hellertown, Northampton county; Onyx Cave, Shoemakerville, Berks county; Penna. Cave, Centre Hall, Centre county; Seawra Cave, Alfarata, Mifflin county; Velled Lady Cave, Madisonburg, Centre county; William Penn Cave, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county; Wonderland Caverns, Mann's Cave, Mann's Choice, Bedford county; and Woodward Cave, Woodward, Centre county.

During the last few years, there has been an increasing interest in the exploration of caves in Pennsylvania and many Pennsylvania tourists have visited practically all of them. Copies of the new bulletin may be procured from the Department.

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BOALSBURG MAN MAY BE U. S. MINISTER TO CANADA

A scion of the family that established Boalsburg, in Penna. Valley, Pierre de L. Boal, son of Col. Theodore D. Boal, of Washington, D. C., and Boalsburg, has been placed in an excellent strategic position to succeed to the post of United States minister to Canada in the event the rumored resignation of Minister Hanford MacNider becomes an actuality.

Boal has represented the Department of State as chief of the western European division, and he has been appointed first secretary of the United States legation at Ottawa. Officials explained that they wanted to have an experienced man to take charge of the frequent absence of MacNider, and Boal was selected because of his very thorough knowledge of European affairs, particularly British politics. His post will be increasingly important in the scheme increasingly important in the scheme of Imperial conference at Ottawa.

W. C. T. U. Convention.

The forty-seventh annual convention of the Centre County W. C. T. U. was held in the Lutheran church at State College, on Friday. The forenoon session was given over to conducting the business for the year and the appointing of committees.

In the afternoon W. L. Hammaker, Y. M. C. A. worker of State College, gave an interesting talk on the "Present Prospect of International Relations."

The evening was given over to Prof. Carroll D. Champlin, of State College, whose subject was "Current Problems of Temperance Teachings."

The convention was voted a success in every way. One hundred twelve delegates were present, the largest number in twenty years. The State College Union served a delicious supper in the evening.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. T. E. Jodon; vice-president, Mrs. Thompson Henry; treas., Mrs. John S. Dale; rec. sec'y, Mrs. V. C. Ridge; cor. sec'y, Mrs. M. C. Johnson.

PAGEANT AT GRANGE FAIR IN CELEBRATION OF WASHINGTON BI-CENTENNIAL

At a meeting of the Grange Fair committee in Centre Hall on July 19 some unusual features were discussed for the 1932 fair which opens on Grange Park Saturday, August 27. Action was taken in a number of cases and without doubt the most important under consideration was proper celebration at the fair of the George Washington Bi-Centennial. And the Extension Department has undertaken to do this in a splendid and most fitting manner.

One evening during fair week will be set apart for this purpose and the boys and girls of Centre county who are organized in 4-H clubs, will present a pageant of great historical interest. It will be given outdoors in all probability, correct in detail, costume and scenery.

Child Dies at Hospital.

Myrtle Larue Stover, 3-year-old daughter of Joseph and Roxie Stiver Stover, of Bellefonte, R. D., died at the Centre County hospital as the result of convulsions. Beside her parents she is survived by a sister and a brother, Rachael and Theodore Stover, at home. Funeral services were held at the home Friday morning; burial at Pleasant Gap.

HOLD GRAIN FOR \$1 A BU., IS NORTH DAKOTA PLAN

Organizations Perfected Along Township Lines as Farmers Give Pledge to Hold Wheat Until Dollar Level is Reached.

Across the fertile prairies of North Dakota, expected to produce one-sixth of the nation's wheat output this year, today is heard a crescendo chorus—"hold the grain for one dollar a bushel."

And if sponsors are successful, the cry will be taken up throughout the United States.

Deil Willis, Tojna farmer, is chairman of the organization which has stirred the farmers in more than 400 North Dakota townships to pledge holding their wheat, effective August 1, unless and until the dollar level is reached.

Organizations are perfected along township lines. As producers sign an agreement, it is deposited with the township board. Certain farmers are designated to see the pledge is adhered to. "We will hold our wheat until there is a demand for it at the set price of one dollar a bushel, and then we will sell only ten per cent in one month," Willis continued. "This will make an orderly marketing system."

He said the plan, launched less than a week ago, has been enthusiastically received.

The agreed price will be based on Winnipeg quotations, which ranged at that time from 53 7-8 to 55 cents per bushel. The dollar will be for the best wheat, with discounts for lower grades. Farmers participating in the movement who lack storage room are allowed to haul the grain into elevators and receive storage tickets.

Federal estimates as of July 1 gave North Dakota an indicated wheat production of 124,000,000 bushels and a national total of 737,000,000 bushels.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Miss Maggie Ulrich, of Millheim, underwent an appendix operation in the Centre County hospital, recently.

The auditors' statement of the Potter township school district for the school year ending July 4, 1932, appears in this issue.

The Junior Workers of the Lutheran S. S., taught by Mrs. Harold Durst, held their annual picnic at Hecla Park, last Wednesday.

August, and not prosperity, is just around the corner, and that leads us to remark that the Grange picnic is only a few weeks away, and the summer slipping rapidly.

Some of the oats in this neighborhood has already been cut, and much more is about ready for harvesting. The crop is short in the stalk and much below par in every other respect.

Mrs. Alberta Krader, of Bellefonte, will broadcast over KDKA, Pittsburgh, on August 2nd, 6:15 P. M., Eastern Standard time. She will appear under the name of "Miss Alberta, Tyrolenne Songbird."

The annual George Horner reunion will be held Saturday of this week, at Grange Park, Centre Hall. Friends and relatives are welcome. Bring your lunch and enjoy the day with us—Secretary.

Rev. Homer W. Topp, D. D., will speak Friday evening in the Reformed church in the interest of Prohibition. The question will be vivified by a three-reel moving picture, "The Triumph of Justice."

The driving surface of the bridge in the eastern section of Millheim is to be removed and rebuilt with the idea of giving the structure a greater carrying capacity. The work will be done by the State Highway Department.

Rev. C. D. Wickard, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Warren, was installed as pastor of the East Kishacoquillas church, Reedsville. He succeeds the Rev. Dr. N. T. Brown, retired and now a resident of Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bender and family will motor to Pittsburgh today (Thursday) where they will spend a week visiting with relatives. At the same time, Mr. Bender will attend the annual convention of Rawleigh Products-salesmen in the Pittsburgh district, of which association he is secretary.

The way has been cleared for the construction of a concrete road on Atherton street, State College. With this street improved, the new concrete road now under construction from Potters Mills to State College will connect with the section built a few years ago, west of State College diamond and will greatly simplify handling traffic in that town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Tipton of Reading, were week-end guests of Miss Helen Bartholomew. When Mrs. Tipton was Miss Martha Moore she and Miss Helen were room-mates at Millersville Normal School. The friendship formed then was continued. Mr. Tipton is in the signal service of the Reading railroad, but like many others needs but to ask once for a few days off. While here a number of side trips were made.

Ralph L. Musser, of Rock Springs, who became seriously ill last week while at his place of business at Mill Hall, where he is in the oil and gas business as a distributor, recovered almost as quickly as was the suddenness of his illness. When his brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, were about to leave here to visit him in the Lock Haven hospital, the gentleman drove up to the Goodhart place of business as chipper as a lark. Mr. Musser suffered an attack of acute indigestion, and for a while he was close to beginning his journey to the shore beyond.

Construction work on the Potters Mills-Boalsburg road began a week ago, and bitter disappointment follows. Local workmen expected to secure employment, but few were able to get themselves on the payroll. Laborers were under the impression that the contractors were obliged to hire men living in the district through which the road passed, and at a stipulated wage—\$3.50 for common labor—but by this time they have been disillusioned. Of course, in time probably more local men will be taken on, but the relief afforded will be small when one takes into account the fact that over \$200,000 will be spent in the immediate district.

The Reporter was interested in looking through the year book "The Omicron," class of 1932, of the David B. Oliver High School, Pittsburgh, for the reason that the book accorded our townsman, Prof. L. O. Packer, a rare distinction. The book was dedicated to Mr. Packer, who is a "math" teacher in that school, and it was the first time a teacher in that school was so honored. On page six of the pretentious 190-page year book appears a likeness of Prof. Packer, and the following tribute: "To Lorenzo Orville Packer, whose genial personality and sparkling wit have endeared him to the hearts of the students of the David B. Oliver High School in his years at this institution, the class of 1932, as a gesture of friendship, dedicates this issue of the Omicron."