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Should Farm Production Be Subsidized?

As debated by

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MR. MARSH OPENS: The Department of Agriculture reported on 1,600,000 under-equipped farms: "On such farms there are wasted every day man-hours of labor which in terms of farm production equal the manpower needed to produce 200 million pounds of pork, or 25 million gallons of milk, or 2 million dozen eggs." The Director of Farm Production puts manpower as the big problem in increased farm production, but equipment and credit are vital.

In 1940 nearly two fifths of all farms were under fifty acres. Last year a fifth of all farms produced only about three percent of farm production that entered commerce, though some 60,000 families averaged an income of \$18,831; 200,000 more \$6,310; another 200,000 got \$4,360. There are nearly six million farm families!

Raising prices for farm products will help large well-equipped farms to make more money. Some could reduce prices and still make money. Subsidizing small, under-equipped farms to enable operators to hire needed help and get equipment, will increase production, permit prices to consumers to stay fast, or be reduced, if margins of processors and distributors are fixed. Many small farms should be consolidated to save machinery, gas, truck and manpower.

MR. EASTMAN OPENS: Farmers and their organizations are almost unanimously opposed to subsidies because:

1. *Subsidies promote inefficiency:* it is human nature to depend on a financial crutch. Subsidies weaken character; lessen initiative. Those who receive them are not inclined to work hard. Subsidies decrease food production and increase food costs to consumers.

2. *Subsidies in agriculture are unjust:* all taxpayers and future generations pay for benefits to certain segments of society. Subsidies increase the danger of inflation. Most agricultural subsidies are unjust because the public is led to believe they are farm subsidies; in reality they are consumer subsidies, used to protect consumers against necessary wartime prices. In the end consumers suffer. An adequate supply of food, not the price, is the real problem. Farmers know the diminishing food supply would have been increased had the law of supply and demand not been tampered with by unwise price control schemes like subsidies and price ceilings.

3. *Subsidies promote political abuses:* by manipulating subsidies between different classes and sections. Politicians use them to build enormous voting power; rewarding the faithful and penalizing the non-supporters, thereby creating an entrenched bureaucracy, a strongly centralized government which could lead to dictatorship.

MR. MARSH CHALLENGES: Big landed, banking farmers, oppose direct subsidies, which they won't get, and fear post-war competition; but favored tariffs, parity and conservation payments, and curtailed production which subsidized them, hurt tenant farmers and soaked consumers. Big farmers didn't call those "crutches!" Intelligent administration and draft is vital. Available farm equipment and equipment are almost all in farmers can afford. Farmers can't, even if rationing. One-third of America's people can't increase their production during the war protected from higher

REPLIES: Farmers can't get them now production campaign. I don't know

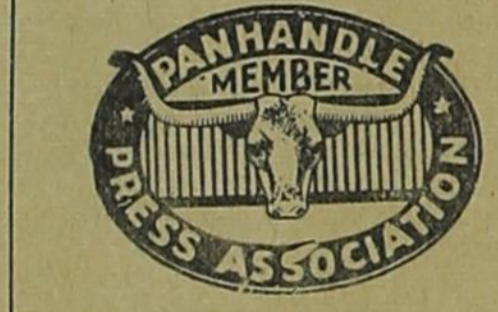
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Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Youts spent the week-end in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Acker-Kuper

A beautiful and impressive mid-season wedding was held at the Family church, Wednesday, February 10, when Miss Emma Acker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Acker, of this parish became the bride of Mr. Henry Kuper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kuper of Hereford.

At the first soft notes of the wedding march, the maid of honor, Clara Acker, sister of the bride, entered. She was followed by the bridesmaid, Maria Kuper, sister of the groom. The bride entered on the arm of her father and was met at the sanctuary steps by the groom, Paul Acker, brother of the bride served as best man.

The bride was dressed in a princess gown of white tulle and satin. Her only ornament was a long strand of pearls. Her hair was fashioned with a crown of white and seed pearls formed a lovely wreath. Her bouquet was of pink carnations.

The maid of honor and bridesmaid wore pink and blue chiffon princess gowns and carried white prayer books with sweet peas and fern tied in satin streamers.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for a number of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Kuper is a graduate of Nazareth High School and has recently been employed as operator of the Texas theater in Hereford. Mr. Kuper is a graduate of Hereford High

School, and the young couple will be at home on their farm near Hereford.

Buster Byrnes, Misses Allorah Byrnes and Martha Jo Wesson, Edwin Byrnes and Jimmie Singer were in Amarillo Saturday.

Mrs. Carl Kemp and Carl Lee, Miss Lucille White, Joline and Dale Whitlow visited relatives at Kress Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Youts, Mrs. Elmer Youts, Phyllis and Patsy were business visitors in Amarillo Tuesday.

Ben Hill Sr. and Webster Boone of Vega were business visitors in Dimmitt Friday afternoon.

A large number of fans and supporters were in Plainview Friday to see the Dimmitt Bobcats play in the regional basketball tournament.

Mr. Winkle has moved to the house in the west part of town formerly occupied by Mr. Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hudson have moved to the place just south of Homer Newton. Mr. Hudson recently sold his home here to R. C. Melvin Rankin. Mrs. Rankin and the children will move to Dimmitt soon to make their home.

Mrs. Roy Bell left Wednesday morning to join her husband who is stationed at Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey L. Wright went to Tulia Tuesday where Mr. Wright had another installment of his teeth extracted.

Want Ads

FOR SALE—Bed-type Divan, good condition, priced reasonable, see Mrs. Homer Newton. 2-tp

FOR SALE—Choice Millet Butts. See W. E. Miller, South of Charlie Jones Place. 1-tp

FOR SALE good 4 room house to be moved after purchase. See C. G. Maples.

WANTED — Plowing, listing or one waying. L. M. Buckmaster

G. L. Willis, Jr., is in Fort Worth on business.

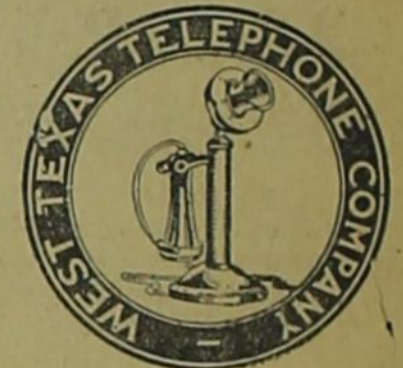
Mr. Drake has moved into the home vacated by Mr. Winkle.

Rev. E. V. Temple has been confined to his bed for several days with flu. A son also has been sick with a threatened mastoid trouble.

Mrs. Ethel Womack and Shirley, of Lubbock, were guests Sunday in the C. O. Byrnes home and visited with John L.

Carl Kemp and G. L. Willis were business visitors in Fort Worth over the week-end.

Ben Hill Jr. who is stationed at Lubbock spent part of his furlough in Dimmitt.



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WEIGHT	POINT VALUES																PER LB.
	Over 0 Including 1 oz.	Over 4 oz. Including 7 oz.	Over 7 oz. Including 10 oz.	Over 10 oz. Including 14 oz.	Over 14 oz. Including 1 lb. 2 oz.	Over 1 lb. 2 oz. Including 1 lb. 6 oz.	Over 1 lb. 6 oz. Including 1 lb. 11 oz.	Over 1 lb. 11 oz. Including 2 lb.	Over 2 lb. Including 2 lb. 4 oz.	Over 2 lb. 4 oz. Including 2 lb. 8 oz.	Over 2 lb. 8 oz. Including 2 lb. 12 oz.	Over 2 lb. 12 oz. Including 3 lb.	Over 3 lb. Including 3 lb. 4 oz.	Over 3 lb. 4 oz. Including 3 lb. 8 oz.	Over 3 lb. 8 oz. Including 3 lb. 12 oz.	Over 3 lb. 12 oz. Including 4 lb.	
FRUITS AND FRUIT JUICES Canned and Bottled (including)																	
APPLES (including Crabapples)		5	6	8	10	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29	31	8	
APPLESAUCE		5	6	8	10	13	15	17	19	21	23	25	27	29	31	8	
APRICOTS		10	13	16	20	24	28	31	34	37	41	44	47	50	13		
BERRIES—all varieties		11	14	17	21	23	26	29	32	34	37	40	43	46	11		
CHERRIES, red		17	21	23	26	29	32	34	37	40	43	46	49	52	11		

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Grade School News

The birthdays of Sammye Hardy and D. L. Wright were celebrated last Friday in the Fifth Grade. Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Wright served refreshments of candy and popcorn balls to the room.

Deputy Supt. Clift visited each room in school Friday, Feb. 19. He was a most entertaining visitor and the pupils enjoyed his visit very much.

If ninety percent of the students of Grade School purchase at least one stamp this month, we will receive a "Schools at War Flag" from the Treasury Department. The "Schools at War Flag" may be flown on the school ground, just below the U. S. Flag next month, if ninety percent of the pupils will participate in War Stamp buying this month. We hope to report that this goal will be reached in the next few days. Last week students of Grade School bought \$89.75 worth of War Stamps. The Fourth Grade will have the Victory Banner next week.

P. T. A. Meeting

The P.T.A. met Tuesday, February 16, at 4:30 P. M.

Mrs. Dennis, the president, called the meeting to order and Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Gollehon, and Mr. Farley were appointed on the Library Board to cooperate, and to try to keep the public library open for school use.

A nominating committee to choose officers for the following year was appointed. Mrs. Blaine, Mrs. Richardson, and Mrs. Hershey were to serve on this committee. Mrs. Blaine was the main speaker on the program. Youts who gave a very interesting talk on "Children and their talk she gave out on the subject and every-

Dimmitt Bobcats Place Third At Regional

The Dimmitt Bobcats again came out victorious in two games with W. T. High. These were two very good games but the Bobcats had the advantage over the Canyon boys.

In the "A" game the Bobcats came out with a score of 29 to the Canyon boys 21. Curtis, of Dimmitt, ran up 13 of these points. May of Canyon, was the high point man from Canyon.

The B string game was also a decided victory for Dimmitt. The final score was 23-13. Cook and Sheffy tied for the honor of being high point man with 7 points each. Louie, of Canyon, was their high scorer.

CHEMISTRY CLASS OF DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL

In chemistry class, Monday, Al-lorah Byrnes gave a report on Science in Wartime. She brought out that now the scientist's motto is "We do the difficult immediately. The impossible takes a little longer."

For the three days last week, while Mrs. Howe was absent because of a streptococci infection in her right hand, Mrs. Easter was our substitute teacher.

The laboratory has recently recently received a shipment of new supplies to replenish our chemicals and other equipment.

Dear Public . . .

Are you there? Yes I'm sure you must be, since this is the first and most read column in the Bobcat Tales. Now get comfortable, relax, don't bite off any fingernails and get ready for a shock, cause these students in D. H. S. are always doing something shocking (now aren't they)?

"Hack" you certainly are popular—you must have hidden charms or is it just the gas and tire situation that attracts the girls to you. "Hack", believe it or not, was escorting four cute Junior girls at the tournament Friday, but I don't think he had any trouble getting dates for

Reading Tastes Of Juniors And Seniors

A study of the reading habits of juniors and seniors made in English III, Section 1, under the direction of Mrs. Addison, showed that they preferred fiction to non-fiction, but that on an average they read fairly good literature. Out of thirteen students (every fifth person of the junior and senior classes) interviewed, 85% preferred fiction to 15% for non-fiction. Fifty-four percent believed that the Reader's Digest is a better type literature for juniors and seniors, while 46% preferred mysteries, adventure stories, and others. Practically all of them agreed that Books of the Month were all right to read. Eighty-five per cent of the students had rather read books that are possible than those that are fantastic. Sixty-one per cent of the students body think that Ranch Romances and True Stories are all right, but only 30% of them read those types of literature. Juniors and seniors don't do so well when it comes to reading newspapers, except for the funnies. Eighty-five per cent read the funnies first, 54% read the front page second, and only 15% ever get around to finishing the rest.

All of the 69% who read the Reader's Digest like it. Except for not reading the newspaper, juniors and seniors on an average read fairly acceptable literature.

WHO'S WHO

Mary Gene Dyer is a member of the Junior class. She plays basket ball and has blond hair and blue eyes is about 5 ft. and 2 in. tall, she weighs about 115 pounds.

She has gone to school at D. H. S. for four years and also went to grade school here.

She is a member of the Home-making club.

She was one of the prominent characters in the Junior play.

Victory Contest

The race is on! The classes of D.H.S. are buying stamps for their candidates in the Victory Contest.

Dimmitt Bobcats Victorious Over W. T. High

Two games were played at Plainview, with Lev Lockney. The first game with Levelland, and after a scrappy game, the Bobcats pulled ahead before the end with a one point lead. The score was 22 and 23. John Cook scored the most points of the game, 13.

The last game which was with Lockney, was won by a comfortable margin of 43 to 13. The Bobcats and the Lockney played a fast exciting game. The Bobcats stayed in the lead the entire game. Curtis scored 13 points.

From every standpoint the Bobcats played a good defense. The games were evenly matched. There was no edge to either side.

Dimmitt-Lockney game

Dimmitt	Pos	Points
Mobley	F	
Wilkerson	F	
Sheffy	F	
Curtis	F	
Watson	F	
Caison	C	0 0
Jackson	C	2 0
Birdwell	G	5 2
Ashcraft	G	1 0
Harrison	G	
Mayfield	G	
Stewart	G	
Dyer	G	

Lockney	Pos	Points
Dagley	G	
Carroll	F	
Norman	F	
Meyers	F	
Parrock	C	
Pemberton	C	
McGowan	G	
Ford	G	
Webster	G	

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