FARMERS GO ON AS USUAL

What Else Can They Do.

The Agricultural world is vexed with problems. Solution is not easy in the face of world wide industrial depression. Many remedies are suggested. None are universal in app lication. Some sound well but are not feasible. Take wheat as an example. If everybody followed the "Eat More Wheat" slogan. a corresponding upset in some other agricultural product would follow. We are well fed, we cannot eat a greater total. Canada, Argentina, Australia and Russia can and will supply the world market for wheat at a low price. If the U. S. reduces her wheat production to supply only domestic demand,then the tariff can function. The prolem is how to reduce to that level. It can not be done quickly. Few people can make radical changes even if prospects were good in some other line. Farmers cannot scrap their equipment and their experience - its too costly and too uncertain.

Modification and adjustment are often advisable. A landlord can shift his winter from an all wheat basis to part wheat and part barley-since the barley produces more grain than will the wheat but the barley is a feed crop not a cash crop. A tenant would not, in many instances, be able to grow barley in place of wheat since the lease contract specifies wheat.

Farmers, in general, "go on" with their established lines. They can not cost of production, they can "enlarge" the size of their acres by improved tillage methods or equipment. by increasing soil fertility, by using more and adapted commercial fertilizers, they may reduce the number of acres cropped, they need still less land by having more in legume hay and in pasture. Increased yields per acre from fewer acres reduce labor, tillage and harvesting costs. In some cases a new crop can be brought into the rotation to good advantage and at a profit.

Frequently we see farmers, in an effort to maintain income, double acreage and production when prices are halfway normal. This obviously can not get far if the low price is already due to an overproduction of that commodity. This proceedure not only does not help in the present but (with non perishable crops like wheat) piles up a surplus to become a menace to the price for future crops. Acre reduction and total reduction is the quickest way to overcome surplus

"Progress comes with adversity" therefore in Kent must come a new system of land tenure. Livestock farming, for the sake of the soil as well as for safety that lies in diversification, must come. Feed crops that do well rather than losing com petition in the production of cash crops (as wheat and corn) will make possible more economical production of stock and animal products. Equipment for storing feedstuffs must come. Marketing crops through livestock is good economics if we will practice the knowledge of sanitation, bacteriology, nutrition, quality control, advertising, marketing, and-diversification.

We must capitalize our position nearness to large centers of population, and hold the markets against distant competition by matching quality, packing and package with the demand and with the competitors Our land policy and our taxation must yield to more efficient and equitable bases.

Roger Babson, eminent economist, who predicted the big stock market crash of October, 1929, now has an encouraging was for agriculture. He is quoted as saying: "The farmer, in 1931, will have the benefits of better organization. He will collect one big dividend from the depression; he will come out of it with one great lesson learned. That is, that he can do nothing alone."

,Maryland is one of the six important asparagus growing states. California grows more than a half of the asparagus produced in the Cnited States. About one-half is for fresh consump tion and one-half for canning. Most of the canning is done in California.

A new farmers Bulletin 1646-F entitled "Asparagus Culture" sets forth the latest informaion on soil, climate and culture required for successful asparagus production.

LIVE FARM NOTES FOR THESE DAYS

DO WELL WHAT YOU DO

Farmers under present conditions are urged to concentrate their efforts and do well what they attempt. Proper preparation of seed bed is a basic requirement for good crops. Use of tested suitable and adapted seed is another essential. Providing lime if needed, using the right fertilizer in adequate amount, careful tillage, control of insects, and diseases are all man factors that must be supplied. Nature offers sufficient hazards without the farmer contributing any.

We may be wrong, but it seems clear that the farmer and his family doing most of the work—can concentrate their efforts on food and feed crops mainly (with some attention to cash crops to provide since income even if at no profit) and save on labor; on fitting, on seed, on tillage and on harvesting, etc. Leaving land idle is not to be encouraged in normal times but these are not normal times.

CULL THE DAIRY HERD

The dairy outlook continues to be such that the tried old advice to "cull the herds closely" is especially true now. It will be several years at least before cow values climb to the level of the last few years. More cows than usual are on farms and more heifers are growing into cows.

TEST SEED CORN

Save labor, space and expense by using seed corn with a germination test of 95 per cent or higher. The germination test is easy to make. Testing is the sure way to learn how good your seed corn is. Kent county has plenty of seed corn to meet its need. Better use an adapted acclimated corn even if ears are short, etc., than to buy in seed from some other section.

Silver is now so depressed in price that they say it isn't worth while breaking up a cloud for the silver lining.

LITTER CONTEST APPEALS

The Litter Contest in pork production, backed by the McLean County System of Sanitation, offers the incentive to make quick cheap gains on pigs. The effort is to make a litter of pigs weigh 1500 pounds in 150 days from birth. The prizes offered stimulates interest in the use of the best known methods of economical pork production.

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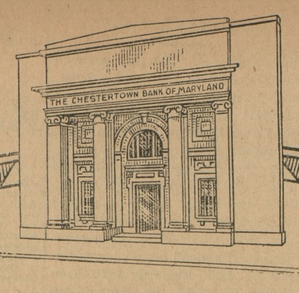
PRODUCTION REDUCED

Production of cash crops in 1931 will undoubtedly be reduced even if nature smiles on the effort of the farmer from this time.

SPRING RESTORES HOPE

Spring brings back the birds and they set the example of home making activity. Farmers like the birds live close to nature. They have faith, courage, they go ahead. This year they will roll their sleeves a little higher, pull the belt a little tighter and will plan more carefully, will make wider use and more complete use of those agencies that help reduce costs, stop leaks that spell waste, that mean quality product and out of it all will soon emerge a better day for agriculture than has yet been known. The farmer still retains the rugged integrity and industry that have always given him strength of character.

Pound net fishermen in the upper section of the bay off Rock Hall and Tolchester are pulling out their nets after one of the most unprofitable seasons in the history of the industry. Since the first of the year the bay has been literally alive with millions of sea nettles which have ruined many of the nets and clogged others to such an extent that it has been impossible for fish to trap. William Sewell, Rock Hall fisherman, pulled out his five pound nets and stated that there were sufficient sea nettles in the nets to fill his canoe six times and not a fish was caught. Few if any shad have yet been caught and fishermen declare that unless recent heavy rains muddy the water of the bay the catch will be small.



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