

\$50,000 Raised for Development of Dairy Industry

Half of Amount Required, Says Carl R. Gray—Active Work to Start Soon.

Nearly half of the \$100,000 dairy program fund has been raised in Omaha. Plans are now being perfected for raising the balance throughout the state.

This was the message Wednesday of Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific and head of the dairy movement in Nebraska, at the noon luncheon of the Rotary club.

"We want to get down to work," said Mr. Gray, "and we will start just as soon as our financing is completed. We have a five-year program, which will take \$20,000 a year. We will engage two of the best dairy experts we can find and will keep records and statistics on milk and butter fat production.

"These experts and the clerks who will keep the records will get all the money we are collecting. Not a cent will go to anyone else.

"There is a real interest throughout the state. I expect every city and town in the state will be heard from soon with their portion of the fund.

"It is a business proposition we are furthering. We would not be doing it if it were not a business proposition. It will bring profit to those farmers who improve their dairy herds and will bring cheese factories, milk condenseries and milk-drying establishments to Nebraska.

"Freight rates are right and by the time the five-year program is completed Omaha will not only be the greatest butter shipping point in the country, but Nebraska will be one of the greatest butter producing states."

Seven Chicago Boys Hiking to California Go Through Columbus

Columbus, Neb., April 23.—Early this morning, seven boys, ranging in age from 11 to 13, after stopping at hotels here, resumed their hike to California. Dressed in costumes similar to those worn by Boy Scouts, and carrying packs, the youngsters started out in the hope of reaching Grand Island by nightfall. They came from Chicago. Two families are represented in the group. The parents of the boys will make the trip by train to California next month. The boys are not traveling penniless and were told to work for money and continue the trip by rail if they tired of walking.

Oliver W. Goodland, 15, who acts as "car-taker" for the younger boys, said: "In the past 20 days we've met as many as 100 boys and girls under 20 years of age 'out on their own,' hiking to California. Most of them are earning their way at odd jobs where they can get them, riding the trains when the chance to steal a lift is easy, and then hiking awhile after they get kicked off."

Stroud Boosters Issue Statement

Friends Organize to Support Candidacy for City Commissioner.

The executive committee of the Stroud-for-City-Commissioner club, with headquarters at 764 Keeling building, has started active work. The executive committee has been enlarged to include G. D. Taylor, Rev. Frank G. Smith, George Payne, Ed P. Boyer, H. S. McDonald, A. A. Lamoreaux, D. W. Merrow, Dr. J. P. Lord, H. J. Hughes, Fred Crane, Charles Harding, A. N. Eaton, Dr. Paul Ellis, Robert Trimble, C. S. Stebbins, C. B. Adel, George Ross, Max J. Walker, Harry Lane, Roy Towl, Robert Malcolm, James Rodman and Frank Dewey.

The committee has issued the following statement in regard to Stroud: "Our full committee, consisting of about 200 men and women who know Mr. Stroud personally, are organized to boost him for the reasons that: He has been an Omaha business man nearly all his life and has been successful in his undertakings. We believe he will conduct our city business in the same manner he conducted his private business. He is not a politician by trade. Until three years ago he engaged in private business, then retiring to become commissioner. The 10 miles of roads made during his administration and the many miles of excellent dirt roads in Douglas county are the result of his untiring efforts to build up Omaha and Douglas county.

Mr. Stroud is a man of proven integrity, believes in getting a day's work for a day's pay and is heartily in favor of all civic improvements. The remuneration Stroud personally receives is no different to him. We wish to elect him because we know he will see to it that money spent will bring adequate exchange."

Second Tourist Camp Opened at Columbus

Columbus, Neb., April 23.—Columbus' new tourist camp, the second here, is open. Eight tourist parties, most of them on the way home to eastern and northern points, after a winter California, halted Tuesday for the night in the new camping grounds.

This is the first camp privately owned to begin operation between Chicago and Denver. Water, light and fuel are furnished the tourists free.

The camp is located at the intersection of the Lincoln and Meridian (Winnipeg to Mexico City) Highway. The first camp, operated by the Chamber of Commerce, is located northeast of the city on the Lincoln Highway.

Broken Bow—Broken Bow's first automobile show is attracting a large number of people from over the country. The affair is staged by Moore Bros., distributing agents for the Dodge cars.

Laf Market Is Always Same

Movie Fans Eager to Read Wit of Jokers Who Enter Contest.

When you see Laf jokers today: Tom Hunter, Omaha; Bob Hunter, Omaha; Larry Hunter, Omaha; Jack Hunter, Omaha; Fawcett Hunter, Webster, Neb.

The market for manufactured products may go up and down, but the joke market remains steady. There is always a chance for the one who can write clever jokes. The Local Laf contest being promoted by The Omaha Bee is offering an opportunity for amateur humorists to demonstrate what they can do. Many are making their debut. Some are getting the cash prizes, and having the thrill of seeing their names and jokes on the screens of various movie theaters.

By submitting your original jokes to the Local Laf editor you have a chance of being awarded the weekly first prize of \$5, the second of \$3, third of \$2, and there are also 12 additional prizes of \$1 each. Remember, also, that your prize jokes with your name will be enjoyed by thousands who attend the motion picture theaters fortunate enough to get the Local Laf.

Make your jokes original, limit them to 30 words each and begin to day to try yourself out at joke writing. You don't know what you can do until you try. Send in as many jokes as you wish.

Out of the jokes that don't get cash prizes the Local Laf editor selects three each day for this column. Today's are:

Boy running breathlessly into hardware store: "A nickel mousetrap quick; I want to catch a train."

Grocer, shouting to boy in cellar: "Hey, hurry up and bring that cheese up." Boy replies: "The fire and water, I've got it in the corner now."

Your husband says he leads a dog's life. Now, it is very similar; he comes in with muddy feet, makes himself comfortable in the fire and water to be fed. Mrs. Jennie Gray, Midway, Ia.

Woman Hurt When Team Runs Away With Disc

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Stella, Neb., April 23.—When Mrs. Henry Howell was working in the field with a disc yesterday at her home seven miles northwest of Stella, the team ran away and she was so badly injured that later one leg was amputated at the knee at the hospital in Auburn. Mr. Howell was running a disc in the field where his wife was working at the same time. Neither of them saw the danger from a coil running loose that scared her team.

Y. W. C. A. District Extended

Wymore, Neb., April 23.—An extension has been made in the boundaries of the Y. W. C. A. district to take in Gage and Jefferson counties. A district board has been elected consisting of Mrs. C. A. Spellman, Beatrice, president; Mrs. Roy Rice, Blue Springs, vice president; Mrs. John Lang, Wymore, second vice president; Mrs. D. Read, Fairbury, secretary; and Mrs. Flora Bradley, Beatrice, treasurer.

BLAZE FAILS TO HALT OPERATION

New York, April 23.—While 200 patients were being removed from a wing of St. Mary's hospital, Brooklyn, in which a fire was burning, surgeons in the operating room on the roof of the building today performed a major operation on a woman.

Firemen soon checked the blaze and the damage was slight.

Former Soldiers' Home Commandant Is Dead

Callaway, Neb., April 23.—Erdinand Zimmer, an old soldier and a pioneer resident of Custer county, died at the Grand Island Soldiers' home. Mr. Zimmer was commandant of the old soldiers' home during Governor Morehead's administration. He was a homesteader on the south Loup and spent many years in Custer county.

New Road Projected

Bloomfield, Neb., April 23.—In response to invitation of the Commercial club, representatives of the commercial clubs of Verdigris, Crofton and Bloomfield met at Center to discuss ways and means of building an east and west road from Verdigris to Center, from Center to Bloomfield and connecting up with the Cedar county road to Hartington. Delegates to meet with the Knox county board of supervisors.

Franklin—Revival meetings conducted at the Methodist church by Evangelist I. N. Parvin of Canon City, Colo., assisted by Rev. N. G. Palmer of the local M. E. church, closed with an Easter sermon by the evangelist.

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Though friendship approached from the West, it overtook the omnibus's tail. —Farmer Brown's Boy.

Farmer Brown's Boy and Jimmy Skunk Breakfast Together

Farmer Brown's Boy sighed with relief. He had hoped that Jimmy Skunk had not forgotten him and still regarded him as a friend. But he hadn't been sure. He had been a little afraid that during the long winter Jimmy Skunk might have forgotten him. But now he knew that Jimmy was entirely friendly, and it took a great load off his mind. You see, if Jimmy was unfriendly they couldn't remain together in the sugar house. One or the other would have to go out.

Now Farmer Brown's Boy understood Jimmy Skunk. He knew Jimmy is the most independent of the follow in the world. He knew that if no one interferes with Jimmy Jimmy will interfere with no one.

"All I need do is to be careful to frighten Jimmy or in any way make him think that I intend any harm," thought Farmer Brown's Boy. "I think I'll invite him breakfast. If we breakfast together I am sure we will be friends for time."

So, moving about unburied, Farmer Brown's Boy cooked breakfast. At first Jimmy Skunk paid no attention to what Farmer Brown's Boy was doing. But the delicious smell of frying fat filled the little sugar house, Jimmy began to take a very lively interest in the little sugar house. Then he finished the bacon. Then he fried some of the bacon. Then he fried some of the eggs and some little pieces

of bacon he put on a plate and set it on the floor beside his own seat. Jimmy Skunk is a gentleman. He was hungry, very hungry, indeed. But he didn't gobble up that food. He ate it as a gentleman should. When he had licked up the last bit of egg and his plate was quite clean he was still hungry. He looked up at Farmer Brown's Boy. Then he stamped with his front foot. At first



From Jimmy ate the egg and then tapped up the milk. His stomach was full. If he could have poured as thick porridge the 'old years' I am sure he would have poured.

had company for breakfast," said Farmer Brown's Boy.

"Who?" asked Farmer Brown.

"Jimmy Skunk," replied Farmer Brown's Boy.

"Blood red!" exclaimed Farmer Brown. "Where is he now?" he asked, looking about anxiously.

"Under that bunk fast asleep," replied Farmer Brown's Boy.

Farmer Brown began to back hastily towards the open door.

"The next story: 'Jimmy Eats Hisself a Home.'"

West Point.—Laurie Fincher, 41, son of West Point, died after a six weeks' illness.

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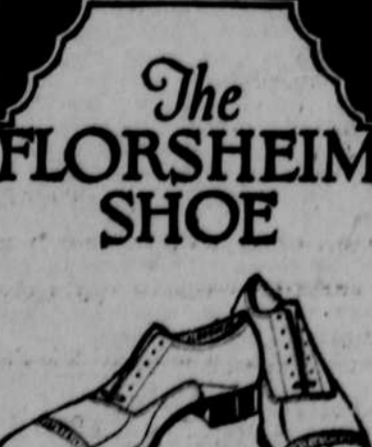
Advice to Farmers

At this time we want particularly to advise the farmers of the state to hold off buying dairy cows until they can have the advice of the experts whom we will engage. There is much fraud in the sale of dairy cattle as in any other thing I know of and fraud of this kind is being practiced now in Nebraska.

When our funds are completed and our experts at work, we will first of all take steps against fraud of this character. We will not attempt to advise the men who are already in the dairy business except as they may ask it of us, but we will try to educate those farmers who are dairy-minded, who understand that dairy-farming must be conducted on business principles and that the successful handling of a dairy herd means hard work and close supervision. While I, of course, know nothing about dairy-farming, except theoretically, I have been advised that a purebred dairy cow is as temperamental as an opera singer; that rough treatment and even kind words will show directly in the reduction of the amount of milk and the proportion of butterfat received.

One of the important things that will be worked out will be the comparing of statistics so that we will know for the state as a whole, by districts and by herds the production capacity and the cost of production. In this way we can locate the herds that are below standard and the steps to improve them.

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Traffic Again Heavy

Wymore, Neb., April 23.—Railway traffic is again becoming heavy through the local yards. Grain and stock are moving to market in good volumes. Sunday night 515 cars were passed to the St. Joseph division from the Wymore division of the road, a total of nearly 19,000 tons.

Poets to Hear Novelist

George C. Shedd, Nebraska novelist and president of the Nebraska Authors' club, will address members of the Prairie Poets' club Friday evening at 8 in the third floor annex of the Woodmen of the World building. Shedd will describe his own experiences as a writer.