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Colored Farmer Who Has Planted Two Million Trees To Expand His Operations

An Arkansas colored farmer, who has set out more than two million trees on farms in his section as a sideline enterprise during the past 10 years, is preparing to expand his services as a result of the Soil Bank Conservation Reserve program, says District Agent T. R. Betton of the Arkansas Extension Service.

The farmer is Prentiss Monk of Magnolia who operates a 240-acre diversified farm in addition to planting trees for fellow farmers for miles around to supplement his income.

In line with the State and Fed-

eral forestry services, which are enlarging old tree nurseries and establishing new ones in order to assure sufficient forest seedlings for farmers who may wish to plant trees as conservation projects in the Soil Bank program, Mr. Monk is making plans to expand his operations.

Among other things, he hopes to buy some additional equipment, including a tree planting machine. With this tractor attachment, he says he and one of his sons can set out 10,000 to 15,000 seedlings almost every day throughout the planting sea-

son. His fee is around five dollars per thousand.

Mr. Monk got started in tree planting in 1943 when, on the advice of a Soil Conservation Service technician, he set out 3,000 pine seedlings in a low area of his farm which was not suited to growing cotton or corn. The seedlings turned out so well during the next year or two that neighbors began asking him to set trees out for them.

Soon business got so good that he needed tree-planting machinery. His Soil Conservation District, which encourages farmers in the section to plant more trees, lent him some of its machinery. Mr. Monk estimates that he has set out more than 2,000,000 trees in the past 10 years. About 10,000 of these have been on his own farm.

In addition to growing trees as an important cash crop on his own farm, and planting them for others at a custom rate, Mr. Monk also raises cotton, corn, hay, castor beans, watermelons, peaches, cattle and hogs. These provide him and Mrs. Monk and their nine children with a gross income of close to \$12,000 a year. And like his tree planting, his farming is a kind of demonstration for his neighbors, too, says his county agent, Wesley R. Dangsby who, along with the Soil Conservation Service people, has helped him build terraces on the slopes and establish contour cultivation for his cotton and corn to stop erosion.

Also Mr. Monk has two stock ponds and improved pastures for his cattle and hogs. "I couldn't have built ponds and limes and seeded my pastures without help from the Department of Agriculture which shared the costs," says Mr. Monk.

For their sound farming practices and their production of a year-round home food supply, the Monks have been named one of Arkansas' champion soil conservation farm families, and an honor family in the Tri-State Live-at-Home Contest; and Mr. Monk has received the Baukers Award for conservation farming.

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The family live in a modern home surrounded by an orchard of 200 peach trees. Under their tool shed are a tractor and other modern equipment for more efficient farming.

Mr. Monk grew up on a share-cropper farm. In 1927 he and Mrs. Monk married and joined the ranks of croppers. But they were determined to own their own farm, says District Agent Betton. So they stayed out of debt by raising just about all their food. By the end of the year, they were able to pay \$100 down on 40 acres. Then they borrowed a wagon and a mule and moved their few belongings to the rundown shack on the farm they were buying.

They returned the wagon, but kept the mule on a rental basis to make a crop. Six years later, they scraped together every penny they had and paid off the mortgage on their 40 acres to avoid being foreclosed. Since that time, they have added 200 acres more to their holdings and have become one of the most outstanding farm families in Southwest Arkansas.

With the Soil Bank program underway, providing cost-sharing and annual payments for carrying out soil and water conservation practices on land taken out of such crops as cotton, corn, wheat, and peanuts, Mr. Monk says he is going to put several more acres in trees.

Drouth No Hindrance To AK Show

Despite the serious drouth conditions that forced many farm youths to market their animals earlier than usual this year, Ak-Sar-Ben's 4-H Beef Show will once again be the largest of its kind in the world.

The 4-H Show is a feature of the twenty-ninth annual Live Stock Show, held in conjunction with the Ak-Sar-Ben World Championship Rodeo from Friday, September 21, through Sunday, September 30.

"We are exceedingly pleased with the number of entries we received from four states," Stock Show Committee Chairman Harry B. Coffee declared today.

"In fact, it was most surprising to discover that entries are larger in six of the eight divisions than in past recent years."

Those divisions, and the number of entries, are market heifers, 172; pens-of-five market steers, 215; pens-of-five market heifers, 55; purebred beef heifers, 62; dairy cattle, 369; and sheep, 169. In addition, 653 market steers and 179 market swine will be exhibited at Ak-Sar-Ben. This gives the Show an over-all entry total of 1,874.

The popular 4-H Beef division, which bears the tag of the largest in the world, will have 1,095 entries with 704 coming from Nebraska. Iowa has 368 entries and the remainder are from Minnesota and South Dakota.

Mr. Coffee pointed out that Ak-Sar-Ben will be playing host to nearly 1,000 boys and girls from the four-state area. During their Omaha stay the youngsters will be busy with day-long Stock Show events and evening attendance at the Rodeo that features Gene Autry and Annie Oakley at all eleven performances.

Letter To The Editor

September 17th, 1956
Guide Newspaper

Do you Negroes in Omaha ever do anything about the editorials written in The World Herald in regards to Racial troubles. If you will remember Friday night's paper September 14th, and entitled "After Two Years" and this was one of the worst prejudiced articles I have ever read in my life... This editor just came right out and said enforcing the law wasn't any good and enforcing the law against the white people in the south wouldn't work.

You know I really don't understand what has caused the World Herald to change so much here lately against the Negro. It used to be a paper that was so fair to the Negro but they must have changed editors for the editorial page because I notice all their editorial writings now are in favor of the radical southerner and this is just the opposite of the way they used to write. I do wish there was some way the Negroes in Nebraska could make their resentment felt, and in conclusion may

be (After Two Years) you should. This is just a personal letter to you.

A Minority Subscriber

Chaplain's Message

Mirror of World Opinion

One would think that if there were a nation of people on the face of the earth who possessed the lion's share of the good things of life, things like plenty of food, houses, automobiles, telephones and television, interior plumbing, refrigerators, electricity for common use, etc., that that would be the most contented, well adjusted and happiest people on the earth.

We are that people. We have the lion's share of this world's goods. We have more of modern conveniences, gadgets, food, and other good things than any other nation on the earth. Yet—we are one of the most discontented nations of the world. Let me prove this:

We have the highest crime rate of any nation. In any 24-hour period there are some 300 deaths from crime, 1,100 burglaries, 250 robberies, and countless other minor crimes. Fifty per cent of these crimes are committed by persons in the 21 year age average.

We have an exceptionally huge dope problem. Thirty per cent of the crimes committed in our large cities are the direct result of dope addiction or of efforts to obtain money for the continuance of the dope habit. Our high schools and colleges are infiltrated with the dope traffic. Dope is a big problem.

We are a nation of sick people. Over 65 per cent of persons in one of four hospitals is sick from the neck up. This does not mean that the person is a mental patient. It means that whatever illness is present has come out of worry, tension, the poor adjustment to daily living...

Alcoholism is a big problem. Over eight per cent of the population of our large cities are alcoholics; not just moderate drinkers, but people who must have another drink no matter what the cost.

It's time we woke up to the true picture about ourselves.

The Christian Church has, through the centuries, sought to guide mankind whenever it has sought the right paths to God. The church makes its mistakes, it sometimes blunders, but can you name any other institution on earth that you can turn to for what we as individuals and as a nation so desperately need? Attend YOUR church. Give God a chance.—Franklin C. Nixon, in the National Grange Monthly.

County Polio Fund Aided By \$9825.00

A check for \$9825.00 has been received by the Douglas County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to provide financial aid for local polio patients, it was announced Sunday, September 16 by T. F. Naughtin,

Jr., Chapter Chairman. Mr. Naughtin said that this county is one of a number in the nation where local March of Dimes funds are insufficient to cover polio-fighting needs.

He stated that the Chapter's present financial plight is the result of the assistance it has given in the past to a large number of patients who have required—and still require—costly care to give them a chance to recover their fullest capacities.

"In the Salk vaccine we now

have the means of bringing about the eventual control of new polio," Naughtin said. "But to us of the March of Dimes this is not enough. Our job in the conquest of polio will not be finished until polio is finished as acripper of human beings and until further mass appeals to the American public are no longer necessary to insure the care of those who have been stricken."

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CANADA... Photogenic Northern Neighbor

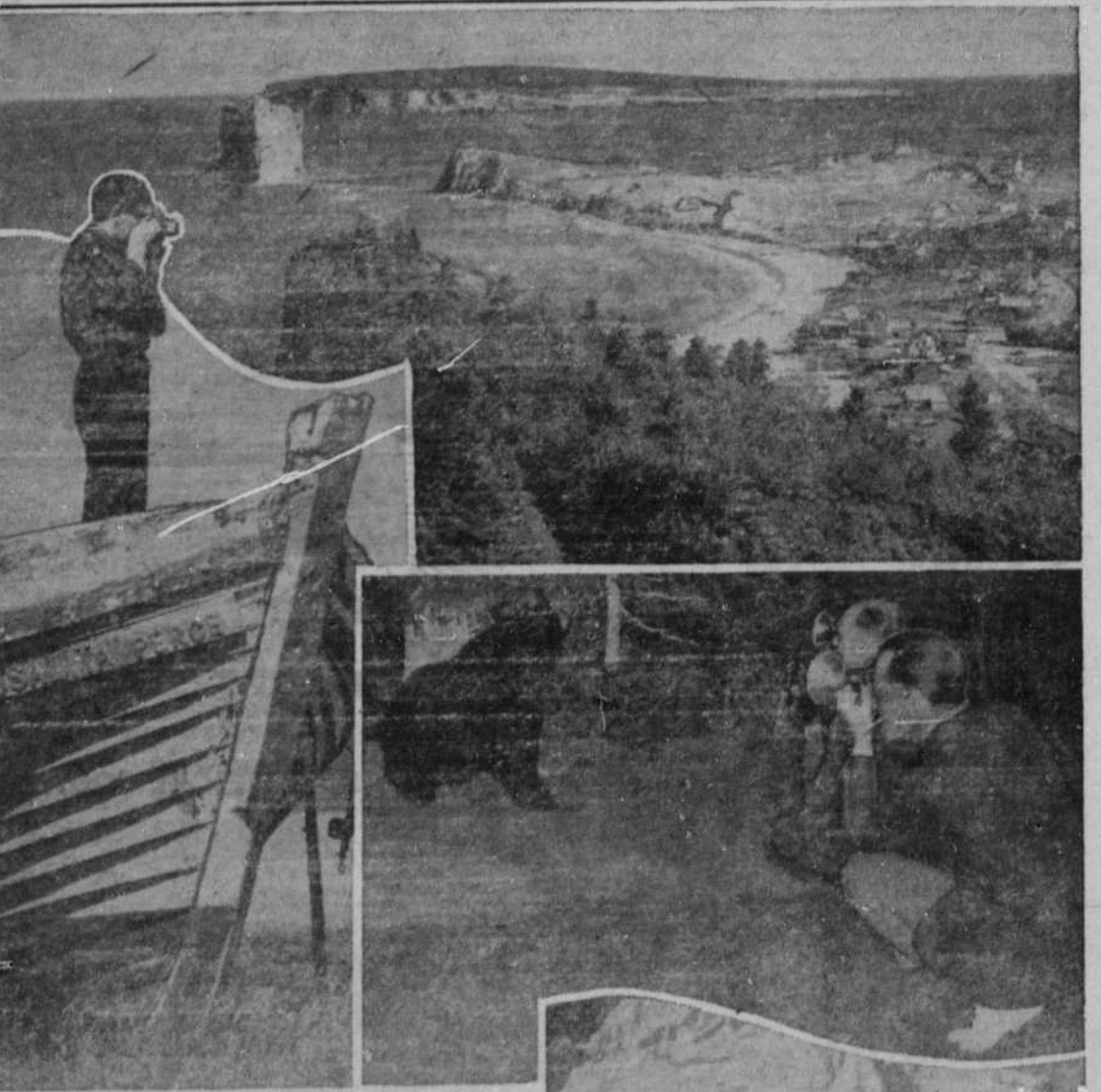


Photo: Courtesy Canadian National Railways

Canada, stretching across the Continent from the booming headlines of Newfoundland to the rugged and picturesque shores of the Pacific in British Columbia, is a country that simply abounds in still and motion picture photographic possibilities.

There are few, if any other, places in the World where nature provides for more diversified subjects or more striking photogenic backgrounds than the ten Canadian provinces, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

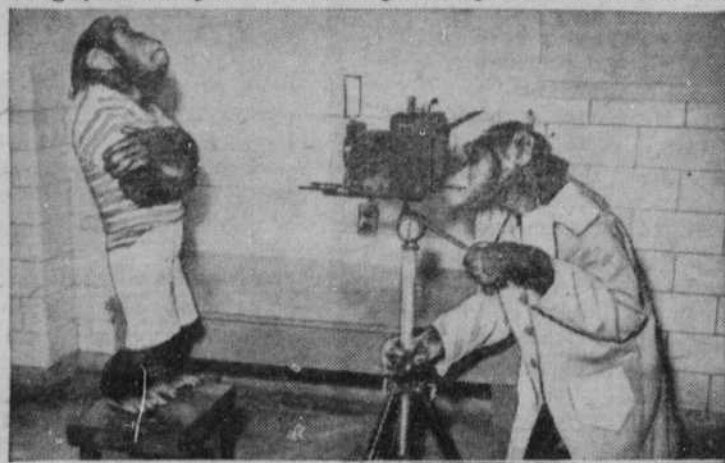
American tourists have no border difficulties whatsoever in taking their camera equipment with them to Canada, nor a reasonable amount of film, although film is as readily available in Canada as it is in the United States.

American Customs officials suggest, however, that cameras of "foreign manufacture" be registered with them when leaving the United States so there will be no question about returning the camera to the United States as "personal effects."

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Seeing Is Believing

WATCH THE BIRDIE—Assuming an air of nonchalance, Julius, a chimpanzee from the Detroit zoo, gets nugged by Tarzan, a brother chimp. With the help of a Detroit News' photographer, Thel Burget, the chimps have become quite adept with the camera act.



SCOOP! BEAR TREES MAN

Tourists driving near Cliff-dell, Wash., take a quick second-look when they see this scene. It looks like the real thing, but actually it's the skin of a long-dead bear, nipping at a straw-filled trousers and shirt.



MIDGET MALES DOUBLE-UP FOR BIG MAIL—Since the "Big-Top" of Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey circus recently folded, these two midgets are probably looking for work. Could be that Prince Paul and Lauro Marales are making sure their employment applications get in the mail box.



SEA OF MUD—An unusual sight near Agua Dulce, Tex., is this International TD-14A crawler tractor, spreading a "sea of mud," which results from salt water pits. After the tractor, equipped with the special mud-spreader, has done its leveling job, the mud dries and the earth is returned to its original condition.

GRAND RAPIDS CD ON JOB BEFORE TORNADO



TYPICAL of some 1,000 civil defense volunteers are these rescue workers looking for survivors in suburban Standale's business district.

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