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trial States, \$2,025,151 in tax payments, \$1,078,000,508 in benefit payments, with a combined balance in the trust fund of \$1,005,987,444, including \$79,562,802 in interest on excess.

Those interests in the figures for each of the remaining States, the District of Columbia, and the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, will find the complete tabulation given in the extension of my remarks in the Congressional Record August 13, 1941.

Shelter Belt Tree Planting

In the prairie states shelter belt, the greatest United States tree-planting job has started out with the setting out of an additional 35,000,000 trees.

In six years, approximately 200,000,000 trees will have been planted in this six-state project—from Texas to Canada—to create a natural barrier against the strong winds, hot and cold, that blow across the plains.

The trees have been planted in strips, which, if placed end to end, would reach 16,000 miles. They project 27,000 farms.

This six-year accomplishment is but a scratch on the surface of the tree-planting job the United States department of agriculture recommends.

At least 2,500,000 additional trees are needed solely for protection purposes, department officials say.

The shelter-belt program was started in 1935 and controversy over it effectively lessened when the plains country had a dust bowl.

DEFENSE

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Because the shortage of metals will mean fewer refrigerators, washing machines, and other consumer goods, the OPACS Consumer Division met with two new advisory panels to consider means of protecting consumer interests.

By placing a ceiling on rayon grey goods and broadening a cotton grey goods schedule, OPACS slashed prices 10 percent on most primary textiles used in women's dresses, men's shirts, underwear, coat and suit linings, handkerchiefs, and sheets.

Ceiling on Formaldehyde Price schedules also were applied to copper scrap, Pennsylvania grade crude oils, and formaldehyde.

OPACS gave the highest civilian priority rating to nickel, steel, aluminum, copper, chromium, and other scarce metals for use in the manufacture of replacement tubes and condensers for America's 3,000,000 radio receivers. Maintenance of radio reception, OPACS explained, is essential to civilian morale.

A priority plan for expediting the manufacture of farm equipment and the maintenance of existing machines was adopted by OPM. Three chemicals used in making explosives and chemicals were put under priority control, and restrictions were placed on the processing of cotton lint, which goes into smokeless powder, plastics, and acetate rayons. Certain refrigerators were brought under priority control to assure proper functioning of hospitals and food preservation units. A priority rating plan was adopted to assure a flow of health supplies into civilian channels.

President Roosevelt approved the construction of 1,757 additional defense houses and a 100-unit trailer project upon recommendation of C. F. Palmer, Defense Housing Coordinator. He authorized expenditure of \$100,000 to employ fee technicians to advise home owners how they may alter their houses to provide additional rental rooms for defense workers.

The OPM Purchase Division conferred with representatives of the furniture industry in a move to place defense orders and conserve materials through simplification of furniture styles.

AT THE REDFORD THEATER



All the action of the best-loved picture of them all—the Western plus the beauties of the finest Technicolor production to reach the screen and an outstanding portrayal by Robert Taylor, make "Billy the Kid" one of the most remarkable bits of film entertainment viewed this year. The picture opens Friday, and plays through Monday at the Redford Theater, together with "Million Dollar Baby."

Taylor's horsemanship and easy manner in the outdoors give credence to the stories of his riding exploits since boyhood days in Nebraska. He is playing the kind of role he has been begging to do for years, and he shows it. Brian Donlevy, too, performs brilliantly in his role as Taylor's friend who ultimately is forced to a showdown with him. It's easily his best work since "The Great McGinty."

Taylor, in the title role, enters the story with a record as a killer, and his first thrilling act is to free a guitarist and singer from jail. He considers the fellow good luck and from that point on takes him everywhere with him.

In making the jail-break, however, he has outmaneuvered the sheriff, a tool of Dan Hickoy, boss of one of the range gangs. Hickoy immediately persuades Billy to join

his outfit. After his first "job," starting a stampede of an English rancher's stock, Billy quits Hickoy and swings over to the Englishman. Donlevy, as foreman for the latter, and Mary Howard, as Donlevy's fiancée, have much to do with the temporary reforming of Billy that follows. But when Hickoy's men shoot Billy's guitarist and then kill his English boss, he goes wild in his demand for revenge.

Donlevy and the girl try to curb him, even having him thrown in jail, but Billy escapes and succeeds in "getting" all the Hickoy gang concerned, ending up with Hickoy himself. Donlevy, meanwhile, has been sworn in as a deputy to halt Billy's lawlessness. In a showdown between the two, Billy, slow on the draw for the first time in his life, is killed.

Highlight scenes are many, but the stampede of 1500 wild cattle is one of the masterpieces of the screen. The battle in the streets between the two cattle factions is another thriller, while Billy's chase of the Hickoy men and his revenge is breath-taking. The final meeting of Taylor and Donlevy is packed with drama and suspense.

Miss Howard, Jan Hunter, Gene Lockhart, Lon Chaney, Jr., and Henry O'Neill give splendid performances. David Miller's direction is excellent and the outdoor photography in color is a constant treat to the eye.

Novi News

Mrs. Elizabeth Coates and Mrs. O. J. Lyon attended the State Fair in Detroit, last Friday.

Miss Edith Taylor spent last Friday with Mrs. Dora Donelson. Mrs. Rose Sperkowski was a Detroit visitor last Thursday.

In a letter received from Frederick Johnston, he says he has been very ill in the hospital at Fort DuSart, Virginia.

Mrs. Tom O'Dell is visiting friends in Canada.

Mrs. P. G. Gaffney was called to Wisconsin last week by the serious illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson and brother, Neal Thompson of Detroit, called on their aunt, Mrs. L. E. Coates, Sunday, on their way to Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Fife, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Art Trotter for some time, has gone to Detroit for a short time.

Mrs. Florence Paulson of Detroit visited Mrs. Rose Sperkowski Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Holmes and Mrs. L. J. Riley of Northville spent Sunday at Frankmunth.

Mr. and Mrs. Brasseur visited their daughters in Pontiac last Thursday.

Mrs. J. D. Hazen of Northville had the misfortune last Thursday to fall when downtown doing some shopping, breaking her hip. She is in Sessions Hospital.

Rev. MacRae's Bible quiz for next Sunday is, "Who first protested a poor man being admitted to church membership?" Last Sunday the quiz was, "Who first organized a walkout for bricklayers?"

Weekend guests at the Brasseur home were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baylor, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Scott of Pontiac and Clarence Brasseur of Detroit. Sunday they drove to Ploconning to visit another daughter.

Robert Ebert, who with his brother Opmer had been rooming at the Donelson-Lyon home for several months, drove to his home in Ferdinand, Indiana, for the weekend and Labor Day. Opmer had his hand badly injured while at work in Detroit, and had to go home two weeks ago. Both are employed in Detroit.

Mrs. Mary Ann Graham received word recently of the death of her sister in Kentucky. Mrs. Clyde Johnston entertained the Rebekah Club at her home.

WEST POINT PARK

Mrs. William Zwahlen

Mrs. Lewis Graham and children returned Saturday evening from a vacation with relatives in Rose City.

Little Miss Gloria Pease is convalescing nicely following a tonsil operation at Mt. Carmel Hospital Friday.

Miss Freda Ault was a visitor at the home of Mrs. Charlie O'Connell of Detroit, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Wolfe, two children Geraldine and Donald returned home Tuesday from a week's vacation at Houghton Lake.

Visitors from this community to the Romeo peach festival, Monday included Mrs. Viola Gilbert and her sons, Lucian and Howard.

Miss Janet Mae Zwahlen of Detroit was the weekend guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Zwahlen.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Wolfe, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reid of Redford, spent the Holiday weekend at Thunder River.

Mrs. Mac Bergin and daughter Sharon, her grandmother, Mrs. William Judd, of Howell, were guests Wednesday of Mrs. Marvin Addis.

On September 12th William Barum's Sunday School class of boys "Junior Fishers of Men" and Mrs. William Barum's class of girls "Willing Workers for Christ," will attend in a group the Cass Technical High School to hear Irwin Moon, a student of Moody Institute, lecture and demonstrate his sermon from science.

Anyone wishing to go will get in touch with Mr. or Mrs. Barum before next Sunday, September 15th, as reservations have to be made.

Mrs. Harold McVicar and two children returned home Sunday evening from a four day visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Max Bergin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Altama, daughter Miss Dorothy, son John, Miss Jean Addis and Eugene Reeves were visitors Monday evening at the State Fair.

Miss Dorothy Altama and R. A. Vershom of the U. S. Navy were State Fair visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ault and son, Wayne, left Saturday night for Bayport, where they hoped to enjoy a short fishing trip. They were accompanied by John Changaris and family of Wayne.

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Schmidt, who left the twenty-third of August for a vacation trip to Boston, Idaho, saying they had reached their destination Tuesday. During the absence of the Schmidts, their little daughter, Gweneth, is the guest of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ault.

Forrest Ault, accompanied by his grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Ault, left Friday evening for New London, Ohio, where they will spend the night with Mr. Ault's sister, Mrs. Johnson Porter, after which they would go on the Tremble family reunion, held Saturday at Springfield Lake Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Johnson went to Grand Rapids Wednesday, returning Friday night, after a visit with Mr. Johnson's sister, Mrs. Nelson Nordeck.

Mrs. Sarah Klitchen, who resides with her daughter, Mrs. Jack Klitchen, visited among relatives in Canada the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Owen returned Monday morning from a week-end trip through Ohio and Pennsylvania. They report having had to take special precautions because of gasoline shortage, gas stations in Pennsylvania being closed after seven o'clock.

The Sunshine Sisters will hold their next meeting in the Mission House on Thursday evening, September eleventh.

Schools to Resume Lunch Programs

Peanut butter, pork and beans and concentrated soup are leaders on the varied list of foods which will be available for free distribution to school lunch projects in Michigan during the 1941-42 school year. E. M. Rowlands, acting regional director of the Surplus Marketing Administration, announced in Milwaukee today.

Thousands of teachers, parent-teacher associations and other school lunch sponsors are now laying plans for resumption of school lunch programs. Allocations of these foods already have been made to state welfare agencies for distribution in Michigan and the 11 other states in the midwestern region.

Other items on the list of available foods include grapefruit segments, grapefruit juice, prunes, honey, corn meal, and wheat products consisting of cereals and both white and Graham flours.

The regional director said it is likely a variety of fresh fruits also will be available again this year, particularly citrus fruits and apples.

The school program, which last year helped ease that five million undernourished and needy children in the United States were better fed, is one of the chief outlets for surplus foods purchased by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in its efforts to broaden domestic markets and bolster farm prices.

Last year during the peak month of March, the school lunch program was operating in 2,492 schools of Michigan. A total of 124,818 undernourished children received benefits of the program in these schools.

It is predominantly a rural program. Seventy-seven per cent of the participating schools and 63 per cent of the children served live in rural areas. In comparison with

the 5,000,000 children who participated during the peak year of last year, the present national objective of the program, Mr. Rowlands explained, is to reach all of the 9,000,000 children shown to be undernourished in a recent national survey, nine million youngsters who are living below the danger line of health.

Local sponsorship is the key-stone requirement for any school lunch project. The federal government provides certain basic foods, and the community carries on from organize and direct the program. The sponsoring group sees to it that food is clean, well cooked and that sanitary equipment and premises are provided. It supplies such supplemental foods as are necessary to turn out an appealing, well-founded meal each noon. The whole community helps.

Work Projects Administration and National Youth Administration help may be secured in many cases. Home demonstration agents of the Michigan State College extension service advise and help get school lunch programs started. The Surplus Marketing Administration has a special school lunch representative in each state to assist schools and sponsoring groups.

Sponsorship usually comes from school officials, teachers, parent-teacher associations, patriotic organizations, lodges, women's clubs, and any other groups interested in improving health and general welfare conditions among children of their communities.

Persons interested in starting school lunch programs can obtain full information by writing to the State Director of Commodity Distribution at the State Welfare Office, or to the Regional Director, Surplus Marketing Administration, 1650 Empire Building, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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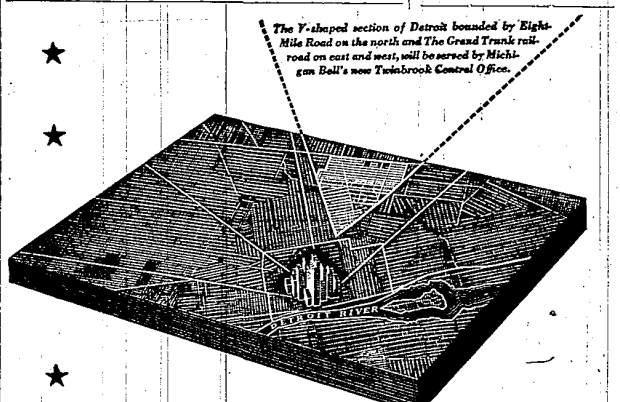
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