

STATISTICS RELATIVE TO THE STATE'S DAIRY INDUSTRY

INCREASED SALE
OF FLUID MILKNew York the Leading State
in the U. S. in Dairy
Industry.

Commissioner Berne A. Pycke of the Department of Farms and Markets has received copies of bulletin number 170—"Statistics Relative to the Dairy Industry in New York State"—which contains figures on the number of cows, total production, and manufactured dairy products in New York State for 1923. The dairy industry is the leading agricultural pursuit of farmers in New York State which, in general, is the leading state in the union in dairying.

The total production of milk in New York State for 1923 is given as 7,124,300,000 pounds. The report states in this respect that approximately three-fourths of all the milk produced in the state in 1923 was handled in the 1,329 milk plants from which reports were received in the Department of Farms and Markets. From 1,500 farmers who estimated the annual production of milk per cow in their particular districts, there was submitted an average of 5.111 pounds. The report estimates the average number of cows of milking age in the state in 1923 as 1,394,000 so that the total production of milk is figured on this basis.

The estimates of the utilization of milk produced is as follows: 3.6 per cent. for home use on the farm as milk or cream; 5.6 per cent. for butter making on the farm; 3.5 per cent. for feeding calves; 9.2 per cent. sold at retail or to small dealers; 78.1 per cent. sold to factories, milk plants and large retailers. These percentages would show 253,500,000 pounds used on the farm as milk or cream; 398,900,000 pounds were used in making butter on the farm; while 252,400,000 pounds were used to feed calves or other livestock on the farm; milk or cream sold to neighbors and retailed in towns or villages or shipped or sold directly to restaurants totaled 658,600,000 pounds; the milk sold or delivered as either milk or cream to creameries, cheese factories, condensaries, shipping stations and large retail dealers totaled 5,560,900,000 pounds. The total production from 1,415,000 cows in 1922 was given at 7,143,400,000 pounds.

Consolidation in Milk Business
The reports for 1923 were received from 1,329 milk plants as compared to 1,303 in 1922. This increase is principally due to the inclusion of a number of smaller city retail plants in Rochester, Schenectady and Elmira, which had not previously reported. The report states that, in general, the tendency is toward consolidation in the milk business, larger and more efficient plant units drawing their supply from greater areas, with the discontinuance of many small cheese factories, creameries and milk-gathering stations.

One of the changes in the use of milk, compared with 1922, is the increased sale of fluid milk and the somewhat smaller sales of creamery butter and cheese. Over 60 per cent. of the milk received at plants is now sold as whole milk or cream. A substantial increase is shown in the utilization of skim milk in both condensed and powdered products.

The report shows that the yearly average butter-fat test of milk and cream, as reported by 556 milk plants, was 3.65. The monthly average test as reported by 428 plants ranged from 3.5 butterfat in June to 3.86 in January.

The amount of milk used in making a pound of whole milk American and Limburger cheese in 1923 varied slightly over the quantity required in 1922, but the average for the state were about the same—10.52 pounds of milk per pound of American cheese in 1922 and 10.51 pounds in 1923. For Limburger the amount was 9.54 pounds and 9.64 pounds, respectively. It is shown that about 81,905 dairies produced milk for delivery at the 1,329 milk plants in June, 1923 and only 69,115 in December, 1923.

Grange Notes

On account of the regular meeting of Andover Grange coming on Christmas eve, the meeting will be held on Saturday evening, Dec. 27. There will be a program and Christmas tree.

Every member try to be present, bring a ten cent present and have a good time.

The First Celebration of Christmas Was in the Year 98

Important

Announcement

Christmas and New Year Day coming as it does on Thursday, this year, if the News office force are to enjoy the well-earned rest they deserve, it will be necessary to print the paper 24 hours earlier both next week and the week after.

Correspondents and advertisers will kindly make mental note of this fact and get copy to us at least one day earlier than usual.

The paper will be dated as usual Friday morning, but will undoubtedly be mailed Wednesday night.

THE PUBLISHERS.

MAX ELDRIDGE

DIES OF INJURIES

Hit By Shawmut Train, at
Arkport and Dies
Soon After.

Max Eldridge, fifteen-year-old Arkport high school boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eldridge, died in the Bethesda hospital, Hornell, Saturday morning, from injuries received when a car in which he was riding was struck shortly after ten o'clock, Friday night, by a Pittsburgh Shawmut and Northern freight train, westbound on the Arkport grade crossing.

Eldridge's injuries consisted of a fractured skull, severe internal injuries and cuts and bruises. His companion, Kenneth Hartman, of Canaseraga, driver of the car, escaped with a few cuts and abrasions. He suffered from shock, however, and is unable to give an accurate account of how the accident happened.

Both lads were thrown a considerable distance from the car by the force of the impact. That they were not both killed outright is considered a miracle, inasmuch as the car, an Overland roadster, was carried over two hundred feet on the engine and was completely demolished.

The lads had been attending a play given in Arkport. Hartman had started to drive Eldridge to his home near the outskirts of the village. In order to reach there it is necessary to cross the Shawmut and Erie tracks. A blinding snow storm raging at the time, and the slippery condition of the pavements, is believed to have caused the boys to fall to see the train until it was too late to stop.

Altho the crossing where the accident happened is located nearly in the center of the village, there can be found but one eye-witness, a small boy. He claims that he saw the car approach the tracks and realized that the driver did not see the train. He says that he tried to attract their attention to the danger, but without avail.

Sheriff-elect, W. B. Page was one of the first to reach the scene and he summoned Dr. M. D. Haggerty of Arkport. The two lads were rushed to the hospital. Eldridge's condition was so serious that little hopes were held for his recovery from the first. Hartman was taken to his home.

Coroner M. G. Burch was notified under the new vehicle law, he has to make a report to the State Vehicle Bureau at Albany of all deaths caused by vehicle accidents. He stated that a thorough investigation will be made of the accident and that steps will be taken to have some kind of protection at the crossing. As it is now, there is absolutely no protection.

This is the second fatality at the Arkport crossings within the past few weeks. The Rev. Charles Blount, Canaseraga pastor, was seriously injured and his wife almost instantly killed on the Erie railroad tracks there a short time ago.

The Eldridge boy was one of the most popular lads of the village and his unfortunate death has cast a gloom over the entire community. He was unusually brilliant in his studies and was popular with his schoolmates and the faculty. Besides his parents he is survived by two brothers, one at home and the other at Andover.

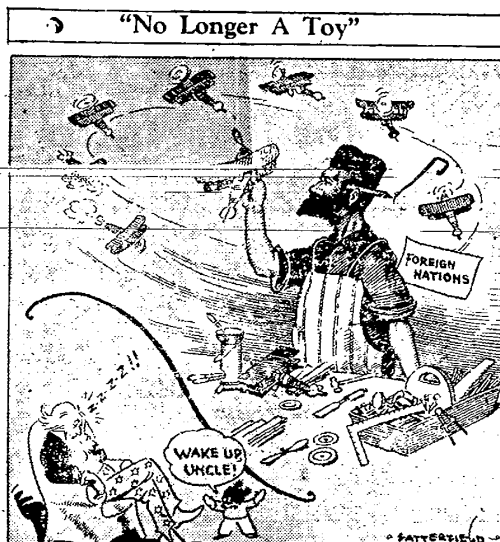
Funeral services were held at Arkport Monday, and the remains were taken to Andover Tuesday, where the interment was made in Hillside cemetery.

U. S. Awakening to Need
of Trained Air Force

Written Especially for Andover News
By EDWARD PERCY HOWARD

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—France has 50,000 aeroplanes in actual service. Japan has seventeen factories working night and day turning out aeroplanes. England has an air Admiralty

sole creation of Mr. Curry, but there is every reason to believe the president looks with favor on the move. Unless the political dragon shows its head such a measure stands a strong chance of adoption. Certainly it will lead to a greater unification of the air service. The president seems determined no longer to permit the service to remain as the



and a startling national development in aeronautics.

America invented the aeroplane, BUT America has no air service worthy of consideration.

These facts have burned themselves into the mind of President Coolidge. Quietly he has been digesting the growing comment of the press on this subject. Calmly and without any splash he has been analyzing the situation relative to our national defense. Now, without any dramatic message he has set out to give America her proper and sensible place in the air.

The President is disposed to believe the aeroplane is destined to supplant the battleship as our first line of defense. He is determined to know whether his judgment is correct. He has put the subject before an expert board and ordered a thorough investigation and report. While the war experts are working out their problem the President has sent to the Budget Bureau for facts and figures covering the small appropriations allotted to the various government departments for aeroplane purposes.

Want Air Department and Secretary in Cabinet

Peculiarly, while the President is thus pressing his inquiry, Charles C. Curry, representative from California, has introduced a bill providing for the creation of a department of aeronautics to be headed by a Secretary of Aeronautics who would have a place in the cabinet and direct the entire aviation plans of the government. It is not known whether this measure comes as a result of conversations with the president or indirectly at his suggestion, or whether the provisions are the

THE CLOSE OF
A USEFUL LIFEThomas Flynn, Respected
Farmer, Was Born, Worked
and Died on Homestead.

Thomas Flynn, a well-known farmer of Greenwood hill, died at his home Sunday morning, December 7, 1924, after a long illness.

Mr. Flynn was born January 14, 1853, nearly seventy-two years ago. He spent practically all his life on the homestead farm where he died. About forty-eight years before, he had formed a partnership with his brother, M. P. Flynn, which continued to the end of his life. Living as he did, an intimate member of his brother's family and having no

sons or daughters of his own, he became a second father to his brother's children. He watched over

them in childhood and always had a deep interest in all their undertakings. His loss for them will, therefore, be especially great.

Always a quiet and retiring man, he was happy to labor for those who were near and dear to him, content to take but little for himself. He was a man of few words, but these he spoke gently and kindly. From the experience of many years of sickness he came to know how to sympathize with those in ill health. This characteristic was shown by his frequent mentioning of those who were ill.

One of his greatest enjoyments was reading. He delighted to trace the events of the world, both at home and abroad, and by his extensive reading he supplied for himself much that he had not had an opportunity to learn in schools. He also appreciated the motor car and took great pleasure in riding, as long as his health permitted.

Mr. Flynn is survived by three brothers and one sister, Mr. Andrew Flynn of Cleveland, Ohio; Mr.

HALF A HUNDRED
CONFESS CHRISTSpecial Strathearn Meetings
Doing Good Work. Close
Sunday Evening.

The gospel crusade being conducted in Andover at the Baptist church by Evangelist Strathearn, has been the feature of the week here. Every night capacity houses have been in attendance at the meetings and about fifty have openly accepted Christ as their Savior at these meetings as this article is being written Wednesday.

With the Sunday evening meeting, these special meetings will close and they have proven of much good to Andover and surrounding vicinity. That the work is appreciated is evidenced by the crowds coming to the church every night.

Rev. Harold Strathearn is a speaker of rare ability and is very efficient as an evangelist. He is much different in his pulpit work from the ordinary traveling evangelist. His message seems to come from the heart and he does not have to emphasize his arguments with the repulsive use of slang. He preaches the regular old-fashioned gospel and gets results, because of his convincing arguments and splendid personality. He sets you thinking and then moves you to action.

The music under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Angevine has been a big help in the meetings.

Delegations from Wellsville where Mr. Strathearn has recently concluded a series of special services, made pilgrimage to Andover on several evenings the past week.

Friday night, Evangelist Strathearn will speak on "America's Modern Cancer." Saturday night, another sacred musical concert.

Next Sunday afternoon a big mass meeting for men and boys only will be conducted at the Odd Fellows Hall.

Subject: "Why Men Fail." Sunday night will be the closing night, when people who want a seat will have to go early.

The Baptist church again invites the Presbyterian church to worship with them on Sunday, seeing that they have no church service.

John Flynn of Buffalo, N. Y., and Mr. M. P. Flynn and Mrs. Julia Flynn of Andover.

Those who came from out of town to pay their last respects to the deceased were:

Thomas Quinn of Wellsville, Miss Mary and Bessie Quinn of Wellsville; Andrew McNeil, Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, Bernard and Walter Johnson and Miss Mary Cunningham of Hornell; John McNeil, James McNeil, Sr., James McNeil, Jr., Mrs. Daniel McNeil, Daniel McNeil, Jr., Lon Dempsey and Miss Mary Dempsey of Rexville; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cunningham and James McCormick of Greenwood and Daniel Flynn of Buffalo.

The funeral services were held Tuesday morning, December 9, 1924 at the Blessed Sacrament church in Andover. The Rev. Father P. C. Tracy sang the Regium High Mass. The interment was in St. John's cemetery.

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