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Miracle Day Crowd Hears Scott, Brannan, Marvel At Work Done

Thousands of farmers and city folk from Cleveland and surrounding counties and from neighboring states got their first close-up view of a man all-important to this agricultural secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan spoke during last Thursday's Miracle Farm Day at Gardner-Webb college.

Men in overall and dress suits alike squeezed around the porch of a remodeled farmhouse on the "miracle farm" expecting to hear Secretary Brannan plug his Brannan plan. Instead, he began his informal talk by saying that his listeners were probably tired of having the plan thrown at their heads and that they could just relax—that he wasn't going to touch it that day.

Except for an introduction of Mr. Brannan by Dr. Fred W. Morrison, law partner of the late O. Max Gardner, in which he advised a careful study of the plan by every American, the touchy Brannan plan then remained in the background throughout the busyness.

Mr. Brannan instead praised the community spirit behind such a project as the miracle farm. He pointed to the hand-in-hand work of contributing merchants and business men with farmers as a sign of democracy's answer to communism.

Farmers in the silent crowd

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were particularly interested in Mr. Brannan's statements that he sees no need for price controls in agriculture under present circumstances. The intelligent and abundant labor of every American farmer has produced stockpiles of farm products making controls unnecessary Mr. Brannan declared.

Rain-drenched and muddy spectators later in the day heard Governor Scott strike at a subject close to home when he accused utility companies of neglecting the farmer in use of electricity and telephones. Farmers in the crowd were hardly surprised as the Governor seemed to be at the number of Cleveland county farms without electricity.

As new arrivals, many with entire families, swarmed to the 182-acre farm, a county fair atmosphere settled over the noisy fields. Farm radio commentator Grady Cole, mounted in a Jeepster with a microphone, sounded a little like a sideshow barker as he directed the crowd to points of interest. But beyond the pleasure of meeting friends from the upper end of the county or the other end of the state, there was a seriousness foreign to country fairs in the people clustered around big roaring machinery.

Silent admiration of thundering bulldozers and chattering post-hole diggers gradually gave way to talk of boll weevil and new ventures in tobacco-growing wherever farmers gathered under pines or on muddy hillsides.

In the high-raftered barn or low-slung poultry house, talk sooner or later swung round to Secretary Brannan's agricultural program and to Governor Scott's tussle with utility companies. Everyone wondered. When, if ever, the Brannan plan would be adopted and whether more power lines and telephones would find their way to Cleveland county any time soon.

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'Hard Core' of Refugees Begins to Soften



Among the refugees living in camps operated in Europe by the International Refugee Organization (IRO), a United Nations Specialized Agency, are some 25,000 old and sick persons, the "hard core," which has the greatest difficulty finding new homes. In recent months, however, homes have been provided for some of them. In the left-hand photo, an aged refugee, one of 980

refugees by a Roman Catholic order in France, talks to a French priest about the new life ahead. On the right, a blind refugee (left) discusses the prospect of a new life in Norway, where 100 sightless persons and an equal number of their families have been accepted. With him is a camp official of the International Refugee Organization (center) and a Norwegian representative.

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Care In Lifting Efforts Urged

"Correct lifting should be practiced until it becomes a habit," commented Ben Jenkins, county agent, today. Each year thousands are victims of sprains, strains, hernias and other injuries caused by improper lifting.

According to the records of the National Safety Council the most common causes of lifting injuries are as follows: (1) lifting and lowering with the back muscles instead of the leg muscle; (2) insecure grip or footing and unsafe placing of hands on feet; (3) using quick jerking, twisting or awkward movements of the body; (4) obstructed vision, unstable loads or inadequate control; (5) insufficient help or failure to use mechanical aids.

The body is a mechanical system of levers and hinges, activated by cables just like many machines. Nature intended each bone joint and muscle for a specific purpose. When overloaded or used improperly, injuries are invited.

It is a common practice to bend at the waist when reaching down to grasp an object. Lifting in this position places a severe strain on the sensitive back and abdominal muscles.

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comes necessary to lift. Examine farm lifting jobs with a critical eye. Rearrange the work to eliminate or reduce the amount of lifting required. Explore the feasibility of using simple and safe mechanical aids, such as rope hoists, wooden skids, and hand trucks or inexpensive conveyors.

One-fifth of a child's meals are eaten at school, so the foods for these meals need careful planning. Lunch boxes should contain meals, not between-meal snacks.

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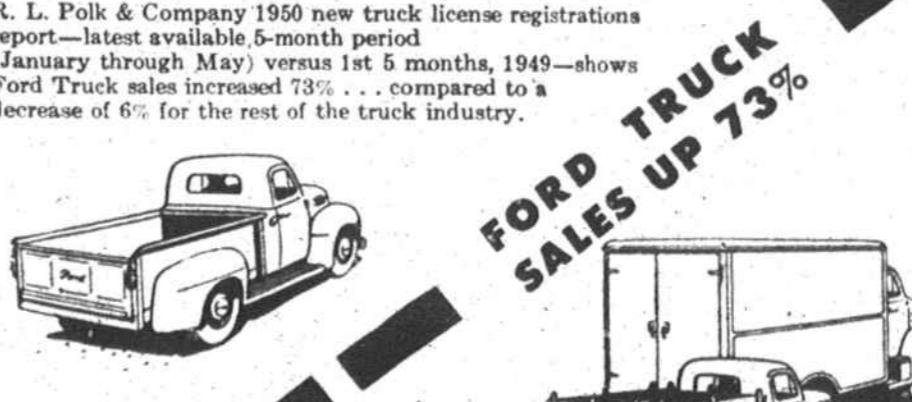
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