

STATE OF MINNESOTA.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

PROCLAMATION.

The people of Minnesota have just garnered a bountiful harvest. But, as often happens, a large yield is accompanied by falling prices which greatly reduce the farmer's reward for his season's labor.

This year, as often before, many farmers find that production of grain and hay is profitable only if they are fed to live stock.

In periods of low prices, just as in seasons of poor yields, farmers who practice diversified farming to the highest degree suffer the least. There has been ample evidence of this during the business depression of the last two years.

The production of milk, cream and butter, beef and pork, mutton and wool, eggs and poultry, has relieved the farmers in many sections of our state from the uncertainties of one-crop farming. It has given farmers a steady income in place of one that is seasonal. It has stopped the depletion of soil fertility which is a certain result of grain raising.

We have made splendid progress in dairying and diversified farming, yet many communities have not realized in full the benefits they might derive through using the methods best suited to the locality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. A. O. Preus, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim and designate the week of September 25 to October 1 as

DIVERSIFIED FARMING WEEK,

and urge its observance throughout the state.

Each community during that week should make a survey of

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to investigate the resources and the present farming methods, and make plans to increase the farmers' income by encouraging a diversity of production and by converting a greater portion of farm crops into meat and dairy products. Since all our people are dependent upon the prosperity of the farmer, civic organizations and commercial clubs should cooperate with the farm bureaus in arranging meetings to promote better farming.

I wish, in this connection, to invite attention to the annual Minnesota State Fair, September 3 to 9, and to the National Dairy exposition, to be held at the state fair grounds October 7 to 14. At both expositions will be exhibits which will show the wonderful possibilities of Minnesota agriculture and demonstrations of the benefits to be derived through the use of more and better live stock and better farming methods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the State this 30th day of August, 1933.

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Governor of Minnesota.

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Secretary of State.

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