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Dellar Shortage Is Factor In Decline of U. S. Experts

Recent figures on foreign trade indicate that the dollar shartage in many foreign countries is beginning to have an effect on exports from the United States, according to Alexander Hamilton institute: After reaching a high record level last spring, the general tendency has been for exports from this country to decline.

Because of the large disparity which developed between purchases by foreign countries in the United States and their sales to this country, many of the nations of Europe and the western hemisphere found it necessary to tighten up import controls. They took these measures in order to conserve their fast dwindling resources, of gold and dollur assets and to prevent their trade

deficits from increasing too rapidly. If congress should adopt substantially the long-range European recovery program presented by the administration, this would tend to modify the indicated decline in exports from the United States. During the first three quarters of 1947, the deficit of countries in the Marshall plan area in their trade with the United States was equivalent to a rate of approximately 41: about equal to the amount which the administration tentatively has recommended be loaned or granted annually during the next four years to the 16 western European countries (and western Germany) coming under the Marshall plan.

Early Sheepmen Imported Merinos to Improve Flock

President Jefferson knew that wool could become important in the new land. He urged our ambassador to Spain. Washington Irving, to send home as many Merinos as possible. Several thousand of these sheep were imported to improve American

The first woolen mill in the United States had opened in 1788. George Washington ordered some sturdy brown cloth from this mill. The suit which he wore at his first inauguration as president was made from this cloth.

sheep went with them. The New home." England states, however, were the leading wool growers until about

After 1840, great flocks began to be developed in the West. The California gold rush in 1849 brought thousands of sheep into that state. Many of these sheep were used for meat by California's growing population. Some were kept as breeding flocks for future wool production.

After the Civil War industries in the East developed more rapidly. Railroads were pushed into the West. The growth of factories and population brought greater demands for wool. Wool and sheep for meat both could be shipped more easily to eastern markets. From that time on, Texas and the western states became more and more important as wool growers.

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Beginning of Butter Credit for the discovery of butter usually is given to an Aryan herdsman of many centuries ago. It is said that he placed some sour cream in a goatskin, fastened it to his saddle and galloped across the plains. On reaching his destination he was amazed to find that the cream had turned into a yellow mass. He tasted it and liked it: other herdsmen also liked it, and soon the whole tribe, was making butter. They put sour milk into goatskins and shook it or beat it

until the cream, or butter, had sep-

arated from the whey. This primi-

tive method of making butter still

is used in some parts of the world.

The Adventures of Flitt the Butterfly

by Robin Wynn MASTER BULLFROG'S PROBLEM

should be in school at this time. The third. Gently he placed Bullfrog could be ill."

said Mr. Sunbeam. Away they went, diving thro the er makes: air straight for the pond. The young frogs gathered around as Flitt and

ing in the water. billion dollars a year. This was he knew they weren't, for they were very good little frogs most of the time.

> teacher ill, or away?" asked Flitt. "It's kind of a-holiday, piped up one little frog.

and sang our Good Morning song, said another little frog. "But Master Bullfrog looked very unhappy and he kept bumping into the desks. Then he picked up his bottle of ink instead of his glass water. My, oh my, how we spluttered when he took the first sip! But we didn't like to ask him what was the trouble."

By this time, Flitt was beginning to feel quite worried.

"What could be the trouble?" he the Green Goblin. asked one of the older frogs. "I don't know," said the older

frog. "But when he tried to read the lesson to us, he couldn't. He just put his hands over his eyes and told us to go out to play until As the pioneers moved westward, he returned. And I think he went his chair. How surprised and hap-

> "We'd better go to see him, Flitt", said Mr. Sunbeam. And at once help him. When they knocked on the Bullfrog's door, they heard a

weary voice say "Come in, pleaes." Now Master Bull Frog was - as neat a person as you could find anywhere. His garden was always the best in the Frog village, his house was the last word in neatness ... All the Frog village folk admired him as he passed down the street, strutting along in his spotless white vest and his long tailed coat of green with leggings to match. But as Flitt and Mr. Sunbeam stepped thro the door, they could see at once that something was wrong at home, too, for Mr. Bullfrog's huse was actually untidy! LAUGHLIN REUNION HELD

his head in his hands, saying over AT "GLENDOR FARMS"-and over "Oh, my eyes!" . It was plain to see what was the trouble, . The annual reumon of the Laugh- " here they may. tion engines. It is used in the manu- the large speciacles that he always Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Laughlin, "Glenfacture and processing of such va- | wore, but alas, both the lenses were our Farms," Caledon, on Saturday ried products as artificial leather, broken. The poor old fellow was atternoon, July 2. At 5,30 all sat

nish, flypaper, transparent soaps said Flitt, "We'll get your glasses ducted by the president, Mr. Eccles archs. In a game played here not, fixed right away."

Flitt and Mr. Sunbeam flew to all.

Now here was a difficult problem. Where could they get glasses? The officers for the coming year were, Audrey playing the hot coron a branch to think. Without any 5dr Eccles McClure, Georgetown; solid infielders and their loss to the warrung. Mr. Sunbeam cried "I've seespresident, Mr. Elgin Laughlin, team will be felt. Pitcher Ev Robgot it" and shone so brightly in his Caledon, secretary treasurer, Miss inson who has done a grand job excitement that Flitt had to turn Jean Harris. Terra Cotta; place all season is in hospital after havhis head so the light wouldn't hurt committee. Louise Wiggins, Harry ing an appendix operation. The

his Cyes.

extile fiber before breaking. These nelp and some of his magic," an- Hunter. Bill Laughlin and Bill, "finanglin" to keep the squad playswered Mr. Sunbeam. "You know Hunter ...

large drops of water gathered on of Vancouver, B.C. the edge of a rock and went! In the evening a fine program of

buttercups to catch the drops.

they needed.

get at it at once."

Next he took some fizzy liquid from by Mr. Elgin Laughlin.

the shelf, and poured a little each drop. Suddenly the drops began to hop up and down in their buttercup containers. Higher and Flitt and Mr. Sunshine flew high higher they bounced until Flitt and over the trees of the Green Forest Mr. Sunbeam just held their breath enjoying the sunshine of a lovely for fear they would bounce right summer morning. As they passed out and be lost on the floor, Howthe big pond that the beavers had ever, the drops settled quietly down made, they noticed, that all the again, Next Mr. Green Goblin small frogs were playing among the carefully lifted one of the drops out with a silver spoon and laid it on "That's odd,", said Flitt, "They the table, then a second drop, then Do you suppose that old Master mooth board on top of them and pressed down until the drops were "Let's go 'down and find out," duite flat and just about as, thin as the thinnest cookies your Moth-

Presently he lifted the board up, and there on the table lay three of Mr. Sunbeam landed on a log float the most perfect little lenses you could ever imagine, still quiverng "I hope you aren't playing truant and as clear as the clearest glass. this morning," Flitt said to them It took only a moment for the with a twinkle in his eye. Of course Green Goblin to cut out the lenses to the right size, with a tiny cookie

""Now to harden them," said the "Is it a holiday today, or is your Goblin. Flitt and Mr. Sunbeam watched him place the lenses on a tray. He next took down the bottled sunshine from the shelf and "We came to school this morning poured a little on each lens. Quickly he put the tray in a little case and shut the lid. He waited a moment until they could hear a hissing sound, then opened the case and took out the drops, now as

solid as glass, 1. ": 11 "Perfect, perfect," said the Green Goblin; as he, fittled the lenses into Mastr Bullfrog's glasses. The third lens he put in a little box.

"That will give him an extra lens, in case he breaks one," said Thank you so much," said Flitt

Now Master Bullfrog will be-able to teach his school again." Flitt and Mr. Sunbeam flew straight back to Master Bullfrog's house and found him still sitting in

py the old fellow was when he put the glasses on! "Why these are wonderful! they set off to see if they could can see better than ever before, Now I don't even have to blink!"

> As he opened his door, a mighty cheer went up from the little frogs who had gathered around his home. They loved their stern but kindly school master, and were so glad to see that he could teach them

"All's well," said Flitt to Mr. Sunbeam, as they flew home "It's a great feeling to be able to help a fine old gentleman like Master

"There sat Master, Bullfrog, with SATURDAY ON GROUNDS

for beside him on the table were his Clan was held at the home of - may to a sumptuous repast served "Don't worry. Master Bullfrog," on the lawn. The business was con- rate girls softball team the Mon-McCline who extended greetings so long ago with the Port Credit

straight to the home of the Wise. Letters of regret at being unable baseman, received a broken wrist Old Owl who often wore glasses, to to attend were read from Dr. Ross in a nasty spill as she rounded secsee if he could help them. But the Laughlin of Northampton, Mass.; ond on a long hit ball. Audrey Wise Old Owl could only tell them Mrs. Ella Madden, Markdale; Nor- Gummer injured her hand and the that the little elf who made his man and Kathleen Laughlin, Cali- two Herrington girls. Pauline and glasses had just gone away on a tornia. Mr. and Mrs. Verner, Otta. Joyce received minor injuries, Paulwa and Mr. R: H. Laughlin, Kin- ine and Joyce were not forced to

Flitt and Mr. Sunbeam sat down were elected as follows: President, nor and Janet on first were two Laughlin, and Roy Laughlin; lunch girls were really flying until "Good," said Flitt, "What's the committee convener, Mrs. Rita besieged by injuries but manager Hunter: sports committee, Mary Sparky Dron and coach Bill Kor-"We'll need the Green Goblin's McClure, Dorcen Laughlin, Margaret zack will have to do some fancy

where the sparkly waterfall is. A hearty vote of thanks was mo-There is one place where the water ved by Miss Raby Laughlin of Toris crystal clear and pure. We must onto to the host and hostess fortake some of that to the Green their generous hospitality. Mr. Har. i Goblin to see if he can make it ry Meek received the prize for the solid. If he can do that, then we oldest member present, and little can fix Master Bullfrog's glasses." Lois Kirkwood for the youngest They darted thro the Forest to member. Those who attended from the waterfall, and sure enough, the longest distance were Mrs. Elsie there was one spot where great Laughlin and Mrs. Ethel Perhlman

"ploonk" into the pool_below. It sports was enjoyed which had been was easy to see that these drops of arranged by the Sports Committee. water were different for they were The following were prize winners: as big as marbles and crystal clear. Banana race, Marjorie - Kirkwood "They're perfect," said Flitt, as and Eccles McClure; clothes pin he hurried away to get three large race, Thomas Laughlin of Oshawa; newspaper race, Glenn Laughlin; By careful balancing Mr. Sun- race under five years; Margaret beam was able to reach out and Wilkinson, Nancy Laughlin, Johnny catch three drops, and they took Laughlin, and Marilyn Kirkwood; them at once to the Green Goblin's five to ten years, Lee Wilkinson, cave and explained to him what Ruth Wilkinson; 10 to 14 years, Glenn Laughlin, Cay Laughlin, nail "This isn't as difficult magic as driving contest, Vera Hindley, Bill the magic potion for your wings, Laughlin; ladies' race, 35 and over, Flitt", said the Green Goblin. "Let's Edyth Wilkinson; egg on spoon, Doreen Laughlin; beans in straws, With greta care he took the but- Mary McClurc, The happy occatercups from Mr. Sunbeam and set sion was brought to a conclusion them on the table, making sure with the presentation of some very that the precious drops didn't spill, interesting 'moving pictures shown

Round the Bend

After reading the letter written ing the kind of ball they can play. by Mr. Bonn, sponsor of the Chelenham Concrete Softball team which appeared in last week's Herald, we feel the main issue has been dodged by Mr. Bonn. In his letter Mr. Bonn ridicules me for having. one of his team's games thrown out due to the incligibility of come of bils players. Admittedly we reported the game in question but it was left for the executive to decide what was to be done. When the game was thrown out it was done so by the unanimous decision of the executive not by Yours Truly, a But let's take a look at the rent situation and let the sporting softball bublic draw its own conclu-

The first thing to consider is the

Each team in the league has complied with the rules in every the Cheltenham

If Mr. Bonn and coach Scotty Patterson had attended any of the executive meetings at the beginning of the season their team would probably not be the problem team they are now. Mr. Bonn in his letfer says (quote): "If Steamboat cared to look into facts before reporting them" (unquote). If Mr. Bonn and coach Patterson cared to read the rules they would find the constitution states: "Only two hardball players may be signed per team. This does not mean two hardball players per game or innings, it means two hardball players in the roster. This roster now reads: Martin, Storey, Scotty and Spind Patterson, Ev Wilson and Harvey Chappel. Gibson and Nash who were listed with them are now

the property of the Lions Club. The second issue is the executive has the power to strengthen or weaken teams as they see fit yet no move has been made to alter the roster of the Cheltenham Blockmen. We suggest the excutive look into this matter immediately and take steps to prevent the Blockmen from having six hardball players on their team.

The third issue is this league operates-for those who wish to play softball for recreation and because they have no other affillation with ball. The hardball players have their own league and therefore they should not be allowed to play in the Softball league. They de prive bellows not interested in hardball or not not good enough to

play from playing softball. Before the league got under way the Blockmen were given more consideration than any other team in the league yet they fail to realwe this and continue to play their

way instead of the league way. If the executive fail to check the team are say to the other teams groom-your-players-well-for-theplay-offs and let the Blocks fall

Disaster has struck the Intermed-

team, Janet Emmerson, stalwart 1st-

the sidelines but Audrey and Janet

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