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"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Libetrty."

It Was Encouragement For Alienism.

Along with the public approval given to the national house of representatives for its action regarding Victor L. Berger there is a strong undercurrent of criticism. It is fine to have Americanism vindicated in congress by a vote of 309 to 1, but it is incomprehensible that the verdict should have been delayed for ten months, during all of which time congress had access to the facts on which its final action was based.

The failure for so long to eject a fellow member who stood convicted of violating the espionage act in time of war, and who was notorious for his anti-American utterances, certainly had much to do with fostering the growth of dangerous radicalism in the United States. It encouraged the Reds to think that they could ply their murderous propaganda undisturbed. If a congressman could "get away with it," so could they. It was a natural mistake, for which the country is now paying. It is well that congress has turned seriously to making amends for its long vacillation.

Similar considerations apply to the people of Milwaukee. They returned Berger to congress with full knowledge of his un-American combination of radicalism and Germanism. In so doing they played into the hands of the organized forces of disorder and revolution with which the nation is now grappling, and greatly encouraged their nefarious work.

Let congress hereafter keep clean of alienism, and let communities in their public acts keep clean of it; then alienism will die a natural death.

No Wonder It Is Dear Silver at Present.

Do you remember the battle cry of the campaign of 1896?

A demand for the free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to one would certainly fall on deaf ears today. For one thing, there is more money in circulation than anybody knows what to do with, and no need to coin more. For another thing, sixteen ounces of silver are now worth more than an ounce of gold. In fact, with silver bullion selling above $1.30 an ounce, as it has been lately, the quantity of silver in a silver dollar is worth a little more than 100 cents—the silver dollar is literally worth more than the gold dollar.

The remarkable appreciation, as a result of which the bullion value of the silver dollar has risen from a fraction over 40 cents to over 100 cents, in ten years is partly due to the increased demand for silver abroad for currency purposes, but more in the general rise in price levels. With gold as the standard of value, a given amount of gold, say 100 cents worth, will naturally buy less silver just as it will buy less of other commodities. The silver dollar heretofore has been worth 100 cents in exchange simply because the government stood ready to pay for it at any time 100 cents in gold. Now accidental fluctuations makes it able to stand on its own feet.

What will happen? Ordinarily, in a case of this kind, the "dear money" would vanish from circulation, being either hoarded or melted down for its bullion value. There are laws, however, forbidding the melting of coins for commercial purposes, and the government could probably counter the effect of any private hoarding by turning into circulation some of the 450,000,000 silver dollars stored in the United States Treasury.

A Cost of Living Miracle Indeed.

A traveling man reports a strange thing from Baltimore. After spending a couple of days in a hotel there, he says, when he received his bill he noticed that 25 per cent had been deducted from the total. He asked why and was told that a 25 per cent cut in prices had been put in force the first of November, and instead of reducing the charges for all items of service and restaurant fare, the management was simplifying the thing by letting the old rates stand and discounting the total. This could be done, the manager explained, because of the decreased cost of supplies.

Can this be true? If so, there is hope.

Well, Victor Berger will not represent Milwaukee in congress; but he will still represent Milwaukee.

Miracles do happen. On Armistice day there were two minutes of silence in Washington.

FORUM

ABOUT EXPERIMENT STATIONS

Editor Observer:

I read with a great deal of interest your timely hints pertaining to demonstration farms and experiment stations paying their way.

You cannot resist taking a shot at us every once in a while, can you?

Now, I am going to surprise you and agree with you along those lines to a limited extent.

First, we must not lose sight of the fact that a demonstration farm and an experiment station have entirely different places to fill in the agricultural world.

The work of a purely demonstration farm consists in putting into actual practice well known agricultural truths that have been worked out by it, in other words, the methods employed on a farm of this kind have passed the experimental stage.

Here at Union we have endeavored to combine somewhat these two agricultural institutions and put into actual practice on a portion of the farm that which we have gained from the strictly experimental side of it, hence a portion of our work, especially the animal husbandry part of it, does pay and pays well. In fact Director Chidley informed me that the receipts from this station exceeded the combined receipts of all other stations in the State.

But we must not measure the worth of an experiment by its individual money return. I am going to give you one concrete example.

It required a great deal of time and expenditure of money to produce that superior half bushel of Fortyfold wheat that we gave to Chas. Plush a few years ago. If we would have charged him $100.00 for it, it would not have paid the bill. But, look what this half bushel of pure [illegible] has accomplished. It has produced thousands upon thousands of bushels of wheat, a sample of which has taken the first prize at the Oregon State Fair for two consecutive years. It sells at a premium on the market, and is [illegible] to be the best wheat in the [illegible]. W. [illegible] Ledbetter [illegible] that it yields from 5 to 10 bushels more per acre than the common variety and states that car loads of this superior wheat is now being shipped to other counties to be used as seed.

This is but one example of how an experiment station should be made to pay.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes,

Yours very truly,
ROBERT WITHYCOMBE.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

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By order of the Commission of the City of La Grande, Oregon.

JOHN COLLIER,
City Manager.

11-18-4t.

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11-13-3t. J. F. PHY.

Hot Buttered Scotch Sundae at Levy Vogel Drug store 11-16-tf

NOTICE

Silver Grill will be closed for a few days, while putting in cold storage plant. 11-12-tf

Have you tried a chocolate sundae with Al Cain at Levey Vogel 11-16-tf

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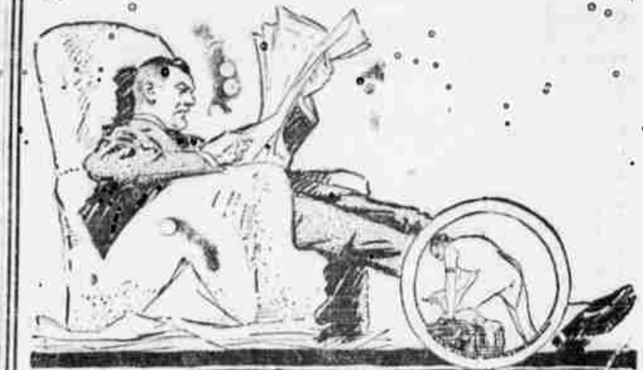

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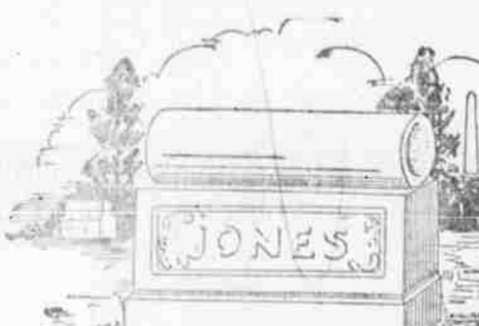

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