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Only a few days more to register. Then you may vote and save the country from Democratic or Republican misrule, as the case may be.

There is much excuse for agreeing with Uncle Bill Hunter of Arkansas who says, "All the gosh-durned weather in the United States comes here to change."

There is really no reason why it wasn't mentioned before that Congressman Hawley is back with his old chestnut "No interests to serve but the public interests."

Hi Johnson, one of the few progressives represented in the Republican race for the presidency, is fighting with his back to the wall since he got hit in the back of the head with a brick in Minnesota.

THE RHYMING SUMMARIST

On streets, on farms and public roads,
Candidates begin to flicker,
Hon Mitoma slipped a cog
And lost a jag of liquor;
Admiral Dewey Hill is looking well
And his grip is as firm as ever,
Mr. Weather Man
If you can
Pull your other lever.

To be in style and up-to-date
We must write an Easter sonnet,
To praise the sermons to the skies
And puff milady's bonnet;
But nary a sermon did we hear
Or see the headgear seething
For little Bix,
Our number six,
Howled the time in teething.

The coming minstrel nigger show
Will be a gloom remover,
And tho he's the guy who fed us straw,
We all signed up for Hoover;
Harry Iliff will sell some Jersey cows,
Some heifers and some bullets,
And Sadie says
Al Kuhlender hez
An ouija eye for pullets.

THE AUTOCRAT

(From an Exchange.)
When I was young there was a
guy,
A sickly lad with dopy eye,
A puny little cuss.
His baseball playing was a scream,
A sorry jest, a horrid dream,
Yet he was captain of our team
And lorded over us.

He couldn't hit, he couldn't throw,
His arm was weak, his feet were
slow,
His head was made of wood,
He ran the team in spite of that,
A cold and cruel autocrat—
He owned the only ball and bat
In all the neighborhood.

Farm Labor To Be Scarce

That Oregon farmers will experience a shortage of help in harvesting hay and grain crops this summer is the prediction of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce, made after an investigation of labor conditions thruout farming sections of the United States. The chamber has asked for a survey as to the number of laborers needed in each community.

"The Middle West is advertising thru the East for men," said George Quayle. "Comparatively few returned soldiers desire to engage in farm work, having secured employment in the factory centers."

Quoting from the Nation's Business, Quayle calls attention to the relaxed immigration regulations promulgated last year which are to be continued to permit foreign labor from Mexico, Canada and the Bahamas to enter the country for agricultural work only.

"Canada will use all its farm labor," says Quayle, "and is anticipating a great shortage, so that Oregon cannot look for much help from that source. As to the Bahamas, I had charge of 600 laborers for six years in the Bahamas, and I have no hesitancy in saying the Bahama laborer, either black or white, would not be worth his board on a farm in Oregon."

Rural Churches In Bad Plight

How to meet the problem of the rural churches is a task which is arousing the concern of the General Board of Promotion of the Northern Baptist Convention. Surveys recently made by representatives of the convention reveal that in some sections many of these churches are gradually dying. It was also shown that the outlook for others is far from promising. This is particularly true in the East. In the Western states the need is for the establishment of churches in the hundreds of new communities which are springing up.

The seriousness of the problem becomes more apparent when a glance at the United States Census report shows that in 1910 the number of persons on the farm was 49,348,883 as against 42,623,383 persons living in cities. This is further emphasized by the figures revealed in 1917—that the number of persons engaged in agricultural pursuits and in animal husbandry was 10,070,848.

"The rural churches," says the report, "have long been the fountains of our life. We cannot afford to let the springs dry up. Our churches are the frescoes of the Christian family. . . . the schoolrooms where the Church educates its people and leads them into all the truth. . . . Our buildings ought to be an adequate reflection of the life and strength of the churches. A small church with meager resources may of necessity be compelled to do with an inadequate plant. But a church of strength and power ought to have a home that will reflect its life."

And to help the state conventions which supervise the work in their own states men are being employed to give their whole time, effort and study to help solve the problem. Other measures planned to help meet the need are increases in ministers' salaries, the establishment of community centers and the use of community churches when other means are inadvisable.

Shoes and Stocks

(Extract from a speech made in the Senate by Senator Capper, of Kansas.)

A fifty per cent increase in the price of shoes by next summer is predicted by the president of the National Shoe-Travelers. The day this prediction appeared another extra dividend was declared by the Central Leather Company. The common stock of this company was rated at 58 a year ago. It is now quoted around 105, and a large issue of new stock has recently been added. While the people contemplate going barefoot the Leather Trust walks on velvet made thicker. A year ago it was the war demand for leather that made shoes high. Now it seems to be the peace demand for velvet.

At a time when shoe manufacturers have issued announcements of still higher prices for shoes, the report of one of the great leather corporations shows profits earned of 52 per cent on the stock. The stock of most of such corporations originally did not represent strictly dollar for dollar, the money invested.

Correct, But Sounds Funny

A village girl eloped in her father's clothes, and the next day the local paper came out with an account of the elopement headed:—
Flees in Father's Pants.

Yes, Often Very Poor

(McMinnville Telephone-Register)
Of course we don't have taxation without representation any more, but the representation sometimes is pretty poor.

Tripp sells real estate. 46

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Silas Cooper, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned administrator at his residence near Airlie in said County, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated and first published March 19th, 1920.

LOREN COOPER,
Administrator of the estate of Charles Silas Cooper, deceased.
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