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**CAN'T FOOL FARMERS ALL THE TIME.**

You may be able to fool some of the farmers all of the time, and all of the farmers some of the time, but you can't fool all of the farmers all of the time.

Among those that it seems difficult to fool any of the time are Lane county members of the Farmers' union.

Usually resolutions adopted at a meeting of any organization say little and mean little. Usually the idea of one or two members is expressed in a resolution and, because no one offers opposition, or because it is thought that the resolution can do no harm even if it does no good, it is adopted and promptly forgotten.

But resolutions adopted at a recent session of the Lane County Farmers' union are worthy of more than passing notice.

One resolution opposed importation of produce by home merchants. The merchants have the excuse that local farmers do not cooperate to the extent of making arrangements to guarantee a steady supply of produce, while wholesale houses at some nearby point do.

However, the resolution is worthy of having notice taken of it. One of the best things that Lane county merchants and farmers could do would be to get together and make arrangements whereby local markets could be supplied locally. If farmers will arrange a steady and unfailing supply, it is the belief of this writer that the merchants are more than ready to buy the home product, in fact that they much prefer to do so. The amount of money sent out from Cottage Grove that could just as well be spent for produce grown here is sufficient to be a big item for producers. The farmer organization and the merchants' association should get together.

The second resolution opposed spending great sums of money to bring under cultivation vast acreages of lands, while we are unable to sell the produce that can be grown on land now under cultivation. What we need is less land under cultivation, instead of more. It is rank foolishness to irrigate further acres until we make profitable those that we have by letting consumption catch up with production.

A third resolution urged congress not to fall for some got rich quick scheme for the farmer. The farmer knows as well as anyone else that most of the talk of farm relief through legislation is for vote-getting purposes only, that regulating prices by law is a dangerous, untried scheme, that boosting prices by legislative action would only tend to make conditions worse, that supply and demand, the only safe price regulators, are as difficult to change or regulate as the movements of the earth and the stars.

The farmers want a friendly attitude on the part of congress, they want friendly tariff regulation, they want the same treatment from congress as that accorded any other industry, but they do not want sugar-coated pills that will make them feel good for a little while and give them a headache in the morning.

Wait until consumption more nearly approaches production, is the wish expressed by Lane county Farmer Unionists, and they are a shrewd bunch of business men when they express that wish.

**KINDLY UNCLE SAM.**

We in the coast states have berated Uncle Sam many times for holding in national forests lands that we wish were on the tax rolls.

We have had good reason for doing so, at least the reasons seemed sufficient to us.

But gradually Uncle Sam has been taking cognizance of us. The Oregon & California tax refund is an example. Monies returned to national forest counties for schools and roads is another example. For many years this amount has been 25 per cent of the receipts from the forests.

Now Senator McNary has introduced a bill to increase that amount to 50 per cent. If we get half of the receipts from the national forests we shall be nearly as well off as though the lands were actually on the tax rolls, and government land paying 50 per cent of receipts will be doing about as well as some other land in Oregon.

It has taken us of the west a long time to gain the recognition to which we are entitled, but Uncle Sam is a kindly old fellow at heart and we may expect him to continue for all time his policy of reimbursing us for loss of tax monies on government-owned land. With something like half the state off the tax rolls, we are greatly encouraged by this effort to play fair with us.

When night after night, week after week and month after month, the wife who has been married a dozen years tries to be neat and attractive for hubby when he comes home, you may put it down as a real love match.

The easiest way to swindle a man is to tell him he is capable of certain great things when he knows it is a doggone lie.

The trouble with doing a favor for a person is that sometimes others will consider that you have done them a great wrong.

The way to keep a boy on the farm is to have a neighbor with a plump, good looking daughter.

The Rebekah "25" club met Friday evening in I. O. O. F. hall for team practice. A social hour followed and a luncheon was served.

The Delphian society will meet tonight in the library and subject for study will be, "The Pit From Which We Are Dug."

The Elmarites club will be entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. N. J. Nelson Jr.

The LaComus club will be entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. W. Kime.

The Mothers' club will be entertained Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. L. Hatch.

The Degree of Honor will hold its annual roll call Wednesday evening in W. O. W. hall.

Eugene Lions to Come Wednesday. The Eugene Lions club will be guests of the local organization at a luncheon meeting Wednesday at Hotel Bartell. The visitors will provide entertainment. The local Lions club at its Thursday meeting made plans for the visit and decided not to hold its regular Thursday meeting this week.

Nazarene Church to Have Revival. The Nazarene church is making plans for an evangelistic campaign to open here February 5. Pastor Fred St. Clare, well known evangelistic worker, will be here for the series. Meetings will be held every evening at 7:30.

Too Efficient! Gray, returning from a visit to the city, was asked: "How do you like the combination furniture they have in some of these New York flats?"

"Not at all," he replied. "I went to bed in a piece of that kind of junk the other night at a friend's house and when I woke up, two women were serving breakfast on the foot-board, a fellow was signing checks on the head-board and another fellow was underneath the bed making coffee."

Salute of Joy Feu de Jolie, a French expression meaning literally fire of joy, is a running discharge of firearms as a mark of rejoicing. A discharge of seven guns is three followed by a sequence of rifle shots proceeding from end to end of the ranks.

China Upside Down In China the needle of the compass points south instead of north.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sanders entertained Thursday evening for the Bona Tempo club. Additional guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Eugene and Mrs. Fred Bennett. The evening was spent playing bridge. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor held high score and Mrs. W. A. Garoutte and Ivan Barker low score. The rooms were attractively decorated with sweetpeas and pussy willows. At the close of the evening the group went to the Colonial cafe, where a delicious luncheon was served. The table decorations were cyclamen and hearts in keeping with the valentine season.

Mrs. Omer Moore was elected president and Mrs. Harold Johnson was chosen secretary-treasurer of the Utopia club at its meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. A. Richmond, for which Mrs. Richmond and Mrs. O. W. Hays were hostesses. A 1 o'clock luncheon was served. Additional guests were Mrs. Olive Taylor, Mrs. L. W. Coiner and Mrs. W. S. Averill. The luncheon table was attractive with a centerpiece of pink cyclamen and pink candles. A pleasant afternoon was spent with needlework. The club voted a contribution to the student loan fund.

Miss Evelyn Veitch and Mrs. Ralph Saltsman entertained Wednesday evening with a hobo party for the Toujours Prete club at the home of Mrs. Joe T. Smith. Additional guests were Mrs. A. W. Swanson, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Joe T. Smith, Miss Dolly Pitcher and Mrs. Inez Meeks. Guests came in costume and Mrs. C. C. Cruson won the prize for the best costume. The evening was spent with games and stunts. Members brought their luncheons in bandanas and weiners were toasted on sticks.

The missionary societies of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Christian churches will meet at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon for a covered dish luncheon at the Methodist church, after which Mrs. A. H. Norton of Eugene will speak to the group. She was a missionary in Korea for a number of years and will tell of missionary work in that country. A prayer service will follow the address.

About 100 persons attended the party given Friday night by the American Legion for children of legionnaires. Members of the Legion boy scout troop exemplified part of their work and a comic sketch was given by William Stinnett. The evening was spent playing games and with community singing. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

**Carouflage of High Order Saved Convict**

Extraordinary tales of adventure, death and escape from the French islands of exile off the Gallic coast are told by Blaise Niles, the first woman to visit the prison islands.

"There was, for example," she writes, "the convict stationed on one of the Devil's island group, who, some months ago was missing at the five o'clock roll call. At that hour the keepers are busy rounding up the men and locking the correct number into each dormitory for the night. Number X was missing; he failed to answer to his name. Search was made of the three islands. It revealed nothing. The sun was sinking; in a few moments the tropical night would fall. The canoe men were commanded to launch the boats; far out a speck was seen on the deserted ocean. The prison authorities focused their glasses. But they saw only a dark mass on the surface and above it the great spreading horns of one of the water buffalo which the administration imports from French Indo-China. Only a dead water buffalo floating out to sea. They revoked the order to the canoe men. Anyway, darkness had suddenly shut down.

"But the prisoners knew that the dead water buffalo was one of their comrades, his body bound to a plank and covered with banana leaves, while with arms and legs he swam desperately. The buffalo horns—blat! a buffalo die on the islands only last week? The horns were the escaping convict's camouflagage."—From the Forum.

**Distance's Lure**

I have heard it said of a great painting, "Don't go too close to it." In order to get the best out of a picture, view it in the proper light, and from a distance. If you get too close a look, you will realize the rough way in which it is made.

I prefer (now) to also view women from a distance; never closer than four or five feet.—E. W. Howe's Monthly.

**Oiled Locks**

Locks should be oiled frequently by dipping the key in oil and turning it several times in the lock. Screws should be tightened after rainy weather.

**Anthem Regulations**

The leader of the Marine band says "The Star-Spangled Banner" should never be played as a medley with other songs. At least two bars must elapse before playing "The Star-Spangled Banner." There are no official regulations regarding the playing of such hymns except in the army, navy and marine corps.

**What They Never See**

Motorists will attempt to get across in front of a train and only succeed in getting a cross.—Detroit News.

**Typewriters repaired. Typewriters rented. Sentinel.**

**Mail Service Older Than Christian Era**

Communications were sent from town to town by more or less regular service in the reign of Cyrus, the great Persian conqueror, 600 years before the Christian era. Four centuries later Queen Jezebel wrote letters and sent them throughout the Jewish kingdom, to which she affixed the name of King Ahab, and sealed them with the king's seal. In the Book of Esther mention is made of sending letters by post throughout the royal provinces. About the beginning of the First century Augustus, the great Roman emperor, established a system of communication throughout the empire. Marco Polo, the Venetian traveler, reported that as long ago as 1280 China had no less than 10,000 post stations. The term post as applied to a system of mail transportation had its origin in France in the Sixteenth century, where a general system of communication was set up by the government.—Detroit News.

**Sowing Wild Oats**

To "sow wild oats" means to commit youthful excesses, to spend one's youth in dissipation. Subsequent reform is usually implied. The expression, it is supposed, originated among the country people of England. The wild oats—a tall grass resembling the cultivated oat and by some supposed to be its original progenitor—is a common weed in grain fields. It was natural that a weed so common and obnoxious should become the subject of comparison among the English farmers. At first "sowing wild oats" meant sowing worthless seed or seed which would produce a worthless crop. The transition to the figurative meaning was easy. He who wastes the precious days of his youthful prime in dissipation is sowing seeds which will grow up into obnoxious weeds.—Pathfinder Magazine.

**Practical Chemistry**

"Young gentlemen," said the lecturer in chemistry, "coal exposed to the elements loses 10 per cent of its weight and power. This is due to the action of the alkali constituents of—"

"But what, if there is a dog sleeping near the coal, professor?"

"None of your levity, young man. This is a serious matter."

"That's what dad thought when 72 per cent of our coal pile disappeared during three nights of exposure. Then he asked my advice as a student in chemistry, and I told him to buy a dog. He bought a dog, with large-sized teeth, and now we don't lose 1 per cent of our coal a month. That's practical chemistry."

**The Same Thing**

It was obvious that the waiter was frightened, and the manager of the restaurant laid a hand on his shoulder.

"What's the matter?" he asked consolingly.

The waiter cast an apprehensive glance over his shoulder.

"Gent over by the window has ordered roast mutton for his third course."

"Well, and what about it?" said the manager. "The mutton ain't off, is it?"

"Oh, no, sir," replied the waiter nervously. "But 'e chose roast venison instead of fish for 'is second course, sir."—London Answers.

**Alligator's Handicap**

The alligator on land would tarve to death surrounded by food because it cannot eat or swallow except under water. At least, a hunter of experience has said so. Their favorite food is fish, although they also eat meat with relish. Their custom is to hibernate in the winter season and those in captivity often refuse to eat during the winter months, which is following their hereditary habit, although they do not actually disappear from view.

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Ours is a government of the people who vote, by the people who vote, for the people who don't.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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# Flying Over the Oceans

The attention of the world is directed just now at the attempted flights over the oceans. Flying exploits are thrilling indeed.

But it is the high flying that is the curse of American business today—the tendency of good citizens to permit their expenses to soar above their incomes.

The wise are keeping their feet solidly on the earth, buying nothing unless they are certain that they can pay for it. In this way they can maintain unimpaired their most valuable asset—their credit.

Credit is extended by the members of this association until the 15th of the month following purchase. Your December bills are past due. Your merchant cannot grant you a longer period as he is limited by wholesale houses in his own credit, to a thirty-day basis. Keep your good name clear—pay your accounts promptly.

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Our purpose is to make it harder for those NOT entitled to credit—and easier for those who are entitled to credit.

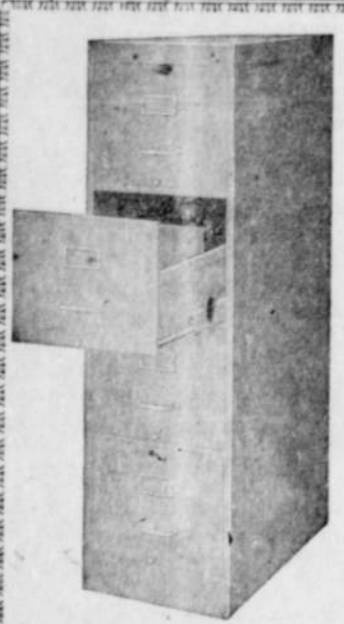
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