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THE FARMER'S VACATION.

At the grand lecture hour tomorrow afternoon the subject will be, "A Vacation and What It Means to a Farmer and His Family." For the roll call the subject will be "What Would You Most Enjoy as a Vacation?" Business long ago learned that a respite from work for at least a short time each year is a good investment. To such an extent has this idea become recognized that many concerns allow their employes regular vacations each year on full pay. In almost all concerns where there are employes, affairs are so arranged that each employe has an opportunity to take a respite of a week or two.

The farmer has been approaching rapidly during the past few years the status of a business man. He has learned that his business or profession must be conducted along business lines and that business principles mean the successful conduct of an agricultural business or profession and the lack of their failure in that business or profession.

The proportion of business men among farmers is apparently at about the same ratio as in other business enterprises. About the same proportion live from hand to mouth, about the same proportion are failures and about the same proportion put money in the bank.

Like any other business, farming must be a 12-month business to be an eminently successful one and the winter vacation of the farmer, which really never existed on any successful farm, is disappearing from all farms with the same speed that the agricultural profession and the farming business are being put on a firm financial basis. With 12 months of labor, a real vacation should be provided for employer and employe, the same as in any other business or profession. The one who may benefit the most is the good housewife, who is the original 12-month worker and who usually is the last to get a vacation and the first back on the job. To her, in

many cases, is due the success of the farming business and she can not be expected to keep her faculties functioning properly unless she is given the same respite as that recognized for her stronger better half.

That the farmer talks of a vacation is a healthy indication. Vacations mean health and talk of vacations means that the stress of business is such that regular vacations are necessary.

The farmer is entitled to his vacation and his business should be so conducted that annual vacations are a recognized necessity.

The question was raised in the last issue of The Sentinel as to the average investment in farms in this section. Census figures have just been given out showing the average value of farms of the entire nation to be \$12,000 apiece. It is probable that the average here falls under that figure and the probabilities are that \$10,000 would fully cover the average investment in farms in this section. The total investment in farms of the United States is \$77,000,000,000, making the agricultural business appear a truly respectable one.

LOOKING IN FROM OUTSIDE

One doesn't get a retrospect of his own community and his own surroundings until getting into other communities and other surroundings.

A visit to other communities and other cities tends to make one quite well satisfied with things as he finds them here. Especially is this true of the auto camp. In none of the places that the editorial party from here visited on their recent outing did they find one to equal the one left at home.

In no other way than a trip to other parks does a person learn of the things to guard against in his own community.

Referring again to auto camps, one who has used many knows that one all-important thing is good toilet facilities. Unsanitary, unpleasant toilet facilities, or a semi-public, co-educational affair like the toilet of the Medford camp ground, gives the traveler a poor impression of the city where the condition is allowed to exist. The removal of garbage at very frequent intervals is just as important as the first named, and water and wood must be convenient.

A city which does not provide inviting toilets and convenient wood and water for its camp would better not have an auto park at all. The camper might pass by with a grumble the city without a camp but would not long remember its name, but when he has spent a night in an auto camp he remembers very distinctly the impression made by the camp and he remembers the name of the city to repeat to those he meets. His impression becomes the impression of many.

The editorial party was impressed with the lack of shade in many camps. This lack probably was emphasized by the fact that the Cottage Grove camp is so amply provided in this respect. Many cities are unfortunate, seemingly, in being unable to provide shade during these hot days when cooking over a stove and under the rays of the sun is anything but a pleasant experience for a woman and drives many a camping party from an auto camp to one of the many shaded nooks to be found along any section of highway.

Only by visiting many camps does one learn of the abuse of camps by those using them. The large majority, of course, appreciate the efforts made for their comfort but the few who abuse every privilege, who seemingly make every possible effort to leave things as unsanitary as possible, who hog everything in sight, are sufficient in number to greatly discourage those who try to make things pleasant for these very same people.

A trip to many camp grounds causes two points to stand uppermost in the mind:

Unless a city provides a camp which

leaves a good impression upon those using it, it would much better not have any at all.

Unless those using auto camps show a greater appreciation of the accommodations furnished them, unless they show a better spirit of cooperation, the free auto camp will soon become a thing of the past and auto camps will become pay-as-you-enter propositions with guards to enforce the common health regulations and property right laws.

THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

A woman improves with age, if properly cared for.

A love affair is the only original elixir of youth.

A doctor's wife must have more patience than her husband.

It's the things that you do not tell that show how much you know.

It is too bad that more can't hold office so that fewer would be left to cuss.

The person who lives up to his ideals will not have to live down his reputation.

You can often make the most headway in courtship by letting things drift along.

You can't be happy yourself while figuring how to make someone else unhappy.

When someone has an ax to grind and wants you to help, make him turn the grindstone.

The jar a man receives when he slips on a banana peel usually breaks one of the commandments.

Both old parties ought to be in favor of free lumber. Both need some new planks in their platforms.

When a man gets so he doesn't enjoy a picnic an inspection will show that his head carries many gray hairs.

A news item states, "J. I. Gordon lost his home and his life by fire Saturday, but both were covered by insurance."

The more the masses are given to do, the less progress will be made. Nothing truer ever was said than that great bodies move slowly.

High skirts and low waists make good business for the oculists. Unimpaired vision has become of more than paramount importance.

An education which does not teach courtesy, deference and brotherly love, even though embellished with a college diploma, is largely wasted.

Hearing may not be entirely in the ears. The application of a slipper aft and approximately amidships will often cure apparent deafness in children.

The person who beats a new trail may not have so many followers as the one who follows the beaten path—but neither will there be so many ahead of him.

Don't blame a teacher for not seeming to take an unusual interest in your children if you yourself do not take enough interest to visit school once in awhile.

A woman is on trial for getting away with four husbands, while many a woman thinks she could pick a satisfactory one from a much smaller selection.

A state board of health says it is necessary to keep your mouth shut if you would be healthy. Still, the American woman seems to be in pretty fair physical condition.

You may not be able to hear the most important things a speaker says at a public gathering, but you can always hear every yowl a baby makes at that same meeting.

Better keep in the good graces of your home newspaper. Men may come and go but a newspaper goes on forever and you will want your obituary well written some day.

A man will romance to his sweet-heart about the ethereal delights and pleasures that are to be his after marriage—and then demand steak and fried potatoes the first meal.

A San Francisco poet leaped into the sea because his verses were not appreciated. If his example is followed generally the sea fish are likely to be crowded out of house and home.

The New Jersey man who managed two wives in the same apartment should not be overlooked by the administration when an unusually difficult diplomatic post is to be filled.

When a fellow is in a terrible stew making a quick change of vestment for an evening party, that's likely as not to be the time he'll pull out a new shirt with about forty pins in it that must carefully be removed before the garment can be gotten on.

It is peculiarly fitting, we should say, in view of the fact that Henry Albers was convicted of violation of the espionage act while in a beastly drunken condition, that the Oregon bar association should be raising such a rumpus over the possibility of his escaping punishment.

Tacoma girls have declared against the waist which shows the camisole. Not having any positive information, we presume that the camisole reposes inside the diaphragm. In such case it seems reasonable that the Tacoma girls have decided that what they show outside is enough. Their camisoles should be their own anyway.

There is one thing the elimination of which would seriously affect every community—the elimination of electric service.

Who would settle in a district lighted by gas or oil—a district where there is no power, where a motor is useless, where a washing machine is without value, where transportation is lacking?

Can you imagine yourself living in such a community when you can live where electricity brings comfort to living? No! Neither can anyone else.

Boost the Public Utilities; don't turn your community to one which prosperity will undoubtedly pass without pausing.

COTTAGE GROVE ELECTRIC COMPANY

City Council

Aug. 1.—Council met in regular session. Present: Councilmen Jurgens, Kame, Mackie, Short and Vench, mayor, city attorney, engineer, recorder and marshal. Minutes of last regular and three adjourned meetings read and approved.

Mr. Loucks made a verbal and written report on collection of delinquent water rents.

Monthly reports of city treasurer, recorder and marshal read and ordered filed.

A report of analysis by state board of health of water samples from Junetta creek read by mayor.

City engineer reported the pavement and base removed in the repair work on west Main street and the condition as he found it. Engineer directed to drain sub base with tile 6 feet apart, fill with rock 6 inches deeper than formerly and surface with oil macadam.

Recorder directed to notify M street and north Lane street contractor to finish the improvement work on those streets.

Warrant ordered drawn in favor of Frank Pleunard in payment of award by viewers for land taken for Pacific highway and to include amount of discount on said warrant.

The following bills were audited and allowed:

Hamloth & Rohde, supplies, \$ 2.00
Wm. Higgins, labor, material, 3.49
Sentinel, water receipts, 58.50
Sentinel, pub. and ptg., 10.55
C. G. Electric Co., lights, 233.83
J. F. McFarland, salary and expense, 160.55

G. B. Picheo, salary and expense repair water pipe, 131.00
Fire department, attendance, 25.50
Geo. H. Dahl, labor, 9.99
Phil Jones, labor, 35.71
C. A. Smith, labor, 19.50
J. J. Jolowski, labor, 9.52
Persey Moody, labor, 7.99
L. Prine, labor, 6.12
H. J. Jorgensen, labor, 13.50
J. C. Brown, labor, 6.12
Walter Kennedy, labor, 19.50
W. F. Johnson, labor, 3.59
J. E. Blackmore, labor and team
Tom Cox, labor, 16.00
City Transfer, cleaning streets, 51.50
Grove Transfer, hauling, 1.09
O. L. Nichols, engineer, 78.44
B. E. Job, salary, 10.00
J. E. Young, salary and expense to Salem, 45.00
Homer Galloway, salary, stamps and recording deed, 26.50
C. A. Cooley, rent, 25.00
Mrs. M. J. Wiseman, interest on warrants, 20.46
R. E. Walker, interest on warrants, 23.04
Bank of Cottage Grove, interest on warrants, 192.81
First National Bank, interest on warrants, 254.69
First National Bank, semi-annual interest on sewer bonds, 376.34
City treasurer, for Frank Pleunard, 201.99
Council adjourned to August 8.
HOMER GALLOWAY, Recorder.

Occasionally enough of a pessimist's predictions come true to make him feel optimistic.

What do we want of another universal language when money has a vocabulary that everyone understands?

Tariff talk is still on the free list—while the patience of the people is being taxed.

Edison has invented a concrete sofa. That ought to solve the problem of how to get young men to go home on time. No young man would put in much overtime sitting on that kind of a sofa with a young lady on his lap.

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