

OREGON EQUITY NEWS P. W. Meredith Editor

Our County Union meets tomorrow.

Our State Union meets a week later.

Nearly forty per cent of farmers are tenants.

This is very scientific as our colleges say nothing against it.

We have only a few months' rations ahead for the American people and no incentive to produce more at the market price.

Under free trade on farm produce we ship in food from other countries and sell it here for less than we can produce it for under our present market system. Something wrong.

We ought to ship in a few banks, railroads, and common men, and see if we can't get our marketing done cheaper.

If our factories are not going to employ our idle workers we will have to let down the bars and let foreign machinery come in. Protection protects but not the poor, but it might be made to do so.

Instead of driving the unemployed out of our cities we might try driving out some of our boards of trade, chambers of commerce and a few more expensive money changers and we would have no army of unemployed.

The secret of the Denmark farmers' success is the price he gets for his produce. He has long ceased to see how cheap he could sell his food but now tries to see how high he can make it on the market. He is regarded as a very intelligent business man.

Mr. Yokum, president of the "Frisco" railroad, who makes so many shady deals and wrecked the finances of the road, now wants the government to become a sort of partner in the road and furnish the money to satisfy the bankers who bought "Frisco" bonds at 66 and collected interest at 100.

George C. Brownell demonstrated his literary ability in a very fine letter in the Courier two weeks ago. In it were lofty ideas, fundamentals of justice all pictured in choice models of literature. The pathos of it is reserved to the memory of the reader whose mental picture is backwash only one summer when George C. stumped this county for extravagance. Also to another time, remote from antiquity, when the drag net of justice revealed Blinger Herman with others, trying to sell a birthright for a mess of pottage.

The American farmer has been taught by the big newspapers to keep out of politics. The farmer believed this bunk and devoted about 16 hours every week day to hard work trying to see how much cheaper he could sell than his neighbor. Big Business with the lawyers and doctors, have attended to the farmers' politics for them and the way they have done it deserves a vote of thanks and an honorable discharge by us farmers, who will dispense with their aid from now on and play the game ourselves.

Twilight has a talented linguist and Mt. Pleasant has seventeen kinds of people all trying to speak the same language. We finally learned how to beat Twilight in a game of basketball. The assessor and fruit inspectors call on us too, so don't get too aristocratic. Twilight. We have healthy children who play in the street, and if they had buttons pointed on their backs people would think they were clothed. May we always have Twilight.

Our laws are made by two houses instead of one. The idea of a senate was brought over here from England as a copy of their House of Lords, which was a relic of the old feudal system of wage slavery where protection to the land owners, who had had the land given them by the king. Now we are trying to do away with aristocracy and have no more use for two houses to make laws under the referendum than we have for another world to shelve the unemployed onto. Abolish the senate.

President Wilson ran against ex-President Taft for the highest office in the land and we supposed there were a great many political differences between these men and the parties they represented. Now we read that President Wilson is to appoint ex-President Taft to a place in our supreme court to interpret the laws made by the Democratic administration. They seem to understand each other enough to remove protection off the farmer and protect the banker.

Proportional representation will give us a legislature which will give the minority parties a voice in our law-making body, and also give the majority party all they are entitled to. It will avoid the necessity of overwhelming our referendum ballot. It will curb the extravagance of office seekers in favor of the taxpayers and it will help to make politics more an industrial proposition than a graft. Get all the signers you can in your locality.

Farmers are feeding and clothing two armies of the unemployed. One of these armies has no money and the other has it all. We feed one army without pay because they have no money to pay with, and the other army has organized and controlled the markets and prices and given the farmer 40 cents for his produce and sell it back to the people at 100 cents. Society must adopt better laws to protect itself against so much idleness of men, money and machinery, to avoid suffering by those who produce the blessings.

Several Equity members who are candidates for office have not been mentioned on this page for several reasons. One has no opposition and two others are running against each other for the same office. There are other candidates who ought to be elected for 40 reasons. One is that they want the office and the other 39 are fully as logical. Write their name on the ballot for State Senator.

We paid out last year \$900 for fruit inspection for Clackamas county. We paid out thousands of dollars for spraying machines and for spray dope and spent days of labor

squirting the scientific fluid on our trees and when Fall came there were very few apples that would pass the standard of inspectors. We do not know of a single car load of first class apples being shipped from Clackamas county. All this in the name of science.

The Rural New Yorker says: "The greatest need of our national life today is some fair and honest system which will bring about a fairer distribution of the consumer's dollar. Give the producer a fairer share and the extra money flows back to the country. There it will be spent to satisfy legitimate demands or to purchase necessities giving the most wonderful impetus to trade that America has ever known." And when this is done the old system must be changed that leads the stream of gold to our cities with all their vice, crime and dishonesty.

Troutdale has a woman mayor who had her husband arrested and fined for the illegal sale of liquor. A woman candidate for congress in the 6th district of Kansas, Margaret Gardner, has been made city attorney for Los Angeles.

Governor West has a woman on his official staff that has become famous over the recent Copperfield episode. Woman seems to be making good of late. Who ever heard of Father Nature anyway?

The Courier is not losing by keeping its columns open to the new as well as the old ideas. It is fast becoming a literary clearing house for ideas of real, live people. The Courier is much different, and your neighbor would be pleased to read a paper so unique, fair and instructive. We farmers are anxious that its influence spread. Equity members get club rates.

Shakespeare says that there is more truth in nature than we will ever discover with philosophy. Scientific Agriculture under the present market system is a myth. Nobody calls for bacon from pure bred hogs and no one calls for products of the scientific farmer. High priced butter is made from all kinds of cow feed of all sorts of rations. In laying out a pen of scrubbers are beating some high priced purebreds. Might as well talk about scientific refrigeration of Dante's Inferno.

What do we farmers want? We want our share of all advancement since the cave man. We want for ourselves and our families the benefit of all the discoveries of modern ingenuity. We want all the developments of education that comes from leisure. We enjoy music, travel and to explore the new world where reward for honesty and service to society in producing the best of things for material life is development of the spiritual where Equality is king and Love is queen.

Farmers from Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Idaho, Nebraska, Montana, and Wisconsin, met at Minneapolis on March 20th wearing badges inscribed "We want an honest market."

The millers were afraid to buy the farmers' wheat because it was against the wishes of the boards of trade and chambers of commerce. These combinations of so called business men have stood in with railroads and the big elevators and fixed the price of grain. Not only that but the grading and other rules for robbing the farmer and consumer. The farmers are going after this combine in the right manner. They are going to raise a fund of \$1000 to carry on a campaign. They demand that warehouse men stop speculating in products they store. That the government build and operate the grain elevators; that millers be prohibited from operating public elevators; that grain gambling be stopped; that the state send out crop and market information. These farmers made plans to co-operate with the American Federation of Labor for a free market.

These farmers have the good wishes of their Oregon brothers and success is sure. Congress must act. The Legislatures must act. Farmers are in no mood just now to be trifled with. Chambers of Commerce are the dry land pirates that must cease to live off the hard earnings of honest hard working people from our farms and factories.

The Republicans of Minnesota have inserted in their platform a plank for free and open markets for grain, and all agricultural products. Secretary of Commerce, Wm. C. Redfield, said in a speech in California recently that 650,000 people die every year from preventable causes. We know how to prevent these people from dying but still they die. We may issue bonds for the slaughter of war. We do not issue them to save the killing in peace. Men have not known that they are working out a revolution.

In comment on the fact that the recent action of the doctors trust here in Clackamas county and the state of Oregon do not know that they are working out a revolution. The bankers' trust along with the boards of trade and the army of unemployed, are working out a revolution. These measures of the organized farmers may prove a help but no permanent relief will come until the present system of trade and markets are completely overthrown by a total change or revolution from greed to co-operative principles.

Farmers the world over as well as those who labor in other productive industries have organized and come together in opposition to something that oppresses them. We know we are oppressed because the world's burdens are upon us and we see many others, without the burden of drudgery, who are rewarded with our labor and giving us but the scraps and offal of society. We are as eager for the good things of life as others. We wish to live a life of happiness with our wives and children assured of peace and plenty and this something that denies us and oppresses us is so hidden and mysterious that we seem to be battling with unseen demons and ghosts instead of the genuine of men. Your editor must take the part of teacher in an ungraded school where there has been but little progress made to aid a teacher since Christ mystified the poor fishermen. There are among our readers men who are more advanced than me and many regard the

a b c of social Equity as almost the terminal of the long journey before us. We are but little children yet in the study of freedom. We master first our own language and then we will have other languages with their company of higher lessons to learn. This responsibility of an editor of this sort is equal only to the desire of all to succeed. Knowledge is the power and key that will unlock the fetters that bind us. We will some day match cunning with cunning but we will be reinforced with truth.

Meeting of the Clark County Union The Clark County Union held its regular quarterly meeting on last Saturday at Brush Prairie in that county. The meeting was not largely attended owing perhaps to the bad weather, but those present showed an enthusiasm and interest that argues well for the cause of equity in this state.

The question of Clark County's affiliating with the Oregon State Union was discussed at considerable length. The delegates without exception agreed that it would be best to bring about such a union, but owing to some objections from headquarters it was thought best by some not to attempt affiliation at this time. I was finally voted however, to affiliate so far as possible.

The question of dairying and the marketing of dairy products was also taken up and the delegates showed by their talks their familiarity with that subject. It was voted to take up at the state meeting the matter of bringing about closer union of the dairy men of Oregon and Washington and establishing creameries in Portland.

Your correspondent, the State Secretary, was present and tried from time to time in his humble way to give advice. The courteous treatment received at the hands of the members was ample payment for the trouble of the journey.

What the Oregon State Union can do alone it can do better with the help of Clark County, and what this county can accomplish alone it can accomplish more easily with the help of the Oregon State Union. "In Union there is strength." F. G. Buchanan.

DEBTOR AND CREDITOR

Who Owes the Great Debt, and Who is it Owed to? Editor Courier:— Kindly permit me space in your paper for the following, in regard to an article in the Oregon City Equity News, where it reads: "We owe eighteen billion in bonds and can not pay them. What must we do about it? It enslaves the working people to pay just the interest. The nations of the world owe more than that to us. How do we pay it? What remedy have you to offer?"

To whom do we owe this great sum, we never can pay? Possibly to the man in the moon, if so, forget to pay the interest once, and if he does not go on an strike, forget it again. Possibly we owe it to ourselves. If so, we cannot stand, as it says in the great book, the law of nature, in the 12th chapter of Matthew, verse 25, "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to isolation, and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand."

But if we owe it to an individual it verifies the class struggle as it divides us in two classes; the debtors and the creditors. And when the debtors see the debts are too great and enslaves them too much so they can stand it no longer, bankruptcy will be declared, a sort of confiscation which is going on daily. Whoever we owe this great sum to it is a part of the joke ignorance lays upon our shoulders, and when education through study has made us worthy to throw that part of the joke off from our shoulders, we will, by confiscating the money we daily do by confiscating progress toward perfection.

Resolved: Kick yourself till you are awake to see who is the creditor or who is the debtor, and think before you vote. G. A. HENRIX.

EQUITY MEMBERS, ATTENTION

Let Every Local Have a Delegation at Oregon City, April 11 To the Members of the Farmers' Society of Equity:— On Saturday, April 11 at the W. O. W. hall in Oregon City the County Union will hold its quarterly meeting. It is very necessary that each Local should have a full delegation present as there is considerable very important business that should be attended.

I would like to impress upon your minds that now, more than ever before, our organization needs the moral and loyal support of all its members. There are many great things being projected for the farmers, some good and some bad, and it behooves us as one farmers' organization to get together in our fullest strength and give these subjects our most careful consideration.

Farmers of Oregon, through their various organizations are coming to the front, and today are being considered in no small way, as a power to be reckoned with. A few years more of the present determinate attitude of the individual farmers, and the profession of farming will come into its own. Every farmer should become a member of some farmers' organization, and every Equity member should attend the county union meetings whether a delegate or not. Don't think because you may get your potatoes planted a day later by attending this meeting, that you have suffered a substantial loss, for is not this phase of your profession as vital to your success as that you sow and harvest your crops? Although many of us may feel that we are not satisfied with the business as ventures undertaken, yet let us not forget the power of our organizations. Let us get together and study and discuss the many projects and men that are appealing to us for our influence and support.

I make this appeal to the members fearing that some have become careless and unfaithful of the great good that can and is being derived from the farmers organized. Come to the meeting, large numbers signify union. In Union there is strength. S. L. Casto. Pres. County Union.

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Clackamas Local Clackamas Local Union of the F. S. E. met in regular session at East Clackamas School House, April 3. The following delegates were elected to attend the County Union at Oregon City April 11: G. H. Bruckman, R. B. Holcomb, Gustave Haberlach, W. S. Daywalt. The Local will be represented at the State Convention by W. S. Daywalt. H. Klinkley has six small hogs for sale; R. B. Holcomb has a cow and prune grinder and G. Haberlach has small potatoes, some good for seed for sale. Local will meet in Clackamas May 1st. W. S. Daywalt, Secy.

County Union Meeting The regular quarterly meeting of the Clackamas County Union of the Farmers' Society of Equity will be held on April 11, 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M. in the W. O. W. hall, Oregon City, Oregon. The usual matters of importance to the Equity of Clackamas County will be taken up. F. G. Buchanan, Secretary.

State Meeting The regular meeting of the Oregon State Union of the Farmers' Society of Equity will be held on April 18, 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M. in Room 320, Multnomah County Courthouse, Portland, Oregon. Each Local and County Union is to send one delegate and as this is the important meeting of the year no Local or County Union should fail to have a representative present. The following important matters will be considered: 1. Reports of officers and committees. 2. Revising the State By-Laws. 3. Election of Officers. 4. Development of plans for the coming year.

Delegates from Clark County, Wash., will be admitted to the Convention with the same rights as those of Oregon. F. G. Buchanan. Election Dates April 10—Last day upon which nominating petitions may be filed with the secretary of state. April 15—Last day upon which nominating petitions may be filed with the county clerk. May 1—Closing of the registration books by county clerk until after the primary election. May 15—Primary nominating election for Democratic, Progressive and Republican parties. July 2—Last day upon which initiative petitions may be filed with the Secretary of state.

FOR COUNTY CLERK John A. Lizberg is a candidate for Republican nomination for County Clerk of Clackamas County. He was born in Chicago, Illinois, Nov. 1865. From 9 to 12 years of age he worked in a tailor shop; moved to a Kansas farm, laboring there until 21 years of age; took a home-stead in N. W. Kansas and tried dry farming for a few years, meanwhile picking up the common and high school courses and teaching school; attended Ottawa University and Kansas State University for 6 years; was a Register of Deeds; came to Oregon City about 5 years ago; and worked in Hawley's paper mills for a few months and since have been an abstractor here.

His platform is "His Duty and Good Will to All." Try him. The longer you know him the better you will like him. So his wife and children say. John A. Lizberg. (Paid Adv.) CLACKAMAS COUNTY FOR \$1

Do you know the geography of your home county? Do you give its boundaries? Do you know the direction from your home to its principal points of interest? Can you give its approximate size, and the amount that is in the "Forest Reserve"?

Do you know what voting precinct you are in and the territory it embraces? You will need to know this for the coming elections. This office has received a number of blue print maps of Clackamas County, showing section, township and range; the streams, the towns and postoffices, and each of the voting precincts of the county outside of Oregon City, as outlined by the County Court. It is drawn by J. O. Staats, and it is accurate. The map is 36 x 42 inches in size, is of sharp, clear print and the voting precincts are shown by heavy lines. It should be in every home and every school for the information it contains. The price is one dollar.

The Want Column

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FOR SALE—Three young milk goats, grade Toggenberg or Swiss, \$50 for 3 if taken at once. Also heavy work team, harness and wagon. J. L. Udell, Mulino, Ore.

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China Boor for sale cheap. Good pig, age 2 years. Address W. F. Harris Oregon City, Rt. 3, Bx. 72.

FOR SALE—Two two-year old colts. J. R. Watson, R. D. I, Oregon City.

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Summons In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas County. Leon B. Lewis, Plaintiff, vs. May B. Lewis, Defendant. To May B. Lewis, the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in his complaint to-wit: For a decree of absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and the plaintiff. This summons is published in pursuance to an order of Hon. J. U. Campbell, Judge of the above entitled court, made and entered on the 8th day of April, 1914. Date of first publication April 9, 1914. Date of last publication May 21, 1914. Robert Scouler, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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