

OREGON EQUITY NEWS P. W. Meredith Editor

Markets lower on what we sell. Flour, Sugar and other things are higher.

The ownership of land is slipping from the farmer.

Farmers have raised plenty and a great quantity for export.

He gets paid for all this stuff at the rate of about one dollar per day.

Life on the farm could be the most enjoyable, but now it is a continual drive for a meager existence.

If you want to get rich farming never use a plow—use a lead pencil.

If you are an extra good farmer don't farm. Edit a newspaper.

If you are wise and anxious to impart some knowledge, tell us what became of that \$150,000.

A big bunch of candidates for the legislature are anxious for economy. If they want an expert instructor call on or address John F. Straker, Maple Lane.

As far as production goes the American farmer is a success but when he comes to marketing he is a flat failure.

We thought if we owned our own commission house in Portland we could help our system of marketing some and we may yet get some control that way.

Farmers can make their fight on the market in politics or out in the bloody field of battle and lose in all three and win peacefully later on.

A short crop makes more money for the farmer than a bumper one. Then why do we donate hundreds of thousands of dollars to scientific agriculture to teach us how to produce bumper crops? We are a bunch of wise guys.

What benefit would it be to an Oregon farmer to know how to produce one thousand crates of berries to the acre if he had to sell them below cost? Plenty of men in Oregon City who know what it costs to produce strawberries.

The American Society of Equity that operates in the Northwestern States raised ten thousand dollars for a campaign against the grain trust and grain gambling. They are having a hot time in the old town.

Congressman Mahan of Wisconsin, will join the campaign against the elevator combines and railroads of the Northwest. He is the Republican candidate for Attorney General of Wisconsin. The Equity of the Northwest will be watched in its political fight. We wish them success.

The Oregon City markets are so low priced and the doctors' trust keep their prices up so high we farmers can't afford to have even a slight attack of appendicitis.

It costs the farmer at least one dollar per crate to produce, pick, box and crate strawberries, and you can get but fifty to seventy-five cents per crate for them. Why? You know that neighbor of yours, who says: "Keep out of politics"—You get him to explain just how it is. Then you give us his remedy. We enjoy a joke.

We thought canneries would help us out, and they might but we would run right up against a trust when we tried to buy the machinery. Then we run right up against the same one or another one just like it when we want to buy our cans and then again we find ourselves right up against the another of the same kind of blood sucking trusts when we went to sell our canned goods. A great many canneries have failed. Quite a number have not put up one can or had a fire in the boiler.

The farmer gets his big city paper and reads about the wonderful amount of prosperity coming with the big crops, and he turns to the market page and finds stuff selling for less than it costs to raise it and the market predicted lower. He wonders how he is going to get money to buy a new pair of overalls when Judge Wise drives up in his new Winton Six and tells him the reason farmers are poor is because they are too extravagant.

We farmers work hard the year through and other people take a vacation at the sea-side to rest up. We stay at home to harvest our crops then they hand the crops to town, turn it all over to the other fellow, give him our money for the balance at ten per cent and go home and scratch our heads trying to think why it is. The politician says the cause of it all is over-production and remedy is scientific farming—raise more stuff.

The Oregon Journal of May 29 contains an article by A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank of Portland, praising the new currency law. His claims are so extravagant that even a noise in finance could not believe any part of it. He even claims that panic will be impossible under the new currency law. This new law simply puts the government behind the money trust and its object and aim is to produce nothing but panics. Any common person knows that if the people had money to transact business on a cash basis bankers would starve out. Bankers live on interest and when people pay what they owe and stop interest bankers would be forced out of business. The new currency law will compel all the people to pay interest to the bankers trust and in the same paper over on the market page I read that the hog market is 5 to 10 cents lower, fruits and vegetables all lower. Hardly enough profit trade to make a market. Eggs market slow, chickens are quiet, milk fight on in the country, etc., etc. Now all this market news shows how our new currency law is producing good times with us farmers. We sometimes hear a farmer say we must keep out of politics. You please go tell the banker. We have been out for 40 years.

Some equity members are heaping a whole lot of blame on the management of the Equity Warehouse Company for mistakes that have been made. That they have made mistakes they freely acknowledge and fear as had about it and even worse than the patrons or stockholders. They were the pick and choice of all the stockholders and no better men could have been chosen. They have done their best to battle with conditions and farmers out on the farms do not know what those men have gone through without charge, without pay, and I do not believe we have a set of men who could have done better under the conditions of trade. They have put up a noble fight with many sacrifices and deserve nothing but praise. We have not done as well as expected but we still put up a fight. We do not believe we can overthrow the

present system of marketing in this country with the use of money and depending on money to do it for us. Our idea is to place the power in the produce and make it pay its way as it goes. We farmers should not carry the consumer 90 days and pay cash. We can't if we wanted to because we have not the cash, but we have the producer. The banker has less 90 days but we can not. We are depending on someone to carry us 90 days and we must have the cash for our produce. A few farmers may be able to put up the money and carry it through to success and if they so decide us little fellows will do all in our power to help them and we must not blame any one for a fall down. It's a big job.

The people of this country have for twenty years predicted war between capital and labor and the situation seems to be nearing that point very rapidly of late. The Colorado situation is beyond the power of the governor or President Wilson. The great body of citizens are in favor of peace. Now here comes the word in the Oregon Journal of May 17 saying the Masons, Oddfellows and Knights of Pythias were organizing themselves into an army of civic militia to be composed of fifty regiments with a full equipment of uniforms and arms. The Knights of Columbus are supposed to be a semi-military organization. War is one of the worst crimes of civilization. It shows a lack of justice among the ruling class. The great body of Americans do not want war. We want Justice, Peace and Plenty.

It should be the aim of every good citizen to prevent war and all the horrors that go with it.

People who know no other way to get justice but by murdering people are only half civilized. It is never the guilty ones who go to the front and get killed. It is always the working people who do the fighting and they kill each other instead of defending each other as they should.

Congress has turned down the rural credit bill. They fixed the tariff all so high that a man can go to Portland and get a meal without patronizing the American farmer. He can get his meat from Canada or Argentina. Bread from Canadian wheat. Butter from several countries. Eggs from China cheaper than the home article, and farmers here producing these things below cost. Nearly four hundred business failures per week now, and not counting those of less than five thousand dollars.

Congress voted one hundred million for war after already appropriating more dollars for war than all we spend for schools.

War must be the scientific remedy for all of America's troubles. It would kill off a lot of surplus farmers, then we would have no over production. We would have a famine, and then the price would go up. Oh! Yes! Give us a big long civil war. We would kill off a lot of old bachelors, then old maids could get married. We could then vote bonds and then we could have a base for more banks. Of course, we need war and lots of it. We don't happen to have any horses to can for our soldiers, but there are too many dogs in the country, and they get in the pound and it is not far to a butcher shop. War would kill off a lot of lazy working people that we will have to feed next winter, or find them work. There is not a trust but what would be glad to sell its product to Uncle Sam in case of war, so you see we can always be prepared as long as we have lots of big trusts and if they got a few big orders the wheels of industry would hum. The only way to make a market for our food products is to have war and kill every body that eats. Draft every able-bodied farmer, and let the women do the work.

But, Brother Farmer, what ever you do don't join the Farmers' Society of Equity because it costs two and a half dollars, besides it is an organization to benefit farmers in a peaceable way, without murder if possible. They wish to establish equity in our markets with profit-able prices for all farm produce. The Denmark farmer has accomplished the task without bloodshed.

If this equity society goes on like the organizations of Denmark the farmer will become the most important man in our national scheme of production and distribution. Farming will become profitable and then there will be a movement back to the land, and no excuse for war or rumors of war. No! don't join anything like that, for we must have war and lots of it in order to make history for modern civilization. Yes, sir!

Wheat is cheap and flour is high and farmers as a rule put all the blame on the millers. The millers are to blame for enough, but it has been proven by testimony in courts of record that Chambers of Commerce control the big elevators and flouring mills, and they forbid millers bidding in competition for farmers' grain. They force the wheat into their own hands as commission men, then sell it to themselves as elevator men and charge farmers a commission on these supposed deals. Then they mix the grain and raise the grade so as to raise the price. They then sell to the millers and charge the miller another commission. Now read this again and tell us if the millers are to blame for all the difference in price between wheat and flour. Now don't anybody tell Front Street about this scheme of the Chamber of Commerce, or they will be trying something just like it.

OUTLINE WORK OF STATE GRANGE SESSION

Editor Equity:—In accordance with a resolution passed at the last state meeting, the board of directors selected the undersigned as fraternal delegate to attend the State Grange at Monmouth on May 19 to 22nd.

On arrival I found the State Grange in session in the gymnasium of the State Normal school with a large attendance. There were 85 elected delegates from 26 counties, also a large number of visiting members from practically all parts of the state, also many from the local granges in Polk county. The Federated Trades union also had a fraternal delegate present during the session.

At this session the election of officers was held, and Mr. C. E. Spence was re-elected master for a third term of two years without opposition. Mrs. Mary S. Howard of Mulino, who has been state secretary for 16 years, was re-elected to this important position.

The legislative committee had a large number of resolutions under consideration, some of which I wish to mention:

Petitions for the 8-hour law, with the necessary names, have been filed with the secretary of state and will be on the ballot at the November election. This is the most drastic measure so far placed before the people and should be carefully considered, especially by farmers. Should this measure become a law the cost of production of farm products will be doubled. The grange went on in favor of this measure.

They also favor a law against the hiring of gunmen by large corporations and mining companies in time of strikes (as in Colorado recently). Favored a state meat inspection law as against city ordinance for that purpose.

Favored the abolishment of state senate.

Favored the proportional representation, opposed to \$1500 exemption proposition.

The proposed amendment to the school laws, making all voters at general election voters at all school elections did not meet with much support. This law would give all legal voters, whether they are taxpayers or not, or whether they had children of school age or not, the right to vote at school elections, not only for directors and clerk, but on special taxes for school purposes. This measure was voted down by a large majority.

Favored good roads from to market but opposed bonding.

Favored semi-annual payment of taxes.

Opposed to taxing the whole state for the protection of the fish and game industry.

Favored appropriation for the protection of forest reserves, but are opposed to pay taxes to protect from fire protection.

Favor the protection of all kinds of quail.

The committee on transportation in their report favored government ownership of railroads. Their report was adopted.

This was a most interesting and successful session.

The writer met many old friends and found several delegates who are members of both the grange and F. S. E. W. GISENTHWAITE, State President.

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FIFTH STREET DEAL TEMPLETON AND

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In Government it is always dangerous to get people into office who do not understand their duties. Our president must be thirty five years of age before he can assume the duties as head of our nation and every voter must be twenty-one before he is able to understand what he is voting for—and so on. It is not good for young girls to get into high places before they have the age and experience. Home is the best place for girls until they are fitted for other duties, which may call them out into the industrial world. And remember that one must select the duties which they have a talent for. It would not do to get a tailor to run an engine, nor would it do to get an engineer to run a tailor shop. So it is with our young women. It is not good for young girls to try to run our government until they at least are old enough to vote.

Public questions to be settled satisfactory must be thought out and discussed from all points of view. In our markets and business one should get the farmer's views, as well as the people who are buying the produce. The high cost of living would not be too high if there was plenty of money there. There must be plenty of work, there always is plenty of work. But to get money to pay for the work is what the difficulty is just now. Our nation has been betrayed by some legislation and if you can trace it all back to the beginning you will find that the real cause has been mostly ambition, and jealousy. Men want to get into office, not because they have anything to help the people with, but simply to satisfy their longing for pomp and power. A great many people seem to think that our government is simply a place for each individual to draw a good salary, get his family into society and himself into difficulties, which he does not know how to handle. Our intelligent men who do the thinking of the world know better. They know that every individual who is sent to the legislature has the responsibility of this whole nation on his shoulders. And they also know that in time man must

Before dropping the subject, it may be well to say just a few things about the "vindication" so generously presented to the Fifth street job in the council chamber last week.

Councilman Meyer, in "explaining" how it happened that Fifth street wasn't repaired before its "life" expired, said that there was a scarcity of rock when the work was ordered, as he remembered it. "One of the rock crushers was broken down and the other one didn't have any rock on hand—or something like that," said Mr. Meyer. Mr. Templeton saw to it that this got into the columns of the Enterprise. Ex-councilman Horton reads the Enterprise sometimes, and he happened to note that. And this is what he said:

"Scarcity of rock? Why at that time both Harry Jones and Moffatt & Parker had lots of rock on hand. And were begging the city to take it at almost any price."

Councilman Meyer meant well. He was doing the best that he could for a friend of his—for a friend who is also a friend of Mr. Templeton's. And besides that Mr. Meyer lives on Jackson street, and Jackson street is now being improved at the expense of the general fund, though the street committee of the council as a whole has not ordered it done.

Mayor Jones also made a nice little statement. Mayor Jones has been dogged by Councilman Templeton for three weeks, and has been implored to make that statement every time Templeton saw him. And that Wednesday night Mr. Templeton slipped him a note in the council chamber again asking him to do it.

AS A WOMAN SEES THINGS

Clackamas, Rt. 2, June 6.

Our working people. They have to compete with their cheap labor. They send all of their undesirables over here and of course they have to be provided for. They can work very cheap, as they live cheap. Our people must work cheap or get left out of a job.

Words cannot express our heartfelt thanks we feel to all the kind neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us during the recent illness and death of our dear brother, Alvin Schmale. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. F. Fenske, Mrs. Arthur Schmale, Mrs. F. J. Mosier, Mrs. J. C. Bess, Miss Ruth Schmale, Miss Myrtle Schmale, Miss Lois Schmale.

HIGHLAND

Mrs. Hannah Mudgett, of Oregon City, who formerly resided in Highland, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. R. Simms was in Oregon City on business, Monday.

Miss Ruby Schmale who is working in Oregon City, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Mitchell and children, of Gladstone, returned home after a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. Jim Rutherford.

Mr. M. E. Kandle went to Oregon City Monday.

Mrs. Hettman, of Schubele, returned home Saturday after a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hettman.

Master Chevar Sullivan went to Oregon City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kandle left for Portland Monday where they will visit friends and relatives.

Mr. Adams purchased a piano. Mr. Wm. Barrett, of Portland, was in Highland on business Saturday.

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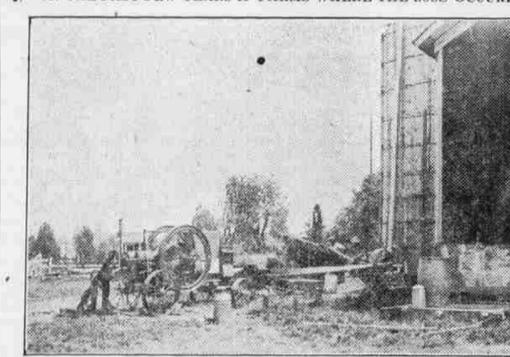


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pay for his own folly. The past has taught us that much. The men who have betrayed themselves and the legislatures that betrayed the people, have passed beyond our reach and are setting their account with nature itself. Those men who are ranting Rockefeller had better turn their forces on to electricity and see what they can do. They better develop more electricity, create more money, and let Rockefeller die a natural death. Man might get back into the natural course of things once more. Rockefeller undoubtedly made his mistakes. Humanity can sometimes learn from those mistakes and better its conditions.

—Mrs. Viola Burr

TAX CHURCH PROPERTY

Lady Voter Says Exemption is Only Another Form of Graft

Ed. Courier: With your permission I will say my say. The time has come that women can have a say in the affairs of politics, and I have a long time wanted to urge those that want to legislate laws, would fight for taxation of all church property. There are hundreds of acres of fine lands, with millions of dollars worth of property on top of it, called church property (false) and a large part of it is no more church property than Rockefeller coal mines.

Good honest God fearing people that are interested in Christian churches are willing to have their church property taxed, as it is nothing but right. But there is a great graft going on, in that line. When some can have large pieces of land and fine houses, work shops, gardens and fine grass fields for cattle to run in and call it church property that must not be taxed, isn't it time that grafting is stopped. I don't know what else to call it. If anyone knows a better name, just speak out and tell what it is, I am glad the tendency going some in favor of getting officials that will try to do the right as far as they can. I do believe if it wasn't for the Christian people in the world, the world would be destroyed, as there is so much wickedness going on, and another thing to tackle is allowing so many foreigners coming over here. Surely it works against

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And so the mayor obliged—just to get peace. And he prefaced his remarks with: "I have been asked to say—" But Mayor Jones was not connected with the council at the time the life of Fifth street was declared, and he has no first-hand information on the matter.

And last of all remember these: Councilman Templeton has refused to sign a statement to the effect that he did not order the resurfacing of Fifth street after the "life" of the street was declared.

Councilman Templeton says he doesn't know who ordered the work done, yet he is chairman of the street committee, and he knows that the work cost \$1,680 and not \$1,400.

Councilman Templeton has looked through the city records for the past two years to try and discover some authority for the work that has been done on Fifth street, and the only thing he found was an ordinance declaring that the "life" of the street expired December 31, 1912.

Councilman Templeton is the gentleman who said that he believed newspaper reporters who showed an inclination to investigate alleged councilman irregularities had "perverted minds," and who added that he thought such newspaper reporters ought to be barred from council sessions.

CELEBRATION AT CLARKES

Highland Grange will Put on Big Day July 4.

Highland Grange is arranging for big 4th of July celebration at Clarkes July 4th, and a monster crowd is expected. They will have a big parade at 10. Highland Grange band will furnish the music; there will be prominent speakers, all kinds of games and amusements, races and sports, dancing, refreshments and a general all-day good time. Everybody is asked to come to Clarkes and enjoy a celebration worth while.

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