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IS FEDERAL AID FOR ROADS WANTED?

The News, in common with other newspapers, is in receipt of the following communication from Senator Bourne, who is chairman of the joint committee on Federal aid in the construction of post roads.

My Dear Sir: I am very anxious to obtain for the benefit of the Joint Committee, an intelligent expression of public opinion on the basic questions involved in the granting of Federal aid in road improvement.

- 1. Should the Government make appropriations in aid of public roads? 2. On what roads should the first Government appropriation, if made, be expended: (a) all roads; (b) post roads...

3. Should the Government appropriation be expended on construction, on maintenance, on general improvement, or on any or all of these, or should the allotment by the Government be unconditional, or paid as a reward after local authorities have constructed or maintained a highway in good condition?

4. What proportion of cost of construction, improvement or maintenance should be borne by National government, state, county, road district, and abutting property owners, respectively, or what amounts should be allotted to the states on an unconditional plan, or what amounts per mile should be paid as rewards?

5. Should the Federal appropriation be apportioned among the states on basis of population, area, mileage of roads, mileage of rural and star routes, taxable valuation, or a combination of these?

6. Should the supervision of construction or maintenance of Government aided roads be by the Federal Government, the state and local authorities, or jointly?

Yours very truly, JONATHAN BOURNE, Chairman.

EGG LAYING RECORDS GIVEN

They Are a Question of Breeding, So the O. A. C. Demonstrates

Some hens will not lay, no matter how they are fed and cared for. It is a question of breeding, but not of breed, for so far as egg laying goes there is little difference in the breeds.

FARMING HAS ADVANTAGES

Country life has its drawbacks, but it has its great advantages which overcome them. True, those who live in the country are "Rubes" and "Farmers" and "Hayseeds" to the cigarette smokers in town, but the boast of the business men in the world today is that they were born on the farm.

BIG SURPRISE TO MANY IN HOOD RIVER

Local people are surprised at the QUICK results received from simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler's, the German appendicitis remedy. Charles N. Clarke, Druggist, states that this simple remedy antisepticizes the digestive system and draws off the impurities so thoroughly that A SINGLE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation INSTANTLY.

MURDOCK "INSURGES" AGAINST FAT

Representative Murdock of Kansas having insurged successfully against standpatism in politics, also rose in insurrection against fat, says the Spokesman-Review. It came about in this wise and contains a message of cheer to those who wish, "Oh! that this too, too solid flesh would melt!"

Victor of Kansas, at the end of the last congress, had assumed the generous bulk of a young balloon. He had sworn off smoking a year before that. He had swung shillalaha unparsingly against Cannonomism, reaction and special privilege. But the strenuous life only made him take on more flesh than ever.

The knightly Kansan didn't realize how Falstaffian he was growing. One day he was rolling merrily across the ways of Washington. A friend called to him that "he waddled like Sereno Payne," that standpatter on the tariff. This grieved Victor doubly. Severely quoth Murdock: "You mean I walk." Merciless was the emphatic answer: "I mean waddle."

Incarnate insurgency entered the capitol grieved to the heart. He thought not of progress in politics nor of starry-eyed goddesses of reform. He meditated mournfully on the progressiveness of adipose tissue. "Two hundred and thirty-one pounds?" He set his lips grimly. He would overthrow the fat worse than Norris overthrow Cannon.

Last December a well groomed youth whose statesman's "Prin e Albert" fell straight and smooth down his manly form without one wrinkle across it seated himself in the chair of Representative Murdock. No man recognized the stranger for some moments. Then it dawned on them that here was a new Murdock.

They inspected him with envious admiration. "For heaven's sake, Victor," rose the chorus, "tell us the recipe." Insurgency proudly replied: "Join my anti-eating society and I'll give you the best tip ever handed a fat man."

Eat only one meal a day, he said. Drink no liquors at meals or for an hour before and after. Avoid starches and sugars. Cut out butter, potatoes and white bread. If you must drink, avoid beer. Walk four miles every day.

Standpatism groaned. It revolted against self-denial and the practice of special privilege. But others joined the noble order of Murdock martyrs and the restaurant of Congress suffers severely.

IRRIGATED LAND FAILS

Expert Finds That Use of Water Causes Deterioration

Deterioration of irrigated lands in the West has resulted in efforts by the government to overcome what threatens to be a serious danger to all of the lands embraced in the government's irrigation projects.

Dr. B. T. Galloway, chief of the bureau of plant industry, says that the department of agriculture is working hard to overcome the recognized dangers confronting farming on irrigated lands.

Dr. Galloway's statement was made before the house committee in expenditures in the agricultural department. He said the department hoped to be able to put irrigated farming upon a firm basis for the future. The danger lies not only in the alkali in the soils of irrigated lands, which washed down into other land, but also in what experts term as the "wearing out" of the saturation.

"I will go as far as to say, and it may be somewhat startling," Dr. Galloway said to the committee, "that so far as I know there never has been any long-continued irrigation in a semi-arid climate anywhere in the world."

"There is nothing whatever in conditions in the West to warrant the belief that irrigation agriculture is in any danger of extinction today, tomorrow or within the next hundred years," asserts Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture in reply to a letter from Secretary Fisher, objecting to the declaration of Dr. B. T. Galloway, chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, that so far as he knew there never had been any long continued successful irrigation farming on arid land anywhere in the world.

The secretary adds, however, that there are conditions in the West needing careful consideration on the part of those interested in the proper development of this vast region. He says Dr. Galloway, in his recent statement to a House committee, meant that in many parts of the world where arid conditions prevail, such as Asiatic Turkey, Persia, Afghanistan, the extreme Northwestern portion of India, parts of North Africa and our own Southwestern country, irrigation agriculture has had its period of rises and declines.

An optimist is a man who lays by a little sunshine for a rainy day.

This time the common finger bowl used by many patrons of restaurants is banned as a disease spreader. How about the common finger of the waiter?

GRAFTING ADVICE GIVEN BY EXPERT

Edward Trimble, expert pathologist for the Western district, says:

"Several of us have been writing articles for some time on the subject of reducing the number of varieties in the valley. Since this is surely a move that many growers will make it will be well to consider the subject of grafting and other means of changing the variety."

"There are some seven different methods of doing the practical work of grafting, most of these methods are good if properly executed. Without going into various mechanical processes of doing the work I desire to call your attention to some of the fundamental principles that make for commercial success. There is a great difference between getting a few grafts to grow in a tree and making over a tree by grafting so that it will be a good a commercial bearing tree as it was before."

It is a great mistake to saw off the big limbs near the head of the tree and graft onto the large cuts. It is far better to cut the smaller branches higher up on the tree, always keeping in mind the framework of the tree to be rebuilt and put in a larger number of scions, in the smaller branches. To do this will increase the production of the grafted tree when the grafts come into bearing often three or four times.

To make a firm union between the grafts and the limb there should be a good long cambium contact. The scions should be cut with long sloping cuts, and fitted very carefully in the limb. This will make a strong union that will not be torn out by the wind. Be sure and wax the grafts well, and never forget to put wax on the top of the newly inserted scion.

Varieties that are very poor on which to graft like the Lauver, should be dug out and new trees planted in their places.

HORTICULTURAL BILL IS IN

Senator Butler Introduces Measure Revising Present System

A commissioner of horticulture, backed up by a law giving him large powers in looking after nursery stock and supervising the horticultural interests of the state, is the proposal made in a bill introduced in the senate by Butler of Wasco by request of the Oregon Horticultural Society.

The bill appropriates \$60,000 all told for salaries and expenses. It fixes the pay of the commissioner at \$3000, his term at four years, his office at Portland, and his traveling expenses at not above \$2000. He would be appointed by a state board of horticulture, consisting of the governor, the president of the State Horticultural Society and the horticulturist of the state agricultural college.

The bill contains 49 sections, and forms what might be called a horticultural code for the state.

APPLE MAN TOURS THE WORLD

Toppenish Shipper Will Visit the Foreign Markets

H. M. Gilbert of the Richey & Gilbert Co., Toppenish, Wash., went to Europe and the far East the first of the month. The Hamburg-American Steamship Line operating a "Round the World Cruise," from New York is giving him cold storage space for apples which he is taking with him in addition to buying from him a supply for their "Round the World Cruise."

Mr. Gilbert will meet all the export agents in the fruit line at the various ports he will stop at, and he will have letters of introduction to the American Consuls. It is the intention of Mr. Gilbert to push the introduction of the better class of American apples. Wine-saps especially, in the far Eastern markets, Japan, Manila, China, etc. He will spend two months in England and the continent arranging for apple exports.

WILL LAY ITS OWN PAVEMENT

Washington City Decides to Buy a Complete Plant

The city council of South Bend, Wash., has decided to purchase as soon as possible a paving plant with which to lay its own pavement. A week ago several councilmen visited Chehalls, inspected the plant there and the work done, and found a saving of 60 per cent over private contracts. The councilmen are now investigating different makes to find the plant for use here. Mayor L. L. Darling and several other councilmen go to Seattle this week, where the Moran Engineering Company will demonstrate various plants. The city plans to have a plant in operation in two months.

One French woman playwright who killed a woman is to dramatize the little incident. If the habit spreads friends of other dramatists will begin to worry.

The News for good printing.

BUTLER GUARDS CONSTITUTION

(Portland Telegram)

As the self-appointed guardian of the constitution of Oregon, senator Butler of Hood River and Wasco is always on the job. He never ceases an attack on the ancient and badly frayed document, his zealous care being the source of considerable amusement to his friends. When every argument deemed possible has been advanced against the passage of a measure the members of the senate always turn in finality to Senator Butler to see if it conflicts with constitutional provisions. In the discussion of House bill No. 119, by Upton, to provide for the appointment of special grand juries, Senator Butler arose and gravely remarked: "Gentlemen, I am somewhat in doubt as to the constitutionality of this measure—a grand jury is a pretty serious proposition."

"It surely is to a good many persons," interjected Thompson. In the laugh which followed Senator Butler joined and sat down.

J. BLACKMAN SUES DR. NICHOL

J. Blackman has brought suit in the Circuit Court against W. S. Nichol. He alleges that there is due him \$480.50 on salary and \$561.26 in commissions. Mr. Blackman says he entered the employ of Dr. Nichol in November, 1910, and continued to work for him until January 22, 1913. He says the agreement was that he was to receive \$5 a week and in addition ten per cent of all commissions on real estate deals. Dr. Nichol on the other hand, says he has checks showing that Mr. Blackman was paid in full and declares that the suit was prompted by personal spite. Mr. Blackman is represented by Attorneys Baker and Hartwig.

BETTER THAN SPANKING

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