

JAPANESE LABOR NEEDED ON FARMS

California Commissioner Declares Help Is Essential to Development.

COMPETITION NOT INJURY

Quality Second to Chinese, Is Conclusion After Full Investigation. Own Countrymen Pay Them Highest Wages.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 29.—Some form of labor such as is now represented by the Japanese is essential for the continuance and development of the specialized agricultural industry of California. This is the broad conclusion of the report of the investigation of the Japanese in California made by the State Labor Commissioner under a special act of the Legislature following the anti-Japanese agitation in the state in 1906-1908. The investigation has been in progress for a little more than one year and the result is embodied in a volume of more than 200,000 words, exclusive of a mass of tabulated statistics just submitted to the Governor. It goes thoroughly into all phases of the so-called Oriental problem and reaches the economic and social conditions of this state and finds that the Japanese, or some form of labor of a similar character, capable of independent subsistence, quick adaptation, substitutive of instant dismissal and entailing no responsibility upon the employer for continuous employment, is absolutely necessary in the fruit and nut orchards, vineyards and field in these vast industries to be perpetuated and developed.

Japs Second to Chinese.

Next to the Chinese, the report is of the opinion that the Japanese have filled the labor market more fully than any other class of labor available.

Summarizing the results of the investigation, the report finds:

1. That the relationships existing between the farm labor utilized at the present time in the great industries of the orchard, vineyard and field and the industries themselves have been developed along lines of an evolutionary character, in which a supply is impossible of modification of any material degree.

2. That the problem of solving the situation by drawing from the present available white farm labor supply by any known or suggested methods of modification of the conditions now obtaining in this state will afford no practical relief.

3. That the creation of an ideal, intelligent class of white farm labor to be drawn from all sources within the confines of the United States is practically an impossibility, the reason being that such an effort would entail an entire and radical readjustment of economic conditions and the relationship that now exists between the grower and the system of transportation, distribution and marketing.

4. That the perpetuity or continued development of these great and highly specialized forms of agriculture, which largely depend upon a supply of labor coming from without the United States, and such a nature and character as to conform to the conditions resulting from the application of that labor to the normal available supply, is impossible of modification of any material degree.

5. That the transition from the cereal-growing period to the development of specialized agriculture, which is now a temporary help required by the farming districts beyond the normal available supply within the state during periods of largely increasing population.

6. That the necessity for providing the large number of temporary employees engaged in the harvest work during the various periods other than the harvest season is a vital element in the solution of the farm labor problem.

City Life Mere Incident.

The report after giving expansive details, finds that Japanese in cities and towns are a "mere incident" in the situation, "that the bulk of the Japanese so far as the possibility of competition with the white man can be considered." A relatively small proportion of Japanese in cities and towns suits, the Commissioner says, are competitors of white men engaged in the same business.

This, however, cannot be taken as the average earnings of the Japanese, for 49.2 per cent of the entire number employed were working by contract or piece work, under which the earnings of the Japanese are much larger than those of the whites. The average wages paid to Japanese farm laborers by farmers was \$1.57 a day with board and \$1.65 a day without board, showing that the Japanese were better paid by their own countrymen than by the white farmer—this for two reasons: first, that he is in greater demand by his own countrymen, and second, that only 12.5 per cent of the total number employed by Japanese farmers were working by contract or piece work. The report shows that the Japanese rapidly substituted American food articles for the rice and fish of their native country. While rice is still the basis of his food, the records of the dealers show that the demand for this staple by the Japanese has decreased approximately 50 per cent in the past seven or eight years. It is the opinion of the Japanese themselves that the adoption of American diet has increased their capacity for labor. Tea, however, remains the chief beverage, and, however, comes next. Japanese laborers, it is found, drink whisky and are able to drink more of it and with less apparent injurious effect than do white men in similar conditions of labor.

Individual Standard High.

Comparing the individual Japanese laborer and the individual white laborer of the typical class that is now in the field and from which is recruited all the white help now obtainable, the investigation discloses a higher standard of the Japanese individual. The report points out the peculiar adaptability of the Japanese as one of the most important factors in his value as a laborer. No matter how untractable or undependable he may show himself in the absence of active competition, he reforms quickly in the face of competition, while the white man is the same always, and will not adapt himself to disagreeable or undesirable conditions. The consensus of opinion in all parts of the state as disclosed by the investigation was that the white man of good character is preferable to any of the alien races, but there is not within the state a sufficient number of white laborers to perform the work that is done by Japanese.

TAFT GOES TO NEW YORK

President to Review Parade, but Will Make No Address.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—President Taft is here at midnight over the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for New York, where tomorrow forenoon he will ride in and subsequently review the Memorial day parade. The President has no speaking engagements.

THE JOB DODGER IS KEPT BUSY THESE DAYS.

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CHINA AIMS BLOW

American Goods Boycotted as Means of Protest.

DETENTION IS OBJECTION

"League of Justice," Formed in San Francisco, Thinks Angel Island Is Unfair Treatment of Immigrants by America.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 29.—(Special.)—The long-expected boycott of American goods in China, as a protest against the establishment of detention sheds on Angel Island for Oriental immigrants, has at last taken form. The boycott was decided on today at a meeting in the headquarters of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and tomorrow cablegrams will be sent to merchant societies and trade guilds throughout China asking their aid and co-operation. The boycott is undertaken by the "League of Justice," an association formed today. Over 500 representative Chinese merchants were present, all of whom signed the membership roll. Officers were elected, but their names are kept secret. The objects of the league and the reason for the boycott were explained by one of the leaders as follows:

"The Chinese here and in the East have felt for some time that they are not being treated as fairly as other nations are. Our people are now a factor in commercial prosperity, and the establishment of the detention sheds on Angel Island makes us feel that we have been unfairly dealt with. If we wish to act as witnesses for any of our countrymen, we must lose a whole day in going to the island and back, and, under such conditions, we are not granted the courtesy we have a right to expect. We have received assurances from Washington that something would be done by the Government, but nothing has come of it but promises. A boycott of American goods in China, it is true, will cause a great loss, but it is the only effective way we have of protesting against an injustice. We will establish branches of our society in every large city in this country and Canada."

LORIMER VOTER CONFESSE

(Continued From First Page.) and is indicted in connection with the furniture contract.

New Sensation Brewed.

At Springfield another development is said to be brewing that may prove as sensational as the confession of bribetaking in the Senatorship election made by Senator Holshaw at the very moment Senator Lorimer at Washington was denying that any money had been paid for any votes given him when he won the toga. The explosion may come from either or all of three directions. It may refer to the senatorship bribery angle, the "jackpot" phase or the desk contract fraud. It may refer to one of them separately or it may include all three. Dispatches from the Thirty-fourth district are that Senator S. C. Pemberton, in trepidation over the conspiracy indictment voted against him, may ask Mr. Burke for immunity and then may tell his whole story. Word from Springfield is that Representative Joseph S. Clark is showing all the symptoms of one who is ready to confess. He, like Pemberton, is under indictment for conspiracy to bribe in the furniture frauds. Some of his intimates appeared before Mr. Burke today and predicted emphatically that when Clark arrives he will ask permission to talk to the grand jury. Clark is alleged by Representative Charles A. White, of O'Fallon, to have been present in the Hotel Southern at St. Louis, July 15, 1909, when the "jackpot" was split.

Lorimer Majority Vanishing.

The majority by which Senator Lorimer was elected to the United States Senate has reached the vanishing point. The constitution requires he should have 103 votes. He had 108 on the final round-up. Four men have already voted for him, two other men are involved as bribers and perjurers, and another is said to be burning to con-

SCHOOLS AID CRIME

Bertillon Shows Conditions in France Deplorable.

MERE BOYS ARE CRIMINALS

Married Men Are Least Vicious and Widowers Are Worst Class of All, Declares Noted Authority, but Old Ruffians Are Rare.

PARIS, May 28.—(Special.)—Dr. Jacques Bertillon comes out today with another of his interesting statistical demonstrations. This time he treats of crime in France, showing how high the average is among young men, and how mistaken doctrinaires were when they used to argue, "Open a school and you close a prison." "I am not very far from the belief," remarks this high authority, "that it is just the contrary."

COMET'S TAIL GAS WEAK

NITROGEN AND CARBON IN MAKE-UP, BUT SMALL.

Head of Lowell Observatory Says Main Body Unidentified Constituents and Reflected Light.

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., May 29.—Dr. Percival Lowell, head of Lowell Observatory here, issued a statement tonight in which he said that spectrograms made of Halley's comet have produced conclusive evidence against previous conceptions as to the composition of comet's tails. "Cyanogen in the tail is very weak," says the statement, "and extends but a short distance. Hydrocarbon gases. There is no hydrocarbon emission visible anywhere. The main body of the tail is formed of unidentified constituents and some reflected light. There is cyanogen, hydrocarbon and still other unidentified emissive constituents in the head of the comet. The head emission is strong where the tail is weak, and vice versa."

"The spectrum series were very extensive. Photographs were taken almost continuously with the 40-inch reflector and other instruments. The aspect of the nucleus of the comet was visible. There were six striking spikes visible May 24. These appeared elongated May 25. Only diffuse condensation was shown May 28. No division was seen or photographed. Fly degrees of the tail was visible May 28."

DECK VANCOUVER GRAVES

Memorial Day Will Be Appropriately Observed by Citizens.

LITHUANIA STRIKES ROCKS

Fog Lifts and Wireless Message Brings Help in Time.

ALBANY HEARS SERMON.

ALBANY, Or., May 29.—(Special.)—Rev. W. S. Gordon, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Albany, delivered the annual memorial sermon in Albany this morning. Members of McPherson Post No. 8, G. A. R., and Fair Oaks Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., of this city, attended the services in a body. Local cemeteries were beautifully decorated today in honor of Memorial Sunday and Decoration day tomorrow.

Hood River Store Safe Blown.

HOOD RIVER, May 29.—(Special.)—Burglars last night blew the door off the safe in the grocery store of Kincaid & Kinsey in the hill section of the city, but were evidently frightened away as the cash drawer, which contained considerable money, was not opened.

SENATOR BOURNE'S STAR NOW WAINING

Republican Committee Treasurer, Dr. H. W. Coe, Sees Taft Twice President.

COLWELL MAY BE MARSHAL

Representatives Ellis and Hawley Doing Good Work, Says Portlander, Who Has Just Returned From Washington and East.

Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, treasurer for Oregon of the Republican National Committee, probably more active in matters political than any other public citizen of the state and incidentally personal friend of President Taft and ex-President Roosevelt, returned home yesterday after a six weeks' trip in the East. A good part of his time was spent in Washington, where he felt the pulse of the political situation and found it entirely regular. At least, so he said and smiled convincingly at the same time.

On events of National importance, Dr. Coe developed an unexpected volatility, but when it came to local matters, especially questions relating to Federal appointments, he assumed the mummified, stolid, though assuredly, more grace than the proverbial habitue of the deep blue. Occasionally, however, there was a relaxation in his policy and casual statements were made that confirm unconfirmed reports from Washington and current gossip in local party circles. Also they added double significance to them.

Colwell May Become Marshal.

For instance, he said he did not want to antagonize the feelings of "any one," but was much pleased at the retention of Colonel David M. Dunne as Collector of Portland. He usually declares, and this he will be much disappointed if Elmer Colwell is not appointed United States Marshal to succeed C. J. Reed. Incidentally, he brought out that Senator Bourne recommended E. Hofer, of Salem, for the collectorship and is now urging the appointment of J. Frank Sinnott as Reed's successor.

Recent advices from Washington are to the effect that Colwell will be appointed, though Dr. Coe refused last night to either confirm or deny this report.

Dr. Coe, in addition, by intimation, also confirmed the report of the waning of the star of Oregon's senior Senator at the White House in declaring, and this he will be much disappointed upon which all his conclusions are based, and he said last night that is why he is for President Taft, why he made contrary recommendations to the country is with a silver platter, as it were, and that the time will come when Theodore Roosevelt will again be President of the United States.

As to the national situation, Dr. Coe talked freely. He declared that the country is with a silver platter, as it were, and that the time will come when Theodore Roosevelt will again be President of the United States. "When Colonel Roosevelt returns there will be many disappointed persons among the ranks of the Administration's detractors. I believe Colonel Roosevelt went to the office with a belief in the pre-election assertion that he would continue to be President and he will endeavor to carry out that policy when he returns. I believe he is heart and soul with Mr. Taft, because he has been there and knows the inside history of the situation, and he believes in the sincerity, ability and honesty of Mr. Taft. Personally I believe him to be one of the greatest Presidents we ever had."

Roosevelt to Be President Again. "Roosevelt may be President again. In fact I believe he will, but not until Taft has served his second term. He still is a young man, as the Chief Executive goes, and as long as he lives will be a possibility, as long as he keeps abreast of the time, never harping on old issues after they are dead and buried."

"Coming back to the present, you have asked me about the depth of this so-called 'insurgent' movement. It is history repeating itself. We must remember the old Independent Republican movement, the 'free silver' movement and the 'green-back' movement. It is history repeating itself. These clamorers don't know for what they are clamoring. The way to treat with these fellows, he added significantly, "is to keep them at home. When they bob up for reelection, tell them with the ballot, in fact I believe he will, but not until Taft has served his second term. He still is a young man, as the Chief Executive goes, and as long as he lives will be a possibility, as long as he keeps abreast of the time, never harping on old issues after they are dead and buried."

"Even if widowers have children their criminality becomes on a par with that of bachelors. Apaches included. The crime increases in the value of a woman's control, small though it may be. But even far worse is the position of the childless widower, the smallest temptation of a woman's presence, and the presence of children, above all, stimulates his courage, excites his energy, and urges him to fresh exertions to bring them up in a worthy manner."

As for women generally, he gives them a good character. They are "incomparably less often criminals than burglars last night blew the door off the safe in the grocery store of Kincaid & Kinsey in the hill section of the city, but were evidently frightened away as the cash drawer, which contained considerable money, was not opened."

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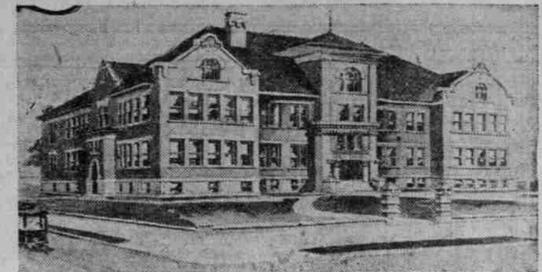
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such a way that there will be no mistaking the direction from which the political wind is blowing, that their services are no longer required. "All of this you see in Democratic newspapers and magazines, inspired by the combination of influences opposed to the Administration, mostly from personal and questionable motives, does not reflect the real sentiment I was at Washington, the seat of this Government, where one may find out how things stand. Also I was in New York, and there I was in position to find out how the financial situation stands. In all sincerity, I say that it is 'much ado about nothing.' The extent of the insubordination movement aside from a few spots in the Middle West, ends at the doors of the Congress, which occasionally is heard within the limitations of some publication. It is safe to say that the Province of Quebec is now, and in all probability will remain, the source of supply of most of the timber needed in Canada and the United States.

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