

FARM INDUSTRY GAINS STRENGTH

Big Factor Shaping Legislation in Washington State.

FARMER WELL INFORMED

Struggle of Agriculturists in North Dakota Watched With Sympathetic Understanding.

This is the second of a series of four articles by the Northwest Editor of the Post-Intelligencer giving the results of his observations and inquiries made in the farming communities of the state of Washington concerning the foundation for the stories of unrest among the farmers and the reasons for whatever discontent exists.

Intelligent discussion of the things that are stirring in the minds and consciences of the farmers of the state of Washington calls for a brief reference to some general and special developments which help to throw light on the progress of the agricultural industry in the manner in which men engaged in that industry have learned the value and the possibilities of organized effort.

The extension of group organization has been the outstanding development in the life of the farmer in recent years. Practically every trade activity in this country is organized, while superimposed upon the primary organizations are associations and federations of those groups that have common interests to promote or protect.

Farmers Slow to Organize.

The agricultural industry has been much slower in organizing than have other industries and occupations. Life on the farm, it is more isolated, self-sustaining and independent than life in urban centers where the bulk of the population is concentrated. The agricultural activities of the country are carried on, particularly during the pioneer stages of its development, in the isolated areas of the country. It did not learn to become more self-sufficient to fight their own battles and to depend upon their individual resources to subdue capricious fortune. The spirit, the habits of thought and the conduct of their lives militated against the earlier efforts to induce united action and effort among farmers.

The growing strength of other groups, however, with the constantly greater control some of them were gaining over the marketing processes of the country, the always widening spread between the returns to the producer and the cost to the consumer, together with the object lessons presented by the results of co-operative efforts in the marketing of the old world, gradually aroused the farmers of this country to the necessity of joining forces for their common welfare.

Today nearly every farming community in the country has its own grange or its own co-operative marketing association or other organization, and these locals are joined together by district or state federations and through them into national bodies, with a national board of farm organizations having its headquarters in Washington, D. C. to promote the legislative needs of the industry.

Farmer Influence Grows.

Thus the farmer has gained strength comparable to that possessed by other great groups in the country and the cost to the consumer they have been able to win recognition of their desires and needs from the state government in proportion to the extent of their organized power. In this state the farmer influence has been a growing factor in legislative action for the past few years. It has given direction and color to many enactments, particularly since the passage of the original railway commission law was passed, and it has even materially modified the state constitution, being largely responsible for the adoption of the initiative, referendum and recall amendments to the organic law. The inevitable result of this closer association and of experience through common action has been to widen the farmer's perspective, to quicken his interest in innumerable things beyond the narrower horizon of his own special and personal affairs, to bring him into contact with the world of business and its methods and to awaken in him a sense of his greater political importance. The conventional rustic of the vaudeville stage and the so-called comic supplement in the caricature of a past era no longer exists in fact. The average farmer of today is a well-informed, businesslike man, a deal of reading and thinking for himself, not only about his own concerns but about affairs in general.

Many Moved by Sympathy.

Another result of this closer unity with his fellows has been to give him a greater understanding of the trials and struggles of his industrial group elsewhere than in his own neighborhood and sympathy for all efforts to improve the conditions and opportunities of the agriculturist everywhere.

In many cases those successful farmers in this state who have joined the Nonpartisan league have taken that step as an expression of their sympathy for the farmer in North Dakota in their struggle against the intolerable conditions of old. Many of these will be pleased to show their sentiment, but will not follow the

league on its present course. There are other who have been converted to the theories advocated and are willing to experiment with state socialism. In addition there are sections of this state heretofore referred to as "farmers" who have been attracted by a profitable business, in spite of the high prices, due to several successive years of drought. It is in these sections that the league has gained its greatest number of adherents.

With these considerations in mind and with a more candid acceptance of the facts underlying the origin of the Nonpartisan league in North Dakota and its subsequent activities in that state, it will be easier to comprehend why it is that farmers who have neither personal nor local reasons for serious discontent are found ready to look upon the league with something more than tolerance.

Reform Movement First.

The Nonpartisan league, whatever it may be today, started as a reform movement in North Dakota. That conditions in that state were sadly in need of reform is common knowledge to the business as well as the farmers, who compose nearly 93 per cent of the population of that state, had not sooner overthrown the party machine which they had long been governed. Usurious interest rates were charged there for years and agriculture was being forced into a deplorable condition by credit charges and indefensible grain weighing and grading practices that made profitable farming all but impossible in the great majority of cases.

The old parties fatuously denied the relief that should have been given and finally the smoldering wrath of an outraged people flamed up into revolt through the Nonpartisan organization. The methods adopted by the leaders of the movement to gain control of the state cannot be described as honest and persistent in there and elsewhere will in time come back to damn all sincere believers in the integrity of election laws. But for the time these considerations were overshadowed by the fact of victory and concrete gains in dollars and cents to the farmers through the opportunity to sell their grains in emancipated markets.

Original Programme Brief.

The original programme of the league was brief, dealing only with those things that had most exasperated the farmers of North Dakota. The following planks made up its platform:

State-ownership and operated elevators and flour mills and packing plants. State-owned and operated. Fair grain grades, based upon milling and baking values. Rural credit at cost.

A definite plan of state ownership and operation of these activities, or of co-operative direction by the association for the retention of state ownership until a final success, immediately there was attracted to the league from all parts of the country a host of opportunists more bent on revolutionary experiment than on effective specific reforms, all eager to direct its course, to control its policies and to exploit the league under their influence determined on a thoroughgoing system of state ownership instead of a corporate or co-operative organization working under state regulation.

Tactics Cause Reflections.

With this purpose in view, the league leaders, to whom the members of the legislature, devised a secret caucus to which the league legislators were invited and which they were pledged to the enactment of laws previously framed.

The programme of legislation thus prepared and enacted into law included not only the subjects originally advocated by the league and by which it secured support, but a number of new propositions designed to build and maintain a powerfully constructed political organization. The tactics pursued by the leaders in violation of the forms as well as the spirit of representative government together with the unexpected extension of the league's programme to the control of the legislature, less are responsible for the large defections that already are apparent in the results of the last election in that state.

It is safe to say, however, that the farmers of North Dakota who have deserted the league have no intention of giving up the wholesome regulatory laws that it secured and it is probable that they will continue to continue in good faith to carry forth the industrial programme so far inaugurated at least until its merits are proved or disproved. But the more radical and socialist proposals that have been grafted onto the league programme lead in a direction which the great majority of American farmers, like a great majority of all Americans, probably will never be willing to go.

WIFE BEATER IS JAILED

E. Kelly Gets 90 Days; Woman Suffers in Hospital.

E. Kelly, of 233 East Sixth street, who was arrested Sunday night after he had badly beaten his wife, Beatrice Kelly, who is now in the St. Vincent's hospital suffering from a bruised face and a cut over the right eye, was sentenced to 90 days in jail by Municipal Judge Deich yesterday morning.

Kelly, who gave his name as Earl O. Glend in the police court, gave as his excuse that he was drunk at the time. He was asked if he had tried to fight with the officers, making the arrest and claimed that he had not. "No," said Judge Deich, "I know you didn't. A man who beats up his wife is not the kind who takes chances with another man."

CULL FRUIT IN NO DEMAND

Volstead Act Provisions May Result in Slump in Cider Making.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—The demand for cider apples influenced the keen trading last season. The drastic provisions of the Volstead act, it is declared, may result in a slump in the older business, with a resulting small demand for cull apples.

Catholics to Build New Church.

BANKS, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—The Catholic congregation yesterday let a contract for a new church building at Hoy, three miles south of Banks, work to start immediately. The new church will be of hollow tile, with a concrete base, plaster on outside, dimensions 40 by 40 feet over all, 40 by 40-foot basement, with 8-foot square. L. E. Sparks of Forest Grove is the contractor.

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—\$10.50 Laced Oxfords with military heel, narrow round toe, welt sole. The regular \$10.50 grade in this sale, pair \$5.25

Children's Low Shoes

—Misses' and Children's stitched-down Oxfords in black or tan. Peewee shape, Cool and comfortable for wear days, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00 grades \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50 —All Children's White Canvas Shoes at 1/2

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—Children's Mary Jane Pumps and Good-year Welt Oxfords, including the famous Buster Brown make, Brown patent cloth, vic kid, dull calf, etc., on sale at Half Price.

TRUSTIES' TRYSTS BARRED

GUARD DISCOVERS RUSE OF PRISONERS AT ROCKPILE.

Cell Doors Now Adorned With New Padlocks to Prevent Inmates From Visiting.

Though their freedom of movement, within certain confines, is extremely liberal, it occasionally happens that "trusties" at Kelly Butte rockpile are persons difficult to satisfy. They do not ask complete liberty, they request that some punishment is due them for their misdeeds, and further, they appreciate the fact that their meals are good, and come to them without financial worry on their part. But it happened now and then that "trusties" long for the bright lights of the city. It is not a difficult feat to accomplish because arrangements have been made for the transportation of inmates to the city jail. It is in getting back again, undetected. He does not intend to stay away. This would mean re-arrest as a fugitive and a longer term, possibly solitary confinement. Saving of bars or a tunnel under the cell is not a new idea. It is a ruse, which has just been worked once again by a trusty named Martin. Chief deputy under Sheriff Hurlburt.

BOY'S BODY RECOVERED

Lad Believed to Have Been Seized With Cramp in Water.

Shortly before 5 o'clock last night the body of Leonard Murphy, 11-year-old son of N. V. Murphy, 89 West Eighth street, Vancouver, was recovered from the water near Columbia beach, following a search begun 24 hours before when the lad disappeared from view after falling his mother said he would take but one more slide down the chute at the beach "to wash off the mud."

Life guards at the beach searched for the body up to midnight Sunday, and yesterday were joined by Deputy Sheriff Lamont, Rexford, Vancouver, and Bailey, and City Grappler Hugh Brady.

Just before his last slide the boy was believed to have been seized with a cramp during his last plunge.

ELKS HONOR TOM SMART

Veteran Pendleton Tyler Is Given Life Membership.

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—Tom Smart, veteran tyler of the Pendleton lodge of Elks, received a life membership in the organization as his 80th birthday present and was tendered the permanent tylerhip of the lodge when he moves into the magnificent new home, almost completed. Smart is a desert when Tom Smart first moved to this section. He was the first man to file on water rights in the alfalfa section in the west and of Umatilla county. Umatilla was the big city of eastern Oregon, then, and the exodus to Pendleton was just beginning. "Tommy," as his friends know him, was born in Dublin, Ireland, August 1849. He came to America in 1848, and first saw Pendleton from a Walla Walla stage in 1852.

Yawl Makes Record Passage.

COWES, Isle of Wight, Aug. 9.—(Special.)—The yawl, which first passed across the Atlantic for a 35-foot yawl was made by the Typhoon, which arrived today after making a non-stop run. It is claimed from Cape Race, Newfoundland, to Bishop's Rock, Solli Islands, 98 miles, in 15 days and nine hours.

'PENNIE' MAKES RECORD

OREGON COW GIVES 1896 POUNDS OF MILK.

High Water Mark Set for Month; Grade Jersey Owned by L. A. McCormack of Tillamook.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Aug. 9.—(Special.)—A new high-water mark for Oregon dairy production has been made by "Pennie," a grade Jersey cow owned by L. A. McCormack of Tillamook. Reports of the tester for the month of June show that Pennie produced 1896 pounds of milk, almost a ton, with 115.66 pounds of butter-fat. "This is the highest record ever made by a cow in cow-testing association work in Oregon," says E. D. Pitts, in charge of cow-testing work in Oregon.

PICNIC ENDS IN TROUBLE

Liquor Said to Have Figured in Jollification Party.

Antone Van Haute, who says he lives on Alberta street, tried to camouflage his intoxication by standing rigidly still while being interrogated prior to his arrest, say the police. His companion, E. W. Carroll, staggered freely while being questioned as to the quart of "dago red" which the pair had in their possession, according to Lieutenant Erwin of the police department, who made the arrest and Van Haute were arrested in a garage at Union avenue and Ainsworth street Sunday. Carroll was charged with driving an automobile while intoxicated. Trial was set for August 12 and his bail was fixed at \$100. Van Haute disclaimed any knowledge of the liquor. He had been out on a picnic with Carroll in the afternoon, he said, at which they had eaten watermelon but had drunk nothing. He was fined \$10 by Municipal Judge Deich.

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LABOR WELCOME READY

Pendleton Prepares to Handle Oregon Federation Meet.

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—Pendleton will be host to the Oregon State Federation of labor this year instead of La Grande. La Grande was chosen at the here meeting a year ago, but the neighboring city is unable to care for the nearly 400 delegates expected at the executive board decided to shift the meeting to Pendleton.

COUNTY IS ORGANIZED

Harding and Coolidge Will Carry California, Is Prediction.

Among the callers yesterday at republican state headquarters, 638 Morgan building, were Representative Pat J. Gallagher of Ontario, Colonel John M. Williams of Eugene, M. Vernon Parsons of Eugene, and John Y. Richardson of Portland. Representative Gallagher reports that Marion county is already being organized for Harding and Coolidge and the entire republican ticket. George W. Hall, who is county chairman and Arthur Means, also of Vale, is county secretary. Colonel Williams, who is a Spanish

Three-Story Building Collapses.

DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 9.—Two children were injured seriously today when a three-story building at Main and Poydras streets collapsed. Several persons were seen rushing from

war veteran and former lieutenant-colonel of the Third Oregon and former adjutant-general of the state, reported that D. E. Yoran, as county chairman, was actively organizing Lane county for the approaching campaign. Colonel Williams and Mr. Parsons predict that Harding and Coolidge and Stanford will carry the county by a large plurality.

John Y. Richardson, recently returned from a visit to San Francisco, where he called at republican Pacific headquarters in the Palace hotel. In conference with Elmer Dover, regional campaign director, he was told that plans were under way for an active campaign and that the outlook for a republican victory in California was excellent.

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