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WORKMEN SEEING THE LIGHT

(American Economist)

We have never been able to see how any workingman could be a free trader or be affiliated with any but the party of protection. The difference between the conditions of workingmen in protectionist countries and those which adhere to free trade is so pronounced, that, in itself, it affords an unanswerable argument in favor of a protective tariff. Especially is this true in the United States, which is the only country which has afforded adequate protection to labor and industry. We have always wondered why the labor unions did not adopt protection as one of their main policies, but heretofore they have not done so except in rare instances. On the contrary, we have seen workingmen, who owe their jobs and their high wages to the protective tariff system of this country, march in droves to the polls and vote for free trade candidates.

At last, however, they appear to be awakening to the situation and to their responsibilities. The New York State Federation of Labor, the Central Trade and Labor Council and the New York Allied Printing Trades Council have united in a memorial addressed to President Harding, urging adequate tariff protection based upon American valuation. The claim is made that unfair foreign competition has driven the workingmen to idleness, denying them the opportunity to earn a living. Speaking of American valuation of imports, these labor organizations:

"Demand that Congress place duties on the value of imported merchandise or the value of the goods in America. Here is where they are sold and here is where their values are known. The American workers are interested first in the prosperity of America. When America is prosperous, it is then time to extend aid to others who may deserve it."

No fake internationalism there, but, instead, the spirit of "America first." It is not the doctrine of selfishness, but that of self-preservation—the highest law of nature. It is the same doctrine enunciated in the Bible, in the words: "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he . . . is worse than an infidel." The Divine law is that a man shall care first for himself and his family, and a nation is simply one great family. It is our duty as a nation to protect our own labor and industry, thus placing us in a position to not only care for ourselves, but to give our abundance to others.

We are glad to see these labor unions assume the right stand on the question of tariff protection, and we trust that other unions may quickly fall into line. It is possibly too much to hope that that out-and-out free trader, Samuel Gompers, will heed the plea of the unions and urge upon Congress the speedy adoption of an adequate protective tariff based upon American valuations, but his successor may be able to see the light and may bring all of the labor unions of the country into the protective tariff fold.

What more appropriate than to declare a naval holiday in a holiday season?

Our sympathies go out to Canada. Another edition of the Stillman divorce case will be in evidence at Montreal on January 11.

Congressman Arthur B. Rouse of Kentucky has been named to succeed the late Henry D. Flood of Virginia as chairman of the Democratic congressional committee.

mitter. But that name won't be enough to shake the death-damp from the bulging brow of the esteemed Democratic party. — Exchange.

A whale attempted to enter the Pacific ocean by way of the Panama canal and after being stranded at the Atlantic entrance to the waterway was done to death by machine guns and high explosives dropped from an airplane.

Added tragedy is given to the suicide of Congressman John A. Elston of the Sixth California congressional district by the fact that, in the opinion of his friends his mind was shattered by his failure to secure a big naval base for Alameda, followed by the disarmament conference whose success meant the end of his fondest hopes in that direction.—Los Angeles Times.

FROM A FILIPINO IN SALEM

Editor Statesman: While I was reading newspapers in the public library yesterday evening, I happened to read your comments about the Phil question in which you have stated that the politicians are the only ones clamoring for the independence of the Philippines and not the people in general and that the Phil. also, are far from having a stable government, basing your statements from the article of Mrs. Eleanor Egan which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post, a weekly magazine. Being a Filipino, and of course every Filipino are interested in this question permit me then to give my views in regard to the two comments as stated above. I will just simply tell the real facts—not more, not less.

The Philippines has a population of more than 10,500,000, and of those, about 600,000 are non-Christians or noncivilized, including the Moros, while all the rest are Christians or civilized. All the Christian Filipinos desire independence, except some of the non-Christians and American business men in the Philippines. It cannot be denied that when ex-governor Forbes and General Wood investigated the Phil. they found out that every Filipino, in every town they visited, were for the independence with the exception of what I have said before. Some of the non-Christians; but General Wood only said that the Phil. at present need some guidance more until the gov't. is being fully stable.

As to the stability of our government I think I need not mention here anymore as probably you have read already in many newspapers, the recommendation of ex-Gov. Harrison who had been in the Islands for eight years. We have now a stable gov't as required by Jones Law. The losses of the Phil. National Bank is the criticism upon our gov't. I always read in the newspapers here. We admitted that the Phil National Bank has suffered due to the general business

depression as a result of the war and maybe some were due to mismanagement, but we have now corrected our faults, and at present we have now a competent manager. Besides what happened to National Bank was not any worse than what has happened to many Banks here, especially in New York. As a result of the war you have had a crisis too for unemployment. I have witnessed myself that thousands of people here were unable to find work, and the result were many crimes committed by unemployed, which this incident never happen in the Philippines.

ing we ought to give it to them without delay." Before closing this I would like to let you know that I am not a paid propagandist of Phil. Independence from the treasury of the Phil gov't, as your remark to Mr. Rodriguez. I am a common Filipino giving my own conviction. At present I am studying in Willamette University paying my matriculation and expenses here though working. I am not pension by any government. I hope that you will publish this letter and I extend to you my sincerest thanks for any attention that will be given by you in this letter. Yours very truly, —Sofio Zarsadiaz. P. O. Box 331, Salem, Dec. 22, 1921.

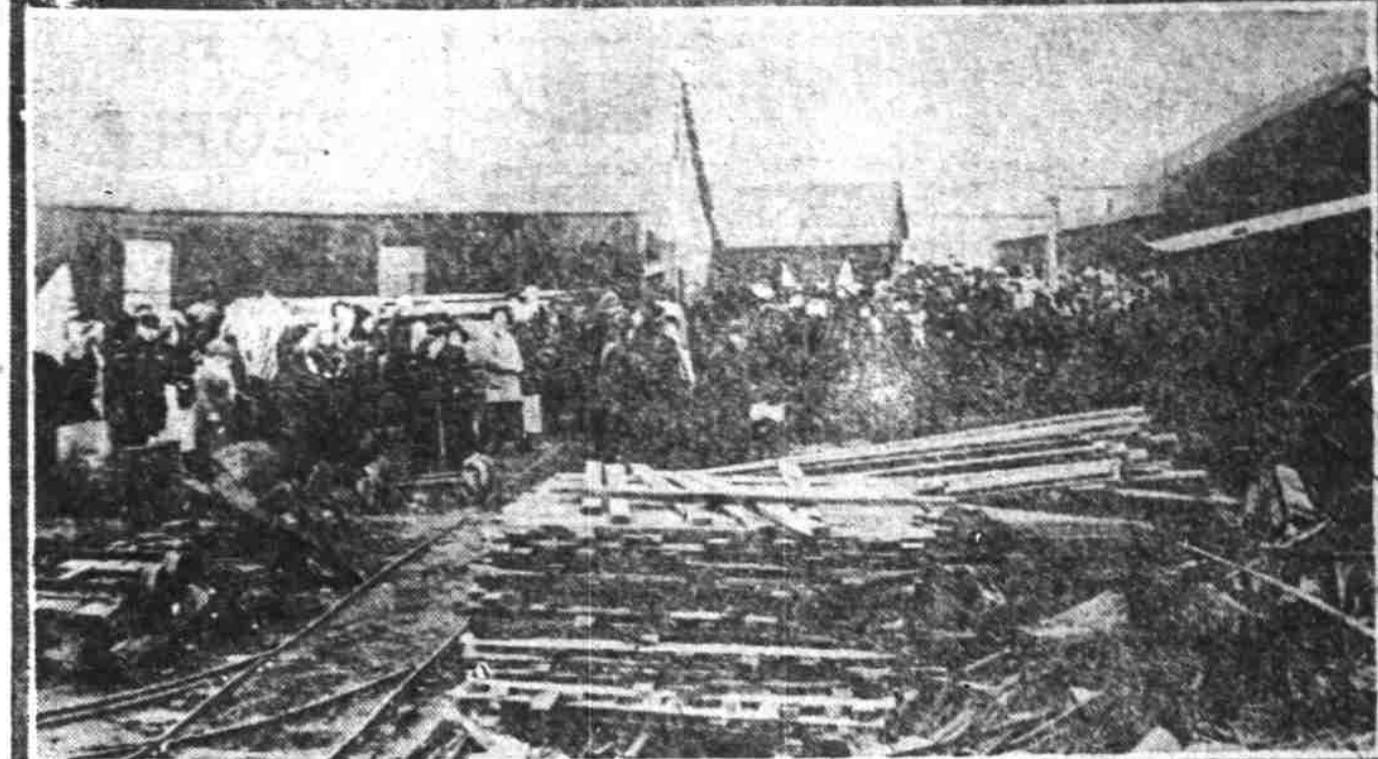
(The Statesman is pleased to print the above. The Filipinos outside of the politicians who are in favor of the absolute independence of the Philippines are to be compared with the child crying for the moon. They think they want absolute independence, but if they should be granted what they think they want it would be a most unfortunate thing for them. They have shown their utter incapacity for self government, for they had what amounted to self government under the Harrison administration; the Democratic administration, for eight years—and they brought their affairs to the verge of anarchy or Bolshevism. The Filipinos need what Governor General Leonard Wood will give them, if congress will grant him a free hand, and that is a stable government under vigorous and intelligent American direction. Even with this, General Wood will have the time of his life straightening out the tangles the Quezon bunch have made in the affairs of that country, and in getting back to the efficiency that was the rule before Harrison was sent there by President Wilson. What a British statesman called the "most efficient and the best colonial government in the world" was almost wrecked by the Filipino politicians under Harrison, who had everything that was stable before headed straight towards chaos, until the arrival of General Wood. Any congressman who attempts to deny General Wood the needed legislation he asks for is as bad as Lenin of Russia dares be; unfit for the title of American. The Americans have given the Filipinos everything worth while which they have; roads, public improvements; railroads, factories, schools, freedom from atrocious and autocratic Spanish rule—everything that goes with modern civilization and progress. Without American help, where would this student, Sofio Zarsadiaz, be today? He would be a barefooted peon in a sleepy land of slavery, without hope of betterment or outlook upon life. He and his kind ought to be glad to acknowledge the benefits that have come to him and his people from the "American business men" and officials whom they speak of so contemptuously. They should all—every one—be ashamed of themselves, and to penance all the rest of their lives as the ingrates they unwittingly confess themselves to be, in the eyes of all the right thinking people of the world.—Ed.)

"There is no mistaking that Filipinos want their independence. What's more, our little brown cousins want it right away, quick! And it is just possible that they in the islands, better than we Americans over here, are the best judges whether they are fitted for independence."

Mr. Frear, a Republican representative from Wisconsin, in closing his speech regarding Phil question declared: "The American population of the Phil Islands reaches 6000 men, women and children. There, generally speaking, are against independence, but it is inconceivable that one American out of every 1600 Filipinos should have a voice in determining the question of their independence, particularly when equal opportunities for trade and protection under the law are afforded to all."

"We have pledged the Filipinos their independence and in all justice and fair dealing we ought to give it to them without delay."

TWO THOUSAND WOMEN STORMED KANSAS MINE WORKERS.



Mobs of women relatives of followers of Alexander Howat were responsible for greater part of rioting that took place in the coal fields around Pittsburgh, Kan. The State troops were called out for the second time in two years when the women sympathizers attacked the workers while on their way to the mines. The upper picture shows the striking miners and women sympathizers at one of the mines. All efforts of the county authorities to check the onslaught of the advancing women were without avail until the State troops took a hand. The lower picture shows members of the "Amazon" army, with babies pressed to their breasts, trudging wearily along the dusty road to keep pace with the advancing hosts as the rioters raided the mines in operation.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Glorious rain. Jup. Pluv. is giving us a good though a little belated Christmas present. And 1922 stands tip-toe on the misty mountain top. Benson memorial exercises at 10:30 this forenoon, in the chambers of the supreme court. The general public is invited to be present. The deep sympathy of thousands of Oregon people will go out to Hon. R. A. Booth and wife and family in the loss of their son and brother at Eugene. "The voyage of the Mayflower is not done," said Vice President Coolidge the other day. It will not be done as long as there is a dark spot left in the world. The Christmas spirit is not the genuine article if it is not extended through the whole year. A company has already been formed in France, it is reported, for exploiting commercially an invention for making artificial gold. The output presumably will be issued in the form of bricks. Free hot cocoa or hot milk with a special cracker containing "plenty of vitamins" is to be supplied every morning to students of the Massachusetts Institute of technology. The innovation should interest students of the problem of school children's meals.

OBITUARY

Francis Ervin Goodell, son of Edward and Laura Rice Goodell, was born in Mayville, Mich., Sept. 29, 1863. He came to Oregon about 30 years ago and had resided most of the time since in Macleay. He was married Dec. 12, 1900, to Alice Dairymple, of North Branch, Michigan, who survived him. Three sisters and one brother reside in Michigan. He was affiliated with the I.O.O.F., having membership in Chemeketa Lodge, No. 1, of Salem.

THE WRONG TEXT

"We will take as our text this morning," announced the absent-minded clergyman, consulting his memorandum, "the sixth and seventh verses of the thirty-first chapter of Proverbs." Never suspecting that his vivacious son and heir had found the memorandum in his study the previous night and, knowing that his papa had composed a sermon celebrating the increased severity of dry-law enforcement, and diabolically changed the chapter, and verse numerals to indicate a very different text, the absent-minded clergyman turned to the place and read aloud these words of Solomon: "Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts. Let him drink and forget his past poverty and remember his misery no more."

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FUN WITH POTATOES



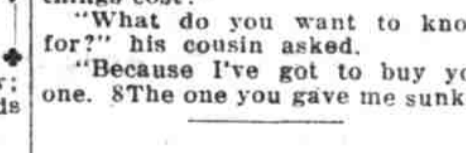
It was a stormy blustering night that Lucille phoned Rosalie and invited her to come over for the evening. "Shall I bring my knitting?" asked Rosalie. "No, please don't," replied Lucille. "I know something else we can do that's lots o' fun. Hurry over." Wre Rosalie arrived, Lucille led her with great secrecy to the kitchen. "Follow me, fair damsel," she spoke, "and I shall show thee how this dreary evening is to be spent." Lucille entered the pantry. She returned, tugging a large sack full of potatoes—lowly potatoes. "What in the world—" gasped Rosalie. "Be patient, my dear," interrupted Lucille. She had pulled the sack to the middle of the floor and sat down beside it, inviting Rosalie to be seated, too. Lucille reached into the sack and brought out a potato. She held it up. "Look closely at this, Rosalie, and tell me if you see any resemblance to the human face. Notice this peculiar nob on this side, does that look anything like a nose? Does this other nob bear any resemblance to a chin?" Rosalie, who had been kept in

and bade her a cheery "Good Night."

THE DAY AFTER

I hate this sleet and driving snow; My needles fall, as rough winds blow— And just to think, a day ago— Why, I was king for a day! A sparrow hops on a frosty bough; He's all the friend that's left me now. 'Tis a rotten way to die, I vow, And I was king for a day. A silver star I wore for crown, And golden tinsel trimmed my gown, With tinkly bells strung up and down— And I was king for a day. All day I watched the children prance With joyful feet; saw bright eyes dance, And thrilled at each admiring glance— When I was king for a day! I held my head so straight and high, My star-crowned tip 'most reached the sky; I'm sure no king was prouder as I When I was king for a day. They stood me up where all could see, And people stopped to stare at me; My candles twinkled merrily, When I was king for a day. Now here I lie in sleet and snow, The sport of all the winds that blow— But Christmas trees must all end so, Though they be king for a day! It Went Under A boy from the city went fishing for the first time in his life. His cousin, an experienced fisherman, gave him a fishing outfit and took him down to the river.

They fished in silence for awhile. "Say," said the boy from the city, "how much do those red things cost?" "What do you want to know for?" his cousin asked. "Because I've got to buy you one. 'Tis the one you gave me sunk."



"Of all the cake there's one piece left! What does this mean?" marveled. It means I must have missed it. In the dark," her son replied. "Why do you take your gym shoes home?" I asked my young friend Ted; "To study for the gym exam tomorrow, sir," he said.

TODAY'S PUZZLE

When the following girl's names, which are now jumbled, have been rearranged properly they may be placed so that the first letters of the names spell the name of a great president of the United States: paula, einel, amir, enla, elitana, lievo, licee. Solution will be printed tomorrow.

THE MAN OF THE HOUR



THE SHORTEST DAY

It needs no almanac to tell the shortest days of the year. After a man has gone broke trying to play Santa Claus for a household of eleven or so, the short day and the short man are found in juxtaposition, collusion or whatever it is that brings things together and makes 'em fit.

WONDERS OF SCIENCE

A newspaper correspondent tells how he hunts gophers with the Ford. He doesn't exactly run them down with it. Neither does he match them in the ring. But sometimes he backs up to a gopher hole and connects up with his exhaust a piece of rubber hose. Then when he backfires the gopher is either overcome by the fumes or scared to death. He doesn't care which. Every now and then somebody discovers some new game or pastime that can be played with a Ford. They can even be used to take the place of a wheelbarrow to ride in. Now that it is found they can be used in hunting gophers there ought to be quite a demand for them out this way.

FUTURE DATES

January 2, Monday—Legal holiday. January 2, Monday—Open house at Y. W. C. A. January 6, Tuesday—Public schools open. January 4, Wednesday—Salem Symphony orchestra concert, 8:00. January 19-21—Ella's Mardi Gras.

A CHRISTMAS GREETING

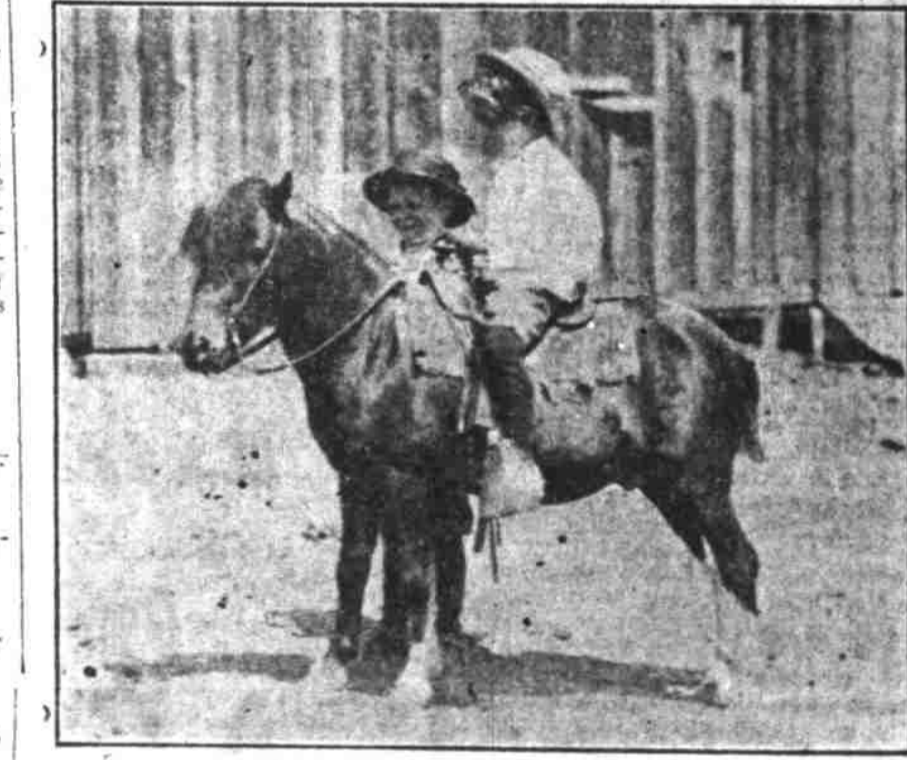
May righteousness dwell in our souls With happiness, we pray, And fill our minds with willingness To honor Christmas day. May every one though rich or poor Share in some ardent joy; May every gift be from the heart, Deception none employ.

LET MEMORY'S JEWELLED GARDENS BRING

The rich perfumes of May, Let amaranth-blossoms ring The chimes of Christmas day. Let selfishness abort at birth, And love takes flowery wings, And bear to every soul on earth The joy that Christmas brings.

THE GIVING HAND WILL DOUBLY BLESS

The giver and the given; The mutual joy of both will be A message read in Heaven. —W. T. RIGDON. San Diego, Cal., 4605 Campus Ave., Dec. 20, 1921. Had Kidney Trouble Ten Years Don't give up hope if you are suffering from backache, rheumatic pains, stiff, swollen joints, always tired feeling, pains in groin and muscles or other symptoms of kidney trouble. J. T. Osborn, R. F. D. No. 1, Lucasville, O., writes: "I had kidney trouble for 10 years. I tried all kinds of kidney remedies but they did me no good. I took one bottle of Foley Kidney Pills and they helped me so much I am well now. Sold everywhere.—Adv."



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