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UNDER DISTRIBUTION, NOT OVER PRODUCTION

We are hearing a great deal now about over production, and the possible over production soon of various Oregon crops; including loganberries, prunes, pears, apples, cherries, etc.; even including dairy products.

There is no such thing— There is in some cases under distribution, and in others the production of things not up to the high standards of quality of which our soil and showers and sunshine, and brains and brawn, are capable.

There are markets available for all the loganberries we raise, or are likely to raise—but there must be organization and persistent and intelligent development of the markets.

And all the 99.6 per cent dairy products we may prepare are likely to grow can be sold, and at fair prices. Our high quality apples never go begging, and never will— And the same is true as to our quality pears— And our quality cherries—

And all t he99.6 per cent dairy products we may prepare and send to the consumers who are waiting for them.

There may be over production of scrub fruits, of small sizes, and inferior quality; and there may be too much poor cream and butter and cheese made—

But nothing but under distribution will put a crimp into any of our industries that hit the high places. Intelligent co-operation on the part of our people on the land and our people who take the products of the land and prepare them for the markets of the world, and seek out and exploit such markets, will iron out all difficulties; will result in placing our people in constant touch with the people all over the world who will take what we have to offer in quality products, and will pay such prices as will make the production and preparation of them alike permanently remunerative.

Forget about the bugaboo of over production. Major on distribution of quality products.

DOES THE TARIFF HELP THE WHEAT FARMER?

(Clay County Enterprise, Brazil, Ind.) We lay down this proposition and challenge any free trader to prove that it is untrue. The tariff on wheat has helped the wheat farmers of the United States because the price of wheat in the United States is higher than it is in any wheat producing country in the world which does not depend upon other countries to supply the demand which its own production is inadequate to supply. It is higher than in Canada, higher than in Argentina, higher than in Australia.

If free traders want an opportunity to prove that the tariff on wheat is of no benefit to the American wheat growers, let them prove that our statement is untrue. If they cannot do that, they should "ever after hold their peace."

We wonder whether the wool men who are now benefiting from a Republican tariff want to go back to the days of '19 and '20 when wool had no market price and sheep were selling for less than a good laying hen, and we also wonder if these same men will go up and vote for a free trade Democrat in the next election.—Arlington, Tex., Industrial Dixie.

THE PEACE AWARD

The Bok peace award has created tremendous interest largely because the world is tired of war. This is not a pacifist sentiment, but the sentiment of upstanding men, men who believe their lives and their brothers' lives are too valuable to be shot away in war. A referendum on the award has been ordered. The "referendum" makes no account of prejudice, but is a mobilization of the public opinion for peace. The Oregon Statesman will carry the ballot, and asks its readers, after carefully reading the article published elsewhere in this issue, to pass judgment on the sufficiency of the same.

In a number of cities there is an organized effort to secure a large vote. Mayors are asking their citizens to vote for the "referendum."

A telegram received today from Cleveland contains in 100 words a tremendous order for plans and ballots for that city alone. The Federation of Women's clubs of Cleveland orders 40,000 copies, the Cleveland Federation of Labor orders 35,000; the Cleveland Council of Women for the Prevention of War orders 70,500, and 500 ballot boxes; the Business Women's club of Cleveland orders 1,000; a post of the American Legion orders 250; three Catholic priests order 2,500; the Cleveland public library orders 500, the City club of Cleveland 1,500 copies.

The telegram from Cleveland closes with a statement that the announcement of the "referendum" were made in all Protestant churches Sunday and that 40,000 copies of the plan and ballots will be placed in the theaters, moving picture houses and hotels. This telegram illustrates the unified preparation for the "referendum" being made in various cities.

In Syracuse the chambers of commerce will not only take the "referendum" among its own members, but has arranged for luncheon meetings to be held by the Rotary, the Optimists, the Kiwanis club, the Exotic club, the Zonta University club, the

Civic Forum, etc. The pastor of the First Presbyterian church will broadcast the plan.

Through the American Council on Education, arrangements have been made to have universities and colleges take the "referendum" not only among the faculty but among the students, to the number of 700,000. Some of the colleges and universities are taking the "referendum" not only in the college but in the town as well; as, for instance, Mt. Holyoke, which will conduct the "referendum" throughout South Hadley.

All of the churches of the country are taking it up and are enlisting their influences in the way of peace. The Union of the American Hebrew congregations has enlisted itself for the "referendum." The National Catholic Welfare Council has presented the "referendum" to all its constituent bodies. It is so all over the country. The larger concerns, hotels, banks, department stores, insurance companies, all show the inconceivable evidence that it is fundamental to the American peace. The peace award was made by men high in statesmanship. The jury of awards, for instance, consisted of Elihu Root, James Guthrie Harbord, Edwin M. House, Ellen F. Pendleton, Roscoe Pound, William Allen White and Brant Whitlock. These have made the award as outlined in our news columns today.

A GREAT STATE

For the purpose of proving that Oregon is on the road to ruin because it adopted the income tax, the Portland papers are holding up to the world the ruination of Wisconsin. There isn't a sensible man in Oregon who would not like to have our state ruined precisely as Wisconsin was ruined. In the last 20 years Wisconsin has been in the limelight politically, yet economically it has made more progress than any other state in the union, with the possible exception of North Carolina. The articles telling of the ruination of the state published the last week

say that Wisconsin is prosperous and the people are happy. Wisconsin has a larger per cent of prosperous farmers than any other state in the union, and farming is the basis of all our wealth. Oregon is not going to be deterred by false conclusions not followed by the facts.

A REAL PLAN

After consulting with the best minds in the country and working hard for a year, Secretary Mellon produced a scientific tax reduction program. Without any special thought the Democrats have presented an opposing program. The Mellon program is carefully digested and scientifically worked out, and the other is a happy-go-lucky, hit-or-miss attempt to belittle the issue that confronts the people.

The Mellon plan is sensible and workable and does not injure any interest, while relieving all interests as much as possible from over burdens of taxation. The demand all over the country for the Mellon program cannot be resisted by congress.

CIGARETTES

The Oregon Statesman is not making war on tobacco, but it does insist that boys should not smoke cigarettes illegally, or any other way, for that matter. The tobacco companies insist that they would obey a fair law. Oregon has a fair law and it is not obeyed. When the anti-cigarette law was enacted in Kansas the tobacco companies insisted that they were in favor of a law preventing the sale to minors. They have such a law in Oregon and it is not enforced properly. The shortsightedness of the liquor men in under-estimating the prohibition sentiment ought to teach the tobacco men not to defy public sentiment, but to cooperate in enforcing any fair law.

SELECTING A SITE

When two men are officers in the same building day after day it is not a hard matter for them to get together; therefore, the people have a right to expect that Governor Pierce and Secretary of State Kozler will make a selection for the reform school site at an early date so that the new plans can be worked out the coming year.

B. FRANKLIN

Yesterday was the birth of Benjamin Franklin. Mr. Franklin is a living proof that offices do not make the man. He held offices in his time, but none of his fame rests upon that. His fame rests upon his substantial contribution to life and strength of character. He has been dead many years and yet Franklin's fame is as bright as it was at the time of his death.

R. H. Croker of Baker is determined to connect with some job and his chief qualification seems to be that he was a cousin to the late President Harding. There is something wrong.

MY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS

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CHAPTER 68 SOME OF THE THINGS DICKY GUESSED

"Well, old dear!" Dicky looked up lazily from the rustic veranda of our bungalow as I came up the steps. I had just left Lillian, and my imagination was still running riot with the dramatic episode she had related to me, and the still more dramatic possibilities of the things she had left unsaid. Dicky's drawing tones brought me to earth with a jerk, and I looked into his quizzical eyes with a confusion I could not hide.

"Would it be too much temerity on the part of a mere man to inquire as to the result of the secret session?" he asked gibingly. "I trust the romper pattern was satisfactory."

Until I heard the reference from his lips I had completely forgotten that I had made the copying of a romper design my excuse for asking to see Lillian before her drive with Robert Savaria. I was furious with myself for the embarrassed flush I could not control, especially as I knew from Dicky's tone and look that he had fathomed my ruse. I have learned in the last year to my surprise that Dicky sometimes jealously resents the confidences which Lillian and I share, and I quickly resolved to tell him everything that I could honorably of the conversation I had just quitted.

"I thought you'd got that," I said laughing. "I'm confused that

the romper pattern is non-existent, but—I hope Robert doesn't share your intuition."

Dicky is Observant.

"Don't worry," Dicky advised indolently. "He has room for only one emotion this morning, and that's jealousy of the stalwart military guy who just left us. I don't envy old Lil her drive this morning."

"What Lil ought to do," he went on, frowning, "is to give that solemn old goat a swift solar plexus and knock some of the archaic ideas out of him. Bob's a great artist. Whenever I think of his work I feel like getting down and knocking my head three times against the floor and waiting for permission to speak. But, as I believe I've told you before, he belongs on a pedestal. When he comes down to earth and begins to dabble in human emotions and affairs he's out of the picture, alike same all other great men. There ought to be a law locking each of them up in an isolated beautiful garden."

I stared at Dicky in amazement. "Then you know he disdained her going in Col. Travers's motor car," I stammered.

"Know it!" echoed Dicky. "It didn't take sleuthing or psychic ability to discover that. He looked exactly as if he were one of the victims of the Inquisition, and they had just begun to light the slow fire under the gridiron. I hope your warning to Lil was effective, so she'll know how to ally his wrath."

"When Do We Go?" "I trust it was," I replied demurely, determined not to humiliate him by exclaiming again over his undeniably clever guessing or insight—I did not know which to term it. "I tried to tell her everything she ought to know about his injured feelings. But I've something more interesting to tell you. Smith hasn't been caught yet."

Dicky's eyes gaped with gleeful mischief as he gave me a long, teasing look. "Do you call that news?" he asked. "My dear child, you're at least three red-link editions behind schedule. I had the information you are giving out several minutes before you did. I am afraid you must yield the palm as a news-bringer to—"

"Ted Cosgrove!" I inadvertently completed his sentence with the name of the boy whom I had completely forgotten. He had returned with Col. Travers, and, of course Dicky and the Cosgroves had learned from him everything of which he had personal knowledge. For a second or two I was chagrined at the turn things had taken, then relief swept me. I need tell Dicky nothing more, but could take refuge in pretended playful pique.

strict enforcement, both upon its own merit and for the additional reason that lax enforcement breeds contempt for all law and threatens to undermine the very foundations upon which our government rests. I also make special reference to the unlawful sale of cigarettes to minors and urge upon all police officers of the city the strict enforcement of this law, the purpose of which is to protect and preserve the health and morals of the youth of our city.

Charter Too Lenient

"The time has come when, in my opinion, the charter should be amended so as to increase the limit which the charter now places on fines and imprisonment for violation of city ordinances. The limit now provided by charter is a fine not exceeding \$100 and imprisonment not exceeding 29 days. This charter limit was fixed in the early days of Salem's government and at that time was doubtless sufficient, but conditions have greatly changed since then. Salem has grown from a village until she is now a city of 22,000 population, and with this growth has come the important obligation of enforcing such laws as are necessary for the preservation of the health, peace, safety and welfare of a city of this size. I believe the need for this amendment is apparent to all who have given the matter consideration, and I therefore recommend to you that a charter amendment be submitted to the voters by the council during the year for the purpose of materially raising the present fine and imprisonment limitation.

Would Check Up on Licenses

"The matter of licensing pool halls and rooming houses is one which I trust will receive the most careful consideration by this council during the present year. Each application for a license, before being granted, should be referred to the proper committee for personal investigation and recommendation should be withheld until the committee is entirely satisfied that the applicant is a fit and proper person to conduct the business for which he desires a license. We owe it to the public to see to it that such places of business are conducted by persons of integrity and good character, and as mayor of Salem I shall do all within my power to promote the good morals of our city.

Street Department Praised

"The street improvement department is another important department of our city and has just closed a year of very active work during which nearly three miles of streets have been paved. The organization of this department was authorized by the people in 1914 and has been the means for laying many miles of excellent pavement at a minimum of cost to the property owners. It is our important duty to maintain this department and its equipment to the highest degree of efficiency and it should be our aim to lay the best pavement at the least cost possible to the property owners. In this connection I wish to refer briefly to the expense of paving intersections which the charter now provides shall be paid by the city. Some of our members have expressed doubt as to whether the council should continue the present active paving program and thus increase the already heavy burden which the taxpayers are now carrying by adding to the heavy indebtedness already incurred for intersection costs. The question is an important one and worthy of careful consideration. As representatives of the people we should faithfully endeavor to carry out their wishes which in this instance they clearly expressed as it seems to me, in the charter amendment approved by the voters of Salem May 21, 1920, in which they provided that the cost of improving all street and alley intersections shall be assumed by the city of Salem. Provision at the same time was made for bonding the intersection costs which clearly indicates that the people were desirous of making ample provision for financing the cost of improving the intersections. I, therefore, believe that the council should proceed with the improvement of streets as petitioned for by the property owners unless there is some valid objection other than the expense to the city for improving intersections.

Cleaning Equipment Inadequate

"The work of our street department has been rapidly growing on account of the greatly increased amount of pavement until it has now become a problem how we are to keep the streets of the city clean with the limited funds which are available for that purpose. An effort should be made to provide our street department with modern equipment for street cleaning purposes as the present equipment is antiquated and ill adapted to efficient work. Furthermore, the present equipment is expensive in its operation and in my opinion the saving which could be realized

THE BOYS AND GIRLS STATESMAN

The Biggest Little Paper in the World

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JIGEDY JAUNTS



"The longest way round is the shortest way to spell a queue," said the Jigedy with the next-longest braid, changing a trifle the old saying. And by that he merely meant that the course of travel the Jigedies took on their Oriental tour spells something. You can find out what by tracing with your pencil a line through the following towns:

Starting at Yungnan, go to Canton, on to Changchau, to Fuchau to Hangchau to Hsuechau to Kalfong to Singan to Chungking to Kweiyang on to Yungnan. To make the tail, go from Yungnan to Changchau to Taichu on the island in the ocean. There you have proof that China has not yet heard the news that bobbed hair is the style!

playground I believe cannot be over-estimated. The benefits which the children of Salem will receive from the supervised play will be far in excess of the cost to the citizens of Salem. Let us all take a personal interest in seeing that this playground is made an unqualified success.

Bad Films Are Hit

"The welfare of our youths should ever be given first consideration and in this connection I wish to comment briefly on the motion picture shows and its influence on the children. While I am happy to say that the great majority of pictures thrown upon the screens in this city afford wholesome entertainment to the public, there are, nevertheless, too many which tend to give young people the wrong perspective on life. Such pictures are positively harmful and indirectly contribute to the moral delinquency of many of our young people. This is a subject which should receive special consideration during the coming year by our local board of censorship.

Weed Nuisance Rapped

In marked contrast with the beautiful flowers and well kept lawns are the weeds which are to be seen each summer upon the vacant lots in our city. Some systematic plan should be devised to abate the weed nuisance which is not only a disgrace to our city but a gross imposition on our citizens who take a laudable pride in the beautification of their homes.

Would Eliminate Garbage Dump

"An sanitary method of disposing of the city's garbage should be devised and consistently followed so that the place of its disposal may not be a source of contamination to the rest of the city. I desire to impress upon you the urgent necessity for prompt and effective action on this matter so that the unsanitary condition which has existed in the past may be speedily removed.

Better Camp Grounds Favored

"Our auto camp ground is a civic enterprise in which we should all of us take an active interest. With efficient management this camp ground can be made self-supporting. It can at the same time be so improved and made so attractive and comfortable for tourists that Salem will be heralded far and wide on account of the hospitable atmosphere of its camp ground. This is one of Salem's real assets and we should strive, as far as possible, to promote its usefulness. A comfortable and attractive camp ground will induce thousands of tourists to stop in our city during the summer months, many of whom will return to establish permanent homes in Salem and vicinity.

Causes for Serious Thought

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