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OUR SPINACH INDUSTRY

For the iron in it, and for the vitamins and other requisites in dietary schemes, spinach is coming into more and more general use not only in the hospitals but also in the homes of this country; of the whole world.

And recent discoveries in the science of medicine and in the domain of dietary science especially with reference to the restoring to normal and the saving of the lives of undernourished children, in which the use of spinach has been found most valuable, and in fact invaluable, point to a constantly greater use of this vegetable in the dietary of this country and of other countries.

There should be no question of the supplying here by our growers of all the spinach needed in the local markets, and also all that the manufacturers for shipping to other markets in cans or dehydrated or otherwise, may be able to use and pay a remunerative price for.

But it has been impressed upon our growers, especially in the past year or two, that the production of spinach of a high quality in commercial quantities, and with sufficient tonnage to make it profitable to grow, is a specialized industry. It is like celery growing in this respect. Any gardener, on almost any kind of land found here, can grow some celery, and he can grow some spinach.

But this does not mean celery or spinach that will sell on quality above the market prices for such vegetables grown elsewhere. This specialization has been brought to success here in the case of celery—and it can be brought to success, the writer believes, in the case of spinach.

It is no longer necessary to say to the majority of the readers of The Statesman that the eating of spinach freely is a very important requisite for health. Every kitchen or home garden should have some spinach, and two crops should be raised, and some of it should be canned at home, or the commercially canned or dehydrated article should be used when it cannot be had in the fresh form.

Spinach is nearly as important in the dietary as milk, and every up-to-date man and woman now knows that a viable race cannot be sustained without milk, nor healthy children raised, nor old people kept in proper condition.

One of the greatest arguments in favor of spinach growing commercially in the Salem district is the fact that the spring crop will furnish a cash return early in the season when money is needed for the cultivation of other crops. And, in the same way, it adds materially to the net returns from any given number of acres of land under cultivation.

But we have got to learn to grow quality spinach, and a lot of it to the acre; and this will take special locations and specialized treatment and specialized fertilization of the soil.

All this is worth while, because spinach will persist and its use will grow.

And moreover it is a prospective valuable crop for greenhouse cultivation, for our home markets, and for shipping fresh to the cities and towns up and down the coast.

There are indications of coming activity in dairying in the Salem district, and in the demand for dairy cattle, and more especially for pure bred stock. The markets have for some months been somewhat stagnant in this line. But there are more inquiries now than for a long time. There should be a boom in dairying here, as there should be a boom in poultry breeding. These are the two fields of development that will give the greatest benefits to our country, and our city. Their growth will mean more swine breeding, and more activity along every line looking to the keeping up and improving of soil fertility and the bringing into profitable use of idle and slacker acres.

It was predicted yesterday by a Salem man who ought to be a good profit that the Salem district this year will not have more than half a crop of loganberries—on account of the freeze. And perhaps not that much of a crop, unless there shall appear a prospect of a profitable market for all that may be saved.

THE CONSTITUTION

Not very long ago we had a Constitution week. It was discovered then that very few people had ever read the Constitution. This document is fundamental to our institutions. We must understand it in order to understand our government, and it is time we understood more about our Constitution. There is only one way we can hope to understand it and that is to put it in our schools.

If the Constitution were taught, say, in the eighth grade, in high schools and colleges, the instruction would benefit the recipients and be of value to the nation. If an understanding of the Constitution had been required in the upper grades of grammar schools, high schools and colleges, the radical plan of permitting congress to pronounce constitutional acts of congress that are found by the supreme court of the United States to be unconstitutional, would have a small and scattered following.

Citizens who understand the Constitution know that it is the bulwark of their rights and the rights of communities and states. It is their Constitution. In the last 10 years they have amended it to require the election of senators by direct vote of the people, to legalize the income tax, to give women the ballot and to prohibit the manufacture of and traffic in intoxicating beverages.

The Constitution is the people's safeguard against wrongful acts by congress, by legislature, by courts, by the president or by governors. The radical proposal is to take the custodianship of the Con-

stitution away from the people and give it outright to congress. Anything, then, would be constitutional that congress said was constitutional. In reality there would be no Constitution. Constitutional government in this country would be ended.

GET THE FACTS

The farmers have an unusual opportunity to present the facts of their predicament to congress. The senate has asked for an expression of public opinion and it is up to the farmers to find some fair course upon which all can agree, and present a demand upon congress. Until there is a substantial agreement congress cannot afford to act. Until there is practically united action, the farmers will continue to get the worst of it.

The senate wants an expression and it is unusual for that body to condescend to asking instructions from any interests, let alone the farmers.

Such an overture from the senate is certain to gain a prompt response. The farmers of the Pacific northwest have held several general meetings for discussion of the wheat situation. Now is the time to go at the problem more thoroughly through neighborhood gatherings, if necessary. The farmer will benefit from discussion and fresh understanding of the various schemes for relief which are proposed. The senate will benefit from hearing directly the decisions of the men who raised the grain.

Whatever the outcome in this instance, the fact that the people

may communicate their wishes directly to their representatives should result in much good. The citizens have expressed their wishes in regard to reduced taxation by letters and telegrams, and they have the same privilege in regard to other matters. That senators have invited an expression of opinion on the wheat problem opens the way to better understanding.

CANNOT TOUCH COOLIDGE

The effort to connect the present administration with the Teapot Dome scandal will fare no better than to try to connect ex-Secretary Daniels with the same scandal. It is certainly taking peanut politicians to the vanishing point when one side attempts to hold Coolidge and the other side tries to hold Secretary Daniels, who has been out of office several years, responsible. Coolidge has shown his position by appointing two lawyers outside of his cabinet, one republican and one democrat, to see that the law is enforced and that prosecution is instituted if necessary. The democrat appointed is a man who was previously attorney general and must be a foremost lawyer. It was a delicate task to make this appointment because the president had to get a man big enough to regard his legal reputation ahead of any advantage that might accrue to his party.

The Teapot Dome scandal is one of the regrettable things that bob up every once in a while. Designing men get into office and forget there is such a thing as a day of reckoning. These men may run true for years, but when the temptation comes, they fail. It must be confessed that there are mighty few such men in public life, practically all of them respect the obligation of citizenship and officialdom.

A NEW ANGLE

Judge McCourt gave to his hearers something new in the enforcement of prohibition and something that is the most effective weapon ever devised by man. This is a strong statement, but Judge McCourt's position bears it out.

Judge McCourt declares that the one thing to do in enforcing the prohibition law is to declare a conspiracy. It can readily be seen that there must be a conspiracy or there could be no violation of the law. If a man asks a bootlegger for liquor and gets it, he is conspiring with this bootlegger to violate the law, and one is just as guilty as the other.

Judge McCourt pointed out that in the land fraud cases several years ago no progress was made until the prosecutors, one of whom he was, hit upon the plan of charging conspiracy. The mere charge in such instances carries its own confession, for the conspiracy laws of the United States are ample. To our mind Judge McCourt has put his finger on the one thing needful to enforce prohibition in Oregon and the country generally.

THE GARDEN

It is noticeable that some people are already working in their gardens. It may be a trifle early, but we notice that the thrifty man is always early. Sometimes late frost catches him, but nearly always he gets out of it. Oregon is a great garden country. The sale of garden products is enormous, but what we want to urge is that every home have a garden and that every garden be large enough to take care of that family. There are a good many poor people in Salem this year, and some of them are undernourished. If they would resolve the coming year to raise garden truck in abundance, they could save enough for other things to enable them to pull through. Thrift is a great thing, and one of the thriftest things is to raise a garden.

NOT YET

The story comes from Portland that there will be a decisive movement next year to repeal the prohibition law enforcement machinery in Oregon. While admitting that the machinery does not work very well, we will also admit that the machinists are not quite up to standard. Oregon is not going to take a backward step in enforcing this law. The next legislature will strengthen the law and enable law enforcement officials to get somewhere. To abolish this department would be to throw down the bars to the bootleggers.

GET BUSY

The farmers of the wheat country owe it to themselves to get behind the McNary-Haugen bill and show that they really want it. It has been true that the farmers have been fed on husks because they have quarreled among themselves as to procedure when other interests are organizing hog tight.

WHY BANKS?

LESSON IV

By J. H. PUELICHER, Chairman, Committee on Public Education, American Bankers Association. Formerly the saver paid to have his money kept in a safe place. Today he is paid interest by banks which keep his savings safe.



J. H. Puelicher

ings safe. Is this interest on money, saved and deposited in the bank, the only gain to the depositor from saving? MONEY SAVED AND DEPOSITED IN BANK = funds for the banker to loan out on farm mortgages, land bank or other farm bonds; railroad, municipal or government bonds; or notes of farmers, merchants and manufacturers. Therefore

SAVING = assisting the farmer to raise crops; the railroads to run trains; the town, city, state or nation to build schools for the children of the depositor and his fellow citizens; or construct water works or other public enterprises. Saving also equals helping the butcher, baker and grocer to do business so that food is brought within reach of the home; and the manufacturer to make shoes, clothing and the many things people need to live.

Every saver, therefore, is not only putting away money against a rainy day and earning interest on it meanwhile, but he is also making it possible for himself and others to have the luxuries, comforts and necessities of life,—to enjoy all the advantages of a greater and better civilization. Thus through banks every saver gains a great deal more than merely interest on his money.

Basketball Games for Week are Postponed

There will be no games played in the church basketball league this week. It was announced yesterday by R. R. Boardman, physical director for the YMCA. The postponement was called on account of the DeMolay play to be given at the Grand theater tonight. The games will be played at the end of the series so not to disorganize the regular schedule.

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farmer; T. O. Kester, retired; T. A. McKee, farmer; L. H. Knight, retired; Mamie W. Fontaine, housewife; Daniel O'Donohue, farmer.

Liberty Homer P. Cleveland, farmer; Nora Westenhouse, housewife.

Macley John C. Ojnes, farmer; Harry E. Martin, farmer; Mary E. Sappingfield, housewife; Eva T. Ojnes, housewife.

Marion O. A. Doerfler, farmer; Frank E. Libby, farmer; Jennett A. Colgan, housewife; Harold E. Russell, farmer.

McKee George Weber, driller; Mary Bauman, housewife; David A. Dryden, farmer; Ego. Ballweber, driller.

Mehanna P. C. Freres, farmer; Bertha Titze, housewife; James W. Imbler, farmer; Elizabeth Taylor, housewife.

Mill City John J. Eitinger, mill hand; R. T. Short, farmer; Frank A. Taylor, laborer; Helen Saucier, housewife.

Monitor J. A. Van Cleave, farmer; Chas. A. McKee, farmer; E. R. Seely, farmer; Josephine Ballweber, housewife.

East Mt. Angel Nick G. Mickel, retired; M. D. Schmalz, Jr., merchant; Maggie A. Annon, housewife; J. W. Ebner, merchant; Celine M. Fuchs, housewife.

West Mt. Angel John Kloft, farmer; Sophia Kehoe, housewife; Fred Schwab, merchant; Jacob Berchtold, hotel.

Pringle L. W. Porter, farmer; Mabel A. Lockwood, housewife; Wm. H. Grabenhorst, farmer; Mary E. Mulkey, housewife.

Quincy Ella McMunn, reporter; Fannie E. Gouley, housewife; Arthur I. G. rod, farmer; John C. McFarlane, farmer.

Riverview E. B. Smith, miller; Eva Caution, housewife.

Rosedale Elsie Trick, housewife; Gus Cole farmer.

Croisan Jesse J. Johns, farmer; Margaret Walker, housewife.

Donald Geo. W. Case, farmer; Jose-



CAUSE FOR SERIOUS THOUGHT

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FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY

February, only two days away, is a month of famous birthdays. Already you have thought of Lincoln and Washington heroes. But there are other famous birthdays in February not celebrated as holidays, and therefore not generally known.

Charles Dickens On February 7 English boys and girls remember that it is the birthday of Charles Dickens, the great novelist, born in 1812, who wrote so many books that boys and girls love to read. David Copperfield, Oliver Twist, Little Nell and Tiny Tim are still favorite characters, though the stories in which they appear were written nearly a hundred years ago.

Thomas A. Edison The great American electrician and inventor, Thomas Edison, was born on February 11, 1847. When he was twelve years old, Edison became a newsboy on the Grand Trunk railroad, learning, on his travels, something of telegraphy. After working as a telegraph operator at various places in the United States and Canada, Edison began to invent telegraphic appliances, including the automatic repeater, the printing telegraph and the quadruplex telegraph.

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THE FUN BOX

How D'Ye Feel?

"Corkin," said the bottle. "Rotten," said the apple. "Punk," said the firecracker. "Fine," said the judge. "First rate" said the postmaster. "Grand," said the piano. "Keen," said the knife. "Ripping," said the trousers. "Juicy," said the orange. "All done up," said the shirt.

Extrad'nary!

"Father, I cawn't eat this soup." "Waiter, bring the young gentleman another soup." "Father, I cawn't eat this soup." "Waiter, bring the young gentleman some more soup." "Father, still I cawn't eat the soup." "Well, why, my son, cawn't you eat it?" "Father, I have no spoon."



Cap'n Zyb

BASKETBALL POLO Here are two boys playing basketball polo, the big game which will be explained tomorrow. Any number of fellows can play it.



POLO BASKETBALL— just so long as you have an equal number on both sides. In order to get ready for this big game, make yourself a barrel stave paddle by whitening down one end of a barrel stave so that it will be easy to carry in the hand.

This game has about as much rough. You fellows will have an action as football, but is not a lot of fun playing it. I'll give you the rules and everything tomorrow. Watch for tomorrow's paper.

state flax plant got an altogether too large supply of hemp—50 tons or more of it on hand now. But there may be a way out; perhaps a profitable way. If so, may transpose that by accident v shall fall heir to an industry great magnitude unbeknownst ourselves—through what amount to an accident. Let us hope v cannot have too many industry strings to our bow. And the hey industry was bound to come at big thing for Salem in due time anyway.

DIED

HARR—Mrs. Ralph Harr, years of age, died this morning January 29, 1924, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. Gleason, 325 South 14th street. She is also survived by her husband, Ralph Harr, and a son, Ed Harr, both of Salem. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Rigdon mortuary. Rev. W. Long officiating. The man's Relief corps will see Interment City View cemetery.

PERSONALS

Four directors of the Cory Rotary club were guests of Salem Rotarians at the Wednesday luncheon. These were ace Waltz, Mike Myers, Rex Johnson and Chris Hansen. Myers is editor of the Cory Gazette-Times.

Dr. Doney to Teach

Dr. Carl Gregg Doney of Wmette university will teach of the classes tonight at the church night program of the First Methodist church. A pot luck will be served at 6:30 with a special feature, church information contest, at 7:15. The church studying the world service times will meet at 7:30.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Like April showers. Spinach will put iron in your blood and stiffen your backbone— And our growers must specialize and produce the best spinach in the world.

When some necessary details are worked out, in a very few days, the state flax plant will be ready to contract for the growing of the 1924 crop of flax. There are more farmers ready than can be accommodated, in the light of present information and circumstances.

Salem has now a gambling ordinance that looks to be hog-tight and bull-strong—calculated to catch 'em comin' and gwine.

There are several things more important to Salem than the bringing of mountain water long distances for drinking purposes—the development of numerous water powers, for instance, for one thing. The chemically treated water now supplied in Salem is a good deal safer than any mountain water not treated. Seattle has mountain water, but it is treated chemically.

Somebody's foot slipped. The