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Our representatives are in the Philippines with American school books, but the Declaration of Independence is not among their contents. We appear to be willing to teach the Filipinos on certain lines, but not to include the great declaration on liberty and equality. It does seem we are taking the first steps to undermine American institutions by our efforts and policies in the Philippines. In short we are ignoring the teachings which are the life blood of our own institutions in our desire to instruct and help a servile race.

English stockholders drew from their investments in American breweries last year \$1,000,000 or more. This item helped to swell the excess of exports over imports by which some people gauge the prosperity of the country. Suppose the exports consisted of dividends to stockholders in England, would they continue to think the excess a barometer to prosperity or bankruptcy? The excess of exports over imports is not a "sign" to be depended on, as some people are in the habit of doing.

Governor Bliss of Michigan has begun his record in the gubernatorial office by unqualifiedly allying himself with those who are making war on the cigarette evil, and his action will do much to strengthen what bids fair to become a distinctive twentieth century crusade. In his first message to the legislators at Lansing the governor invites attention to the growing use of cigarettes as a menace to youth, and advises "the most stringent legislation possible, in order that the sale of cigarettes may be discouraged, if not prohibited." Save the youth from bad habits and the man will be able to take care of himself.

Tom L. Johnson, who made a name for fairness and faithfulness to the people when a member of congress, recently announced that he had so arranged his business affairs that he could afford to devote himself to promoting the public welfare. He has started in by declaring that he shall extend his work to the nation, "fighting for the principles of democracy, for the great principles in which I believe and with which you are all familiar. I want no office; I will accept none. I simply want to be in the ranks with the rest of you." And in the same speech he placed himself on record as being opposed to the extension of street car franchises and in favor of low fares and municipal ownership. Mr. Johnson is a man who accomplishes what he sets out to do. He is a successful business man, clean and vigorous. Tom Johnson is a democrat by nature and training and he promises to add to the gaiety of the nation in his warfare against private monopoly of public utilities. And best of all, Tom Johnson is sincere and a single taxer.

Much has been heard of Mrs. Carrie Nation and her work against the Kansas saloon in the last few weeks. The fact that she has smashed saloons and destroyed the property of other people with impunity has excited much interest and wonderment. She has been able to do this because all saloons in Kansas are unlawfully conducted and are therefore without protection that the law affords other property. Liquor selling in Kansas is an unlawful business, winked at by the officials of that state, which opened up an opportunity to Mrs. Nation and she made the most of it and became a crusader. When and where the law is ignored then and there will grow a spirit of lawlessness. So long as laws are on the statute books they should be enforced, for in no other way can law and order be

maintained and bad laws be repealed. If the laws, good and bad, were enforced the demand for law making would diminish and there would not be so much law and so little enforcement of it as at present. The remedy for better conditions lies more in the direction of delegating than legislation, and this would be made apparent if there were enforcement of all existing laws. Too much law is becoming a burden and an evil to the country, from Maine to Oregon, from the lakes to the gulf.

NEW WHEAT FOR SEED.

The introduction into this country of new hardy winter wheats and macaroni varieties means, according to experts, an increase of at least 50,000 bushels in the yield of the wheat growing sections of the great plains. It means by the introduction of these drought resistant cereals the western and other states will produce great crops.

Heretofore the general wheat crops of the plain states have been attended with a greater or lesser degree of speculation owing to the constantly recurring droughts. The United States department of agriculture has accordingly made this matter a serious study and is now prepared to lend a helping hand. Professor M. A. Carleton, the agricultural department's wheat expert, and the most eminent cereal authority in the world, has recently returned from Europe, where he made an extensive investigation into the various wheats, their cultivations, conditions of climate and soil.

In an interview regarding the introduction of new wheats into this country Professor Carleton said: "It is clear that one of the possibilities of expansion in our cereal industry lies in the direction of securing new drought resistant varieties, with which to extend the cereal producing area farther into the semi-arid region and to insure crops of larger productions."

"In my trips through Europe I found a dozen varieties of red winter and macaroni wheats that will be of special benefit to the great plains. The macaroni wheat will be of value as the spring wheat grows as well as the winter wheat because they can be grown in states from North Dakota to Texas, inclusive. The idea of increasing the area of winter wheats is of special value to Iowa and Nebraska. It will enable the farmers there to grow winter wheats in sections where heretofore they could successfully grow only spring varieties."

"The macaroni wheats can also be grown in such sections as Arizona, Idaho and the driest portions of Washington and Oregon. One important feature about these wheats is that although they need some moisture to bring them up and then one rain later on, afterward the drier it is it seems the better for them at this stage. They do well in regions where the rainfall is from 10 to 15 inches. Experiments of the department during the last season in the west show in some extreme dry localities where the ordinary wheats only yield from three to four bushels the macaroni varieties made an average of 15 to the acre."

"The introduction of the macaroni wheats means an impetus to practically a new industry in this country. As these wheats are especially adapted for the manufacture of macaroni, they will be grown on a large scale, and thus supply the great demand for this cereal, which is now imported for manufacture in this country. While this wheat is especially for the making of macaroni, it is quite generally used in Russia for bread making as well. When mixed with 20 per cent of ordinary winter wheats it makes an excellent quality of bread. Another great advantage these wheats have is that they are very resistant to our ordinary wheat rust."

"The red hard grained winter wheats introduced from Russia by the department are for bread flour. The distinct purpose of securing these wheats is to give the people of latitudes such as Iowa, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota and South Dakota a chance to grow winter wheats. The varieties have been imported from regions in Russia of piercing cold winter winds and will easily resist the dry cold climate of the states just mentioned. In our northern states where winter wheat growing has seemed impossible the ground is generally very dry and the winds drive dust away from the roots of the plants, thereby killing them. These varieties introduced will withstand and flourish under such conditions in these localities."

"These red winter wheats are very hard grained and are absolutely the very best bread grains in the world. Unfortunately they are all of the bearded variety, but so long as they are the best farmers of this country must get used to them. They are a hardy grower, and as a rule resistant to rust, although not so much so as the macaroni wheats. These winter wheats come from Crimea and North Caucasus, and the very hardest and best of all from the province of Kharkov. I have been in Europe twice and spent nearly a year in Russia, where I carefully studied these wheats and know exactly what part of this country they are most adapted to as concerns climate and soil."

"For about 20 years or more Kansas has been growing a variety called Turkey wheat. The name is very misleading when in reality it is a Crimean wheat. Many of the varieties being imported from that country are better than that they call Turkey

wheat in Kansas. That is, they are harder grained, will probably make better flour and will stand much harder winters. Because the Kansas farmers have been recently thinking of sending to Crimea for more of that wheat does not by any means signify that the wheats they have been growing out there are running out or deteriorating in any way. A number of the scientists have been working on this matter of the relation of plants to soil and climate, and say it is always a good thing to bring the seed of the same variety from another soil and climate every two or three years. Even though you bring wheat from an inferior soil and different climate a change in itself is very good. There ought to be constant exchanges of seed. "Therefore the fact that these Kansas farmers are sending to Crimea for a lot more of wheat doesn't mean that they can not raise good wheat there. They don't have to do that any more than any other state, but simply realize the advantage of importing fresh seed. They are probably getting their seed from the central part of Crimea, where the climate is different from the section where their former supply was secured. Another thing, the wheat they are getting will ripen earlier, coming from an altitude farther south."

"In the course of several years the yield of the red winter wheats introduced will, like the genuine Turkey wheats, be larger to the acre than any other winter wheat. There may be occasionally years when some of the ordinary wheats will yield more than these, but on the average, considering the different conditions of the weather, they will yield most on account of their hardiness."

"The department is carrying on numerous experiments of wheat varieties by crossbreeding and selection. Also a study of the most important diseases of wheats is being made with interesting results. During these experiments there have been tested over 1000 distinct varieties of wheat gathered from all the wheat countries of the world. For future work perhaps more than 200 other varieties will be employed. The object of the crossbreeding experiments is to produce for certain localities new varieties that are either earlier ripening, hardier, more prolific or more rust resistant than those now grown; besides such varieties, too, that can not be obtained in any other way."

"In conclusion it may be well to say that the farmers can only obtain these new imported wheats in very small quantities through the experiment stations in the states, as the department will distribute them through this source."

Prof. Carleton, having spent several years in Europe, where these wheats are extensively grown, and investigating the detailed methods of growing such crops, will be able to assist the farmers of this country to successful experiments. He says the people of the old country have battled with bad conditions of climate for so many years that now they have a complete system of agriculture of their own. They have for centuries been trying to grow wheat in that sort of climate, and now know the best methods for getting best results out of bad conditions."

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