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Just Folks by Edgar A. Guest

GARDENING

My neighbor has a garden fair and all the beds are neat and trim. But he has hired a stranger's hand to come and do the work for him; He walks among his shrubs and vines and proudly he admires them there. But he who'd come to know the flowers must give a garden constant care.

My patch of ground is not so large but I know every rose by name. And I have watched the peonies grow since first the pink shoots upward came; No stranger's hands have raked my beds and jostled these few plants of mine. For I have nurtured every shoot and guarded every trailing vine.

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WE NEED A REAL FOREMAN ON THE JOB

THE following comment on affairs political and commercial, and which contains more truth than poetry, is from the Salem Capital Journal.

Quotations of standard stocks on the New York stock exchange have dropped to the lowest level in 28 years and the market generally shows a collapsing tendency bringing ruin to thousands. And the stock panic follows immediately after the adoption by congress of the fake resolution for separate peace with Germany, which accomplishes nothing but gratifies the senate cabal which rejected the peace treaty.

Had the treaty of Versailles been ratified, and the peace of the world insured, the industrial and economic crisis would long since have passed and business been on the mend. The probabilities are that the present low market level would never have obtained.

Liberty bonds, which President Harding promised to restore to par, continue to depreciate to new low records, as a reward for patriotic sacrifice. Nothing has been done to maintain the credit of the bond issues, and no plan formulated for their restoration to par. The only action taken is that of the federal reserve bank, which side-tracked them in favor of non-taxable securities and these further depreciated them as collateral.

The emergency tariff proposed as a remedy for the farmers' ills, is in effect. It includes 7 duty on cherries—and yet cherries are selling at 4 cents a pound, or less than the tariff duty. Last year, without a tariff, cherries sold for 14 cents. And other products besides cherries given protection in the emergency measure, continue to sell at less than cost of production, illustrating the folly of the tariff cure-all.

The white house passes reconstruction up to congress and congress has no remedy except the old tariff bank of 35 years ago by which contributors to the campaign fund are rewarded by protective duties on their manufactures. And the nation is left to drift from bad to worse with the peace of the world unsettled and foreign markets vanishing and taxation for military leading to bankruptcy.

The chief trouble at Washington thus far has been lack of leadership. The president's views, as far as they have been made known, have usually been sound and broad. But he has not attempted leadership of the sort practiced by Wilson and by Roosevelt. The government needs a vigorous minded foreman, capable of shaping policies and driving them through. It is the president's natural task and it is a task that cannot be handled by any congressional soviet such as now seems to be running affairs. Congress is noted more for its incapacity than for its efficiency. It cannot even control itself. We are now hearing from various sources opinions to the effect the senate oligarchy has proven a failure at constructive work. We are going to hear that more and more unless there is a change in affairs. The president should assert himself before it is too late.

WHY BUSINESS IS SLOW

THE Chicago Tribune makes the following interesting comment on the farmer and the business slump:

Approximately half the population of this country lives on the farm or in rural communities immediately dependent upon the farms. Half the normal buying power of the country, therefore, is on the farms. More than one-quarter of this buying power, or more than 12 per cent of the total buying power of the nation, has been wiped out entirely by decrease in the value of farm products. Twelve per cent is probably above the average margin on business throughout the country. Roughly, therefore, we may say that all the normal margin of business has been destroyed by the sudden decrease in value of farm products without corresponding decrease in other commodities. Naturally business can hardly survive.

The extent of the blow to the farmers and to those lines of business dependent upon the farmers is revealed in some illuminating figures prepared by Prof. U. F. Warren of the New York State Agricultural college and incorporated by the federal department of agriculture. He says the product of an acre of cotton sold this year will bring only 62 per cent of the quantity of general commodities that it would have brought as a five year average before the war. In spite of an exceptionally large yield of corn per acre last year, an acre's yield, if sold this year, could be exchanged for only 73 per cent of the average quantity of other commodities that it would have brought as a five year average before the war. An acre of oats would buy 74 per cent of the usual quantity of other things and a bushel of oats would buy 63 per cent, the least in fifty-five years. Wheat would lead with 81 per cent, the lowest in twenty years.

It is evident that the purchasing power does not exist to give employment to the wage earning population at the present rate of industrial production costs. This is made especially emphatic when it is remembered that nearly all the raw material industries are in virtually as bad a state of depression as agriculture.

The remedy, according to the Chicago paper is to develop markets, both domestic and foreign. It contends that if demand does not elevate the price of farm products the only alternative will be to bring the price of manufactured products down to the level of the farmers' commodities.

THE OTHER FELLOW AND HIS RIGHTS

IN connection with traffic cases many unpleasant incidents occur from lack of simple human courtesy on the part of people. There is the driver, for instance, who races swiftly along a street, blaring his horn at a pedestrian and laughing when the latter jumps to safety. Such a driver is always a prospective defendant in a manslaughter case and has no business running a car. But insolence is not always at the wheel. The average motorist is considerate of others, having no desire to annoy or endanger people. But such a driver often finds people on foot who have little sense of caution and little courtesy. They make trouble and cause danger when there is no necessity for it.

If people, in cars or on foot, would think first of the other fellow and his rights there would be few traffic accidents and the world would be the happier.

Deputy Ridgway himself appears to be fairly successful as a booze finder.

Haynes on the Job



Roy A. Haynes, of Hillsboro, O., who succeeds John F. Kramer as national prohibition enforcement officer, is shown at his desk in Washington. Haynes is editor of the Hillsboro Dispatch, 40, married and—well, he doesn't wear a toupee, as the picture shows.

OBREGON SAYS CIVILIZATION IS AT THE CROSSROADS; URGES A LEAGUE OF THE AMERICANS

'No Nation Can Walk Alone,' Says Mexican President: 'Mexico Has no Grievances Against U. S.'

NEW YORK, June 23.—(U. S. S.)—The need for the nations of the New World to stand together in friendship and understanding is pointed out by President Alvaro Obregon of Mexico, in a statement prepared exclusively for the July issue of "Hearst's International." President Obregon predicts that it is only a question of time until all misunderstandings that may have arisen through mistakes of past administrations in Mexico will be eradicated.

The statement in part follows: "The civilization of one-half of the world is at the crossroads. One sign points toward a continuation of wars and unrest, the other toward peace, co-operation and a fair understanding between nations. Mexico, as well as other nations, stands today at this crossroads, and she is meditating as to the choice of her path. She has already taken the first steps along the road of peace and prosperity.

"No nation can walk alone; all need mutual understanding in order to prosper. Mexico, in her foreign relations has already cleared away many misunderstandings. Neither the people nor the government of Mexico have any grievances against either the people or the government of the United States.

"For ten years Mexico has suffered all the hardships of civil wars and revolutions. There has taken place a great spiritual and moral cleansing, though it has been terribly costly. Half a million of her sons have been killed, and much of her material property and treasure have been wrecked and ruined.

Protection is Guaranteed. "Today Mexico is ready to receive foreign investors and foreign settlers and give full protection to their rights and properties. Claims for property damages suffered during the revolution will be submitted, and a decree has already been issued fixing a certain term for submission of these claims. Mexico has no desire or intention to evade her responsibilities. The Mexican president then went on to say that Mexico is taking steps to meet her foreign financial obligations. He continued:

"Mexico approaches her whole future dealings (with outside nations, particularly the United States) with a spirit of fairness and generosity. She desires no favors that she is not willing and able to return with interest.

"Certain powerful foreign interests, notably the oil corporations, have, due to misunderstandings, compelled the Mexican government to assume an attitude of protection toward her interests. Mexico, however, is determined to act with justice. She has the unquestionable right to protect her own national dignity, patience and trust are needed on all sides."

League of the Americans. President Obregon then pointed out that 85 per cent of Mexico's foreign trade is with the United States and that Mexico exports to the United States increased from \$49,792,223 in 1909, to \$151,455,191 in 1919. The statement continued:

"Geographical proximity is only one of the many ties that bind the United States and Mexico together. Economically and historically the two countries are joined firmly and ever lastingly.

"In fact, all the Latin American countries must look toward the United States as the main factor in their commercial and industrial development. Pan-Americanism means something vital and fine. Removed from the intrigues and ancient rivalries and jealousies of the Old World, this New World must stand bound together for mutual protection and co-operation. Unconsciously their very destinies form them into a League of the Americas."

28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, June 23, 1893.)

Surveyor Kimbrell has completed a neat plat which will be forwarded to the city of Adams.

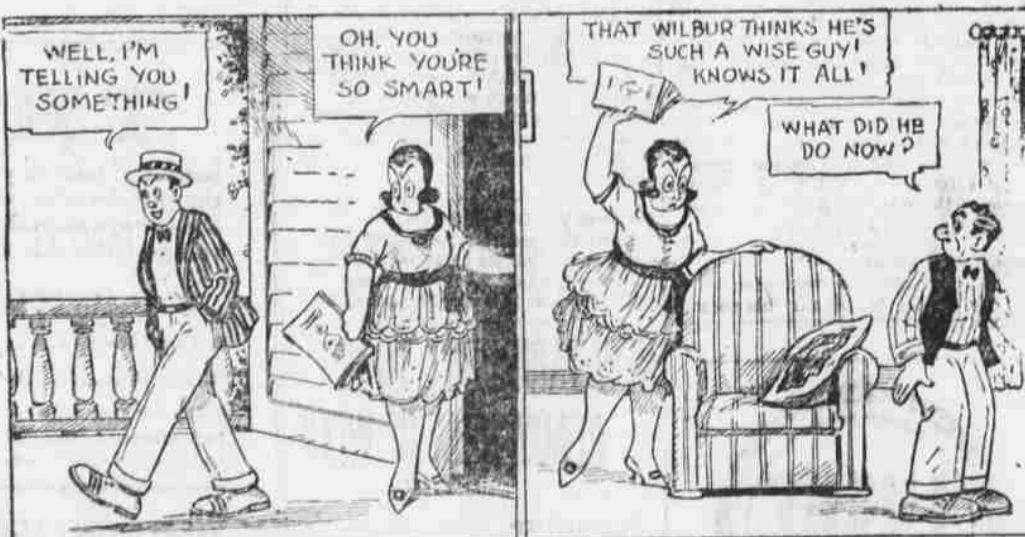
J. M. Bentley and Lot Livermore left today for McKay creek to look after the location of a county road.

Bids are being solicited for a large brick building at the Catholic Mission, to be known as St. Andrews. It will have a basement, two stories and an attic.

BEES TAKE ONE. SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.—(A. P.)—Salt Lake won the opening game from Oakland yesterday, a tight contest, by a 6 to 5 score.

BURNED IN HOME. ELMA, Wash., June 23.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Frank Smith was burned to death when her home was destroyed by fire.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS TOM STRAIGHTENED IT OUT, ALL RIGHT BY ALLMAN



HE NEVER HAS AN IDEA OF HIS OWN - HE ONLY REPEATS LIKE A PARROT WHAT EVERY BODY ELSE IS SAYING!

AN EXTRAORDINARY AND SENSATIONAL

Sale of Silks

AT

\$1.59

A YARD

Begins Here Friday Morning, June 24

One of the largest New York manufacturers and jobbers of silks made us a shipment of over \$2000.00 worth of silks to be entirely disposed of within two weeks. In order to do this we put this extremely low price on

PLAIN SATINS, MESSALINES, TAFFETAS, LINING SATINS, FANCY SILKS, STRIPED SHIRTINGS, FANCY LINING SILKS, NOVELTY GEORGETTES, BLACK SILKS AND ALL OTHERS IN A FULL RANGE OF COLORS.

BE HERE EARLY FRIDAY MORNING

to get your choice at \$1.59 yard. This sale will last for two weeks, however, early shoppers will have the better selections to choose from, so don't delay.

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Buy Now

Save \$1.40

Below Pre-war Basis \$4.85



This sweeping reduction of \$1.40 is made by the Lalley Light Corporation by arbitrarily accepting a heavy loss, believing that so drastic a reduction will result in increased sales, which will in time wipe out the loss to them.

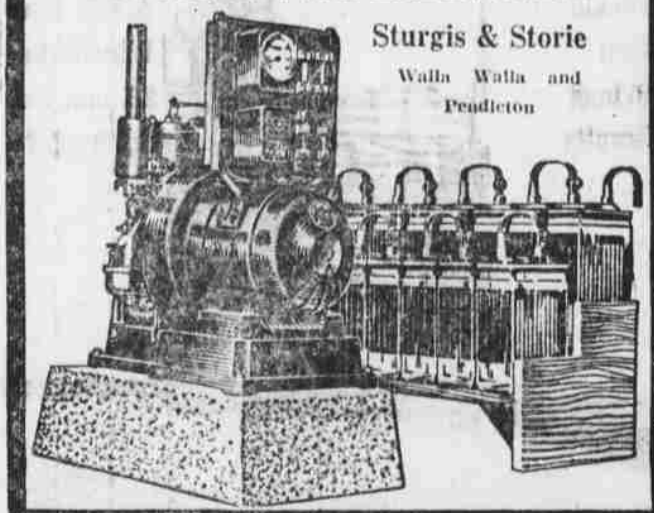
Already farmers have responded in large numbers knowing that this offer will expire May 31st., unless sufficient orders are received to keep the Lalley factories going at full speed—which only can warrant a continuance of this low price of \$4.85.

So you should take advantage of this opportunity NOW to get this highly refined Lalley Light at a price actually below pre-war level. In the New, Bigger, Better, More Powerful Lalley you get:

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The Model H Lalley, the most simple in construction
The Model H Lalley that is the most accessible
The Model H Lalley that in every respect "Does More and Does It Better"

The Model H Lalley backed by a year's guarantee
Don't wait a day longer. The time is short. Come in and see the Lalley in operation, or phone or write for full particulars. Learn how the Lalley will pay for itself.

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