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THE SITUATION IN AGRICULTURE

NOTWITHSTANDING he has produced bumper crops, the American farmer's condition is not good, according to the view taken in the monthly report on business and industrial affairs issued by the City National Bank of New York. The iron and steel industries, the clothing and shoe businesses, and the building interests are showing a slow but sure improvement. But of the condition of agriculture the report has the following:

The situation of the agricultural population is not so good. The crop yields generally are better than good, but prices are low as compared with the prices of other products. The United States and Canada together have raised about 100,000,000 bushels more of wheat than last year, but the wheat crop of Europe is more than that quantity short of last year's yield. The final figures on the last Argentine wheat crop are 180,640,000 bushels, which is somewhat higher than previous estimates, but even so the carry-over of wheat in the world was less than for a number of years.

India, however, which had no wheat for export from last year's crop, probably will have some to spare this year. If Argentina and Australia do as well as last year, there will be enough wheat to go around, but not much over. With all conditions normal, wheat would bring a better price than is now ruling, but the market drags for want of a speculative interest. The Canadian crop is a bumper, and is being marketed rapidly—more rapidly than the crop on this side of the line—and the hedge selling by dealers must be taken by speculators who have faith that wheat will be worth more money later. This is the office and service of the speculator—to carry the commodity until it is wanted for consumption. This speculative demand, added to the buying for milling and export, has not been strong enough to sustain the price at a figure satisfactory to the producers. It has fluctuated at a little above \$1.00 per bushel in Chicago, with occasional dips under that figure, bringing from 75 cents to 90 cents per bushel at country stations. These are the lowest prices for wheat since before the war. A recovery of 6 or 8 cents was made in the last week of September over the new war scare. When Russia was an exporter of wheat a threat to close the Dardanelles was a legitimate bull argument, but is not of much significance now.

The violent fluctuations in the European exchanges, and the general uncertainty that attaches to European affairs, are influences for low prices. The foreign buyers avoid long commitments and the speculative element in this country does not have confidence enough in the European demands to carry wheat on the strength of it.

EDITORIAL SIDELIGHTS

The real optimist is the householder who buys ash-barrels.—Boston Transcript.

The Sick Man of Europe has about half of the world sitting up with him nights.—Detroit News.

The last words of King Constantine of Greece: "Let George do it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Every nation seems to be in favor of debt cancellation for every other nation.—New York Tribune.

Those people who want to can fruit find sugar prices positively uncanny.—The Pathfinder Washington, D. C.).

According to Mr. Kipling, his interviews as well as his writings are fiction.—New York Tribune.

The Near East is near enough.—Detroit News.

This fall the up-to-date crooks will be picking coal pockets.—Life.

We live expensively to impress people who live expensively to impress us.—Washington News.

If Germany really wants a loan she'd better get in touch with a few American bootleggers.—New York Tribune.

We no sooner settle the troubles with our own miners than our tranquility is threatened by that Asia Minor.—Columbia Record.

They tell us that thirty different chemicals have been discovered in sea water. Outside, we suppose, the three mile limit.—New York Herald.

Doctors report a steady increase in baldness, due probably to the fact that the hair tonic is not being put to its intended use.—Indianapolis Star.

Germany hasn't got any money and won't pay any of it to the allies till she has to.—New York Tribune.

If the Senegalese wants to meet our Mr. Dempsey, he will have to come over here. There is a war on over there.—Detroit News.

TOM SIMS SAYS

You can't get on your feet again by sitting around.

"Gaston Sought"—headline, After you, my dear Gaston.

Chicago bandits robbed a poker game and the winners lost heavily.

A Boston undertaker has been convicted of selling poison beans and we can prove it.

Things are getting brighter. Even the leaves are turning.

A lark is the only song bird that sings as it flies. Others and humans sing and then fly.

Perthing will write his book on

Buzzards Bay Island, but we like him and refuse to comment.

Some towns are lucky. Two St. Louis insurance men are missing.

You never can understand women. One has had a man arrested for cruelty to a rat.

Campaign against needless accidents has been started. Have you ever seen a needed accident?

In spite of Parisian longer skirts lots of suspects still get their styles from Scotland.

Bankers know where money is. They held a convention in New York during the world series.

Due to the coal shortage, one popular winter resort will be two suits of underwear.

When a girl who takes dictation marries her boss she becomes boss and she takes dictation.

SAP AND SALT

By Bert Moses
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APARIES CONSOLIDATED AT HERMISTON TODAY

(East Oregonian Special.)

HERMISTON, Oct. 12.—Consolidation of the Jens Skovbo and the Ell Winesett aparies was announced here today by Mr. Skovbo. This will make Hermiston the home of the largest concern of this kind in the state.

The headquarters of the company which will be known under the original name of Skovbo Aparies, will have headquarters in Portland where Mr. Skovbo will be located in charge of the selling end. Mr. Winesett will be in charge of the firm here.

Skovbo and Winesett have been known throughout the state for years as the largest handlers of bees and honey in the state but until this time they have been individual operators. Both won prizes at the state fair at Salem the past three or four years.

Hunters from all parts of the state are gathering in Hermiston this week for the opening of pheasant and quail season Sunday morning. The hotels are fairly filled with sportsmen and it is expected that by Saturday Hermiston will have nearly a third larger population. Last year many hunters were unable to find accommodations at all and were forced to sleep on the floors of the hotels.

Five birds a day is the limit, or 16 during seven consecutive days. But two female Chinese pheasants may be killed in seven consecutive days. California Valley, mountain and plumed quail are protected in this county.

The football game scheduled to be played here Saturday between Hermiston high school and Columbia College of Milton, has been postponed to Friday afternoon at 2:30. Conflict with the "Ford Caravan," which comes here Saturday and the inability of the Columbia team to get here on Saturday were given by authorities as the reason for the change.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Joseph Conrad's next book will be published in the spring under the title of "The Rover."

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28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, October 13, 1894.)

Miss Myers, sister of Mrs. R. B. Beatie, is visiting in Pendleton.

C. E. Webster, O. R. & N. telegraph operator at Meacham, was married Oct. 6, at Kansas City to Miss Laura E. Churchill. They will be at Meacham November 1.

N. D. Swearingen came home Sunday from a trip to the Sound, Seattle, Tacoma and Fairhaven.

Mrs. J. H. Robbins and children are visiting with the family of W. D. Hansford. Mr. Robbins will arrive in about a week.

W. K. Sprouts, Harry Morgan, George Horbine of Pendleton and Martin Kiefer of Cayuse killed 28 grouse on the brakes near Wilbur Sunday. Some of the birds were nearly as large as a Thanksgiving turkey.

T. E. Gilliland, county commissioner, is here from his home at Ukiah to attend county court.

Mrs. Jesse Falling entertained on

Friday afternoon at progressive whist. Mrs. A. W. Nye won the lead prize and Mrs. Albert Wurzweller received the "booby". Those present were Mesdames Nye, Guernsey, Disoway, Moorehouse, Bickers, Lane, Sullivan, T. G. and John Bailey, A. D. Stillman, Robinson Taylor, Tallman, Parsons, Raley, Marshall, Burroughs, Beagle,

Donaldson, Sturgis, Fee, Hartman, Schulthis, Shiverick, J. R. and Hal Dickson, Wurzweller, Starkweather, LaDow, Vincent, Jackson, Berkeley, Vert, Kunze, Horns, Frazier, Misses Bishop, Lane, Julia and Flora Folsom, Kunze, Ella Hexter, Ella and Magie Guyer. Mrs. Falling was assisted by

Mrs. Frank Frazier and Mrs. David Horne. Jim Cash Cash well known Indian policeman was badly cut on the arm by Thomas Black another Indian whom Cash Cash was arresting for being drunk. Black was shot in the thigh by the policeman, he conducted Black to the Agency.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO P. S. MALCOLM, ESQ. INSPECTOR GENERAL IN OREGON, A. & A. S. R.

My Dear Mr. Malcolm:

You make the surprising statement under your name that "nothing is farther from the real truth" than that "the Compulsory School Bill is being initiated for religious purposes." May I therefore ask you to say what "the real truth" is and especially against whom or against what institutions the proposed measure is directed?

The Resolution of 1920 in which you say "the Oregon measure finds its inception" is as cloudy as it is bombastic. It is worded in such manner as to induce men to vote for it, without analysis, on the grounds of patriotism. A careful reading of the resolution, however, reveals a purpose which, if carried to a conclusion, would mean the extinction of all Protestant, Catholic and non-religious private schools of primary grade in the state. This you say, is for "the perpetuation and preservation of our free institutions!"

In what respect are "American principles and ideals" not inculcated by these private schools, conducted by American citizens and American churches? Have you some knowledge on this subject? If so, does it not behoove you to give the people facts—not innuendo and implication—the refuge of weak causes. For years we have seen young men and women from these private schools bringing to the active citizenship of our state a patriotism and integrity no whit distinguishable from that which characterizes the young people educated in our public institutions. We have seen loyalty to their country put to the supreme test, and they have not been found wanting (of such was Theodore Roosevelt). These are facts. They cannot be refuted by any provincialisms couched in high sounding words by self-appointed guardians of Americanism.

It is because we are Americans that we oppose this Bill. It is an invasion of private rights, an invasion of the home and of parental authority, repellent to every principle of Democracy and consonant only with the tyrannies of Medievalism. The enactment into law of this proposed measure would be no less an act of tyranny because of its being accomplished by a majority vote than if it were the deed of an autocrat of the Old World. A majority has no higher privilege, no more sacred duty, than to protect a minority in its inalienable rights.

Is it an offense against the Constitution of this country, settled by God-fearing men, that in addition to their secular studies children shall be taught to revere God in accordance with the faith of their respective parents? Because religious instruction has been banished from our public schools (of which I make no criticism), is it a part of Americanism to forbid parents, in whose life religion is the guiding principle, to send their children to private schools where they may be instructed both in the studies prescribed by the State and in the faith of their fathers?

Your letter is addressed to Masons. Allow me to call to your attention the fact that six of the thirteen signers of one of the "Negatives" in the Voters' Pamphlet, are members of that honorable body in which dissension is now making itself felt. Every Mason whom I have consulted (and I have seen many) has declared himself against the Bill, with only one exception.

Finally, Mr. Malcolm, as an American, a citizen of Oregon and of the United States, and representing many others, I wish to voice a solemn protest against adding, in the name of America, another element of animosity to the discord that now afflicts the world and threatens civilization. Never has there been so urgent a call as at present for intelligent and right-minded men to stem the tides of hatred that are now rising in the hearts of the nations of the earth, by consecrating themselves to a sincere friendliness that shall include all classes and all creeds.

I address you in my own name because I am the direct lineal descendant of thirteen generations of Puritans, the unalterable foes of the Roman Catholic Church. Creedal intolerance was the cornerstone of the religious oligarchy they built in Massachusetts. But they "built better than they knew." Ultimately the spirit of liberty in their hearts found expression in religious freedom. The progress of such freedom has been painfully slow and its cost in sacrifice beyond measure. Now a campaign of intolerance, such as you are making, which would sweep away the hard-won gains of three hundred years, is a crime against Americanism and against Christianity that can never be glossed over by mouth-filling words and unctuous professions of patriotism.

Yours faithfully,

WM. D. WHEELRIGHT.

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