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Printing is the inseparable companion of achievement.—R. T. Porter

THE FARMER

A farmer is an individual who works 13 hours a day for a living; if the undertaker gets him before he is 50 he don't even get that. He works from 5 in the morning until noon to pay his taxes and interest; he works all afternoon to pay the hired man and after supper he goes out and works till dark to try and save enough to get his wife a new dress and hat; which she must have every five years, whether she needs it or not.

Some folks farm because they like to and cannot sleep after 4 o'clock in the morning; others because they have to, and nobody cares a cuss about the rest. The farmer wakes up in the morning in spring-time amid the beautiful notes of the song birds and in the fall he wakes up as the other notes are due. In the good old days he raised barley and hops to add a little joy to life. Now in order to get a little joy he must have home brew and this necessitates catching a grasshopper, driving it a few miles and gathering up the hops.

A farmer raises a big family to help him farm; when they are young they can't help and when they grow up they go to town to drive a street car or work in a bank.

There are two kinds of farmers: Check book farmers and grass root or dirt farmers. The former have perfume on their handkerchiefs and the latter on their overalls. One makes his money in town and spends it in the country—the other in trying to save enough in the country to pay for what he has already spent in town.

A farmer tried to go through bankruptcy a short time ago and when his attorney told him that it would take \$150 to make the trip he said he couldn't afford to and would have to farm another year.

P. S.—Cheer up. The snow is gone, the sun is shining, the hens are out back of the barns scratching for a few fresh worms and we'll have fresh eggs for breakfast anyway—"Terrible Tim" in The Northfield News.

GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE

Individuality and state's rights like personal liberty, are things which have, to a very large measure been thrown into the discard on account of government supervision.

Local self-government is largely a thing of the past and our morals and virtues, personal likes and dislikes, our schools, public welfare, farm affairs, are all supervised today by bureaus each with its army of inspectors, all on the pay roll, and in addition to their personal unpopularity, add to the cost of upkeep. The federal government of the United States has gone far beyond the thoughts and desires of the original framers of the constitution and little is left to the individual or the local community or the state.

Quoting from a recent editorial in the Boise, Idaho, Statesman on this subject, that paper says in drawing a comparison, "If ya blow a baloon too big she busts". That is small talk but good sense.

The people of the United States are becoming restive under too much supervision and board control. The power is given by constitutional amendment is put over by busy minority which has a selfish and personal interest in people who are so busy attending to their own affairs that they have not time to seek to tell other people how they shall and must live, and what they may and may not do.

The statute books are jammed with laws that disregard the constitution.

The history of the world is replete with the story of many governments and people who and which have fallen from that very fault. Germany, under Bismark and the late Kaiser; France under Napoleon, the nations of Rome and Greece.

The idea of the framers of the constitution were that the people of the various states might well handle their own affairs and one state be free from the domination of another so far as their private affairs are concerned. States were to handle the details of local government while the federal government was to concern itself with foreign affairs, the army and navy and the relations between states.

"Year after year" to quote Senator Borah, "congress is lashed into passing laws which are manifestly unconstitutional and it has become to be a settled principal, apparently, that congress should disregard the constitution and leave the supreme court alone to protect it.

Congress and the courts have given to the federal government powers to the point where restlessness on the part of the people is the result, peo-

ple who are tired of being regulated, controlled, censored and told what to do. Every government which has tried it has failed. "If you blow a baloon too big she busts".

NINE NEW LAWS PROPOSED

Besides all the legislature will enact, nine measures will confront the voters at the November election.

Scottish Rite compulsory education bill, under which all children between the ages of 8 and 16 years would be compelled to attend the public schools, and elimination of all private schools.

Single tax amendments to raise all taxes on real estate.

Prohibiting the use of seines, traps or fish wheels for catching salmon and requiring that 50 per cent of salmon spawn must be planted in streams from which taken.

State income tax, providing for the raising of one half of the state taxes on net incomes.

Graduated income tax measure on all net incomes for state expenses with exemptions and deductions similar to federal income tax.

Portland exposition under terms of which Portland would levy \$1,000,000 a year for three years for financing the world's fair.

Interest rate amendment, limiting the legal rate of interest to 6 per cent and the contract rate to 7 per cent.

Two constitutional amendments to permit Linn and Benton counties to levy special taxes to pay outstanding warrants.

The state will probably vote NO on all of these bills but the Portland Fair bill.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U. S. Land office at The Dalles, Oregon, July 15, 1922.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Levi Carroll, of Irrigon, Oregon, who on March 8th, 1918, made Reclamation Homestead entry No. 019690, for 1/2 NE 1/4 (being Unit "B" Umatilla Project) Section 26, Township 5 North, Range 26 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blayden, United States Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 5th day of September, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: D. C. Chapman, Umatilla, Oregon; Hugh Grimm, G. W. Hux, and Bert Allen, all of Irrigon, Oregon.

J. W. DONNELLY, Register

Punchettes

Editor's Note: Rev. Matthews is a Presbyterian Minister in the First Church at Seattle, Wash.

The Presbyterian Church has been one of the greatest forces for liberty, education, and evangelism America has ever had. It was the author of modern representative Republican government.

I think America owes much of her government to the Presbyterian Church. She has been one of this government's greatest examples and most powerful defenders. In the old days the Presbyterian church's adherence to doctrines and principles, added to the strength, character, and integrity of American citizenship. In these latter days, it seems to me, she has come upon perilous times.

FIRST — The Presbyterian Church commits a folly and sin if she permits infamous heretics who deny the deity of Christ and the infallibility of the Bible to stay in her ranks and to occupy her



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pulpits. I insist she has no right to allow such enemies of God, of home, and of government to carry her name. I think a Presbyterian minister who denies the deity of Christ or the infallible Word of God and continues to occupy a Presbyterian pulpit is drawing his money under false pretenses. We have all taken oath to teach the deity of Christ and the infallibility of God's Word, and for that we receive position and compensation.

SECOND — The Presbyterian Church commits a folly when she becomes a meal ticket for faddists

and place-hunters who constantly devise schemes and plans and organizations to increase their power, patronage and patrimony. They live and work exclusively that they may subsist upon such efforts.

THIRD — The Presbyterian Church commits a folly when she permits her enemies to begin to build machinery and centralize her government, thereby detracting from her power.

I don't believe Presbyterians will submit to centralized power nor to dictation by agents and machines. They crushed that kind of power once. I hope they will crush it again. It must be crushed in governments and it must be crushed in the church.

The Presbyterian Church should return to the sovereignty and power and supremacy of her Presbyterian government, and to the control by her presbyteries.

Hear my plea! Awake, grand old Church of liberty, righteousness and evangelism.

poem by UNCLE JOHN

There's many a puzzlin' problem that attacks a feller's mind, when discoursin' to a Public, of a mighty various kind. There's some will differ with ye, and there's others that applaud—an' some that won't believe ye on yer oath, so help ye God! Which brings the solemn query into this here humble song: Can anything be honest—yet remain, dead wrong?\*

HONESTY

I've allers heard that Honesty was fust among the things, that took a man to Heaven, on the shiniest of wings; that a man that wuzent honest, had mighty nigh as well, consult the ticket agent for the slowest train to hell— So, a little sober thinkin' will arouse the question strong,—Can any man be honest—yet, remain dead wrong? I try to foller reason in the ideas I evolve—an' I sometimes pray fer guidance, when I've got a thing to solve. . . . I've catered more to judgement, than to tolerance or taste, in these days of much palaver where the syntax goes to waste. . . . Let me cast this humbly pebble in the philosophic pool —That Honesty is risky—in the bosom of a Fool!

Yours truly, Uncle John.



The best way to entertain a man is not to entertain him at all. Don't make yourself a long-dasher by giving him a 15-cent dinner than you always have. But give him what you have cheerfully. Then, too, your guest knows you've got to work for a living and have lots of things to do, so go on do them, telling your friend to do exactly what most pleases him till you get finished.

Don't be afraid to say what you think and don't agree if you don't agree, but don't expect your guest to agree with you because you're entertainin' him. Just widen out. Let love an' tolerance be King and Queen of the home while the great is with you, and then maybe you won't be able to throw them out after he's gone.

WHY BOARDMAN?

Because the

Climate is Good,

People are

Sociable  
Intelligent  
Enterprising

Town is New and Growing

Location Well Chosen

Half way between The Dalles and Pendleton  
On O-W Railroad  
On Columbia River

Soil Will Raise Anything

Water for Irrigation from West Extension of Umatilla Project

McKay Creek Dam

Will be built, assuring more acreage under water.

Boardman is a New Town But Not a Boom Town

Write Secretary of Commercial Club