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**Monmouth  
Meditations**



This is tag time for dogs and the canine without an official collar is headed for the boneyard.

Judging from the number of small boys who are arriving in Monmouth we stand a fair chance of being well prepared for the next war.

When action is not desired it does not require a very clever man to find a perfectly good excuse for inaction.

If the price of wood keeps on climbing it will assume a place along side other steerable articles which are lifted from time to time by the artists who operate at night with autos from the big city.

There is sense in Mr. Bailey's suggestion that he is in favor of an eight hour day providing it is eight hours of real work. Too much of this eight and six hour movement is designed to avoid doing any work at all.

By the way the burglars are taking to the country, the impression must be abroad in burglar-dom that the county districts have of a sudden acquired something worth stealing.

Nineteen feet deep without striking water, that is the record made on Stump's farm the other day when sinking a well. Yet in the east the impression is general that Oregonians have web feet, that we are happy to get an hour of sunshine in our winter rainfall. To tell them that our winter has been so dry that wells are as low as in the summer would be to invite various expressions of disbelief.

Methinks the county court will get the idea in good time that the people of the county are in earnest on the roads and highway matter.

The boom of Governor Lowden is making considerable progress at this time and he must be taken as a serious contender for the Republican presidential nomination. The weakest thing about Lowden is not so much that he is a rich man but that his money was made by his father-in-law, George M. Pullman, the man who invented the palace car. Lowden's brother-in-law is Robert T. Lincoln, son of the immortal Old Abe, so it will be noted there is a family leaning toward this particular branch of statecraft.

A reason why America can not go to the extreme of excesses reached by the Russians at present is a general possession by our public of a sense of humor. When extremists rise to heights of frenzy, whether in politics, sociology or theology, there is nothing that so soon pricks the bubble of the mania of the moment as a keen shaft of wit or satire. The following burlesque of the Plumb plan of operating the rail roads is now going the rounds and shows the fallacy of the thing better than hours of argument.

Representative Carl W. Riddick, of Montana, friend of the farming interests in Congress and himself a farmer, has had read into the Congressional Record a facetious burlesque on the Plumb railroad plan which was prepared by the American Defense Society. It is in the form of an act and is as follows:

"The government of the United

States shall have the farms appraised and shall take them over, paying the owners 4 per cent government bonds.

"A commission shall be formed to run the farms thus taken over to be composed of fifteen members, five of whom shall be farmers, five shall be farm employes, and five shall be appointed by the President of the United States. The five farmer commissioners shall be elected by the farmers. The five employes commissioners shall be elected by the farm employes. They shall hold office for two years, and their salary shall be fixed by the commission.

"The commission shall at once proceed to employ the proper persons to operate the farms, as far as possible, employing the present operators and their wives and children when working to continue on farms now occupied.

The commission shall fix the rate of pay for farmers and farm employes, but the first year the following rate shall govern:

"Farmers operating 100 acres and under shall be paid ninety cents per hour.

"For farms 100 to 200 acres, \$1.25 per hour.

"For farms 200 acres and up, \$2.00 per hour.

"Farm employes 70 cent per hour. "All farmers, farmers' wives, children and employes to work on a basic eight hour day, with time and a half for over time, Sundays and holidays.

"There shall be half holidays on Sundays.

"The commission shall fix the price at which produce is to be sold, and prices are not to be reduced until the business permits the dividing of a five per cent dividend to the farmers. Any profit above 5 per cent shall go to the United States."

Such a farmers' Plumb Plan would put the farmers in as favored a class as the railroad Plumb bill would put the railway employes. It would relieve the farmer of liability of crop failure and put the result of all such failures on the public. Its enactment would not preclude any other class from seeking like favors.

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