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The Farm Legislation Situation

THE federal farm commission and its work are becoming a subject of contention. Prospects for action by the present congress to give expression to the recommendations of the commission's report are thereby dimmed. Indeed, the time until the close of the session is now so short that it is not too much to say that prospects for action are faint, in further view of the strife that has developed and which is certain to be carried into the discussion of any proposed legislation.

The farm commission, in presenting its report to the president, made so bold as to call attention to some of the cumbersome methods in vogue in government departments whose operations directly affect the farmers, and to evidences of petty jealousies among those departments which made co-ordinated action by them in necessary ways impossible. The report set out only a little of what everybody knows to be true who has business with government departments at Washington, yet it aroused a flood of resentment and immediately became a clog upon progress of the proposed farm relief programme. Almost immediately word came out of congressional circles that it was very doubtful if farm relief legislation could be enacted at this session.

The whole work and report of the farm commission has been ridiculed by one critic as "an alibi for the administration and a lullaby for the farmer." The implication is unfair so far as President Coolidge is concerned. Anyone who has followed fully his utterances and his efforts for farm relief must be convinced that he has sincerely sought to be of help. The rock on which his efforts will be wrecked, if they are wrecked, is the one which has proved disastrous to many another worthy cause in and out of congress—politics.

Meanwhile there is two-dollar wheat. That makes the situation a little more bearable than it would otherwise be for at least some of the farmers.

"Oregon Month" in Advertising

THE Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Burlington railroads are conducting an extensive campaign of advertising in agricultural journals of the middle west and Pennsylvania whose purpose is to attract farmer residents to the Pacific northwest. Next month, March, is to be Oregon month in this campaign.

During the month a large advertisement telling in general terms what Oregon offers to the farmer will be published in fourteen farm journals whose combined circulation is approximately 3,250,000 copies. The advertisement over the signatures of the three railroads named will invite readers to send to their agricultural bureau in Chicago for a free booklet giving further details regarding the facts set out.

Primarily, and quite naturally, a purpose of the railroads in carrying on this great advertising campaign is to stimulate railroad travel westward by farmers who shall become interested in what the advertisement tells them about Oregon and who will come out to see for themselves what Oregon has. But there also is the purpose to speed development and fuller settlement of the territory advertised. Unquestionably the campaign will bear substantial results in this direction.

The Salem correspondents now predict that Governor Pierce will retire both I. N. Fleischner and Ben Dorris from the state game commission. A few days ago mention was made in these columns of the services of Mr. Fleischner to the commission. Those of Mr. Dorris have been no less important. He has given to the work tireless and enthusiastic effort. He has competent technical knowledge of the whole subject of game protection and propagation. He is of the same political party as the governor and has performed political services of value for the governor. What legitimate reason would the governor be able to give for his removal?

Friends of the federal child labor amendment in the house at Salem are said to oppose its submission to the voters under referendum. Thus its friends mistakenly play directly into the hands of the measure's opponents. They, too, oppose a referendum. Wise solicitude for the amendment prompts the hope that the senate will vote with the house for its submission under referendum. There can be no hope that the present legislature will ratify it outright.

Governor Hartley, of Washington, vetoes a bill passed by the legislature to appropriate \$400,000 to supply seed wheat to farmers whose crops were frozen in the ground. In Oregon \$1,500,000 was appropriated for a similar purpose.

Optimistic thought for today: By the time this is read, Friday, the thirteenth, will be well on its way over, and no harm done.

Eugene has three residents who know the immortal Lincoln. It is a distinction.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

The Other Evil

(Astoria Budget)
Now that Portland bids fair to secure from the legislature a law which will keep bridal couples at home for their weddings through the removal of the residence requirements, it would seem that to balance the scales of justice a law should be enacted which will prevent her divorce couples from being themselves to other counties to wash their dirty family linen.

ident. Because this county is one of the chief sufferers from the present law which permits divorce litigation to be filed in any county of the state, it is altogether proper that the delegation from this county take the initiative in the reform of the law. Clatsop and Columbia counties, also principal sufferers, may be expected to join in the movement.

Killing the Postal Bill
(Medford Mail Tribune)
Several weeks ago the United States senate passed a bill providing for salary increases in the postal service. The house of representatives refused

ed to consider the measure maintaining that the senate exceeded its authority as an executive measure must be initiated in the lower chamber. So the house drew up its own measure, which incidentally received the sanction of President Coolidge, and now the senate committee votes to substitute for this bill, the senate bill. Meanwhile the postal employees, who are perhaps the hardest-working and lowest paid individuals in the government service are sorting the mail and cancelling the stamps, without complaint and apparently without much chance of securing, within anything like a reasonable time, what all fair-minded people agree they are entitled to.

The incident is merely another illustration of why the people as a whole are disgusted with professional politicians.

There isn't a business corporation in this country which wouldn't have settled a question like this in ten minutes. If the postal committee in congress, were not more concerned with their petty political feuds and professional jealousies than with the merits of the case, they would have settled this problem, six weeks ago.

But the senate wants its way, the house wants some other way, and with election over, there is no chance of losing votes, regardless of what the misrepresentatives of the people may do.

So the two houses are having a nice cobby little fracas, while the postal bill promises to be completely lost in the shuffle.

Nero played the fiddle while Rome burned. But that was merely one evening's performance. The spectacle of congress playing horse while the public welfare is wrecked, has come to be almost a continuous performance.

Under Prohibition

(Portland Journal)
But while the bootleggers bootleg, millions of households have money they never had before, millions of wives cash the husband's pay check that the saloon-keeper cashed before, millions of children have warm clothing and plenty of nourishing food they never had before, thousands of children have books and go to school who couldn't go for lack of books before, and there's more money in the savings banks than ever before. The nation used to be drunk on booze before, but only a very small fraction of it gets drunk and goes blind on poison now. And you can't find any man of consequence who will openly say that he wants the saloon back.

Tom Sims Says

THERE are many arguments in favor of matrimony, the best two being an old bachelor and an old maid.

Some men talk so much they are effeminate.

A shiek is a man whose coat lapels wear out first.

Two can either live on love or soak their old love letters in water and sell it for sirup.

It is better to have had a platonic friendship than never to have loved at all.

Once asbestos curtains were in case the theater caught fire, now incense the show is too hot.

There are still mice, but you see silk stockings without them now.

There are two sides to every question, both of which may be wrong.

A wise man never makes faces at red-headed girls or bites a mule on the ankle.

Sometimes it is best to be sure you are right and then stop.

25 Years Ago

(From The Guard Feb. 13, 1900)
A report turned into the county court today by W. L. Cheshire and D. A. Paine, doctors, affirms the reports of a mild smallpox epidemic throughout the county, the vicinities of Crow, Panther, Mount and Hadleyville being especially afflicted. It is estimated that at least 200 cases have occurred since July 1, 1899.

Rev. C. Calvert Smoot has gone to Oakland, Cal., to attend his father who is seriously ill.

Attorneys A. C. Woodcock and H. W. Thompson are both in Salem today on legal business.

E. J. McClanahan went to Portland this afternoon on a business trip.

The steamer Eugene arrived at Harrisburg last night, unloading its freight at that point.

Wednesday A. C. Jennings will ship 170 head of sheep from Junction City to Portland.

S. E. Landis is in the city from Cottage Grove.

G. W. Hubbard came to Eugene today from Seaside.

In New York

By JAMES W. DEAN
NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—"Is there no great beauty in New York?" queries a man from Kentucky. "So much of what I read about New York concerns the ugly, the morbid, the sordid."

Come with me, old man, and we'll find some beauty.

Here we are in a great canyon of tall buildings. Look up at the sky and see a wisp of white floating like a bit of lace against the blue. The sky over an ugly city or a beautiful field is the same at high noon.

However, it is different in the morning here. We'll get up early to-morrow and see the sun rise. Dawn breaks green here. There is something in the fog and mist of the city that blows out the red to be seen in the early rural sun and brings out an eerie green.

Tonight we'll go up on a roof and see the city by moonlight. There it will lie with the look of it divided to a gentle pulsing, little puffs of steam and smoke here and there turned to silver in the magic of the moonbeam. Gone is all the drabness, the tawdry tawdriness you behold

They Aren't Happy Unless They're Showing Off!



In the daylight. Over there are great towers attenuated in the soft light and the shadows. See, they away! They seem to, like trees holding communion in an enchanted forest.

Let's go down to the harbor and watch the ships come and go. There's a square-rigger riding at anchor. Old sailing vessels, row upon row, emblems of a passing age, relics of pirates and storm and wreck and flying spray. What a picture to paint!

And here comes a dirty little tug towing a barge of freight cars many times its size. Its power is fascinating. And there goes a giant liner, bright and trim as it starts for foreign lands, seeming to beckon us to go along.

After while, when the sun goes down, the water becomes a crimson tide of the blood of the heavens. Then purple. Then gray. Then black with the night.

And there is beauty in the lives of those who live here. I want you to meet the blind man who sells papers across the way and the blind woman with him. They are husband and wife, each helping the other to see. I have never seen them but what they were smiling.

And there are thousands of homes here where a man, or a woman, or child lives and labors and sacrifices for the happiness of dear ones. I can take you along the byways of poverty where song and laughter rise above wretchedness.

Your Income Tax

This is the ninth of a series of articles explaining the income tax to the layman. It has been prepared in view of recent changes in the income tax law.

By R. A. CONKEY
Tax Consultant

FOLLOWING is a list of credits chargeable against taxes in your income return.

1. An amount equal to 25 per cent of the tax which would be payable if the taxpayer's "earned net income" (which cannot exceed \$10,000) constituted his entire net income, but in no case can the amount of the credit exceed 25 per cent of his normal tax.
2. All tax withheld at the source.
3. All income, excess or war profits taxes paid by citizens or resident aliens to any foreign country, and
4. In the case of income received from partnerships or fiduciaries, the taxpayer is entitled to his proportionate share of the preceding credits, applicable to such income.

Rowell's Comment

By CHESTER H. ROWELL

It has just been computed that it costs \$485 a year for the bare minimum subsistence—not the adequate support—of an adult man, in California. A small child or an old man is cheaper, \$30 at three years and \$200 at 75, though a baby cost \$120 the first year, including the cost of being born.

This is the bottom American standard, below which we do not regard it as "living" at all. And yet it is probably twice as high, even allowing for differences in prices, as the average standard in most countries.

Translate it into wages. It means that if we were to make the traditional "middle class" standard universal, a family of five could just get over, its most expensive period—with three grown children in the high school and not working—on \$2400 a year. Of course, families of that income or less do not go through this period that way.

There are not three grown children all dependent at once, while "nobody works but father." Or they draw on

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The Lord is My Shepherd, I shall not want. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.—Psalm 23:1, 6.

Bible Question

(Look Up the Answer)
What is said about wine?—Prov. 20:1.

Hunt's Washington Letter

By HARRY B. HUNT
(NEA Service Writer)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Senator Rice W. Means, of Denver, Colo., is a gallant gentleman.

His gallantry was proved back in the Spanish-American war, in 1898. After 27 years, the war department is issuing the official citation recognizing his gallant conduct!

Simultaneously, a citation for gallantry by Maj. Gen. Franklin Bell is awarded.

Bell, like Means, won his award by bravery in action during the war with Spain. But he died before the 27 years needed to decide on the citation had expired. The silver star, material token of the award, goes to his widow.

One cannot help but wonder whether, had Means not won election to the United States senate, his citation would have come during his lifetime.

Did his election to the senate, we wonder, single him out for special attention and thus speed up recognition of his act?

As a civilian soldier Means has no mean record. In the Philippine campaign of 1898, in connection with which he now is cited for gallantry, he won two recommendations for the congressional medal of honor, was three times "mentioned in orders" and was promoted from the ranks to a commission.

As a member of the Colorado national guard he twice won the

state trophy for being the best drilled soldier in that organization.

In the World War he was lieutenant colonel and commander of the Fortieth division school of arms, and later commanded the Fourth Infantry in the Meuse-Argonne offensive.

Magnus Johnson's charge that he was beaten for re-election by the bootleggers of Minnesota has not created much of a stir here.

Conceding the fact that bootleggers are in better standing with many members of the senate than is the pugacious farmer-labor senator, it is still true that the charges brought by Johnson against Representative Thomas D. Schall, senator-elect, are hardly convincing.

Certainly, on their face, they set up no such formidable case as was brought against Senator Earle B. Mayfield of Texas, whose election has just been confirmed after a long and tedious inquiry.

Briefly Johnson charges that with "Schall's knowledge and consent," Minnesota bootleggers were coerced into contributing heavily to the congressman's senatorial campaign fund.

The levity with which many senators discuss the charges is indicated by the observation of one that he'd "bet Schall never saw a bootlegger in his life. He wouldn't know one if he saw one."

He! He hasn't got a thing that wasn't given to him!

Model Apartment.
(London Answers)

Shaw—I understand now why the landlord called this a "model" apartment.

Mrs. Shaw—Why, dear—because it so up-to-date?

Shaw—No; because a "model" means a small imitation of the real thing.

His Error.
(Staffordshire Sentinel)

Billy returned from school bearing evidence of having had the worst of a fight.

"Billy!" exclaimed his mother "how often have I told you to play only with good little boys? Good little boys don't fight."

"Well," said Billy through his tears "I thought he was a good little boy till I hit him."

Two of a Kind.
(London Humorist)

Dan—Where are you off to, Ben?

Ben—I'm going to see the doctor. I don't like the look of my wife.

Dan—I'll come wi' ye—I don't think much of the look o' mine, either.

\$7 Argument Leads To Bitter Revenge

VIENNA, Feb. 13.—After an argument over a sum equivalent to \$7, Karl Zeidler, a pensioner aged 73, yesterday took his landlord's 18-month-old daughter to a bridge over the Danube, flung the baby to her death in the river, and then gave himself up to the police. Investigation of Zeidler's record showed that he had once been sentenced to death, the sentence being commuted to 25 years' imprisonment which he served.

Lumber Business Below Production

One hundred and eighteen mills reporting to West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending February 7, manufactured 97,012,062 feet of lumber sold \$8,300,404 feet, and shipped \$7,064,120 feet.

New business was 9 per cent below production. Shipments offset new business.

Forty-seven per cent of all new business taken during the week was for future water delivery. This amounted to 41,514,105 feet, of which 30,896,105 feet was for domestic cargo delivery; and 10,618,000 feet exported. New business by rail amounted to 1,419 cars.

Thirty-eight per cent of the lumber shipments moved by water. This amounted to 33,107,821 feet, of which

25,724,242 feet moved eastward and intercoastal and 7,383,579 feet exported. Rail shipments totaled 1,688 cars.

Local auto and team deliveries totaled 4,216,299 feet.

Unfilled domestic cargo orders totaled 137,900,402 feet. Unfilled export orders 108,707,709 feet. Unfilled rail trade orders 5,098 cars.

In the first six weeks of the year, production reported to West Coast Lumbermen's association has been \$30,919,500 feet; new business \$17,019,064 feet; and shipments 504,230,558 feet.

Phi Kappa Psi to Observe Founders' Day in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 13.—(Special)—A delegation of Eugene alumni of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and the entire active chapter at the University of Oregon will attend the annual Founders' day dinner of the Oregon alumni association of the fraternity, which will be held at the Portland hotel, Saturday, February 21.

Among the alumni are Prof. W. E. G. Thacher, Don Zimmerman, Webster Ruble, Troy McGraw and William Porter, all of the University of Oregon chapter, and Kenneth Ables, an alumnus of the chapter at the University of California.

In addition to a large number of alumni residing in this state, a large number from Washington will join the Oregon alumni association for the annual dinner.

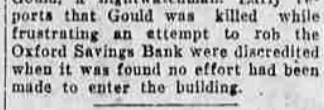
The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity was founded at Washington and Jefferson college, Washington, Pa., on February 19, 1852. The Oregon alumni association holds its annual dinner on the Saturday nearest to this date in order to allow members from Eugene to attend.

They don't seem to do it, but a young flea can go without food for two weeks.

SLAYERS SOUGHT

PONTIAC, Mich., Feb. 13.—Sheriff's forces sought six men who today fled from Oxford, Mich., in an automobile after shooting and killing Jay Gould, a nightwatchman. Early reports that Gould was killed while frustrating an attempt to rob the Oxford Savings Bank were discredited when it was found no effort had been made to enter the building.

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LAKEVIEW RAIL EXTENSION ASKED BY N. C. O. L.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 13.—Central Oregon's proposed rail development was again favored and approved yesterday when word received here from Lakeview that the road had filed with the interstate commerce commission a petition heard on a proposed extension from Lakeview to the better of the N. C. and U. S. Northern Pacific, and this move on the part of the little narrow-gauge railroad taken both here and in Lakeview is another step toward the lines in their plan to invade the central Oregon territory.

The petition to the interstate commerce commission was filed by J. McCartney, president of the proposed extension, and it is announced yesterday in Lakeview that his firm will operate a standard gauge, if permitted to make the extension. It is believed that he would then extend his line to connect with the Southern Pacific near Ocell when the latter road is completed.



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