

**LOCAL BREVITIES  
AND NEWS ITEMS**

J. W. Miller went to Portland Sunday morning.

C. A. Jacques of Garfield, went to Portland Monday.

Dr. Chas. K. Carey has leased the residence of M. J. Kerkes.

William Tucker went to the county seat Monday morning to serve on the grand jury.

Lee Bronson and little son, Beverly were here from Portland Sunday.

Joe Trachsel and Guy Grable of Springwater were Portland visitors Saturday.

Mrs. C. L. Coonrad was another visitor to Portland, Saturday from Estacada.

Mrs. P. S. Stamp, and sons Harold and Roger, were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morton were passengers on the train to the metropolis Sunday morning.

William Dale was in charge of Morton's store last Monday, during Mr. Morton's absence.

Roy Myers was here from Portland a few days last week, in the interests of the P. R. L. & P. Co.

Miss Mabel Wilcox has gone to Portland to again take a position in a wholesale millinery establishment.

Mrs. L. C. Pesson and daughter Leta went to spend the week end with friends at Oregon City, Saturday.

Miss Esther Weaver went to Portland, Saturday, also Mr. and Mrs. Dave Eshleman and little son David.

S. E. Wooster's familiar form was seen in town Saturday. He said they were getting settled in their new home in Portland.

See Mrs. Gates for piano instruction, 10 years experience. 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25, according to length of lesson. 1-26-2-9

Dr. W. W. Rhodes, osteopathic physician, located at Hotel Estacada, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 8:30 to 4 p. m. 9-8tf

Miss Mary Whiting of Garfield went to Portland Monday morning to attend the sessions of the Woman's auxiliary and the diocesan council of the Episcopal Church, which took place this week.

Paper hanging, painting, etc., last year was a major operation on the pocket book. This year with my new anaesthetic (low prices) it is a minor operation. J. W. SAUNDERS, Rt. 1, Estacada. 1-26tf

Mrs. S. C. Rickey and baby who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Woodie, for two or three weeks past, returned to her home in Troutdale, Saturday. Her husband came after her that day.

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Paint costs less than it did a year ago, so painting can be done for less. My 1922 samples of wall paper show a big reduction in prices. Why let others hold you up when I can do it better? J. W. SAUNDERS, Rt. 1, Estacada. 1-26tf

Mrs. R. G. Palmateer of Garfield went to Portland Tuesday morning to stay with her daughter, Mrs. Leata Wills, who lives on the Columbia Highway. Mrs. Wills had the misfortune last Saturday night to be severely burnt by the explosion of a gasoline lamp which she was lighting.

D. Newman, the affable clerk at the pharmacy, took the morning train to Portland, Sunday. He has his car stored in that city and went to see if it was frozen up. But as he had taken the precaution to mix some denatured alcohol with the water in the radiator it had not frozen at all.

**Local Boy in Debate**

Lewis W. Jones, a graduate of the Estacada high school, will be a member of the Reed college debating team which meets the University of Montana and the University of British Columbia in a dual forensic contest March 10. Jones, with five other debaters was chosen after a series of tryouts held in the college chapel Tuesday.

Jones has been prominent in debating at the Portland college for the past three years, and has been a member of numerous victorious teams. He was instrumental in bringing the Oregon state championship to Reed a year ago, and also playing an important part in Reed's victory over the University of British Columbia in Portland last spring. The subject of the forthcoming debate will be announced by the forensic manager within the next week. One Reed team will journey to British Columbia while the other will meet the Montana team in Portland.

**NOTICE**

Subscribers to the Estacada Packing Co., Inc. stock are requested to pay the balance due on their subscriptions. Funds are needed for the purchase of machinery and repairs to cannery building. The Estacada State Bank will accept checks and receipt for same. At the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors, certificates of stock will be issued to all who have paid.

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1-19-2-2

**Auto Tires Beat Thorns**

An old inner tube from a large sized auto tire is useful when pruning black raspberries. The berry canes should be drawn together partly and tied with binder twine so that they afford mutual support, after which they should be pruned back to a height of about 30 inches. By drawing the tube over the left arm and cutting it just beyond the hand good protection from thorns may be had during the pruning.—O. A. C. Experiment station.

W. F. Carey has sold his residence in Terrace addition to C. A. Dykeman, who comes here from near Vancouver, Washington.

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**Some Aspects of the  
Farmers' Problems**

By BERNARD M. BARUCH

(Reprinted from Atlantic Monthly)

The whole rural world is in a ferment of unrest, and there is an unparalleled volume and intensity of determined, if not angry, protest, and an ominous swarming of occupational conferences, interest groupings, political movements and propaganda. Such a turmoil cannot but arrest our attention. Indeed, it demands our careful study and examination. It is not likely that six million aloof and ruggedly independent men have come together and banded themselves into active unions, societies, farm bureaus, and so forth, for no sufficient cause.

Investigation of the subject conclusively proves that, while there is much overstatement of grievances and misconception of remedies, the farmers are right in complaining of wrongs long endured, and right in holding that it is feasible to relieve their ills with benefit to the rest of the community. This being the case of an industry that contributes, in the raw material form alone, about one-third of the national annual wealth production and is the means of livelihood of about 40 per cent of the population, it is obvious that the subject is one of grave concern. Not only do the farmers make up one-half of the nation, but the well-being of the other half depends upon them.

So long as we have nations, a wise political economy will aim at a large degree of national self-sufficiency and self-containment. Rome fell when the food supply was too far removed from the belly. Like her, we shall destroy our own agriculture and extend our sources of food distantly and precariously, if we do not see to it that our farmers are well and fairly paid for their services. The farm gives the nation men as well as food. Cities derive their vitality and are forever renewed from the country, but an impoverished countryside exports intelligence and retains unutilized. Only the lower grades of mentality and character will remain on, or seek, the farm, unless agriculture is capable of being pursued with contentment and adequate compensation. Hence, to embitter and impoverish the farmer is to dry up and contaminate the vital sources of the nation.

The war showed convincingly how dependent the nation is on the full productivity of the farms. Despite herculean efforts, agricultural production kept only a few weeks or months ahead of consumption, and that only by increasing the acreage of certain staple crops at the cost of reducing that of others. We ought not to forget that less than when we ponder on the farmer's problems. They are truly common problems, and there should be no attempt to deal with them as if they were purely selfish demands of a clear-cut group, antagonistic to the rest of the community. Rather should we consider agriculture in the light of broad national policy, just as we consider oil, coal, steel, dyestuffs, and so forth, as sinews of national strength. Our growing population and a higher standard of living demand increasing food supplies, and more wool, cotton, hides, and the rest. With the disappearance of free or cheap fertile land, additional acreage and increased yields can come only from costly effort. This we need not expect from an impoverished or unhappy rural population.

It will not do to take a narrow view of the rural discontent, or to appraise it from the standpoint of yesterday. This is peculiarly an age of flux and change and new deals. Because a thing always has been so no longer means that it is righteous, or always shall be so. More, perhaps, than ever before, there is a widespread feeling that all human relations can be improved by taking thought, and that it is not becoming for the reasoning animal to leave his destiny largely to

chance and natural incidence. Prudent and orderly adjustment of production and distribution in accordance with consumption is recognized as wise management in every business but that of farming. Yet, I venture to say, there is no other industry in which it is so important to the public—to the city-dweller—that production should be sure, steady, and increasing, and that distribution should be in proportion to the need. The unorganized farmers naturally act blindly and impulsively and, in consequence, surfeit and death, accompanied by disconcerting price-variations, harass the consumer. One year potatoes rot in the fields because of excess production, and there is a scarcity of the things that have been displaced to make way for the expansion of the potato acreage; next year the punished farmers mass their fields on some other crop, and potatoes enter the class of luxuries; and so on.

Agriculture is the greatest and fundamentally the most important of our American industries. The cities are but the branches of the tree of national life, the roots of which go deeply into the land. We all flourish or decline with the farmer. So, when we of the cities read of the present universal distress of the farmers, of a slump of six billion dollars in the farm value of their crops in a single year or their inability to meet mortgages or to pay current bills, and how, seeking relief from their ills, they are planning to form pools, inaugurate farmers' strikes, and demand legislation abolishing grain exchanges, private cattle markets, and the like, we ought not hastily to brand them as economic heretics and highwaymen, and hurl at them the charge of being seekers of special privilege. Rather, we should ask if their trouble is not ours, and see what can be done to improve the situation. Purely from self-interest, if for no higher motive, we should help them. All of us want to get back permanently to "normalcy;" but is it reasonable to hope for that condition unless our greatest and most basic industry can be put on a sound and solid permanent foundation? The farmers are not entitled to special privileges; but are they not right in demanding that they be placed on an equal footing with the buyers of their products and with other industries?

(To be continued)

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