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The world as a whole does not judge us very kindly. We are an enigma people to the populace of other nations, an enigma which they solve periodically by calling us, "money-mad," "boisterous," "quarrelsome," "unstable," "emotional," or just plain "crazy." They are prone to pick the most lurid accounts from our newspapers label them "American" and file them in a corner of their minds to be plucked out and examined when the next idiosyncrasy of the Western Hemisphere is reported.

Last year we had a registration day on which every man between the ages of 21 and 35 with a few exceptions, registered for compulsory military service. It is true that the radio devoted special time to the new draftees and a few people stayed up all night that they might be the first to register, but on the whole the day passed much as any other day.

The lurid tales of that registration which have drifted back from the other side would make your hair stand up on end: "Mass registration. People cheering in the streets. Businesses closed for the day. Bands playing. Flags waving. Drums rolling," that is the impression Europeans have of America. By golly if we had had that much fun out of it we'd register twice a month.

Perhaps that feeling is the reason why we are misjudged abroad. A foreigner points out our childish antics and instead of contradicting him—we are more likely to say "You're darn tootin'." And watch our dust from here on in." And that, though it too sounds like fun hits far wide of the expression of the true America, the most stable nation on earth. The one

with a message for mankind. A message that will din into the ears of modern tyrants as they fall, as surely as that first message in the words of Thomas Carlyle's clanged in the corridors of Versailles when Louis the fifteenth, king of France, lay dying.

"Borne over the Atlantic to the closing ear of Louis, King by the Grace of God what sounds are these: muffled, ominous, new in our centuries? Boston Harbor is black with unexpected Tea: behold a Pennsylvania congress gather, ere long on Bunker Hill, Democracy announcing, in rifle volleys, death-winged, under her Star Spangled Banner to the tune of Yankee Doodle-doo, that she is born and whirl-wind-like will envelope the world!"

The world is not enveloped, not yet. But America stands fast, holding to the principles of her birth. There is your stable America. There is your America that has never lost sight of the freedom and dignity of man, the rights of the individual, the right of self-determination. There, thru all our blustering, our boisterousness, our "Get up and go" is the thing we hold most dear. The thing that yet will rise again in Europe, in Asia, in Africa. Will rise to conquer the world while the shots of Lexington and Concord echo in mens hearts wherever they may be. There is your true America. America, the hope of the world.

Employment on the Increase

An increase of more than 45 percent in job-filling activities over the best previous year was registered by the state employment service during 1940 according to the annual report of Director L. C. Stoll. Placements were 170,569 compared with 117,019 for the previous year and 70,102 in 1938.

Much of the increase was due to more complete coverage of the seasonal farm crops where supplementary placements jumped to 107,210, although changes in reporting procedure made exact comparison in many impossible. New jobs with private firms held almost the same as reported in 1939 with 50,366 while the number of public placements fell off from 19,739 to 12,993.

Portland again led the 22 employment offices in total placements with 34,161 compared with 26,120 in the previous year. Of the 1940 total 3936 were with private concerns and 22,688 supplementary mostly in the nearby berry-growing districts of Washington and Multnomah counties.

Three other offices were close behind in placement activity, Salem had 20,755 of which 18,141 were in seasonal harvests. Ontario reported 19,166 placements with 17,549 supplementary. Klamath Falls was next with 17,262 jobs of which 10,583 were supplementary and 6,086 with private firms.

By far the biggest gain came from Ontario which increased more than

400 percent from the 3,538 reported in 1939. Great expansion of employment office activity in filling orders for workers in sugar beet, lettuce and other irrigated fields was the cause of the outstanding record.

In private placements the Albany office stood second only to Portland in reporting 7,092 an increase of 2,997 over the previous year. Placing of turkey pickers in the large poultry firms was largely responsible.

Active file of unemployed workers registered at the employment offices decreased from 42,071 to 42,013 during the year. The number of women seeking work declined from 7,881 to 7,165 while the number of men increased slightly from 34,190 to 34,848.

AAA Conference Brings Concord on Knotty Items

The spirit of cooperation was evident and all seemed willing to give consideration to the other farmer's problems.

This statement contained in one of seven committee reports adopted at the first state-wide AAA conference at Oregon state college fittingly expressed the spirit prevailing thru the three days of concentrated attention to the various features of the far program by some 200 county and state committeemen and extension agents.

The reports of the committees dealing with such things as the wheat seed, and range problems, office efficiency, crop insurance, and information work all emphasized the necessity of learning more about the local situations and adapting the program to serve best these needs.

Arrangements were made for close coordination of the work of each county committee with the forthcoming meetings in every county of the land use committees and the county outlook conferences sponsored by the extension service. It was agreed in general that the farm plan and estimate sheet sign-up this year would not begin until after each county has had its second economic outlook meeting.

The question of marketing quotas for wheat was probably given the most detailed attention following a report showing that the supplies on hand at the end of the next harvesting season will undoubtedly be considerably above the point at which a vote on wheat marketing quotas is required by law.

The conference adopted a report of the committee on wheat problems stating that "members of the group expressed themselves unanimously as being in favor of quotas." Plans were discussed for carrying word to the non-commercial wheat growers regarding the importance of favoring marketing quotas to prevent the collapse of wheat prices.

AAA officials from Washington D. C., pointed out that if a referendum on market quotas is held and the plan is voted down no government loans on wheat can be permitted for that marketing year. It was felt that the loss of the loan program would send wheat prices to record low levels, to the detriment of the entire agricultural and business structure of the country.

Work Finished on OSC Library

Placing of the brick veneer on the new three-story wing of the library at Corvallis has been completed by the contractors and work on the interior is being pushed by the contractor L. L. Quigley. L. N. Traver superintendent of physical plant and supervisor of the building construction saws that with favorable weather it may be possible to complete the addition in time for it to be used in the third quarter. The new wing on the west side of the main building will increase the library seating capacity nearly 10 percent and provide book average for five years of growth.

True humility is not an abject groveling, self-despising spirit; it is but a right estimate of ourselves as God sees us.—Tyron Edwards.

Human pride is human weakness. Self-knowledge, humility and love are divine strength.—Mary Baker Eddy.

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