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 period; but consumers were left in doubt as to the length of time they would remain undecayed after their removal from the storage rooms. Thousands of people now refuse to eat chicken or other fowl at restaurants, lest they contract ptomaine poisoning, and thousands decline to believe in an egg that has been on ice for two years; and everywhere consumers are clamoring for some sort of protection and some method of assurance that they buy for a fresh product is genuinely so.

This brings us again to the proposition of cooperative selling agencies maintained by the producer, whose guarantee would be so irrefragable as to compel entire confidence. The farmers of this country have not been slow to acclaim the hero and benefactor in every walk of life, but they would place laurels on the brow of him who would show them the way out of this Egypt of bondage to the cold storage trusts, by devising a workable system of cooperation, whereby the producer could meet the consumer face to face without the intervention of "dope," ice houses or middle men. There are Farmers' Unions in many sections; there are Granges in two score states, and there are sporadic cooperative efforts being made in thousands of communities. How to secure a united effort in this direction, so that the law of supply and demand, and not the artificially created scheme of buying low and selling high, shall rule, is the agricultural problem of the age.

Right here the public is confronted with another problem—that of transportation. Quite recently in answer to the demands of labor, the railroad companies throughout a large part of the country increased the wages of their employees. This concession was immediately followed by a notice to the public that freight and passenger rates will presently be increased. This means that the consumer pays the bill, as he invariably does under all circumstances, though he may not always know it. The increase in wages averages six per cent., but in passing the bill on to the public the rail way companies were careful to add a little for good luck, since they have it in their power to do so. The increase directly affects, since a large proportion of what they produce must find other than a local market. Though they may sell their hay and potatoes to the local dealers, the question of transportation is carefully considered by him in fixing prices.

Thus it will be seen that the planting and harvesting of farm products, attended as they are with a good many complications, and dependent to a large extent upon variable weather conditions, by no means end the farmer's troubles. A greater problem confronts him in the marketing of his crops. For most manufactured products in the commercial world the prices are relatively stable, and the manufacturer can safely predict the outlook for a year ahead. Not so with the farmer, as the difference between seventy-five cents a bushel for potatoes last fall, and thirty-five and forty cents bid the following spring, clearly prove. This renders his position most trying. Whether to sell the crop as soon as it is harvested, regardless of the condition of the market, or hold it in the hope of obtaining better prices, is a question which confronts the farmer every season, and he has no guide to aid him in reaching a decision. He can not tell when he reads the crop reports whether they have been set afloat by gamblers, or are an honest summary of existing conditions.

And so like one moving in a circle we come back to the beginning. The necessity for some protection for the man at the plow handles is evident. More drastic legislation is needed to prevent gambling in farm products, and more stringent efforts made to suppress the publication of lying crop reports. Cold storage and other devices which

regulate supply and demand in the interests of the trusts, should be stringently controlled, not only for the benefit of honest business, but in the interest of health. Above all there should be concerted efforts to secure more direct methods of selling, so that both producer and consumer may be protected not only in pocket, but in health. To paraphrase the expression of a noted advertiser the farmer should have for his motto: "From the farm direct you." This method of selling and distributing farm products and other merchandise has grown so complicated and so expensive, that distribution alone adds greatly to the cost of living. The dealers in milk who insist that three cents a quart amply compensates the farmer for its production, while they retail it for eight cents, argue that all but a fraction of the five cents difference is expended in distribution. If this is true, then it is clear that the time has come for a more direct connection between the producer and the consumer than now exists, not only with respect to milk, but as to all farm products.—Farm Journal.

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Notice is hereby given that I will, on Saturday, the 16th day of July, 1910, at the front door of the County Court House in the City of Coquille, in said County, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:  
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 By C. A. Gage, Deputy.

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