

HALSEY ENTERPRISE An independent—NOT neutral—news... By Wm. H. WHEELER

Bad liquor killed off another lot of tools in various parts of the country on Christmas. Mr. Coolidge isn't anybody's rubber stamp.

Keep Hands Off The supreme court of Wisconsin rendered a decision last month that, while given very little, if any, publicity in the press, is of utmost importance to co-operative organizations.

WE COULD STAND SHE LOSS

That 50 per cent of the wild denizens of field and woodland will have paid with their life this year because of the use of the automobile in hunting is the statement of Dr. William T. Hornaday, director of the New York zoological garden.

The Enterprise cannot indorse the doctor's eradication of the destruction of half the wild if all wild species were sent to the slaughterhouse.

competent fellow who can pro-vey every irresponsible and in-that are not private property away at all the birds and beasts present practice of blazing suit would be better than the nated at once it believes the re-and animals could be extermi-game in a year, but if the birds would die in agony from shot-gun wounds. And humanity would suffer no more from go-ing without them than it does now from going without the pierodactyl, the plesiosaurus eohippus or other extinct ex-amples of terrifying orthog-raphy and zoology.

When Henry Ford came out for Coolidge he removed the biggest cloud of uncertainty from the sky of politi-cians of both parties. Fit or unfit, he as a candidate could have polled a heavy vote, and neither party could guess from which of them he would draw the more heavily.

With an olive branch in her exten-ded hand, Soviet Russia cries "Kam-erad" to Uncle Sam. Uncle replies: "Drop that dagger you are holding behind you in the other hand and pay American citizens for the property of which you robbed them."

If Henry Ford had a crew of men drawing as much pay from him as our congressmen draw from us, and they frittered away as much time as the congressmen have this month and accomplished as little, how long would their jobs last?

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ent had been abolished in the days of her parents' infancy. "May it please the court," said Wilbur Smythe, standing before the bar.



"Madame County Superintendent, I Should Say—"

got down among the people. It's the only way I have of getting the truth." She descended from the bench, shook hands with everybody near her, and sat down by the attorney's table.

"I appear for the proponents here," said he, "and I desire to suggest certain principles of procedure which I take it belong indisputably to the conduct of this hearing."

"Have you a lawyer?" asked the county superintendent of the respond-ent. "A what?" exclaimed Jim. "No-body here has a lawyer!"

"Well, you may file your protest in writing," said Jennie. "I'm going to talk this matter over with these old friends and neighbors of mine. I don't want you dipping into it, I say!"

We consider that the law is well settled that one who maliciously induces another to breach of contract with a third person is liable to such third person for damages resulting from such breach.—C. E. Spence, State Market Agent.

Mrs. Frank Leeper went to Eugene Sunday night where she was the guest of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harry Leeper. Harry had been here Thursday.

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resumed after the noon recess, the crowd was larger than ever, but the proceedings consisted mainly in a conference of the principals grouped about Jennie at the big lawyers' table. They were talking about the methods adopted by Jim in his conduct of the Woodruff school—just talking.

By the time at which gathering darkness made it necessary for the hall-lit to light the lamps, the parties had agreed on the facts. Jim admitted most of the allegations. He had practically ignored the textbooks. He had burned the district fuel and worn out the district furniture early and late, and on Saturdays. He had introduced domestic economy and manual training, to some extent, by sending the boys to the workshops and the girls to the kitchens and sewing-rooms of the farmers who allowed those privileges.

He had used up a great deal of time in studying farm conditions. He had induced the boys to test the cows of the district for butterfat yield. He was studying the matter of a co-operative creamery.

He hoped to open to the boys and girls the wonders of the universe which are touched by the work on the farm. He hoped to make good and contented farmers of them, able to get the most out of the soil, to sell what they produced to the best advantage, and at the same time to keep up the fertility of the soil itself. And he hoped to teach the girls in such a way that they would be good and contented farmers' wives.

"An' I say," interposed Con Bonner, "that we can rest our case right here. If that ain't the limit, I don't know what is!" Jennie turned to Jim. "Now, Mr. Irwin," said she, "while you have been following out these very interesting and original methods, what have you done in the way of teaching the things called for by the course of study?"

"I'm willing," said Jim, "to stand or fall on an examination of these children in the very textbooks we are accused of neglecting." Jennie looked steadily at Jim for a full minute. "How many pupils of the Woodruff school are here?" she asked. "All rise, please!"

A mass of the audience, in the midst of which sat Jennie's father, rose at the request. "Why," said Jennie, "I should say we had a quorum, anyhow! We'll have school here. And Mr. Irwin, please remember that you state that you'll stand or fall on the mastery by these pupils of the textbooks they are supposed to have neglected." "Not the mastery of the text," said Jim. "But their ability to do the work the text is supposed to fit them for." "Well," said Jennie, "I don't know but that's fair."

"But," said Mrs. Haakon Peterson, "we don't want our children brought up to be just farmers. Suppose we move to town—where does the culture come in?"

The Chicago papers had a news item which covered the result of the examinations; but the great sensation of the Woodruff district lay in the Sunday feature carried by one of them. It had a picture of Jim Irwin, and one of Jennie Woodruff—the latter authentic, and the former gleaned from the morgue, and apparently the portrait of a lumber-jack. There was also a very free treatment by the cartoonist of Mr. Simms carrying a rifle with the intention of shooting up the school board in case the decision went against the schoolmaster.

"When it became known," said the news story, "that the schoolmaster had bet his job on the proficiency of his school in studies supposed and alleged to have been studiously neglected, the excitement rose to fever heat. Local sports bet freely on the result, the odds being eight to five on General Proficiency against the field. The field was Jim Irwin and his school. And the way those rural kids rose in their might and ate up the textbooks was simply scandalous. When the fight was over, and the dead and wounded cared for, the school board and the county superintendent were forced to admit that they wished the average school could do as well under a similar test.

Newspaper Like a Letter From Home Absent Halseyites Enjoy the Enterprise

The Jews, when they were carried into Babylon, testify: "We hanged our harps upon the willows; yea, we wept when we remembered Zion." There were no newspapers in those days, to bring them news from home. There were not even mails to bring them letters, if anyone should write. The Halseyite in other lands finds The Enterprise, if he gets it regularly, like a weekly letter from home. For \$1.50 you can send fifty-two successive copies of it to your absent relatives or friend.

F. O. Salmon writes from Rio Oso, Cal., which we suppose means Bear River, Cal., in English: "Inclosed find check for The Enterprise. We enjoy reading the news from Halsey. We are camping in a little shack near this little burg. We will be here for at least ten days yet. We have been with Mr. and Mrs. K. Klepser. They are getting along fine on the ranch they bought when they came here. They have a fine ranch. They have forty acres of alfalfa land that they can rent for \$12 per, cash."

In sending a check for her subscription Mrs. J. W. Thompson of Burns writes: "You don't know how much I enjoy this paper from a place that used to be my home. There are many friends that have passed to the other side, but there are some left yet. I want to live while I am on this side the very best I can live, and do to others as I would that they should do to me. I am glad for salvation and that it is free—so glad that I do know Jesus and have taken Him into my life. This year is drawing to a close. We will soon have to have a new clean page to begin a new year with, and I want mine to stay white and clean. I will close wishing all my friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." Mrs. Thompson's husband died at their home in Burns about a year ago.

Mrs. Frances E. Gray of Cottage Grove in sending a check says: "Very much pleased with the paper." The editor is very much pleased, also, when he receives such words of commendation, and he wishes to add that much of the appeal the Enterprise makes to former residents of Halsey is due to the efforts of friends who send in for publication reports of little home occurrences from week to week.

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