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THE RED SCHOOLHOUSE

DR. WARD, PASTOR OF THE Presbyterian Church at Halfway in last weeks Pine Valley Herald, gives voice to an almost universal feeling of dissatisfaction at the inability of the country school to cope with present day economic conditions as applied to the every day task of securing the wherewithall for an honest living.

We perfectly agree with Dr. Ward in his idea of centralizing schools, while both in Richland and New Bridge, we of Eagle are blessed with modern schools, we feel that much more could be done if by co-operation, these two schools could be brought to cover the entire valley, by a system of centralization, brought about by transporting the children to schools, thus assuring a more and more efficient corps of instructors in both instances.

The Valley also has a good High School, though through lack of proper co-operation, it still remains unhusbanded, occupying at present, the upper story of the Grammar school. High School, with its broadened scope of education, needs more facilities for the same. At the present time one may study practically all the requisite studies, for entering business, professional life, but for the greatest business of all, that of the farmer, there is not a semblance of a helpful study. This is not so for several reasons. First:—There is not the proper facilities for teaching scientific farming. Second:—The average high school professor with his high standard of academic training is not a fitting instructor in this line of endeavor, he is not a practical farmer, and you might as well expect one who is incapable of reading or writing, to teach the classics, as one who is not a practical farmer, to instruct farm boys in a study in which, by dint of hard labor, they have acquired a knowledge that would more fit them to instruct the teacher, than to be instructed by him.

When it becomes possible to employ practical farmers as well as practical business men and

professors of languages, as instructors in our schools, then will the problem of the farm boy as the farmers successor, be solved and not until then.



I callates that if an average feller would look close at himself, he would see the same fault er croppin out, he war blamin the other feller for.

I recon as how a bird you hev shot and got sizzlin in the pan is worth twenty or more that you shot at and missed.

'A leetle child shall lead them' sez the good book, yet how often tiz the case that childish inspiration is cut short by an untimely reminder that they must not cross their elders.

Say, if everyone really knew what they really think they do, wouldn't the worlds brains make a terrific weight.

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When Your Children ROMP and PLAY

HEALTHY children are hard on shoes. But shoes are cheaper than doctors' bills, and for unselfish reasons we sincerely hope your shoe bills are greater than your doctor's bills.

But we started to tell you about these new "Tess and Ted" School Shoes. These shoes for boys and girls are something new in the history of shoemaking.

Heretofore children's shoes have been mostly heavy, clumsy affairs. They were made to resist wear. The lighter weight "dress" shoes wore out in a hurry—couldn't stand the wear to which they would be subjected by a good healthy young American.

Folks never thought of the ill-comfort—sometimes suffering—they caused the young folks by cramping their feet in ill-fitting, clumsy shoes. And few of us knew until lately that nearly all the foot troubles in later years were due to just such shoes worn in youth.

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THE RURAL PRESS

The Local Paper a Most Useful Agency on the Farm—The Press, Pulpit and School a Trinity of Influence That Must Be Utilized in Building Agriculture.

By Peter Radford, Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

A broad campaign of publicity on the subject of rural life is needed in this state today to bring the problems of the farmers to the forefront. The city problems are blazoned upon the front pages of the metropolitan dailies and echoed in the country press, but the troubles of the farmers are seldom told, except by those who seek a profit by the story, and the glitter of the package oftentimes obscures the substance. A searching investigation into the needs of the farmers will reveal many inherent defects in our economic system that can be easily remedied when properly understood and illuminated by the power of the press.

The rural press, the pulpit and the school are a trinity of powerful influences that the farmer must utilize to their fullest capacity before he can

occupy a commanding position in public affairs. These gigantic agencies are organized in every rural community and only await the patronage and co-operation of the farmers to fully develop their energy and usefulness. They are local forces working for the best interests of their respective communities. Their work is to build and their object is to serve. They prosper only through the development and prosperity of the community.

Every farmer in this state should subscribe for the local paper, as well as farm periodicals and such other publications as he may find profitable, but he should, by all means, subscribe for his local paper, and no home should be without it. The local paper is part of the community life and the editor understands the farmer's problems. It is the local press that will study the local problems and through its columns deal with subjects of most vital importance to local life of the community.

A Noble Task.
 In too many instances the country papers mimic the city press by giving prominence to scandals, accidents and political agitation. The new rural civilization has placed upon the rural press renewed responsibilities, and enlarged possibilities for usefulness. It cannot perform its mission to agriculture by recording the frailties, the mishaps and inordinate ambitions of humanity, or by filling its columns with the echoes of the struggles of busy streets, or by enchanting stories of city life which lure our children from the farm.

It has a higher and nobler task. Too often the pages of the city dailies bristle with the struggle of ambitious men in their wild lust for power, and many times the flames of personal conflict sear the tender buds of new civilization and illuminate the pathway to destruction. The rural press is the governing power of public sentiment and must hold steadfast to principle and keep the ship of state in the roadstead of progress. The rural press can best serve the interests of the farmers by applying its energies to the solution of problems affecting the local community. It must stem the mighty life current that is moving from the farm to the cities, sweeping before it a thousand boys and girls per day. It has to deal with the fundamental problems of civilization at their fount n head. Its mission is to direct growth, teach efficiency and mold the intellectual life of the country, placing before the public the daily problems of the farmers and giving first attention to the legislative, co-operative, educational and social needs of the agricultural classes within its respective community.

The Power of Advertising.
 The influence of advertising is clearly visible in the homes and habits of the farmers, and the advertising columns of the press are making their imprint upon the lives of our people. The farmer possesses the things that are best advertised.

The farmer is entitled to all the advantages and deserves all the luxuries of life. We need more art, science and useful facilities on the farms, and many homes and farms are well balanced in this respect, but the advertiser can render a service by teaching the advantages of modern equipment throughout the columns of the rural press.

The farmers are in need of personal leadership. They have political leaders, but they need local industrial community and educational leaders.

The farmers' problems are pressing, for solution and the awakening is at hand.

It is apparent that the old credit system must give way to business methods in financing the crop.

The Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Agriculture is the oldest association of its kind in America. This was organized by George Washington and Benjamin Franklin in 1783.

Farming is a business proposition and the farmer is the biggest business man in business.

Don't forget the faithful old friend—the horse—remember he is prone to become tired as well as yourself.

Some of the world's first gentlemen and scholars and patriots were farmers and today some of the world's best thought is given to farming.

It is an admitted economic fact that there can be no permanent prosperity without a permanent agriculture.

An up-to-date farmer must have an accurate knowledge of today and a clear vision of tomorrow.

In this age of advancement in agricultural science there is no excuse for soil depletion to further menace the nation's prosperity.

Soil is not a dead, inert substance, as many suppose. It is an active, virile force, full of energy and power and the farmer should know his soil if he would maintain its productiveness.

Agriculture is recognized as the greatest of all industries and a prosperous, progressive and enlightened agricultural population is the surest safeguard of civilization.

Charles Howell was a Baker visitor Saturday.

J. W. Farley was in Baker last week.

G. B. Saunders attended the County Fair.