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ALBANY, OREGON, TUESDAY, MARCH 2

THE FARMER SPEAKS

Do we realize how acute the issue between country and city, the farmer and the organized laborer, is becoming? The farmers, in convention at Washington, said the cities must cease from luring or they would starve. "More work or less food!" is the farmers' slogan. Organized labor says, "Shorter hours!" A rapidly organizing husbandry says, "Longer hours!"

And the farmers propose to have it. The daylight-saving law was not defeated in congress last fall for no reason at all. The farmer had spoken; he would have no more of it. To him it means less work in the city and more of the day's post-meridian hours in which to play—in the city. Thus, when summer comes, the line between city and country will be drawn upon the clock, one time for the city and another time for the country.

The city worker means organized labor, and organized labor and agriculture are gradually getting to see things from dramatically opposite viewpoints. One reason is that the question of production is a near and vital thing with the farmer, whereas it is a more or less impersonal, remote and unimportant thing with the trade unionist in the city.

Against the city's short hours and high wages the farmer sets his face. He sees, what the contented city folks has not taken time off from the grindstone or the movie palace to see, that in our fatuous rust toward an alleged millennium for workers we are in danger of throttling production at its source. That source, of course, is the farm. That source throttled, we starve, as the farmer points out in convention resolutions.

Therefore when we look at the clock next summer, let us give a thought to the farmer and his fight to nurture production at its most essential point. Let us, by taking thought of the farmer, learn anew that it is still as true as it was in Adam's day: "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." And let us realize, before it is too late, that the farmer doesn't have to, and doesn't propose to, do all the sweating all the time.

TEACH CHILDREN CITIZENSHIP

Civic and patriotism must be taught in the lower grades of the schools, as a means of educating all children against the perils of bolshevism and anarchy. This is the opinion of one of the leading educators of the country, expressed at the convention of the National Education Association.

The big majority of children never reach the high schools, yet most school programs introduce the study of government only in the high school departments.

Of course any technical study of government is beyond the younger children of any school, but there are certain basic principles in which even the smallest can be firmly grounded. Current subjects can be handled, and should be, from the lower grades up.

One of the greatest benefits of the war is said to be that it has made men of all classes think. If that benefit is to be lasting it must show its effect in the better direction of youthful thought. Good citizenship must become an active and a beloved ideal in the child's mind, if the younger generation is to show any advance over the present one.

The critics who are condemning Hoover because he is a poor speech-maker had better be careful. The public is getting so tired of oratory, it may want him for that reason.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

Tuesday, March 2, 1920
Celebration of Independence Day in Texas.

On hundredth anniversary of the passage of the Missouri Compromise Bill.

In scores of towns and villages of Vermont, the annual "town meetings" will be held today.

Following a spirited campaign, an election will be held in Seattle today for mayor and other municipal officials.

High prices, will from the chief subject of discussion at the annual convention of the Colorado Retail Clothiers' Association, meeting today in Denver.

James W. Gerard of New York, candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, is to engage in public debate at Sioux Falls tonight with James O. Moaroe of Chicago.

A political conference of labor unions and farmers' organizations in all parts of the West has been called by the All-American Farmer-Labor Cooperative Association to meet today at Vancouver, Wash.

James Henry Jackson, a negro who on Jan. 24, 1919, shot and fatally wounded Miss Lillian Hood, a young war worker from Tennessee, is to pay the death penalty for his crime today in the District jail in Washington, D. C.

The General Council of the League of Red Cross Societies is to open its first meeting today at Geneva, Switzerland, to map out a program for the advancement of health, prevention of disease, and alleviation of distress throughout the world.

Today's Calendar of Sports

Racing
Winter meeting of Cuba-American Jockey Club, at Havana.

Winter meeting of Business Men's Racing Assn., at New Orleans.

Automobile
Opening of shows at Denver and Windsor, Ont.

Skating
Canadian amateur speed championships, at Winnipeg.

Athletics
Annual handicap track meet of the Illinois A. C., at Chicago.

Handball
National A. A. U. junior championships, at Detroit.

Wrestling
"Strangler" Lewis vs. Jim Londos, at New York City.

Boxing
Pal Moore vs. Bobby Dyson, 12 rounds, at Boston.
Eugene Brosseau vs. Rhoddy McDonald, 10 rounds, at Halifax.

The largest flour mill west of the Mississippi river has been put in operation at Astoria, Ore. The mill has a daily capacity of 4,000 barrels of flour.

Comments of the State Press

Doctor and Druggist—

A sinner suggests that it is easy enough to get a drink if you can find that sort of doctor and that sort of druggist.—Oregon Statesman.

Without the Cigarette—

We have much respect for the boys who returned from overseas without the cigarette habit. It simply shows that it can be done.—Exchange.

Political Scramble—

Never before in Umatilla county has there been such a scramble on the part of those who desire not to run for office.—East Oregonian.

Dry Summer—

Pessimists are romping around in blue glasses over the prospect of a dry summer; but who ever knew when there was not enough rain in Oregon? This is not Kansas.—Oregonian.

Eugene Might Build—

Building permits are growing heavier in Eugene, and if the attempt of certain mills to bring the price of lumber down to earth does not fail, we might have an old-time building boom. We certainly need the houses now worse than we ever have before.—Eugene Guard.

Good Example—

Just a word about cleaning up the city in advance of the spring and summer tourist traffic that will soon start bringing a host of strangers into Baker's Dirty streets, cluttered up alleys, and untidy back yards are noticed by transients, and the visitor's impression of a town may do much toward either fostering or obstructing a city's progress.—Baker Herald.

America Ignored—

Rejection of the peace treaty by the United States senate and the president's illness caused the European premiers to ignore America in territorial settlements and revert to the old imperialistic methods that the treaty discarded.—Capitol Journal.

Some Reduction—

Considerable reductions in the wholesale prices of the so-called necessities of life, in the United States, are already announced. It will be interesting to see how long it takes for the reductions to become perceptible to the naked eye of the average consumer, remarks the Christian Science Monitor.

At Upsala, Sweden, there is a curious and famous translation of the Bible into the original Gothic, which is supposed to date back to the end of the fifteenth century. It is written in silver on crimson parchment, with the headings and many of the principal passages in gold.

From Here And There

The Koreans are famed for their excellent laundry-work.

The banana and the potato are almost identical in chemical composition.

A fog in the Atlantic Ocean is generally about thirty miles in diameter. Altogether nearly three times as many men as women die a violent death.

Copy-books in some of the Japanese schools are strips of paper about a yard long.

A nutmeg-tree of the largest size will produce no more than five pounds of nutmegs.

There are believed to be eight thousand lenses in the eye of the ordinary house-fly.

The diamond has been found on all the continents and in almost every country on the globe.

In Paris and in Berne there is no thirteen in house numbers, twelve and a half being used instead.

The Russian Dominions embrace 8,650,000 square miles, or about one-

sixth of the land surface of the world. During his term of one year the Lord Mayor of London is called upon to make from eight hundred to one thousand public speeches.

There are no fewer than one hundred and ten nationalities into which the Russian population has been divided, the three great stocks being the Finns, the Tartars, and the Slavs.

A sight that never fails to attract the attention of visitors in Naples is what might be called the preambulating goat dairy. The herds of goats are driven through the streets and are taken into the houses and even up to the third or fourth story.

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