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FARMERS WORK WITH BUSINESS

A delegation from the recently organized American Farm Bureau Federation, which numbers over a million members, has been in Washington lately conferring with government department heads and with business organizations.

Among the little jobs the farmers' delegates have attended to was a visit to the Secretary of the Treasury to gain his promise for consideration of their request that income tax blanks for farmers be simplified. They talked with the United States Chamber of Commerce on the relation of the agricultural program to big business. They went to the Senate committee on agriculture and urged that body not to cut last year's appropriation. They attended the hearing of the meat packers before the corresponding House committee, and presented resolutions which had previously been adopted by agricultural associations of Iowa and Illinois. The resolutions demand "regulation of all purveyors of food, including packers, wholesale grocers and commission men, in such manner as will be fair and just to producers and consumers, as well as to the industries." They talked things over with the Attorney General.

Although it appears that there were busy days for agricultural delegates at the capital. But one thing stands out through all their efforts. That is their evident desire to co-operate with business interests for the good of everybody concerned, including the humble consumer. The farmer has been thought of as antagonistic to business and inclined to a narrow view of his own affairs. It appears now that farmers are sincerely trying to be fair, open-minded and generous in point of view and in action. The business interests of the cities will show wisdom if they develop the same spirit of cordial co-operation.

THE SIMPLIFIED HOME

A certain woman, complimented on the unfailing orderliness of her house remarked: "I wonder if it doesn't have that effect because there are so few things about. Every time I have been out anywhere I look around after I get home, and see if there isn't something more I can put away."

A glance around her rooms bore out the truth of her surmise and her statement. There was furniture enough in the room for comfort, but no more. There were a few good pictures, two or three vases and other decorative objects, that was all.

Furthermore, a little questioning on the "putting things away" revealed the fact that most articles not reserved for daily use were disposed of—given away, sold, or destroyed.

Such simplification goes far to help solve the servant problem. It is easier to get a servant to stay in such a house because the work is easier than in the more crowded domain. It is easier to get along without a servant for the same reason.

Business men are coming more and more to do away with unnecessary details. They reserve all their own energy and that of their employees for the essentials. The same plan works to the best possible advantage in the home. The more advantageously homes are conducted, the better and more contented families will live in them. This makes for the stability of society.

There is more to this parting with mere combering things than appears on the surface.

A shortage of bird houses is reported. Well, we're sorry, but there doesn't seem to be any other way—the birds will just have to sleep in the trees.

MISFITS --- HIS COLUMN

BY F. P. NUTTING

Timely Comments and Gleanings of News from Here, There and Everywhere by a Former Editor of the Democrat

One would think a "setting" goose on a nest was entitled to protection; but some revenue men who were raiding a house the other day had a different opinion about such things in that particular house, and taking the goose off the nest found a quart bottle of whiskey underneath. Elsewhere the family photograph album attracted attention, and, as sacred as an album is they entered behind its cover and found another quart bottle of whiskey.

These are just two of many schemes resorted to to defeat the prohibition law; but the prohibition enforcement revenue man is an astute fellow who goes to the bottom of things.

A wax man in a show window on Morrison St., has attracted wide attention on account of his life-like appearance. Quite a number of women, to whom anything in clothes suggests something worth while, have insisted that he is really a man posing, and one nervous woman, rushed inside to complain of the brutality of keeping a man in one position so long. The figure was made in Paris, the suit in U. S. of A.

One woman who appreciated the situation remarked: "That is the kind of a man I would like to get," suggesting the spirit of the age, the secur-

Comments of the State Press

Market to Aim at—
Pendleton's Rod and Gun Club is fortunate in having received such a substantial gift as that of the four-acre sit at Mission, donated by H. W. Collins. Mr. Collins' generosity sets a good mark for other public-spirited citizens to aim at.—East Oregonian.

Salem Slogan—
The Salem Slogan theme for next Thursday is Broccoli. Our people ought to ship car loads, train loads, of broccoli. They can make big money at it; hundreds of dollars an acre. If you, Mr. Reader, know anything about broccoli, please help. It is your duty and ought to be your pleasure.—Salem Statesman.

Does Not Work—
Another of the Vanderbilt women, married foreign, is said to be in line for a divorce. It would seem to people who balance their funds with nothing on either side of the decimal point that one could be happy under any condition with unlimited money, but it does not work out that way.—Oregonian.

Needs More—
It is our cool judgement that a married man ought to have an allowance of more than \$200 a year upon which to raise a child in making an income tax return. There was a time when the amount was ample, but not now.—Exchange.

General Dissatisfaction—
Oregon is a sample of all states. Human nature is much the same here as elsewhere, and yet we find a general dissatisfaction with legislatures, with governors with city councils.—Baker Herald.

College Plight—
Since 1913, when the present millage tax for the support of the Uni-

ing of docile hubbies, who keep their mouths shut and furnish the lucre for \$25 hats.

A man had better be wax than the husband of some woman who have been seen looking at the figure.

The crowds at the place have proven a good field for pickpockets, or rather pick-bags, for they work on the shopping bags of the enrapt women. A former Albany man, now a detective, in plain clothes, this week helped capture two of the fellows at one haul, at this particular place.

Imagination is a wonderful thing in life. One woman actually saw the wax man smile, and thus knew it was a man.

The world needs more smiles and fewer growls.

I met S. S. Bailey, a former resident of Albany for several years, called the millionaire horse man. He owned a fine string of horses, which he trained on the old fair ground track. Now he is taking things easy, occasionally going to Southern California, but declares Oregon is best. A few days ago he sold his last horse for \$2000 and is now as horseless as Washington and Broadway or an auto garage.

Mr. Bailey is an approachable man whom it is always a pleasure to meet.

University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural college was adopted, the millage income of the two schools has increased only 3.8 per cent, while in the same period the number of students has increased 150 per cent.—Eugene Register.

Millage Bill—
The Journal is right in saying that the millage bill should be approved. It is wrong in saying it will correct the teacher shortage. The trouble is not due merely to low pay. Fifty per cent of the difficulty arises from the fact Oregon has no adequate provision for teacher training. Our source of supply, the little normal school at Monmouth, provides but 10 per cent of the number of teachers needed each year. So long as this condition exists the trouble will continue. It is an inextinguishable rule applicable to any business, that when the demand is heavy and the supply short there will be a shortage.—East Oregonian.

Sister Frey who, if still living in the Cistercian Abbey at Viterbo, is a great age, has, since 1861, when received an injury to her back, been confined to such a position as to be unable to move her head, yet she was

the recipient of daily visits from bishops, and cardinals, and noble ladies, whilst the Pontiff himself regretted his inability to visit her cell. And why? Because of her wonderful powers of clairvoyance. Two of her most amazing feats were the narration to the assembled sisters of the assassination of resident Carnot and of King Humbert, whilst those dreadful tragedies were actually taking place.

When the Week-Day Grind Is Forgotten

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