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## FARM LABOR SHORTAGE.

The labor difficulty, unfortunately, is primarily one of supply at any price, and secondarily one of paying wages unprecedented in agricultural work. A newspaper recently made a survey of labor conditions in California and reports that California will this year produce smaller crops than heretofore and that the outstanding reason is the shortage and high cost of farm labor. Lands that formerly produced, it finds, will lie fallow in some instances. In others, lands heretofore used for crops that require heavy labor are being planted to forage crops that can be handled largely by machinery. Such conditions are not confined to California but are found general throughout the country.

Like reports are coming from the great wheat belts of the Inland Empire and some sections of the northwest. The farmers of the Willamette valley are also complaining of a shortage of farm labor. It is a serious problem and one for which a solution should be sought.

In another column of The News will be found a report on this matter by a prominent Springfield farmer.

## FIGHTING FOR ITS LIFE.

The stranglehold of the car shortage is shutting off the wind of the lumber industry of the whole northwestern country. The local situation does not improve and one sawmill near Springfield has been shut-down for some time on account of lack of cars to ship their finished product to market.

The freight car supply of the country is estimated to be only 60 to 75 per cent of the required number, says an authority on this subject.

Suppose the government open-

ration of banks gave the people only 60 to 75 per cent of the money needed to transact business.

Would not everybody suffer? That is just what is happening in the lumber industry and the whole northwest is suffering.

No wonder Secretary Allen of the West Coast Lumbermen's association cautions sawmills against piling up high cost stocks.

The railroad administration ordered daily delivery of 975 cars to western roads but averages less than 150 a day, according to reports.

If all the cars were equitably distributed the northwest would be getting twice as many cars for lumber.

It is said that the railroads are using the cars to replenish their coal bins and ice houses.

## REBELS PLEDGED TO DESTROY THE AMERICAN STATE.

The hardest blow that has been dealt to Bolshevism and Communism in America was Secretary of Labor Wilson's recent declaration that America is not prosecuting those agitators because they are starting a new political party in America but because they are rebels, violent revolutionaries who are preparing at this very moment to overturn this democratic government by force of arms, as in Russia.

Some very decent citizens have had doubts about this deportation business, this arrest of Americans who are thickly smeared by Bolshevism and I. W. Wism. This is a land of liberty and they don't believe in jailing other citizens for their opinions.

Secretary Wilson has knocked that argument in the head. It is not a party or a radical group of people who are being prosecuted. It is purely a case of this democratic government protecting itself against armed insurrection, protecting our one hundred million peaceable people from the horrors of civil war and the shedding of innocent blood.

Here are a couple of pieces of

proof. When this so-called "community party," whose members are now being arrested right and left, was organized in Chicago last September, it adopted the following as among its principles for "direct" action in the United States:

"Parliamentary representatives (in congress and legislatures) shall not introduce or support reform measures. Parliaments (congress and legislatures) shall be utilized to assist in organizing the working class against capitalism and the state."

And here is another:  
 "Communism does not propose to 'capture' the bourgeois parliamentary state, but to conquer and destroy it."

Still one more:  
 "The communist party alone is capable of mobilizing the proletariat (workingman) for the revolutionary mass struggle to conquer the power of the state."

## E. J. ADAMS BIG FACTOR.

A big factor in the next state legislature, provided he is elected, will be E. J. Adams of Eugene, who has announced his candidacy for the lower house vice D. M. Graham, who says he doesn't care to succeed himself.

Mr. Adams will be remembered as having served a little more than a year as state highway commissioner, where he made a marked impression in public affairs throughout the state, especially in road matters.

In Michigan, when Mr. Adams came, he was speaker of the house of representatives, to which position he was elected after having served only one term. He has an understanding of politics, legislative methods and parliamentary procedure that possibly is not equalled in Oregon. As a manipulator of members and committees, as an organizer, as a schemer of politics and as an orator and debater he is amazingly effective. And he loves the life with a love that far transcends either devotion to abstract principle or any desire for financial gain. He is certain to be a big factor in Oregon affairs if he gets into the legislature and manages to stay there. As his ideas are constructive, as for good roads or other state development, his political and legislative efficiency is very likely to be of benefit to the state. For instance—it is very doubtful whether the \$6,000,000 road bond issue would have been carried without his campaign aid.—Oregon Voice.

Mr. Adams believes that the next four years will be the greatest period yet experienced in the history and development of Oregon and he desires to take an active part in making the right sort of legislation that will insure the state coming into its own.

## Household Talks

By Hester Conklin and Pauline Partridge, Del Monte Cookery Service.

### QUICK BREAD.

When you want a really delicious hot bread and you've but a short time in which to prepare it, try this:

#### Muffins

Two cups flour, 4 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1 egg, 1 cup milk, 2 tablespoons melted fat.

Mix and sift the dry ingredients. Add the well beaten egg to the milk and stir into the dry ingredients. Add the melted fat and pour into greased muffin pans. Bake 20 minutes.

### FRUIT SUPREME

One can pineapple, 1 envelope gelatin, ½ cup cold water, 1½ cups boiling water, ½ cup sugar, 2 oranges.

Soak the gelatin in the cold water, pour on the boiling water, add the sugar and stir till both have dissolved. Cut the pineapple in pieces and add with the juice from the can to the gelatin mixture. Peel and slice the oranges and add. Pour into a serving dish and set aside in a cold place till firm. Serve with whipped cream.

Cold baked beans mashed and moistened with catsup, chile sauce or salad dressing make a delicious and unusual sandwich filling.

### SUGGESTIONS

If you would keep your flat iron in good condition, a method for cleaning that is much better than the use of powders is to rub the iron while still hot with a moist rag over which has been rubbed soap. This will clean it without harshness and give to it a lasting smoothness.

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## FOREST CLERK WILL

### TRAIN AT MARCH FIELD

William E. Naylor, a clerk in the forest service at Eugene, has been ordered to March Field, Calif., where he will take a 30 days training course for the position of airplane observer in the forest reserve work.

In connection with the air patrol for forest fire protection the coming season in Oregon, Major A. D. Smith

stopped at Eugene Saturday evening on his flight from San Diego to Camp Lewis. He made the flight from the bay city to Eugene in five hours. He continued his flight north Tuesday.

Major Smith is making arrangements regarding the aerial forest patrol service, one of the stations to be established at Eugene, with another at Grants Pass and one at Grande Ronde.

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