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EDITORIALS

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington June 29, 1915 There is war between the executive and legislative branches of the Democratic administration.

The Department of Justice has asked the United States Supreme Court to declare null and void a statute upon which the Democrat Congress labored for more than six months to enact into law.

This amazing spectacle has its origin in the clause of the tariff act proposing to give a five per cent discount on all duties imposed on merchandise imported in vessels admitted to American registry.

In its brief asking the Supreme Court to review the case, the Department of Justice severely criticises Congress for blundering.

"The congressional purpose of favoring American bottoms is obstructed by treaty provisions to the contrary," declares the argument for a review, "and Congress was fully advised of the purpose and existence of these treaties. If no precise or intelligible meaning can be given to the law in question, consistent with the manifest intention of Congress it must be held to be void and of no effect.

If the initial clause and the proviso of the section are irreconcilable," and the government so contends, "the statute is void. Better that the words used should be declared inadequate for the purpose intended than that interpretation should usurp the function of legislation.

The department still further emphasizes its belief that the act of Congress was absurd by quoting with approval the Senate committee report which rejected the offending section.

"Your committee struck out the provisions," says the report as quoted by the government brief. "It was in contravention of some nine-teen or twenty treaties of the United States. In our opinion it could have led to no good result as every other country could have retaliated and all the countries in the end would have been just a-

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S INDUSTRIAL FAIR TO BE HELD IN SPRAY SEPTEMBER 18 1915 For School Districts No. 1, 2, 4, 9 and 16, Wheeler Co. PREMIUM LIST

Table with 3 columns: 1-PET LAMB, 2-CHICKENS, 3-PIGS, 4-POTATOES, 5-WATERMELON, 6-BREAD, 7-BUTTER, 8-CAKE, 9-FLOWERS, 10-WOODWORK, 11-SEWING, 12-JELLY, 13-MUSK MELON, 14-COL. OF VEGETABLES. Includes an image of a horse.

RULES GOVERNING EXHIBITS.

- 1. Any child may make as many different exhibits as he or she desires, but only one entry for each prize. 2. In gardening, a child may have the ground plowed by some one else, but all the planting, care, harvesting and preparation of the produce for entry at the fair must be done by the child in whose name the entry is made.

the child who enters the lamb or pig must take all the care of it. If a child desires to exhibit chickens, he or she must set the hen, and after hatching take all the care of the hen and chicks. All entries must be accompanied by a certificate signed by the child's parents or guardian to the effect that the article exhibited is in every sense the child's own production, according to the intentions of the fair, which is to encourage the boys and girls to raise and make the articles by their own efforts, subject to

these rules.

3. Every boy and girl in School Districts 1, 2, 4, 9, and 16, who is under 21 years of age is eligible to enter these contests. Class A will include all over twelve years of age. Class B will include all twelve years of age and under.

4. All entries must be made on blanks which may be had at the COURIER office. No entrance fee will be charged. Exhibits must be listed by 9 A. M. on Fair Day.

For further information address, Spray School Board.

Mrs. F. A. Hale, Lavina Wagner, Mrs. Chas. Royso, Committee on arrangements.

about where they started. We were not only inviting an endless retaliation but a retaliation where our opponents would have had in nearly every case the better of it, and in many cases infinitely the better."

The development of this division between the executive and legislative branches of the Democratic administration nearly repeats history. The party is running true to form and reminds one of the division in the Democratic party during the administration of Grover Cleveland, when he refused to sign the tariff bill which the Democratic Congress had enacted after months of labor.

Last season the grasshoppers did a lot of damage to the crops of Gilliam and Wheeler counties. There are many more grasshoppers this season and unless something is done to check them the damage will be much greater this season. The Government and State have used the poisoned bran to kill them and have found it very successful. A movement is on foot now to get enough farmers interested so that we can order a carload of bran and the necessary poison and kill them off before they take the crops. Several have signed for from 500 to 2000 lbs. of bran but we lack several tons yet before the car can be ordered. Now is the time to fight them and unless

every one joins the fight the burden will be heavy for the few. Every one having grasshoppers and interested in fighting them can do so by putting in an order for the bran and poison with the County Agriculturist, Oren Beatty, Fossil, Oregon. Full directions will be mailed to any one desiring to try the poison.

GRASSHOPPERS Poison Them A FORMULA

Bran 25 lb. Molasses 2 qts. Salt 1 lb. Three lemons. Paris Green 1 lb. Thoroughly mix the bran, Paris green and salt together in dry state. In a separate vessel pour the molasses and squeeze the juice from the lemons into the molasses. Chop the pulp and skin of the lemons up fine and mix with the molasses. Dilute with two gallons of water and add to the poisoned bran mixture. Do not make a wet soggy mash but add just enough water to make a crumbly mash. This poisoned bran is to be scattered over infested land at the rate of ten pounds per acre. Avoid leaving in small piles as the stock might eat enough to poison them. Owing to the fact that grasshoppers are wingless and still in colonies where they hatched the Poison should be scattered there. In case they have scattered the poison should be scattered broadcast in strips over the land. Mix only as much as can be used on land known to be infested. More can be mixed as more grasshoppers are located.

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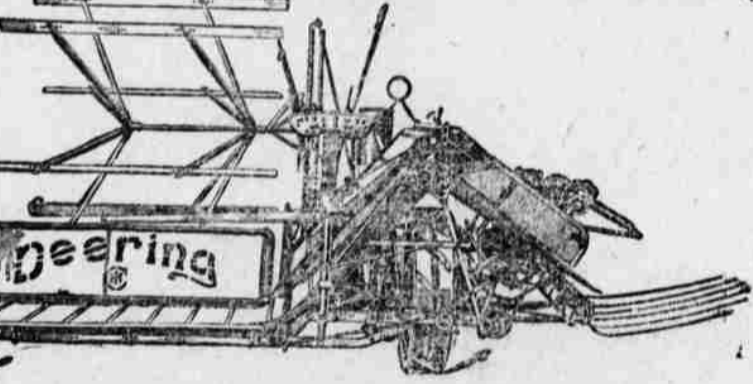
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