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Advance Guards of Industry

"Wildcatting" is a phrase which is much abused.

It is a phrase which has developed with the oil industry. The individual or company that seeks oil in new places is referred to as a "wildcatter," and in referring to "wildcatting" the practice has become too common of speaking of it in slighting terms.

There is no question but that much money has been lost in "wildcatting" ventures, and there have undoubtedly been crooked companies who have taken the investors' money for "wildcatting" just as there have been crooked companies in any other line of activity.

But the fact remains that if it were not for "wildcatting" we would not have oil for our needs today. The high price for crude oil during the past year encouraged "wildcatting" in many new localities, and as a result we have oil-producing wells today in sections of the country which never dreamed of oil a year or two ago.

An honest "wildcatter" is a public benefactor, and instead of misconstruing the term which is applied to him, the public should understand that it is these pioneers in any industry, and particularly the oil and mining, and responsible for the wealth and development of our western states today.

Accident Insurance Monopoly

The plea of eastern Oregon sawmills and lumber industries for a reduction in accident insurance rates has been denied by the State workmen's compensation commission.

It has been supposed by many that lumber industries were especially favored by state accident insurance rates but such is not the case and Oregon lumber industries claim they pay more than in other states.

The Commission "points out" that automatically new legislation that it had enacted by the last legislature 73 per cent of the lumber operators will get reductions after July 1st from 10 to 30 per cent.

Since July 1, 1916, \$509,397 was collected from the eastern Oregon lumbermen and employees, and \$445,880 disbursed by the Commission, leaving a balance of \$63,716 on hand.

Oregon has state monopoly of accident insurance, while other states allow industries to contract with competing insurance companies and get, as a rule, more favorable terms, as low as one per cent.

Slats' Diary.

By ROSS FARQUHAR.

Friday—The Teacher was explaining asterology which is sum kinda science for telling yure forchin by a star & planets and sines and etc. she tuk down my statistics like wen was 1 born & all. She looked in a book and then sed You was born under the sine of Taurus the sine of the Bull. Pug Stevens looked at Jane & wunk & she smiled, like as tho they had a joak on sum 1. I let on I diddent see them.

Saturday—Wen pa went in to the store to by a fishhook he seen a ole frend clerking behind the counter pa sed Well well well John & they shuk hands pa sed John I that you had struck oil down on yure farm & hed plenty of money. The man which was John replied & sed Bigolly I got to wirk to get money to pay my income tacks pa sed to me Slats I guess Im lucky becaws I dont haf to wirk to pay my tacks.

Sunday—All drest for Sunday skool & ma called me back & ast me did I wash my neck I sed no she sed You go wash it. I sed what for I got on my collar. She made me take it off and wash enny how. I hate Sunday. Wish I was a pirate.

Monday—pa's ant which is a ole lady cum to see us & she told pa if he wood quit swareing she wood give him a new set of golf clubs & a golf bag pa explained to her it woodent be no use to him if he had to quit swareing she diddent understand. I did. I am his caddie.

Tuesday—Got my report card today. Skool is out this coming Friday. Grade was low. Ma sed I that you sed you was a brite skolar I sed I that I was but they seemed to be a different opinion between me & the teacher. Glad they dont have gradeing in Sunday skool.

Wednesday—teacher ast Jake why the elephant lives to such a long old age. Jake sed it was becaws his

ment is so tuff.

Thursday—ma & pa bot a new bed for me which is very high pa sed it was becaws they sleep so sound. If I fall out of it they can hear me. Its so high if I ever do fall out I will be a wake before I lite.

Readjustment Coming Rapidly

The world is settling down gradually from the debauch of wartime conditions, and with a little patience we will all be back on our jobs.

There is a great deal of idleness in the highly unionized building trades, that resist reductions to prewar scales of wages.

On the other hand, with cheaper lumber and building material, building of small homes in the cities and towns is increasing in volume.

The housing problem is being solved on the open-shop plan, as mechanics cannot be held in idleness by artificial barriers but work for less pay.

Canneries are taking up the fruit crops on co-operative plans by which the industry and the growers work together in carrying the pack.

Employees of the railroads and steamship companies are taking their cuts in wages with a better grace than was expected and showing real patriotism.

The farmers are probably the worst hit by the slumps in prices and many are carrying last year's crops.

Mining and lumbering are coming back with increasing orders for metals and lumber, in the latter case faster than the mills are producing.

Gold imports continue very heavy, totaling nearly \$281,000,000 for the first four months of 1921. The importation of gold was a large factor in the marked improvement of the foreign exchanges, particularly of sterling and francs.—The Manufacturer.

Contrary to Democracy

Volumes have been written, organizations have been formed, men have been killed and industries have been destroyed fighting over the open and closed shop idea.

If the closed shop principle had been advocated when the Constitution of the United States was drawn up, it would have had scant consideration, in fact the idea would have been directly contrary to the whole theory of government as laid down by the founders of this nation.

The closed shop means just what it says, namely, unless a man pays dues and belongs to a specified organization or union controlling the workmen in some particular line of

industry, he is denied the right to work in such industry until he joins such organization or union and pays dues. In other words, a free American citizen, under the closed shop idea, would be prohibited from working at his trade until he joined the union. Also, an employer would be prohibited from hiring him on the penalty of all the rest of his help striking.

The open shop idea, which should be the only real American policy, draws no distinction between union or non-union men.

The question involved in the controversy over the open and closed shop is not a labor question at all, it is a question involving the personal rights of every American citizen.

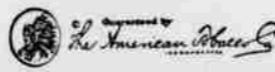
If our government denied a man the right to secure employment until he joined the Republican or Democratic party, we would no longer have a free country. Then why should one favor a principle which would deny a boiler-maker the right to earn a living at his given trade until he joins the boiler-makers' union?

Sell New Threshing Machines.

The Peoples Hardware company have disposed of some half a dozen new Case threshers to as many different farmers during the past week. This is an indication that there is to be a lot of grain threshed in this vicinity, and Manager Tash, of the hardware firm, states that the company have a number of other sales in prospect. Quite a number of new mowers and reapers have been going out and there has been a general lively trade in this line for the past week.



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