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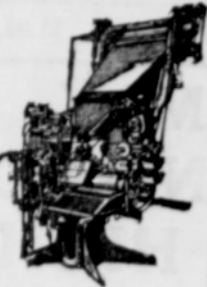
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FARMS AND SLUMS.

After quoting a contemporary which "comments feelingly" on the "unpleasant surroundings of farmer's wives," the Oregonian says editorially: "We would whisper a word of wisdom to many an ardent 'worker' in the city slums if it would be of the least use, but it would not. These Ephraims are joined to their idols and it is best to let them alone. But the fact is that the sordid misery of country life often outdoes the worst the city slum can show. A Macedonian cry for help comes from thousands of farms, and there is nobody to heed it. Every second or third farm in some parts of the United States is a slum of the worst description. Even pure air is lacking, at least by night. The family sleep with every window tightly shut, so that it is the same with them as if they slept in a room which could not be ventilated. Their food is miserably selected and cooked with dire lack of skill. Their toil is inhuman. The day's work begins at dawn or before it and continues as long as there is a ray of light. These conditions prevent anything like social life and fend off all civilizing influences. The women are slaves, the men are brutalized by sordid and hopeless toil. Their lives have no comforts. Pleasure is something of which they never dream apart from the most primitive sensual passions. "Such a life naturally falls more severely upon the women than the men. Their outlook is singularly hopeless. Day after day they go through the same round of meaningless drudgery. Modern improvements amusements, social life do not exist for them. In fact how senseless it often is to urge young people to stay on the farm. While such conditions as are outlined above may prevail in a certain few isolated sections of the United States—in the Georgia backwoods, for instance—the fact remains that the country people, the farmers generally throughout the nation are just as well educated, just as comfortable, just as happy, just as intelligent, just as prosperous and just as human as the general run of people who live in the cities. In the country the people do not huddle in so-called apartment houses; they know nothing of tenements; they do not rent a big house for show and live in two or three rooms; they do not skimp their stomachs for their backs; they do not have to be slaves of a boss; they do not have to account for every moment stolen from exacting toil; nor do they fear the landlord on rent day. Neither do they have to eat what many country dogs would refuse, nor have to pay the last nickel earned by unremunerative toil to get it. The assertion that "every second or third farm in the United States is a slum of the worst description" would be a fearful indictment if it were true, but it is not true. Neither are many of the other charges anywhere near the truth. If a few people in the country do sleep with their windows tightly shut they are mostly better off than the city dwellers who breathe fetid atmospheres and are greeted with noisome smells floating in through open casements. The primitive sensual passions which the farmers are charged with are virtues compared to the vicious sensations engendered in the red light districts, of which the country knows nothing until it gets to the city. The uncalled for arraignment of farm life demands an apology. The defenders of all that is pure do not all live in the cities, but the majority of their detractors do and it were better to study conditions more closely before making such a wholesale denunciation of something that some misguided individual 'knows very little about. Ten million China eggs are arriving on the coast. The only eggs of the china variety on sale in Gresham are the kind that are bought to coax hens to lay.

Frank S. Grant, ex-city attorney of Portland, is out for nomination for attorney general on the Republican ticket. He is a lawyer of wide experience and prominence. As city attorney for three years and three years as chief deputy he handled successfully many important legal cases for the city, notably the Broadway bridge litigation, which was carried to the supreme court of the United States involving the constitutionality of the initiative and referendum; also the Fourth street case, involving the right of the city to compel the Southern Pacific to take its locomotive off of Fourth street. Mr. Grant says he has no platform to announce other than the full and impartial administration of the law. Mr. Grant is a resident of Portland, is 40 years old. Under him F. L. Everson, formerly a resident of Gresham, was a deputy.

One of the greatest sources of waste lies in our food products, consisting of fruits, berries and vegetables, which cannot be marketed in a fresh state, this amounts to over 30 per cent, which has only to be made into by-products to find a ready market. Thus by converting what would be waste into by-products, not only is a market furnished for the farmers' surplus crops, but labor is given to a large number of women and girls, a great advantage in itself. It is a well recognized fact that what the state of Oregon needs most, are factories and a denser rural population. We have a total rural population of only 337,999, an average of 3.6 persons to the square mile for the whole state, including those living in villages of 300 and under. This certainly leaves room for new comers, and the best way to bring the people to any section, is to assure them a market for their labor and their crops. The co-operation of all parties is necessary to bring about the condition that will be for the greatest good to the greatest number, and while this will, naturally, be a matter of slow growth, we can, at least, make a start by the commercial bodies of the cities reaching out a helping hand to the producers in the country, and by so doing the cities will help themselves. In Denmark, the people have been made prosperous through an organized marketing system based upon co-operation, whereby the growers receive the greatest possible returns and an assured market for all they produce. Paradoxically as it may appear, co-operation, in practice, reduces cost of food to the consumer while it increases returns to the grower. Buying and selling lots will not build a city, but the building up of factories and industries, surrounded by prosperous farmers and fruit growers, will build up prosperous cities on a solid basis. The working up of your fruits and vegetables will, in many cases, furnish you first factories.

A Chinese baseball team has landed in San Francisco for a tour of the United States. It's a name is not given out but it won't be long before the fans will give it one. The schools of Washington are confining athletic sports to their own localities. The wisdom of this move is apparent and the idea will get over into Oregon after awhile. About time for the Sun Dials to come to life again. Where's Morrison?

SEEDTIME AND HARVEST. I've got a new seed catalogue, All full of pictures bright; No flower bed or garden patch Was ever such a sight. They make me want to seize my spade And dig from morn till night; I like my new seed catalogue, 'Tis such a wondrous sight. The roses are as big as plates, The onions are the same; To lug the watermelons round Would make a fellow lame. The beans are 14 inches long, Cucumbers 23; O, what a mess of giant stuff, Within my book I see! I'll plant a bed of everything, And then I'll watch them grow; I'll get a magnifying glass And study every row. And if I get a Summer squash As big as half a crown, I'll be the wonder of the year In this suburban town.

Weather like that of the first few days of this week breeds baseball and an eager desire to get to work in the garden.

Cottrell

Mrs. G. H. Blackburn returned Monday from an extended visit in Idaho, Michigan, Nebraska and Colorado, returning by the California route. Mrs. Blackburn had a very pleasant visit and though they had a very mild winter in the states where she visited, she says that she is glad to return to Oregon. Eugene Proctor is suffering with the grip.

Mrs. Damore, formerly of this place, died at her home in Molalla county Tuesday after a serious illness. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her death, also a mother Mrs. Decker, of Kalso, two brothers Joe and Ben Decker, and two sisters Mrs. Dan Robinson and Mrs. Frank Beers, of this place. Miss Eva Beers has been suffering for the past week with tonsillitis. Mrs. Rogers visited her daughter Mrs. Horne, of Bull Run, Wednesday.

Miss Bertha Albel, of Boring, is spending the week with Miss Maud Manary. Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Caplinger, who are moving to their farm at Lafayette visited Mrs. Sarah Jack Wednesday.

Troutdale

TROUTDALE, March 12—Considerable excitement was caused here at an early hour on Tuesday morning when a fire was discovered in the lunch room of Roy Surber. The alarm was given by some strangers who had just arrived on a midnight train. A bucket brigade was soon formed and the fire was put under control while a strong east wind was blowing. The origin of the fire is not known as there had been no fire in the stove for several days. E. B. Edmondson's saloon was damaged by water and smoke. The damage in all amounts to about \$300 fully covered by insurance. The Troutdale social club entertained in the Tiller hall on Saturday evening. The hours were passed in progressive whist after which lunch was served. Mrs. J. Alfred Larsson and Charles Bellmer received the first prizes while the consolation prizes went to Mrs. L. Helming and Victor Holm. The committee on entertaining were Mrs. A. D. Kendall, Mrs. C. A. Marjani, Miss Anna Campbell, Miss Helen King and James Knarr. Mr. and Mrs. Burdine and Mrs. Ruth Brink have returned after spending several days with relatives in Salem and Lebanon. The postoffice has been moved from the Logan building into the Larsson Bros.' building. Born, on March 5, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nasmyth, a daughter. Mrs. Eugene Terrell, of Detroit, Michigan, has been the guest of Mrs. B. F. Murray and family. Jean Larson and B. F. Murray have leased the Logan building. On the lower floor they will open up a general repair shop, while the second floor will be used as furnished rooms.

Fairview

FAIRVIEW, March 12—Mrs. C. M. Brown entertained with a tea on Wednesday afternoon in the Methodist parsonage for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid society. Those who enjoyed the afternoon with Rev. and Mrs. Brown were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Burlingame, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Province, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Brown, Mesdames D. S. Dunbar, J. W. Bencke, A. C. Simons, Roy Brown, E. E. Heslin, J. O. Davis, Claude Hurst, Charles Cowles, D. W. McKay, W. T. Brooks, Grant Shaw, J. W. Moller, A. B. Moller and Anna Swank, Misses Birdie and Annabelle Cowles, Opal Davis, Edna Burlingame, Marjory Moller, Elma Brown, Masters Donald Grant, Harold Province and "Buster Brown."

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Horses for Sale. Seven head heavy work horses, weighing from 1300 to 1600 pounds. Ages from 3 to 9 years. H. E. Davis, Mountain View Farm. Phone 21. tf

FOR SALE—Four-year-old Jersey cow. Fresh in three or four weeks. Sired by registered Jersey bull. Price \$85. Address, J. C. Deaver, Corbett, Oregon. Phone 6101. tf

BEEF CATTLE. Stock cattle and fresh cows wanted. Andrews Bros., Pleasant Home. Phone 279.

FOR SALE—Team of grey mares, 5 and 6 years old, well mated, solid built, gentle, true and sound. Phone 305, C. G. Witter, on Winch ranch.

COWS for sale—All giving milk. Also one second hand 3 1/2 inch wagon. Leonard R. Luderback, Pleasant Home, Phone 753.

WANTED—Young calves, 3 days old, bulls or heifers. Phone 756.

FOR SALE—Two fresh cows. Good milkers. S. T. Lind, R. 4, Gresham, phone 28x1.

Livestock

FOR SALE—Colt, coming 3 this spring. Very gentle, well broke. About 1300 pounds. A. G. Horberg, 1 mile north of Boring. Phone 408.

DRIVING TEAM for sale. Andrews Bros., Pleasant Home. Phone 279. tf

For Sale. Good true farm team and harnesses \$135.00. No. 2 Climax stump puller, \$45.00. Forge, anvil, vise, and drill press, \$15.00. Good steel plow \$8.00. Almost new P. & O. top buggy and harness, cost \$110.00, will sell \$70.00. Almost new 3-in. Studebaker wagon, \$45.00.

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For Sale. An ideal 15 acres, 1 1/2 miles east of Gresham. Five acres set to fruit. About 40 cherries, 40 pears, balance apples. About one and a half acres strawberries and the same in bush berries, different kinds. Soil the best. Price right; would divide. T. H. GILL, Owner. 1414 Winona Street, Portland, Ore.

FARM for Rent, 30 acres. Inquire of or address Mrs. M. Goger, Sandy, Oregon.

FOR RENT—5-room house, good apple, cherry and pear orchard, garden. Stable. Apply Jas. Lawrence, Gresham. Phone 313. tf

FOR RENT—25-acre farm lying on Powell street inside city limits. E. E. Elliott, Gresham, R. D. 2, Phone 264. *6

Miscellaneous.

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FOR SALE—Gooseberries, Oregon Champion, one year from cuttings. Price \$1.00 per 100. T. H. Gill, Call E. W. Unis. Phone 33x. *4

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