

LURE OF LAND CALLS COLLEGIANS

President Kerr of Corvallis College Points Out Growing Attraction Fruitraising and Horticulture Has for University Graduates.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., July 18.—A new publication of President W. J. Kerr of the Oregon Agricultural college just off the press, on "Some Land Grant College Problems," upon which subject he addressed the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations in Washington, D. C., last November, when he was president of the association, makes some interesting statements regarding the change in the far farmer's outlook, and the increased dignity of his profession.

"The mighty changes wrought during decades in the conditions affecting rural life have largely changed the farmer's outlook and re-directed his ambitions," says Mr. Kerr. "Through the work of the agricultural colleges in training leaders in agricultural instruction, research and investigation, and directly with the farmers through the various extension agencies, the tillage of the soil has become more lucrative and dignified, and, therefore, more attractive. The opportunities of country life are greater than ever before. There is a great awakening to the importance of husbandry. Many educated men are leaving the cities and professions to engage in different lines of agricultural activity.

"In Oregon, for instance, there are hundreds of college and university graduates engaged in fruit culture, any many others are employed in other lines of farming. While the demand for men in experiment station work and as instructors in agricultural colleges and high schools is greater than the supply, yet many of the graduates from the agricultural courses in the Oregon Agricultural college are, from choice, going directly from this institution back to the farm.

"In Hood river there is a university club of 125 members. The secretary of the club reports that 117 of these own fruit lands, while the other eight are practicing law or medicine.

SPRECKLES TELLS OF SUGAR TRUST

Declares That Stockholders Were Virtually Robbed of \$5,000,000— Tells of Ancient War and of Truce Which Followed.

NEW YORK, July 22.—That stockholders in the sugar trust were milked of \$5,000,000 for the benefit of Henry O. Havemeyer, Theodore Havemeyer, John Searles and his father Claus Spreckels, was declared before the house Hardwick committee, which is investigating the sugar industry by Claus Spreckels, junior.

Explaining his charge, the son of the one time sugar king who today is president of the Federal Sugar Refining Company, said:

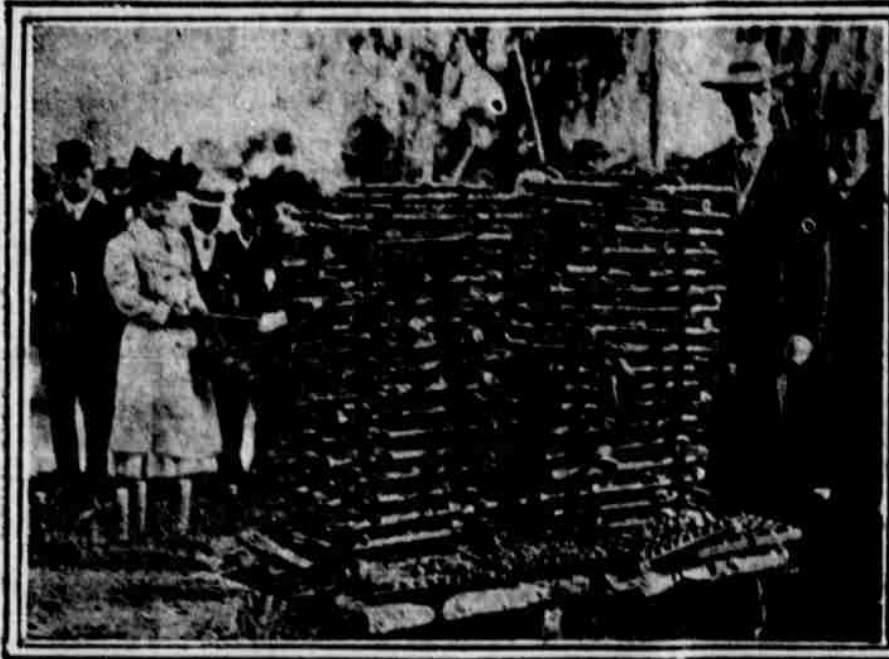
"The sugar trust and my father's companies, especially the Federal and Philadelphia Refining Companies, fought each other ruthlessly from 1888 to 1892. Then a truce was declared and my father agreed to sell 45 per cent of his stock in the Federal Company. It carried control. When he came to Newark he found that the Havemeyers and Searles wanted to purchase his stock on a valuation of \$5,000,000 for the entire plant. The reason for this was learned months later when the stockholders of the trust voted to pay \$10,000,000 in cash for the property and it was unloaded at that figure."

Spreckels testified that Searles later forced him out of the management of the Federal company. He said that Searles order to reduce the production of the company and advance prices which he refused to do.

Among the institutions represented in this club are Harvard, Yale, Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, California besides different agriculture and medical colleges.

"In Medford the University club numbers 120, a majority of whom, according to the secretary, are engaged in fruit growing or general farming. Five foreign and 40 prominent American colleges and universities are represented. For instance, there are 13 from Yale, seven from Harvard, seven from Minnesota, five from Michigan, five from Cornell, and so on."

WEIRD CAMPAIGN AGAINST USE OF OPIUM BEGUN BY CHINA



LARGE STACK OF OPIUM PIPES GIVEN UP BY THEIR OWNERS AND ABOUT TO BE BURNED.

Human heads in baskets and ears skewered on sticks testify in silent, eloquent voice that the Chinese government is bent upon extirpating opium, says a despatch from Shanghai. The unsheathed sword is being carried to the poppy fields of Central and Western China, and the blood of those who insist upon defying the imperial edict of prohibiting the manufacture of opium is flowing as evidence that the government meant business when it entered into a compact with the British government in 1907 to suppress poppy cultivation.



A POPPY HEAD, FROM WHICH OPIUM IS PRODUCED.

FATAL FOREST FIRE CAUSED BY CIGARETTE

PORCUPINE, Ont., July 22.—Chief Forester Atkinson of the Dominion conservation association, after a thorough investigation on the spot, declares that the recent fire which resulted in the loss of 770 lives, was in all probability caused by a cigarette.

Lisbon Fears Invasion.

RADAJOSE, July 22.—Dispatches by couriers from Lisbon say the Portuguese capital is in hourly dread of an invasion of royalist troops from the north with the idea of again placing King Manuel on the throne. It is said that a revolt in Lisbon will begin as soon as the royalists enter the country.

Captain Coucieres is said to be at the head of the royalist forces, which are reported to be massing in Galicia. They are declared to be armed with German and Belgian rifles and to have a good supply of ammunition and field guns.

SON GOES TO BURY BODY OF MOTHER

CHICAGO, Ill., July 22.—Despite his father's refusal to mix in the matter at all, Selyn Edgar, Jurlo, today, is hurrying toward Chicago from Tarrytown, N. Y., to take charge of the body of his mother, who was killed here by an automobile and whose identity as the divorced wife of the St. Louis millionaire, had been shrouded in her role as a domestic. Young Edgar has not seen his mother since the divorce, twenty-five years ago.

MAMA DON'T LIKE BRIDE: STOPS SON'S ALLOWANCE

SAN MATEO, Cal., July 22.—His allowance stopped by a disgruntled parent, Clarence Walker, the young millionaire aviator, heir to a \$1,500,000 estate now in litigation was today forced to bring his honeymoon trip to a sudden end because of lack of funds. Walker's mother strongly disapproved of her son's marriage to Miss Caroline Given.

BOATS COLLIDE ON COLUMBIA; ONE SINKS

PORTLAND, Ore., July 22.—Barely escaping with their lives, the crew of the Shaven Transportation Company Steamer M. F. Henderson leaped from the craft as she was sinking in the Columbia river near Clifton today, following a collision with the tug Sampson and three rock barges.

The Henderson had practically her whole side torn out and sank within a few minutes after being struck. The boat was valued at about \$50,000.

Captain Stinsen, master of the Henderson, telephoned the news to the company's office here, but gave few details of the collision.

NOTICE.

There will be a meeting Tuesday afternoon at 4 at the Baptist church, of the ladies of the town who are interested in a Greater Medford morally. Remember the place and date and come.

Haskins for health.

JOHNSON MAY PROTECT WILDE

Once Again Postpones Action in Embellishing Case—Must Be Shown That Portland Banker is Guilty of Crime.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 22.—Governor Johnson, after once having postponed his decision in the extradition case of Louis J. Wilde of San Diego, indicted at Portland for embezzlement in connection with the failure of the Oregon Savings and Trust company, today again withheld decision until a conference between District Attorney George J. Cameron of Portland and Attorney General U. S. Webb of California can be held.

At this conference the question of whether Wilde is guilty of embezzlement will be taken up.

Governor Johnson asserted that he does not believe Wilde is guilty. He says the attorney general has rendered an opinion sustaining this point.

"If you can show me," the governor continued, "that Wilde is guilty of embezzlement I will grant extradition. If you cannot, I will refuse to grant it."

The governor's final decision to withhold ruling in the case came after consideration of the matter, in which Clarence Darrow, attorney for the McNamaras and a close friend of Wilde, took part. Darrow, in the governor's office, at Johnson's invitation expressed his views of the case.

Darrow declared he did not consider that Wilde had been guilty of embezzlement.

"A year ago I was in your office," he said, turning to Cameron, "and you told me then that you did not think you had enough evidence to indict. You may, of course, had other evidence since, but from what I have seen here I do not think it has been shown that Wilde was guilty."

Darrow said he had practiced law in many states and that the law of embezzlement was not only definite but that in most states it was practically the same and that from all his experience he could find no precedent that would serve to show Wilde was guilty.

FRANCE WAGES DRY CAMPAIGN

Over Hundred Million Quarts of Alcohol Consumed Annually—Government Enforces Teaching of Evil Effects of Drunkenness.

PARIS, July 22.—Over 120 million quarts of alcohol are consumed annually in France and since the abuse of this liquid is so largely on the increase the government has seen fit to inaugurate in all the public schools courses in "anti-alcoholics."

To begin with the teachers are to take a normal course on the subject. The text book on the subject is being prepared by Dr. Jacques Roubinovitch, chief physician of the Bicetre hospital. Dr. Emile Boequeillon, director of the communal schools of Paris will likewise prepare a treatise of a similar kind, this one supplementing the other.

These books will teach the parents as well as the children the efforts of an abuse of alcohol. By pictures and by writings the crusade will be waged and while it is admitted that nothing such may be gained for the first few years, the effect will be certain when the children of today become the parents of tomorrow. For most of the trouble now arises from the ignorance, or carelessness of the parents, thousands upon thousands of whom seem imbued with the idea that wine will make children strong. Among the masses this belief is universal the fathers and mothers soaking bread in glasses of wine and eating it, the children doing likewise.

There is a law here which calls for employers of servants giving to each servant a quart of wine a day or its equivalent in money. The laborer's lunch is a quantity of cheese and bread, and a quart of wine. The poor are too poor to buy meat but they are never too poor to have wine with every meal. City employes, according to statistics gathered all over France, spend an average of 2.60 francs (52 cents) a day for wine and other alcoholic drinks, among them absinthe, usually of an inferior quality. Many of these employes spend an average of only 18.5 cents a day on food and 40 cents on alcohol.

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