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## HALL LECTURED ON AGRICULTURE

Sylvester B. Hall, who was teacher of science and coach of the athletic teams at the Medford high school from 1908-11, was a lecturer on agriculture at the University of California summer school, just concluded. Mr. Hall is head of the agricultural department of one of the Los Angeles high schools. He left Medford in the summer of 1911 to accept the position of assistant professor in the department which he now heads.

While at the Medford high school Mr. Hall installed courses in horticulture and agriculture. These were the first practical farming courses to be added to the curricula of a high school in Oregon, although at present all the up-to-date preparatory schools in the state have followed Medford's lead.

At the close of his lecture course at Berkeley S. B. Hall was offered an instructorship in the University of California. However, as his high school position was more lucrative, no change was made.

## BAY STATE SUFFERS FROM FOREST FIRES

HYANNIS, Mass., Aug. 6.—Fifty square miles of wooded land are stripped today as a result of forest fires raging near here. More than 1000 experienced firefighters and hundreds of volunteers are combating the flames. The damage so far is estimated at \$200,000.

It is feared a shift in the wind will destroy the forest about Hyannis and adjacent to South Yarmouth. A number of persons have deserted their cottages and have placed their automobiles at the disposal of the firefighters.

## WILLOW SPRINGS TWIGLETS

Mrs. F. McKee and her daughter, Blanche, were in Medford last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nichols left in their car the first part of the week to visit relatives in northern Oregon. J. P. Hoagland and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bisty motored to church in Medford last Sunday.

O. S. Blackford and Earl Taylor motored to Applegate one day last week.

Ralph Dean is usually engaged heading grain in this neighborhood.

The painter bailed finished baling alfalfa at the W. B. Harris ranch.

John McKee and family are expected this week from Albuquerque, N. M., to visit Mrs. Frank McKee.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Bonnie, Mrs. D. M. McNasser, Miss K. A. Pickard, Miss Rose Jones and Miss McNasser left Thursday for Crater lake. The party will meet Medford friends at Eagle Point and then continue the trip for several weeks.

Mrs. Julius Berkholtz and Mrs. P. A. Bonnie entertained the Parents' and Teachers' club at the home of Mrs. Julius Berkholtz last Friday afternoon. The following program was well rendered. Children's anecdotes by each member; several selections on radio by Mrs. Berkholtz and an article, "Have Children Gracious Manners?" read by Mrs. J. W. Elden. After the program ice cream and cake were served. The next meeting will be the first Friday in September at the new home of Mrs. Sam Anderson.

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## I. W. W. SIMPLY ANARCHISTS

THE hop-pickers' riot at Wheatfield, which cost four lives, has again called attention to the organization known as the I. W. W.'s, or Independent Workers of the World, who were responsible for the riot.

The I. W. W. movement is the most sinister movement in world politics today. It comprises the unreasonable and unreasoning radicals. It is an offspring of the Syndicalists organization of Europe, an advocate of "direct action," of brute force, of sabotage, of dynamite and destruction to accomplish the professed aim of peace on earth and brotherly love.

The I. W. W.'s are anarchists who lack the nerve to call themselves by their proper name. They profess to be striving to accomplish industrially what the socialist seeks politically—the abolition of capitalism and the establishment of the democratic state. Though their professed ends are common, their methods are in sharp contrast.

The I. W. W. members recognize no right, save their own right, no wrongs save their own class wrongs, no law save might and no God save their own desires. The weapon most advocated is the strike, repeated and continual strikes, to remedy no grievance save the general grievance that they have to work—that society is not so constructed that the galley-boy brain gets return for labor equal to the creative or executive brain.

What the I. W. W. is, is best explained by "The I. W. W., Its History, Structure and Methods," published by the I. W. W. Publishing Bureau, Newcastle, Pa., by Vincent C. John:

As a revolutionary organization the Industrial Workers of the World aims to use any and all tactics that will get the results sought. The tactics used are determined solely by the power of the organization to make good in their use.

The question of "right" and "wrong" does not concern us. No terms with an employer are final. All peace, so long as the wage system lasts, is but an armed truce. At any favorable opportunity the struggle for more control of industry is renewed. The organization does not allow any party to enter into time contracts with the employers. It aims where strikes are used to paralyze all branches of the industry involved, when the employers can least afford a cessation of work—during the busy season and when there are rush orders to be filled.

The Industrial Workers of the World maintains that nothing will be conceded by the employers except that which we have the power to take and hold by the strength of our organization. Therefore, we seek no agreements with the employers.

Failing to force concessions from the employers by the strike, work is resumed and "sabotage" is used to force the employers to concede to the demands of the workers.

Interference by the government is resented by open violation of the government's orders, going to jail en masse, causing expense to the taxpayers—which are but another name for the employing class.

In short, the I. W. W. advocates the use of militant "direct action" tactics to the full extent of our power to make good.

Sabotage is defined by the Industrial Worker, organ of the I. W. W., as follows:

A slashed warp, a loosened bolt, an uncaught thread, a shifting of dye—sabotage is an individual act (of destruction) performed for a class purpose. It may be denounced as "anarchy," but that scores no workers in these rebellious days.

Sabotage, coupled with revolution and industrial unionism, finally means that it will be so dangerously unprofitable to operate the industries that the employing class will be forced to turn them over to those who perform the useful work in mills, mines, factories, workshops, forests and farms. And that will be the culmination of the present social revolution.

It is slight wonder that advocates of such un-American tactics receive short shrift from American communities, though those who practice violence are as much to be censured as these professed advocates of violence.

The I. W. W. would not flourish, however, if there was not some reason. It is a symptom of discontent with existing conditions, a disease of civilization that can best be cured by removing the cause. And the cause is, primarily, inequality of opportunity produced by legislation in behalf of special interests.

## New Plants For Forest Grazing Land

In making a study of grazing lands on the national forests, 125 entirely new species of plants have been discovered by the government's experts, and will be named and classified by the botanists of the department of agriculture.

Their discovery came about through the collection of some 5000 different plant specimens, with notes as to their habits of growth and forage value. This work is part of a comprehensive plan to determine the grazing value of every acre of national forest land, in which the capacity of the soil to grow certain forage crops is to be determined and an effort made to decide for which class of stock, sheep, cattle, or goats, the range is best suited.

The men who have made the studies have combined the qualities of practical stockmen and trained botanists.

## Militancy is Religious Fanaticism

LONDON, Aug. 5.—Militancy is "religious fanaticism" according to Mrs. Flora Annie Steele, whose remarkable book on East India life has won her the name of the "female Kipling." Mrs. Steele is a militant, but of the milder variety. Thus far she has confined her protests against the government's alleged injustices toward women, to refusing to pay taxes.

"Recent events," she said today, "bring home the question, 'What should be done for justice and for peace?' To begin with, we must set aside those illogical folk who, horrified at violence, incontinently recognize it as affecting a question of pure justice. Also we must set aside those who, like slum mothers, belabor their hungry, howling offspring's ears with resounding slaps, shrieking shrilly, 'You shan't have no dinner till you're quiet.'"

"Then we must recognize that the 'outcasts' are religious fanatics and that history teaches us that religious fanatics thrive on coercion. The present partial insurrection of wo-

## BOY OF 14 SENT TO PRISON FOR LIFE FOR PUBLIC'S SAFETY

JOLIET, Ill., Aug. 6.—Fourteen

years of age and sentenced for life! Granting that Herman Coppel, a mere baby lives to the average age of prisoners, this youth who calmly shot to death, for no apparent reason, the wife of his benefactor and crushed the heads of two babies with an axe, today is looking forward to the fifty years he must still serve behind prison bars before death liberates him.

Herman Coppel is a touse-haired, undersized boy, just like hundreds to be found on corners lots playing baseball or at the "swim holes" taking a stolen plunge. There will be no baseball or swimming, however, for little Herman Coppel.

### Is a Baffling Study

"The most baffling study in juvenile criminology that has ever come to my notice," was the characterization of the Coppel boy expressed today by Warden Edmund M. Allen, of the Illinois state prison at Joliet. And alienists, criminologists and penitentiary officials who have examined this strange little fellow, echo the warden's statements. All are agreed that it would be a menace to any community for the boy to be free in it. All are agreed that the boy suffers from homicidal mania of the worst type. The alienists—at least some of them—say the boy should be sent to an institution for the insane for treatment, but they admit that his condition is such to be treated in such an institution some freedom would have to be given him. At any time, they say, during one of the periods of apparent sanity, he might cunningly plan and succeed in satisfying what they call his lust to kill. Penitentiary officials admit frankly they haven't the slightest idea what to do with the boy. Never before, they say, have they been forced to "turn a cell into a nursery."

### Jekyll and Hyde

"He is a second Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," said one of the guards, in whose cell block he sleeps. "He's the queerest little fellow I ever did see, and I have some youngsters of my own, about his age, who are not white angels. One day he'll be as happy as a kid with a baseball bat. The next day he hangs his head, mopes in his cell, marches into the dining room with eyes half shut, and eats barely enough to satisfy the hunger of a kid one-fifth his age. He will refuse to talk even when we talk to him of the things he likes. Then, the next day, he's happy and smiling and cheerful again."

When he was barely thirteen years old, the Coppel boy was sent to the St. Charles state reformatory because his father declared him to be incorrigible. Ten months ago he was paroled and given into the custody of Manny Sleep, a farmer living near Elgin.

### Story of Crime

One evening when Sleep was away from home, the boy shot the farmer's young wife. With an axe he dashed out the brains of her two babies, Sarah, aged four, and Ertile, aged two. Removing the cover from an abandoned cistern under the kitchen he pushed the dead mother and her dead babies into the well. Then he carefully and so cunningly erased all signs of the triple murder that no trace of the killing showed when Manny Sleep returned to his home.

During the five days that Sleep and his neighbors engaged in frantic search for some sign of the woman and her babies, Herman Coppel went about his minor tasks. He calmly ate his meals on a table which set on the disused cistern top. On the sixth day Sleep, distracted, begged the boy to tell what he knew of his missing

wife and children. "I killed them. They are down there," he answered calmly, pointing to the old well. Then under severe sweating, the boy confessed everything—except why he did it.

"Why did I do it? Oh, I dunno," he would invariably and indifferently reply.

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