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THE UNITED STATES OF ROCKEFELLER

FRANKLIN WALSH, chairman of the United States commission of industrial relations, in his work on the commission has succeeded in unveiling the fact that our great benevolent foundations are working on the same collusive lines as the great commercial institutions of the country. These great so-called charitable or benevolent foundations have aggregate resources of over one billion dollars.

Among the great ones are those founded by Rockefeller, Carnegie, Vanderbilt and Russell Sage. The support of these foundations comes from the income of bonds and stocks of different industries, and this means, of course, from the profit on the labor employed.

Mr. Walsh learned that these great foundations, like the railroads, have an interlocking directorate, all being controlled by the same men and all traceable to the place of business of our commercial lords—Wall street. Go to Rockefeller, thou fool, and learn wisdom!

Think of one billion dollars invested in philanthropy and the influence it can exert in corrupting and influencing public opinion! This is the most insidious, damnable influence that man can use, because it takes advantage of human suffering and preys upon one of the noblest of human traits—gratitude.

If there is one system which more than another is calculated to debase, destroy and efface human aspiration and intellectual liberty, it is that which seeks control of the intellectual and spiritual part of man through the needs or the sufferings of the physical man.

It is the voice that says, "Because I fed you when you were hungry or gave you drink when you were thirsty, your mind, your soul, you must give into my keeping and your body to my service." And it is immeasurably infamous because such an influence would blight the generation growing and to come.

Therein lies the reason that enabled a few noble minds to prevent the granting of a federal charter to Mr. Rockefeller's foundation. They realized that the granting of such a charter meant the stamp of government approval. They realized the enormous power it would exert, and that it could be used to decide the destiny of the nation. If it was found useful in maintaining the status quo, the billion assets could in two or three generations be increased to five billions.

Mr. Walsh has made another discovery. He has found that the employing power of the United States is almost entirely invested in New York City and is almost entirely subject to the will of Rockefeller. Plutocracy controls the nation because it controls the industries that give the people work and also controls the charity the people must depend upon when they are not permitted to work.

Whether the laborer lives by toil or begging depends upon one man and his associates. The wage he receives and the crust he begs must come from the same source. If he wishes to escape this dependence he must flee the continent. This economic condition is the result of legislation for half a century that had no other basis than a purely commercial one. It is the product of party statesmen that had no ideal other than party success acquired through million dollar campaign funds given as the price of exploiting the masses, through protective tariffs and exorbitant transportation charges. And yet there are those who pray for a return to those conditions that enabled the financiers of Wall street to gain their despotic control of the lives of the American people.

Those who ask the restoration of the good old times of robbery and plunder do so on the theory that if the people can be skinned some more, they may yet get their piece of hide.

GET OUT YOUR HOE AND BE HAPPY

AERICAN cities are all cities of magnificent distances and proportions. We scatter 500,000 city dwellers over an area that abroad would house 5,000,000, and the really speculator waxes fat.

Good thing! Spread them out more! And one of the chief advantages this added area gives is that at our several back doors we have the opportunity to grow the greater part of our living.

The average American city has enough idle and vacant property in it to feed its population. A city lot, say 50 by 100 feet, will, if properly gardened, not only supply the average family with vegetables for the spring and summer, but with enough surplus to can for the winter time.

An idle block, if properly cropped and fertilized, and cared for, will raise 400 bushels of potatoes; that means \$200; it means thousands of meals, and how many idle blocks are there in Medford?

The owner of idle property should be Christian enough to be willing to have his property farmed; potatoes and corn and peas and beans are better than thistle and dock and sunflower and briar. But if he is a grouchy and a turnip heart and a mangle dog then the city should demand that he either make some use of his property or allow those who will use it to do so. Instead of an anti-weed ordinance, let's have a potato and pea and bean ordinance.

And the biggest, best part of it all is that the hour you spend before breakfast and the hour you spend in the twilight in your garden, and that's all you need spend, will bring you health and peace and independence of spirit.

If you haven't started, it's a good time now to get out your hoe and be happy!

"The city of Medford, a municipal corporation, plaintiff, vs. J. F. Hittson, defendant." At 9:30 Monday morning there was nothing of record in the records of the city court about any such cause, and the records show there was no case filed against Chief Hittson, no information charging anything, no complaint whatsoever, no paper of any kind. There was absolutely nothing before the court, no charges against Chief Hittson by any one. There was no such case in existence as the city of Medford, vs. J.

F. Hittson. Consequently there could be no valid or legal subpoena issued, and there could be no contempt of court.

FRED W. MEARS.

May 25.

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MRS. WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE PATCH AT

THE PAGE WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY



THE WEDDING OF MR. STUBBINS AND MRS. HAZY

RUSSIANS CHECK GERMAN ADVANCE ALONG SAN RIVER

PETROGRAD, May 25.—The Austro-German forces in Galicia now have assumed the defensive and their active operations consist chiefly of counter attacks, according to an official statement issued last night from the headquarters of the Russian general staff. Slight progress is claimed on the left bank of the lower San and the claim is made that all assaults by the Austro-German troops in the southeastern theatre of operations were repulsed.

PETROGRAD, May 25.—In the view of Russian military observers,

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SENIOR CLASS PLAY

— THE —

College Widow

By George Ade

PAGETHEATER

Tuesday, May 25

Mrs. Geo. T. Wilson, Director

Cast of Characters:

Billy Bolton, half-back, James Vance

Peter Witherspoon, A. M. Ph. D.

President of Atwater College.

Hiram Bolton, President R. & H.

R. R. Bolton, Hugo Lundborg

Matty McGowan, a trainer.

Griffith Cowgill

Hon. Elam Hicks, of Squantum-

ville.

Walter Brown

Bub Hicks, a freshman, Charles Ray

Jack Larrabee, a football coach,

Earl Hubbard

Copeland Talbot, a post graduate

tutor.

Miles Gammill

"Silent" Murphy, center rush.

Chester Baker

"Stub" Talmadge, a busy under-

graduate.

Robert Pelouze

Tom Pearson, right tackle.

Claren Jaqua

Daniel Tibbets, the town marshal.

Dean Carder

Jane Witherspoon, the College

Widow.

Katherine Swen

Bessie Tanner, an athletic girl.

Gladys Wilson

Flora Wiggins, a prominent wait-

ress.

Marie Elfert

Mrs. Primley Dalselle, a profes-

sional chaperone.

Alice BeCrot

Students:

Oliver Mitchell, Gerald Wollam

Dick McAllister, Glenn Simmons

Jimsey Hopper, Harold Gray

Town Girls

Luella Chubbs, Margaret Soutter

Bertha Tyson, Nell Corum

Billy Cameron, Jean Budge

Josephine Barclay, Leah Walther

Synopsis:

The scenes of the play are laid at

Atwater College, an inland institution

of learning, lying east of Minnesota

and somewhere west of New York.

Act 1—In front of the main build-

ing. Opening of the fall term, early

September.

Act 2—In the gymnasium. The fac-

ulty reception. One day elapses be-

tween Acts 1 and 2.

Act 3—The Athletic field. The an-

nuual Thanksgiving day football game

between Atwater and Bingham col-

leges.

Act 4—Thanksgiving night. In

front of the Grand Central Hotel.

the German offensive movement has been definitely checked on the upper San river. The Russian movement upon Nisko and the occupation of Ulanoff, Rudnik, Krafta, Bourghy and Shushav to the westward of the upper San, seriously threatens not only the German position east of the river but the communications to the rear as well. Co-operating with this army, another strong Russian force to the eastward of Przemyel is pressing against the wing of this German advanced position.

Southward of Przemyel, on the other hand the Germans are furiously battering the Russian front and a very hotly contested action is being



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fought along a line of twenty miles between the Timentitza and the Stry rivers. Other points of activity are to the east of the Dragobitch-Stry railroad and between Goussakow and Kruenika, forty miles to the north-west.

These regions report that continuous fighting has been in progress for the last four days, but without marked advantage to either side.

BALANCE OF TRADE FAVORS UNCLE SAM

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Secretary Redfield today reported the trade balance in favor of the United States for the week ending May 22 approximately \$19,000,000. His estimates that the total balance since last July has been \$900,000,000.

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