

CHILD LABOR EVIL GREATEST IN COUNTRY

NEW YORK, March 30.—"There is more child labor in rural than in urban America, and some of it is just as bad as in the cities," says Owen R. Lovejoy, general secretary of the National Child Labor Committee. This statement appears in The American Child, the current issue of which is devoted to child labor in agriculture. "The idyllic conception of country life stands in the way of popular appreciation even of the existence of rural child labor. Long ago we standardised our ideas of farm life as wholly delectable and hence we assume that because the million and a half children gainfully employed in agriculture are in the great outdoors their condition is necessarily fortunate. Hundreds of thousands of these young farm laborers under sixteen, it should be borne in mind, are working for persons other than their parents. Moreover, the children listed by the census as 'gainfully employed' on farms represent but a fraction of the number unfortunately affected by farm work, particularly as regards school attendance.

"The conspicuous feature of rural child labor is, indeed, its interference with school attendance. The average rural school term in the United States is 140 days, while the city term is 180 days. Of every hundred children enrolled in city schools the daily attendance is 80, while of every hundred enrolled in rural schools only 68 are in daily attendance. So that for every hundred days of schooling received by the average city child, the average country child gets only 65. Studies made by the National Child Labor Committee show that child labor on farms and ranches cause as much absence from school as illness, bad weather, bad roads, distance of home from school, and indifference of parents or children all combined—and sometimes even exceed the absences caused by all these other factors.

"The enforcement of compulsory attendance laws in rural school districts is notoriously poor throughout the land. No one section of the country can justly point the finger of scorn at any other section because of its sin in this respect, for one's sin is as great as another's. No law restricts or regulates farm work by children; the only laws that relate to the subject in any way are the compulsory school attendance acts, and they apply only in school hours, and are but little respected."

Emperor's Splendid Tomb.

The body of Napoleon III lies in a tomb in the church of St. Michael at Farnborough, England. This chapel was built by ex-Empress Eugenie as a memorial to her husband. In the crypt also is placed the tomb of her son, the Prince Imperial, who was killed while fighting with the English army in Zululand. The church is a magnificent building of white stone, and stands on the brow of a hill. It is surmounted by a tower and pinnacled with dozens of small shafts. The empress used to visit the chapel daily. Ten priests were constantly employed by her to say masses for the dead.

DEVELOPING SLUGGERS



BOGALUSA, La.—Manager Lee Fohl, in his first crack at picking a team to fill the St. Louis Browns' uniforms, is whipping a crew of sluggers into shape at the training camp here. "Slugging put the Browns into the first division last year," says the new St. Louis boss, "and I'm going to stay with it."

Outbursts of Everett True By Condon



EXPERIMENT STATIONS ARE LOSING GROUND

URBANA, Ill., March 30.—Since the rapid development of the Agricultural Extension Service, the public has lost interest in the Experiment Station, according to Professor Eugene Davenport, of the University of Illinois. Practically no new money has been appropriated in the United States as a whole for agricultural investigation since 1914, Deon Davenport says and the result is that eighty per cent of the station workers have changed positions and about one fifth of the most experienced have left the Experiment Stations entirely for more attractive employment.

"That the Experiment Stations have been of profound influence in

affecting American agricultural practice will have to be concluded by any man who considers the changes which have taken place during the thirty years since the Experiment Stations were started and which are traceable directly to the work of the stations," continues Dean Davenport.

"When the Experiment Stations were established, farmers were feeding whatever they happened to have, even if it were timothy hay to cows, while bran and middlings by the carload went into the rivers and cotton seed was left to rot upon the ground. At the same time they were paying out thousands of dollars for condimental feeds, which were shown by the stations to be worth no more and no less than the same amount of oil meal.

"The blood from the slaughter houses was then worked into fertilizer, but the stations speedily showed not only that it was much more valuable as a feed for young pigs in balancing the ration, but that in raising young stock from corn some supplementary feed was necessary.

"It has been held by farmers generally that white and yellow corn were equally valuable for feed, but recent experiments seem to show that white corn is deficient in something necessary for the growth of young animals. At least, it is true as a laboratory experiment in the growing of rats.

"The extension service is of unlimited use to agriculture, but it can never replace the Experiment Stations, nor would experience ever take the place of investigation. Farmers will not discover vitamins with spectacles any more than they will study bacteria with a pitchfork."

WHALE IS CHAMPION JUMPER

Mammal Easily Holds All Records When It Comes to a Question of High Leaping.

If you were asked the question: "What animal can jump the highest?" you would in all likelihood, guess wrong. It is the whale!

Oh, yes, the whale is a mammal, not a fish, and he can jump out of the water to a height of 25 feet with the greatest ease. This is about twice as high as the tiger, who can manage about 12½ feet to 13 feet. A dog has been known to clear 10 feet, and the horse follows next with 7 feet 8½ inches.

Man's record high jump was made in 1914 by a Californian, who reached 6 feet 7½ inches. In 1913, the tremendous height of 5 feet 5½ inches was attained for the standing high jump, though in 1892 a man reached 6 feet, with weights, at this jump.

As regards the long jump, without weights, the record, 24 feet 11¾ inches, was made in 1901, and it has now stood for nearly twenty years. The longest jump backwards, with weights, is 12 feet 11 inches, and the holder of this record also holds that of the standing long jump, without weights, with 12 feet 1½ inches.

Of animals, one might expect the kangaroo to hold the record, but he can only manage 15 feet—ten less than man—though, talking of long jumps, how about the grasshopper? He can jump 200 times his own length.

An American silver dollar was recently found in a can of pickled tongue opened in Wales.



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