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HELPING THE FARMER.

THE two little South American republics of Uruguay and Paraguay, so unimportant on the maps that many people a few years out of school have about forgotten their existence, have been developing some experiences that could well be studied by this country. Each is an agricultural country; each has been busily devising methods to attract immigration and development. Each, regarding agriculture as the industry on which all others must rest, have gone in for plans of helping the farmer that are radical, and yet have thus far produced excellent results.

Uruguay's government found farmers paying outrageous rates of interest on money. A big national bank was organized. Money was secured, through this bank, from European centres, and lent to the farmers at rates rather less than half those that had previously prevailed. In Paraguay the Banco Agrícola, or agricultural bank of the nation, has \$14,000,000 capital, and the larger part of this is lent to farmers on a plan by which it is paid back in annual installments extending over a period of fifteen years. This bank, on behalf of the government, furnishes free seeds and helps farmers to buy implements, fence wire, etc.

When an immigrant comes in and declares his purpose to become a citizen he receives about thirty acres of land, and as soon as he makes certain improvements required by law, he has as much more conveyed to him. The bank will advance him cash up to \$5 an acre to make improvements and to produce the first crop.

These measures, of course, are vastly more radical than anybody dreams of taking in behalf of American agriculture, and than American farmers want, for they ask no charity of anybody. But they teach one lesson that should guide in formulating a system of rural finance here. They prove that the combination of the soil and the man owning it makes a fine security. In Uruguay and Paraguay, as in Ireland and in the north of Europe under the Landshafter system, experience has demonstrated that this kind of banking is safe. The farmer is helped and the banker at the same time profits by helping him.

THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK.

THE political outlook so far as the governorship is concerned is pretty badly mixed. There are as many opinions as to who is in the lead as there are candidates. These opinions are, of course, most of them "the thought that was fathered by the wish." Putting all personal feeling out of the matter and looking at it cold-bloodedly, there seems to be but little doubt that the Republican nomination lies between General Crawford and Dr. Withycombe, with Crawford the stronger, and Gus Moser an unknown quantity. It is understood the wet element is strongly behind him, and with the vote divided it is possible for him to pull through and capture the nomination. We do not know that the wet element has concentrated on him, but such is alleged to be the fact. If they have, he is dangerous to all his opponents. Johns is making an active campaign and seems to be gaining some support. On the Democratic side it seems to have settled down to a fight between Bennett and Smith, with the former rather the favorite in the race, although the Manning adherents are making strong claims of victory. This is the way the situation sizes up, and it looks as though the final round would be between Bennett and Crawford, with Smith and Manning neck and neck for second place in the Democratic primary.

However, this is not a prediction—it's a guess—because there is really no basis upon which to base a real calculation.

Argentina gave us the tango, and if she will make amends by relieving us of Mexico we will call it square.

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Huerta, who had Richard Harding Davis in jail, has turned him loose. Huerta may get drunk occasionally, but it is safe to say no drunken brain ever conjured up so mean and disreputable a way of getting even on his enemies. This one act should justify President Wilson in declaring all mediation off. Any king, prince or potentate that had Richard Harding Davis in close confinement and deliberately gave him his liberty should be punished as an enemy of all humanity.

It is stated in a report from the Colorado strike and upon it that "the strikers are many of them foreigners and do not speak English and it is therefore difficult to make them understand when you try to explain the situation to them." Rockefeller is not a foreigner, speaks and understands English, and yet it seems to be just as hard to make him understand, when the situation is explained to him.

The report that last Sunday many of the American soldiers and sailors attended church in the morning and a bullfight in the afternoon, shows the boys have considerable tact. The most delicate and flattering thing that can be done to any people is to conform to and take part in their national religion.

Friday is the date on which many pipe dreams are supposed to come true. Saturday morning many will find their pipes have gone out, and that they are also out of dope.

THE ROUND UP.

The congregation of the Unitarian church at Eugene cheered Sunday night when the pastor, Rev. H. A. Hand, commended the strikers in Colorado for rising in arms against the state troops. He designated the militia as "gunmen" hirelings of the coal and steel corporations masking under the United States flag. He likened the militia to the gunmen who recently were elected in New York, and compared young Rockefeller to Sergeant Becker, who employed them. Then the cheers broke out.

A fire at Medford Monday destroyed the old Day planing mill. Weber's paint shop and three automobiles, all of the estimated value of \$7,500.

R. A. Booth, candidate for the U. S. senate, yesterday filed with the senate a statement of his election expenses. It amounted to \$1,138, and contributions amounted to \$1,550. Senator Chamberlain filed his statement at the same time. It showed no contributions and a total expenditure of \$38.55.

Mrs. Sarah Moffit, aged 82, living on the outskirts of Union, having walked to a store in the city suddenly dropped dead while doing her trading. She had been a resident of the county for nearly 50 years.

While W. H. Adair, of LaGrande, was at the depot buying tickets for the return of the family to Corning, town, his father was seized with sudden violent sickness and died shortly after the son reached home. The family left later, taking the body with them.

Wolf Finkelstein, a 16-year-old boy, was burned to death in the rear of the store of A. Boyer at 741 First street, Portland, Monday morning, by a fire resulting from the explosion of gasoline. He tried to escape through a window which was too small to permit him getting through. He stuck fast and the efforts of the firemen to release him were futile.

Fair warning, issued by the Banks Herald: "The politicians are all passing up Banks these days, evidently regarding it as of little or no importance. But just wait. Not many more elections will roll around before they will be only too glad to drop in and give Banks people the glad hand."

Oregon city will, among other things it will do during the rose fair, charter two steamers which will be beautifully decorated and which will carry some of the Oregon City delegation to the show.

Work on Sherwood's new postoffice building has commenced. It will be of brick, one story high and cost \$24,500.

The council of Amity has passed the ordinance granting a franchise to J. W. Morris to put in a system of waterworks.

Hood River's council has decreed a semi-monthly payroll for city employees, and that the finance committee, instead of the council as a whole, may O. K. the thing and be done with it.

Klamath Falls Northwestern: Word has reached this city that war talk is all the go among the young Indians on the Klamath reservation. It is stated that a company of probably 100 young reds who are anxious to take up arms for the Stars and Stripes and go to war against the Mexicans, could be mustered without difficulty.

POLICE INVESTIGATING DEATHS OF BAKERFIELD COUPLE

Bakerfield, Cal., May 13.—Investigation is being made today of the death of H. Gordon Hitchcock and his wife, Mrs. Grace Hitchcock, whose bodies were found late yesterday on a country road near here. Mrs. Hitchcock had been shot through the heart and her husband through the head. The couple were said to have separated recently. They had five children.

Home Cooking To Blame For Many Diseases

By Mrs. CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN, Author-Sociologist

STOP COOKING FOR JOHN! THE HOME OF TODAY IS A PERMANENT CHECK UPON THE GROWTH OF HUMANITY. EVERY OTHER BUSINESS HAS DEVELOPED FASTER THAN THE ONE WE DO AT HOME. WE HEAR SO MUCH ABOUT HOME COOKING! THE RACIAL IDEA ABOUT HAVING PRIVATE COOKS PREVAILS AMONG MEN. BUT THERE ARE MORE DISEASES WHICH COME FROM BAD COOKING AT HOME THAN FROM ANY OTHER CAUSE. THE TENDER MASS OF SENTIMENT ABOUT WHAT WE CALL HOME COOKING IS THE WORST KIND OF TOMMYROT. I HAVE SEEN ON THE TABLES IN MANY HOMES BREAD WHICH WOULD BE A DISGRACE TO THE WORST BAKERS.

The growing trade at the delicatessen stores is proof that the movement is already well started to free woman from her slavery. One big kitchen can do the work of fifty small kitchens; one cook can prepare food for thirty persons; three cooks for many hundreds.

The Wind

The wind comes singing from the south, as hot as though 'twere fire, suggestive of a furnace mouth, and blazing coal inside. And now the wheat will die the death; the corn will say goodbye; for in that fierce and fiery breath all growing things must die. The wind comes nosing from the north, to see what it may see; and when that sort of wind comes forth, I murmur, "Hail! Twill kill the blossoms on the trees, the garden sassa must go; when nature trots out such a breeze, the poor man has no show. The wind comes wailing from the east, and floods will soon appear; I hoped to see my store increased in goodly shape this year, but endless rains will spoil the oats, and drown the geese and ducks, and give the milldew to the goats, and I'll lose many bucks." Thus speaks the likeliest, and his wail is rising every day; he's sure that everything will fail, that grief is on the way. If he were farming Canaan's land, with milk and honey near, he still would kick to beat the band, and shed the briny tear.

COMPROMISE AN IMPOSSIBILITY. London, May 13.—Premier Asquith was still trying today to effect a compromise on the Irish home rule bill on a basis acceptable both to home-rulers and the opponents. It looked, however, like an impossibility. The Irish would not consent to exempting Ulster except with a stipulation for an election on the question at least as often as every six years. The "antis" insisted on perpetual exemption. The premier has the votes to pass the bill but fears civil war in Ulster.

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Seventh: Rigid economy in expenditure of public funds.

52 X A.M. LaFOLLETT

(Paid Adv.)

AMMUNITION GOES SOUTH FROM VANCOUVER BARRACKS

Vancouver Barracks, Wash., May 13.—Five carloads of ammunition loaded at the post here is en route south today presumably to the Mexican border.

DODGE NAMED SECRETARY.

Washington, May 13.—H. Percival Dodge, ex-minister to Panama, was named today as secretary to the United States envoys who will attend the Niagara Falls American-Mexican mediation conference.

WILL BE LARGEST DRAIN TILE ON THE PACIFIC COAST

The Salem Tile and Mercantile company today finished a new tile shed 100 by 70 feet in size which will be used in the winter for storing tile, and in the summer for a brick drying shed. This tile shed with the clay shed 60 by 150 feet which was finished recently will enable the plant to work during the entire year without shutting down during the winter months, as has been the custom in the past. The output of the plant will now be increased

to approximately 1,000,000 brick and 250 carloads of tile yearly, making the plant the largest drain tile plant on the Pacific coast.

The clay which is dug from the pits near the plant is pronounced to be of a fine grade for tile making, but will not work during the wet season. With the erection of the clay shed, which will permit the storage of over 60,000 yards of clay during the dry season, the plant will be supplied with material during the entire year. Other factories on the coast have a greater annual output including sewer piping and conduits, but for drain tile alone the output of the Salem plant exceeds that of any other single plant on this coast.

W. E. Wilson, the manager of the Salem plant, states that the selling field extends into Idaho and that orders are constantly being filled from cities all over the state of Washington. All sizes of tile from three-inch to twelve-inch are made, and the fittings that are necessary for the filling of every order are kept on hand. Mr. Wilson, who spends a large part of his time on the road taking orders, says that the building business is particularly good now and it has been necessary to use some of the drying floor space of the plant for brick which is usually used for tile.

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