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## THE SCHEME WORKED THE WRONG WAY

The Journal of Electricity, Power and Gas, Commenting on the Western States Water Power Conference at Portland some two weeks ago is far from pleased at the manner in which that conference was conducted. It points out that the question of water-power was side tracked and the conference devoted its time to berating the federal conservation policy generally. It says:

"From the hydro-electric standpoint, the results of the Western States Water Power Conference at Portland last week were negative. Water power became merely a side issue in a general condemnation of the federal conservation policy. The main issue was obscured in the opposition to all legislation having to do with leasing unappropriated public lands.

"Those who are anxious to develop our latent and wasting water resources have no business in a quarrel with the Federal Government's policy of handling timber and mineral lands. The ostensible purpose of the meeting was lost sight of in a futile and foolish effort to stem the tide of popular opinion which has been aroused on this subject.

"The Forest Service officials apparently had intended to attend this meeting in a spirit of compromise. They conceded the need for legislation and were anxious to learn the ideas of Western hydro-electric people. They admitted the right of the several states to control unappropriated waters. The original contention of Gifford Pinchot that the control of the land carried with it the control of the water appertaining thereto is no longer countenanced by some of the leading officials of the Department of the Interior.

"Hence it is evident that an attempt has been made to use the power controversy as a catspaw to pull out the chestnuts of other interests. And to that extent this meeting is a disappointment to those who are working for an opportunity to develop the great water powers of the West."

The charming frankness of its statement in the last paragraph above is highly commendable. It charges that "an attempt has been made to use the power controversy as a catspaw to pull out the chestnuts of other interests."

What the Journal of Electricity, Power and Gas neglected to call attention to was that those disinterested and great hearted people who, as it says: "Are working for an opportunity to develop the great water powers of the West," had themselves brought in the "other interests" for the purpose of using them as a catspaw to pull the chestnuts for the Water Power people. It was a great scheme, but the fact that the other interests, switched the cut and dealt the cards differently dropped a monkey wrench in the running gears and disarranged the machinery.

The history of our coal lands and our timber lands points unerringly to what would become of the immense water powers of the coast, that now belong to all the people, should these gentlemen, posing as public benefactors, working for an opportunity to develop the great water powers of the west, once get title to them. Oregon has an estimated horse-power of above four millions, in its streams. This power, or the part of it easily available, say two million horse-power, leased at one dollar per horse power a year, would pay the running expenses of the state. With anything like a fair rental, such as the companies would charge if they owned them, the income would run the state, and leave several millions of dollars annually for road building or for schools. It would put Oregon in the front rank of states with light taxes—a great inducement to settlement, and to manufacturing industries.

The time is not far distant when electricity will take the place of wood and coal in heating our houses, and cooking our food, as well as furnishing light and power. It would be a crime to permit this vast wealth to be taken from the people, and turned over to a few large hearted philanthropists, "who are working for an opportunity to develop the great water powers of the West," and take them away from the people, in order to sell their use

back to the people at such an advance that would take the financial returns out of the heading of profits and place them under that of grand larceny. The water powers should be used, and generous terms given those who develop and use them, but the ownership should remain either with the general government or the state. These great hearted gentlemen want to develop the water powers, and like the negro who found the purse of money—"Keep them for their honesty."

## YOUNG JOHN D. A DIPLOMAT

Young Rockefeller certainly has splendid diplomatic abilities for he has apparently accomplished that which his daddy most wofully failed to do. John D. Jr. has heeded the old Spanish proverb: "More by sweetness than by force."

The Colorado Fuel & Iron Company went at it in a different way and tried force, and while it got a few Union men in the penitentiary, it failed to break up the Union or accomplish anything whatever, except to give the state government of Colorado and its judiciary an exceedingly unsavory reputation.

It started out deliberately to break up the coal miners' union and it failed utterly. This was what force accomplished.

Young John D. understands human nature better than did the officials of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company. He knew that simply because he was vastly rich that, even the hardy miners who were fighting him, would consider it an honor to be permitted to associate with him, and that the miners' wives would treasure the fact that they danced with the richest young man in the world as the greatest event of their lives. So young John D. associated with the miners, donned overalls, picked out a few pounds of coal, swallowed a few mouths full of mulligan along with the miners, danced with their wives and got the miners to virtually abandon unionism.

Here is the little joker in his new plan of mediation: "There shall be no discrimination by the company or by any of its employes on account of membership or non-membership in any society, fraternity or union."

It will be seen from this that the company does not recognize the union and forbids the employes paying any attention to it.

It may be young John D.'s plan of mediation is good. As to its merits as compared to unionism is not up for discussion, but it is evident on the face of it, that the plan is to kill the miners' union. That is its sole object, and to attain this young John D. mingled with the miners, danced with their wives, and for a few days was almost human."

President Wilson did not display his usual good judgment in announcing his engagement just at this time. The politic Teddy who once made such a noise in the White House would never have made the same mistake under like conditions. At any other time the coming wedding in the White House would have been the sole subject of public comment, but with the Red Sox and Phillies at bat weddings and wars, floods and fires, and all other news trifles are crowded off the boards and also the front pages.

International Newspaper Window Display Week began this morning and is being observed generally throughout the United States. More than one hundred national advertisers are taking part in the movement, and thousands of store windows will display the wares of these national advertisers. Watch the store windows during the week.

Butting into Spring's long recognized right to "linger on the lap of Summer," the latter season, tried the lingering stunt herself this year and perched for some three weeks on the adipose lap of Autumn. The frost last night lifted, may we say, the lingerie, and put the good old Summertime in the discard.

"Dress Up Week" began in Portland today. Everybody is supposed to buy new clothes and tog up for the winter. There will be dancing on the streets of the city down the creek tonight, and as everyone will have, or at least will be supposed to have on new duds, it should rank as a "full dress" affair.

## Corvallis Professor On National Thrift Board

Chicago, Oct. 9.—Oregon is to take a prominent part in the nation-wide campaign now in progress to bring Americans back to those sturdy habits of thrift and frugality which characterized our New England ancestors.

Announcement was made today of the appointment of Prof. J. A. Bessell, of Corvallis, Ore., as a member of the Thrift Board of nine of the National Education association. The appointment was made by President R. J. Aley, of the University of Maine, who was delegated at the recent national meeting of the educators held in Oakland, Cal., to select the nine persons in America best suited to canvass the whole thrift problem with a view of making recommendations within a period of two years, respecting methods to be employed in teaching thrift in the public schools of America.

This committee also will supervise the essay contest to be conducted by the National Education association. A series of prizes ranging from \$10 to \$75 each are to be awarded through the committee for the best essays on the subject of "Thrift." Some of these prizes are for school children only, and others are for adults only.

S. W. Straus, president of the American Society for Thrift, and a member of the National Education association's thrift committee has agreed to finance the entire cost of this work in the interest of thrift in America.

Prof. Bessell was placed on the National Thrift Board because of his intimate knowledge of agricultural educational work in the United States.

## BIG YIELD OF PRUNES

From an orchard of three acres of Italian prunes, Nels Herigstad gathered 900 boxes of fine fruit. Mr. Herigstad sold the dried product at 6 cents per pound.—Silverton Appeal.

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You do not want a slow treatment when hair is falling and the dandruff germ is killing the hair roots. Delay means no hair.  
Get, at any drug store, a bottle of Zemo for 25c or \$1.00 for extra large size. Use as directed, for it does the work quickly. It kills the dandruff germ, nourishes the hair roots and immediately stops itching scalp. It is sure and safe, is not greasy, is easy to use and will not stain. Soaps and shampoos are harmful, as they contain alkali. The best thing to use is Zemo, for it is pure and also inexpensive.  
Zemo, Cleveland.

## First Market and Sales-Day Saturday

The committee recently appointed by the agricultural department of the commercial club to arrange for a market and general sales day, are busy today making plans. According to present arrangements, the first market and sales day will be held next Saturday, October 16, at the Wasing barn on Liberty street, where the general market day was held several months ago. Speakers of prominence will be here, and letters will be mailed to farmers in the community, urging them to send a list of everything they have to sell to the commercial club, so they may be properly advertised. W. S. Low, chairman of the committee, says the sale will start at 9 o'clock Saturday and everything will be auctioned. Special efforts will be made to make this first market day a success, as a fore-runner to those to be held each month during the winter.

Market conditions are practically the same as last Saturday. Wheat is holding its own, and now seems to be settled for a while at least on an 85 cent basis, with oats from 30 to 32 cents. Although eggs are firm in Portland and a general scarcity exists, the prices locally have not changed. With the advance in the price of flour in Portland of 20 cents a barrel, the present low prices here may not hold much longer.

**WHOLESALE MARKET**

Hay, timothy, per ton	\$13.00
Oats, vetch	\$9@10
Chest	\$9@10
Wheat, new crop	85c
Oats, new crop	30@32c
Roll'd barley	\$31.00
Corn	\$40
Cracked corn	\$41.50
Bran	\$37.00
Shorts, per ton	\$28.00
Clover seed	13 to 16c

**Butter.**

Butterfat	33c
Creamery butter, per pound	35c
Country butter	17c

**Eggs and Poultry.**

Eggs, candled, No. 1, cash	34c
Eggs, case count, cash	28c
Eggs, trade	30c
Hens, pound	11c
Roasters, old, per pound	7 1/2c
Spring chickens, pound	10@11c

**Pork, Veal and Mutton.**

Veal, dressed	9c
Pork, dressed	8@8 1/2c
Pork, on foot	5@5 1/2c
Spring lambs	6c
Steers	5@5 1-2c
Cows	3 @ 4c
Bulls	3@3 1/2c
Ewes	3c
Wethers	4@4 1/2c

**Vegetables.**

Cabbage	40c
Tomatoes, Oregon	75c
String garlic	15c
Potatoes	75c
Brussels sprouts	10c
Sweet potatoes	2 1/2c
Lettuce	40c
Beets	40c
Carrots	40c
Turnips	40c
Celery	40@60c

**Fruits.**

Oranges, Valencia	\$5.50@5.75
Lemons, per box	\$3.75@4.25
Bananas, lb	5c
California grape fruit	\$4.50@5
Dates, dromedary, case	\$3.35
Fard dates	\$1.60
Grapes	\$1.25
Raspberries	\$10.00
Peaches	60c
Pineapples	7 1/2c

**Retail Price**

Eggs, per dozen	35c
Sugar, cane	\$6.10
Sugar, D. O.	\$5.90
Creamery butter	40c
Flour, hard wheat	\$1.53@2.35
Flour, valley	\$1.33@1.50

**PORTLAND MARKETS.**

Portland, Or., Oct. 11.—Wheat—Club 90 1/2c; Bluestem 94 1-2@97 1-2. Oats—No. 1 White Feed 23. Barley—Feed 27. Hogs—Best Lard \$6.50. Prime Steers \$6.75@6.85. Fancy Cows \$5@5.25. Calves \$7.30@7.50. Spring Lambs \$7. Butter City Creamery 31 1/2c. Eggs—Selected Local Ex. 35c. Hens 11c. Geese \$6@10c.

## Prune Harvest Ends In Polk County

Monmouth, Or., Oct. 11.—The prune harvest in Polk county virtually is ended and reports indicate the total county output is approximately two-thirds of a normal yield, or about 10 per cent greater than last year.

Growers feared prunes would experience a radical drop in price and some contracts were closed early in the season for 5 cents a pound. Polk county depends upon the shipments abroad for high or even average prices. "The war has had a very noticeable effect upon the prune income for Polk county, this year," one grower explained. "The former demand in Germany for our products is temporarily cut off."



With whom would you rather associate, the man with a Bank account or the man without one? Think that over. Saving signifies character and how much you have in Bank is not so important as the fact that you do save and have a Bank account. That's the gauge men are measured by for big jobs and important positions that often starts them on the road to fortune. Begin with \$1.

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has been no abatement in the activity of the growers, either in reference to planting additional acreage or in attempts to change the form of the finished product.

## PRUNE MARKET RISING.

Portland, Or., Oct. 11.—The prune market is showing a more favorable trend and 6 cents is now being generally offered producers for 30s to 35s.

According to leaders of the trade the quality of this year's crops is far the best ever known since the industry was established in the Pacific northwest. Not only is the fruit of better quality than normal or ever before, but the sizes are bigger and the average is far above anything heretofore offered.

The crop is now being generally estimated at 15,000,000 pounds for Oregon and Clatsop county, Washington. This is perhaps 20 per cent below the earlier outlook.

What the crop is losing in volume it is said to be making up in size of fruit and quality and this therefore means a better average price to producers.

Prune market conditions in the east are improved and the tallies today the best of the season to date.

week or 10 days it will no longer be a bearish factor in the market. There is a very good demand for large sized apples. Spitzenbergs that run 125s and bigger are showing a demand around \$2 a box f. o. b. Pacific northwest points for extra fancy, but smaller sizes are showing little fall.

## IT IS ENGLAND'S TURN

Washington, Oct. 11.—The long postponed protest to Great Britain against interference with American trade, is planned to go this week. Secretary Lansing was slated to get President Wilson's approval of the draft either today or tomorrow. A note to Germany for settlement of the William P. Frye case will also go within two days.

Ambassador Von Bernstorff is expected here this week to resume negotiations for settlement of the Lusitania case.

## IN ALL OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

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