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CHURCHES :: SOCIETIES

R. A. M.—Mazomanie Chapter No. 28. A. M. will hold a regular meeting at Masonic hall, Friday evening, Jan. 13th. Work in P. M. and M. E. M. degree.—R. D. Dent, Sec.

The Community Church.—Rev. Geo. V. R. Shepard, Pastor. Services, Sunday, January 15, 1922, 10:30. Morning worship; subject of sermon, "The Ideals of This Nation." 11:45, Church school. 6:30, Christian Endeavor. 7:30 Evening worship; subject of sermon, "No Neutrality in The Kingdom of God."

M. E. Church.—One hundred and six in attendance at Sunday school last Sunday. Let our motto be: "Every member and friend of the church in Sunday school." Miss W. W. Organized a bunch of wide-awake girls into "Standard Bearers" last Tuesday afternoon. This organization is auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Just watch their numbers increase, and the work they do.

Dr. H. A. Chase, district superintendent of Madison district, will preach in the Methodist church next Sunday, at 7:30 p. m.; subject of sermon, "Two Swords." The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered and the quarterly conference for the whole charge held. All officials, members and friends from the other points, Black Earth and Mounds Creek, are cordially invited to be present and enjoy a feast of good things together. Do not let storm nor cold hinder you from being with us. Hot coffee and sandwiches will be served free to those who come from a distance, before leaving for home.—Rev. W. P. Burrows, Pastor.

To Thy Greater Self.

A New Year's Entreaty.—For 1922. Do stars and moon mark time for these years? Seasons thin, waning, and near. Just so it surely seems to be.

The earth's swift course amid the spheres Gives measurement of passing years; Behold, another year appears.

But why art thou for whom are days? For things all worlds their cycles run!

If crowds are true—I think they are—Thou shalt outlive the greatest star That burns in depths of space afar. Of life, love, thought—all good—thou art.

A countless—God the Eternal—part. Feel thou the throbbing of His heart. He, thou and all, seem one to me In His creating majesty. Keep me in that best company Through ages—Thine immensity.

John Nelson Davidson.

Madison, 1113 Mound Street.

The Bar Primary.

Madison, Wis. Dec. 21, 1921. Mr. William Ryan, Sec. Dane Co. Bar Association, Madison, Wis.

Dear Sir:—In reply to your communication of December 21, advising me that the Dane County Bar Association had voted to conduct a bar primary for the purpose of electing candidates for the offices of senior judge and junior judge of the superior court for Dane county, and that any member of the Dane county bar is at liberty to nominate himself as a candidate for either of such offices before the bar

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primary. I beg to say that long before I had received your communication I had publicly announced that I would be a candidate for the office of junior judge at the election next April and submitted my candidacy directly to the voters of Madison and other parts of Dane county.

I shall be glad to have the support of all the members of the bar who favor my candidacy; but I ask that support for a candidacy that is already in the hands of the people of Dane county to whom the legislature has entrusted the selection of the judge without the intervention of a primary.

Yours very truly,

ELLSWORTH & MATHER.

At The Open House.

The funniest of all dialect comedy dramas, "The Millionaire Stewie," will appear at Schmitt's hall, Saturday evening, Jan. 14. The play is the latest and most up-to-date version of the Swedish dialect comedy and presents "Ole" amid new surroundings. His wit and humor permeates the piece during the three acts, keeping the audience in a perfect roar of laughter and applause throughout the show. The supporting company is all that could be desired, and a large number of clever musical and advanced vaudeville specialties are given throughout the play. The regular house prices will prevail, and reserved seats are now on sale.

HALFWAY PRAIRIE

Mrs. Walter Schmittman had the following visitors, Tuesday afternoon: Mrs. C. and Mrs. Erwin Bentz, Mrs. Geo. E. Lins and baby, and Mrs. Leo Witko and child.

The Social Club of Halfway Prairie met at the C. Schwabke home, Thursday evening of last week. Mrs. Denney and Mrs. Schwabke being hostesses. The report was a very good time.

Lynchings During Past Year.

Sixty-three persons were lynched in the United States in 1921 as compared with sixty-five in 1920, according to a statement issued by the association for the advancement of colored people. Four were publicly burned; five were burned after death, two lynching victims were women—seen in Georgia and the other in Mississippi, and six victims of mobs were white men, the statement said. It ascribed thirteen lynchings each to Georgia and Mississippi, six each to Texas and Arkansas, five each to Florida, Louisiana, and South Carolina, four to North Carolina, two to Alabama, and one each to Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia.

HEALTH TIME STORIES.

You are destined to eat only a certain number of meals this year—don't try to eat them all in one day.

Children, do you know that next week, in this column, which is to be your very own, will start the story of The Health Fairies and Cho-Cho, that funny, wise old clown who visited some of you in person last year! And after that will come a story of adventures, told by Little Fred himself, just as it was rummled to me from the hoarse throat of the county nurse's car as it stood shivering in front of the court house, its nose wrapped in a muffler and its fiery eyes blinking up the street.

The first Health Time Story about Cho-Cho will start next week, so be on the lookout for your clownish friend.

Question Box.

1. What are some of the causes for underweight children?

Answer.—The specific causes for underweight are: inadequate diet, caused as often from fancy but unsatisfactory food as from insufficient food; the boiling down of meals without careful mastication; over-fatigue; physical defects; lack of exercise; and diseases.

The underlying causes are: lack of knowledge; lack of parental control;

and poverty.

QUESTIONS SENT THEM TO THE DANE COUNTY COURT HOUSE, IN CARE OF THE COUNTY NURSE, MISS GERTRUDE BURMAN.

Easter Star Installation.

At the meeting of Orient Chapter, O. E. S., Tuesday evening, the following officers were installed:

W. M.—Mrs. Georgia Ellsworth.

A. M.—Mrs. Mabel Kirsh.

P. N. C. Kirsh.

Sec.—Nettie Lincoln.

Tras.—Mrs. Lily Butz.

Cond.—Mrs. Elva Voss.

A. C.—Mrs. Mabel Smith.

M.—Mrs. Elizabeth Wurster.

C.—Mrs. Kittie Davies.

Org.—Mrs. Elizabeth Griswold.

Adm.—Mrs. Bertha Swan.

Ruth—Edna Woolrich.

and singing.

Martha—Mrs. M. Smith.

Ward.—Miss Patterson.

Sent.—E. W. Voss.

MODERN DAY MIRACLES

Synthetic Chemistry, After Learning the Secret of Making Royal Purple, Succeeds in Producing All the Colors of the Rainbow

(Told in Eight Sketches) BY JOHN RAYMOND

No. V COLOR

In the dim ages of history when man first felt the desire for beauty, traders searched the world for dyestuffs, jewels, perfumes, spices and precious woods. The story of the voyages was great and only princes or nobles could afford the fruits of ventures to the far corners of the world. No man of humble origin could aspire to the rich crimson linen, the Royal Purple of ancient Tyre, retaining at \$200 a pound. Royal Purple is an age-old insignia of aristocracy. This dye was secreted by a small settlement on the Eastern coast of the Mediterranean and here the enterprising merchants of Tyre formed a dye monopoly equalled only by the German Cartel.

A hint of the whitish liquid secreted by this mollusk, if spread upon a cloth and exposed to the air and sunlight turns first gray, next blue and then purple. If washed with an alkali soap it becomes the magnificent crimson worn by the Cardinals and Princes of the Catholic Church. Tyrian purple was the color of the robes of the emperors of the world of the Tyre.

Synthetic chemistry learned the secret of making Royal Purple. In fact, indeed, it learned to manufacture indigo, the same deep blue that may be seen today in museums, the wisest dyestuffs achievement to snatch its distinctive color from royalty and to rival the best vegetable indigo of the ancients. But modern chemistry has gone far beyond that. Today any kind of dye found in nature can be made in the laboratory. Indeed, among the 900 shades and colors being manufactured there are tints that it would be difficult to discern in the rainbow.

These colors all come from coal tar but after it is understood that coal tar is the equivalent of the forests of untold ages the coal does not seem so marvelous.

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A mark in this space indicates that your subscription to the Sickle has expired. Prompt remittance for renewal will be greatly appreciated, and will insure continued delivery. The Sickle is payable in advance, at \$2.00 per year.

OF LOCAL INTEREST

—Misses Agnes and Loraine Holcomb entertained a home-party of girls at their home, Saturday evening. Misses Marjory Hawley, Margaret

Booth, Edna Ernst, Agnes Baumgardner, and Marguerite Swan were the guests. The evening was spent in playing cards and games. Lunch was served at twelve o'clock. Some of the girls reported not having very much sleep, and two of the girls were too full of fun.

—Henry Baumgardner, residing two miles northeast of this village, was attacked by a yearling Holstein bull, Wednesday, and severely injured. The animal knocked him down and trampled on him. Dr. Griswold was called, and found that Mr. Baumgardner had sustained three broken ribs, besides internal injuries. It is stated that the farm dog saved Mr. Baumgardner's life, or at least saved him from more terrible injury, by attacking the bull.

—Passing through Chicago, January 7th, was the largest shipment of one commodity ever transported across the continent consisting of five hundred automobiles loaded in one hundred steel freight cars from the Durant Motor Co., New York, to Karle Canthony, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif. In addition to it being a record transcontinental shipment, it is also the largest single shipment of automobiles ever made to a retail dealer. The train is routed via the Pennsylvania Line, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Union Pacific, and Southern Pacific railways. Freight charges amount to \$66,000.00, weight, 1,100,000 pounds, value of property, \$335,500.00. This is the fourth trans-

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BLACK EARTH

John Hopkins went to Madison on business, Thursday.

Mrs. Carl Bennett is suffering from two abscesses in her head—forehead and ear.

Mrs. G. W. Parker and Mrs. Lottie Powell were eastbound passengers, on Thursday.

The Geo. Rothchild stock of merchandise has been disposed of, and the store closed.

William Jackson, of Fairview, Montana, is a guest of his sister, Mrs. Geo. Howe, of this place.

Miss Eleanor McKenzie left, Thursday, to spend the week-end with her parents at North Lake.

Madison Attorney Drowned.

Hal R. Martin, a Madison attorney, was drowned in Lake Monona last Friday, when his car plunged into open water thirty feet deep at the mouth of the Yahara river, across the lake from Madison. The body was dragged ashore at about four o'clock Tuesday afternoon following a search of nearly four days. The Studebaker car which Mr. Martin was driving, was hauled from the lake Tuesday. Martin's body was found under the ice, a short distance from where he went down. He had driven across the lake to visit his sister.

Irish Prisoners Freed.

King George, of Great Britain, has granted general amnesty "in respect to political offenses committed in Ireland prior to the operation of the truce last July," it was announced yesterday. The release of prisoners will begin at once.

Premier Briand Resigns.

The resignation of Aristide Briand, premier of France, was received with almost bombshell effect in arms conference circles at Washington, yesterday, the action being considered likely to have a great effect on decisions already reached or about to be reached.

Marriage Licenses

P. H. Smith, Madison.
Alma H. Steinmetz, Madison.
Orville Hanchett, Madison.
Johanna Sachs, Madison.
John E. Hofmaster, Belleville.
Clara Rose, Belleville.
Frank J. Ziegler, Waunakee.
Mary Schrek, Middleton.

A TEST OF FAITH

(Chattanooga News.)

We have frequent occasion to protest against the efforts of Japan to impose her dominion upon unwilling peoples, yet we have thus far failed to exemplify the ideals which we recommend to Japan. If we should withdraw our sovereignty from the Philippines, in accordance with our repeated promises, we could the more consistently ask Japan to follow a similar course toward Shantung, Manchuria and Siberia. Our plea would have a great deal more force if we could make it with clean hands. To say that the Philippines are not ready for independence is merely to express an arbitrary, gratuitous opinion. It is perfectly easy to create conditions—in one's own mind—that no people ever could comply with. Our duty about respecting our own pledge in a reflection on our national good faith and a constant invitation to international complications in the far east.

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Powdered Sugar, per pound,	9c	Peanut Butter, bulk, per lb.,	14c
Onions, per pound,	7c	Coffee, good bulk, per pound,	28c
Spanish Onions, per pound,	8c	or 4 pounds for \$1.00	
Karo Syrup, 1 1/2 pound, red,	10c	Steel Cut Coffee, per pound,	35c
Karo, 1 1/2 pound, white,	2 for 25c	2 Boxes Maccaroni,	18c
Potatoes, per bushel,	\$1.50	2 Packages Spaghetti,	18c
Syrup, red, per gallon,	50c	2 Cans Salmon,	35c
Syrup, white, per gallon,	55c	Tomato Sardines, large,	2 for 45c
New Navy Beans, per pound,	7c	Hominy, two 2-pound cans,	30c
Christmas Candies, per pound,	25c	Cream of Wheat, per package,	25c
Bulk Mince Meat, best,	25c	Bulk Oatmeal, per pound,	3 1/2c
Bulk Dates, per pound,	18c	Grape Fruit,	3 for 25c
Fresh Peanut Brittle, per lb.,	25c	Oranges, per dozen,	30c
Good Brooms,	50c, 65c, 75c	Lemons, per dozen,	35c
Golden Syrup,	25c	5 pounds Pancake Flour,	25c
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There's a reason for this development which is easily explained. When the drug store only had medicine, it was necessary for the druggist to sell at a very high price; he had only a few customers—only 10 per cent. of the people are sick, the other 90 per cent. are not in need of medicine—and as a consequence had to make as much profit as possible per customer.

Progress has developed the druggist into a business man, and he knows that the more customers he can serve, the more moderate can he make his prices, because, with all the modern additions of many lines of merchandise, his rent and other overhead expenses which used to be divided between 15 or 20 customers a day, can now be divided between so many that it hardly counts. Therefore, the more departments of the drug store you can patronize, the lower will be the prices in all departments.

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MAZOMANIE, WIS., JAN. 12, 1922

OF LOCAL INTEREST

New Ads This Week.
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Paylow's Department Store Co.

ice.
—Mrs. Augusta Clark is visiting at Hartland.

—Mrs. Carl Fries was a visitor at Chicago last week.

—Mrs. Joseph Turquist went to Chicago, Thursday.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Knapf are visiting in Milwaukee.

—Fred Rlenow, of Madison, called on relatives here Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Lockwood were home from Waterloo, over Sunday.

—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson, of Arena, Saturday.

—Joseph Evert, E. L. Case, and J. M. Orcutt were at Madison, Tuesday.

—Carl Fries, Jas. P. Hudson, and Paul Wiese were at Madison, Thursday.

—Misses Ella and Gladys Jones have returned from a vacation visit at Madison.

—Pure comb and extracted honey, No. 1 grade, for sale at Lappley's drug store.

—Reserved seats for "The Millionaire Swede" are now on sale at Paylow's.

—Local thermometers registered all the way from zero to twelve below, Thursday morning.

—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Huset, of the town of Vermont, Sunday night.

—Many people on the verge of despair have taken Tanlac and recovered. —Shields' Pharmacy.

—Mrs. S. A. Mackeay and children returned, Tuesday, from a visit with relatives at Blue Bluff.

—Jacob Buhman, of Waunakee, was a visitor with the Butz families the latter part of last week.

—Glasses carefully and correctly fitted by H. Lappley, Registered Optometrist, Mazomatie, Wis.

—Milton Parrell cut his left foot severely with a sharp axe, Wednesday, the gash extending into the bone.

—The ticket office of the Milwaukee road depot at Stoughton was robbed Sunday night, and \$100.35 was taken.

—If you enjoy a hearty laugh, good singing and dancing and a funny Swedish play, see Carl M. Dalen's big company presenting "The Millionaire Swede," at the opera house, Saturday evening, next week.

—Hugh Cerny, of Oshkosh, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hicks. He is a brother of Mrs. Hicks.

—Railroad Men's Dance tonight. Accommodations for cars for those who wish, may be had at the new Ford garage.

—Orval Whit, of Arena, has been a patient at the Methodist hospital at Madison, and is reported as getting along nicely.

—Anton Roelke's team ran away, Saturday. The only damage done was the knocking down of Wm. Kulha's barrier pole.

—If you are run down, discouraged and out of heart, get a bottle of Tanlac and see how different it makes you feel. —Shields' Pharmacy.

—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Syvra, of Vermont, Saturday. This is their fourteenth baby, twelve of the children now living.

—Mrs. Frank Lundy and son, Gordon, Mrs. Jas. King and daughter, Miss Corinne, Daniel Lacey and Bertson Swan went to Madison, Sunday.

—A railroad men's old time dance will be given at Schultz' hall, Friday evening, January 13. Music by Kline's orchestra. All are invited to attend.

—The young people of the M. E. church gave Miss Angeline Hammerley a "showers" at the church, Monday evening. Miss Hammerley is to be married Saturday.

—Your money's worth of results positively guaranteed by taking HOLLISTER'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEA—You can't "beat it" for headaches and constipation. —H. Lappley.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison, Mrs. N. C. Kitch and children, Misses Alta Lappley, Anne Mullaney and Florence Knapp were Madison visitors, Saturday.

—Father M. A. Condon, pastor of the Oregon Catholic church for thirty-eight years, died at St. Mary's hospital at Madison, Monday, following a brief illness. He was sixty-six years of age.

—The wedding of Mrs. Mabel Inbusch, daughter of J. O. Davidson, former governor of Wisconsin, to Theodore G. Lewis, district attorney of Dane county, took place at Chicago, Wednesday.

Tanlac is a powerful, reconstructive, systemic and stimulant tonic. It tones up the system, restores lost appetite and makes you feel strong, alert and happy. —Shields' Pharmacy.

—The state railroad commission, in conjunction with the industrial commission, has prepared a new code to promote greater safety in electric wiring. A public hearing on the code will be given on February 1 and 2.

—The annual meeting of the Mazomatie Shipping Association, held at the Hotel Hamilton, in Mazomatie, Saturday, January 7th, was adjourned until Friday, January 20th, at one o'clock p. m. Live stock shippers present attended this meeting.

—The supreme court at Madison has sustained a verdict of the Dane county superior court finding W. J. Corcoran guilty of obtaining money under false pretenses. He was found guilty of obtaining a \$1,000 bond from Mrs. Mary Peterick, of Madison, unlawfully.

—The subscription price of the Sickle is invariably \$2.00 per year in advance. When, as occasionally happens, a check or other form of payment is received for less than the full yearly price, credit is given pro rata for the amount received, without further correspondence.

—The price of eggs which has undergone a decided drop within the past few days will continue to fall, the state department of markets believes. The dropping of storage prices on a market whose demand is not by arrivals of fresh eggs is given as the reason for the drop.

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—The largest increase in bank capital stock that has ever taken place in the history of this section of the state occurred at the close of business on Wednesday of last week, when the capitalization of the First National Bank at Madison was increased from \$300,000 to \$500,000.

—Fental that he ever proposed to be made by Charles F. Breerton, defendant in a \$5,000 breach of promise suit brought against him by Mrs. Nellie M. Stewart, of Lodi. Breerton asserts he has not enough information either to deny or admit that Mrs. Stewart was unmarried, and leaves her to prove that she was single. He admits that he was single up to the time of his marriage with another woman in September, 1921, but he denies all her other charges.

—The \$10,000 damage suit brought against Dane county by Chris and Lena Malson, of Windsor, for the death of two of their children who were drowned in 1919, in a water hole adjoining their property, was appealed to the state supreme court last week by attorneys for the parents. The Malsons lost their case in the circuit court.

—The warmest weather in forty-two years on January 9, was recorded at the U. S. weather bureau at Madison, Monday, when the mercury reached 40 degrees above zero at 3:30 p. m. Monday was also the forty-seventh anniversary of the coldest day recorded in this vicinity, according to Eric Miller, who on January 8, 1875, the mercury fell to 25 degrees below zero.

—Anton Mack, Norbert Ballweg, and Joe Knippen, all of Roxbury, were fined \$50 and costs each in superior court at Madison, Tuesday morning, for violating the game laws. They pleaded guilty to having disturbed a coon's nest. Walter Smith, also of Roxbury, was fined \$50 and costs in the same court, Thursday, upon admitting he had destroyed a coon's nest.

—Dane county had a slump in marriages last year, seventy-nine less couples going to the altar during 1921 than in 1920, according to the records of George Fjelstad, county clerk. Lack of funds is one explanation given as the reason for the slump. During 1920 a total of 726 couples were married in the county, while during 1921 627 ceremonies were performed.

—Some of the readers of the Sickle may be interested to learn the following, as received by cable by Mrs. J. C. Crawford, of Chicago: "Madame Ponnadine and two sons were in Finland, January 2nd. It is expected that they will take passage from Helsinki for the United States." Madame Ponnadine is a sister of Mrs. Crawford, and her experiences are known to many.

—Over 200,000 residents of Wisconsin will be required to fill out federal income tax blanks for their 1921 income, according to A. H. Wilkinson, internal revenue collector for this state. It is estimated that about 180,000 individuals will use the blanks showing an income of \$5,000 or less, and forty per cent. of these will pay no tax, but they must make returns.

—The Eastern Star lodge will have a picnic supper in the Masonic hall, on Friday evening, Jan. 20, at six o'clock. All members of the Eastern Star and the Masonic lodge and their families are invited. Each family is requested to bring a dish to the picnic.

—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Halfway Prairie Creamery will be held at Schmitt's hall at eight o'clock.—Committee.

—Employers in Wisconsin have paid over \$100,000 since 1917 in increased compensation of miners injured while employed in violation of the child labor law. The industrial commission said in a recent statement. These payments have been made under the workmen's compensation act which provides that when a minor is injured while illegally employed, the compensation shall be trebled and the entire increase, two-thirds of the whole, be paid by the employer and not by the insurance carrier.

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Some Aspects of the Farmers' Problems

By BERNARD M. BARUCH

(Reprinted from Atlantic Monthly)

The whole rural world is in a ferment of unrest, and there is an unparalleled volume and intensity of determination. If not angry, protest, and an ominous swarming of occupational conferences, interest groupings, political movements and propaganda. Such a tumult cannot but arrest our attention. Indeed, it demands our careful study and examination. It is not likely that six million alert and ruggedly independent men have come together and banded themselves into active unions, societies, farm bureaus, and so forth, for no sufficient cause.

Investigation of the subject conclusively proves that, while there is much overstatement of grievances and misconception of remedies, the farmers are right in complaining of wrongs long endured, and right in holding that it is feasible to relieve their ills with benefit to the rest of the community. This being the case of an industry that contributes, in the raw material form alone, about one-third of the national annual wealth, production and is the means of livelihood of about 40 per cent of the population, it is obvious that the subject is one of grave concern. Not only do the farmers make up one-half of the nation, but the well-being of the other half depends upon them.

So long as we have nations, a wise political economy will aim at a large degree of national self-sufficiency and self-containment. Some fell when the food supply was too far removed from the belly. Like her, we shall destroy our own agriculture and endanger our sources of food distinctly and precariously. If we do not see to it that our farmers are well paid for their services, the farm prices will rise. The nation men as well as food. Cities derive their vitality and are forever renewed from the country, but as impoverished countryside exports intelligence and retains unutilized. Only the surplus of the land, and the farm, unless agriculture is capable of being pursued with contentment and vigor, will the farmer be able to pay up and consummate the vital exchange with the city.

The war showed convincingly how dependent the nation is on the full productivity of the farm. During the herculean efforts, agricultural production kept only a few weeks or months ahead of consumption, and that only by increasing the acreage of certain staple crops at the cost of reducing that of others. We ought not to forget that lesson when we ponder on the farmer's problems. They are truly common problems, and there should be no attempt to deal with them as if they were purely selfish demands of a clear-cut group, antagonistic to the rest of the community. Rather should we consider agriculture in the light of broad national policy, just as we consider oil, coal, steel, dynamite and so on, in the light of national strength. Our growing population and a higher standard of living demand increasing food supplies, and more wool, cotton, hides, and the rest. With the disappearance of free or cheap fertile land, additional acreage and increased yields can come only from costly effort. This we need not expect from an impoverished or uneducated farmer.

It will not do to take a narrow view of the rural discontent, or to appraise it in the light of the depression. This is peculiarly an age of flux and change and new deals. Because a thing always has been so no longer does it mean that it shall be so. More, perhaps, than before, there is a widespread feeling that the old order is passing and that it is not becoming for the reasoning animal to be content with the old order by chance and natural inclination. Prudent and orderly adjustment of production and distribution in accordance with consumption is recognized as wise management in every business but that of farming. Yet, I venture to say, there is no other industry in which it is so important to the public to the city-dweller—that production should be adjusted to demand, and that distribution should be in proportion to the need. The unorganized farmers naturally set blind-ly and impulsively, and in consequence, surfeit and dearth, accompanied by disconcerting price-variations, are the lot of the consumer. One year potatoes rot in the fields because of excess production, and there is a scarcity of the same vegetable the next year. One year corn is so plentiful that it is made way for the expansion of the potato acreage; next year the punished farmers raise their prices as the other crop, and potatoes enter the class of luxuries; and so on.

Agriculture is the greatest and fundamentally the most important of our American industries. The cities are but the branches of the tree of industry, and the roots which dip deeply into the land. We all flourish or decline with the farmer. So, when we view the cities and the present rural distress of the farmers, of a slump of six billion dollars in the farm value of their crops in a single year,

of their inability to meet mortgages or to pay current bills, and how, seeking relief from their ills, they are planning to form pools, inaugurate farmers' strikes, and demand legislation abolishing grain exchanges, private cattle markets, and the like, we ought not hastily to brand them as economic heretics and highwaymen, and hurl at them the charge of being seekers of special privileges. Rather, we should ask if their trouble is not ours, and see what can be done to improve the situation. Purveyors of self-interest, if for no higher motive, we should help them. All of us want to get back to "normalcy," but is it reasonable to hope for that condition unless our greatest and most basic industries can be put on a sound and solid permanent foundation? The farmers are not entitled to special privileges; but are they right in demanding that they be placed on an equal footing with the buyers of their products and with other industries?

Let us, then, consider some of the farmer's grievances, and see how far they are real. In doing so, we should remember that, while there have been and still are, instances of purposeful abuse, the subject should not be approached with any general imputation to existing distributive agencies of dishonesty, intentioned oppression, or rather with the conception that the marketing of farm products has not been modernized.

An ancient evil, and a persistent one, is the undervaluation of farm products, with the result that what the farmers sell as of one quality is sold as of a higher. That this sort of dishonesty is not a new thing, but is as old as the hills, is a fact of business integrity would seem almost incredible, but there is much evidence that it does so persist. Even as I write, the newspapers announce the suspension of several firms from the New York Produce Exchange for exporting to Germany as No. 2 wheat a quality of grain inferior to what was advertised.

Another evil is that of the undervaluation of farm products, which, it is charged, is sometimes a matter of dishonesty, and sometimes of protective policy on the part of the local buyer, who fears that he may "weigh out" more than he "weighs in." A greater perversion is that all products of the farm are sold at a single price over the time and conditions of marketing its products, with the result that he is often underpaid for his products and usually overpaid for marketing service. The difference between what the farmer receives and what the consumer pays often exceeds all possibility of justification. Last year, according to figures attested by the railways and the growers, Georgia watermelon-railers received on the average 7.5 cents for a melon, the railroads got 12.7 cents for carrying it to Baltimore and the consumer paid one dollar, leaving 79.5 cents for the service of marketing and its risks, as against 12.7 cents for growing and transporting. The hard annuals of farm-life are replete with such commensurations on the crudeness of present practices.

Nature prescribes that the farmer's "goods" must be finished within two or three months of the year, while financial and storage limitations generally compel him to sell them at the same time. As a rule, other industries are in a continuous process of finishing goods for the markets; they distribute as they produce, and they can curtail production without too great injury to themselves or the community; but if the farmer restricts his output, it is with disastrous consequences both to himself and to the community.

The average farmer is busy with production for the major part of the year, and has nothing to sell. The bulk of his output comes on the market at once. Because of lack of storage facilities, and of financial support, the farmer cannot carry his goods through the year and dispose of them as they are currently needed. In the great majority of cases, farmers have to entrust storage to warehouses and elevators—and the financial carrying of their products to others.

Farm products are generally marketed at a time when there is a congestion of both transportation and finance—when cars and money are scarce. The outcome, in many instances, is that the farmer must sell under pressure, and therefore at a disadvantage, and be compelled to take further reductions in net return in order to meet the charges for the service of storing, transporting, financing, and ultimate marketing—which charges they claim, are often excessive, bear heavily on both consumer and producer, and are under the control of those performing the services. It is true that they are relieved of the risks of a declining market by selling at once; but they are quite well-

ing to take the unfavorable chance. If the farmer can also do these and the service charges that are not uniform, in good years are bad, with high prices and low.

While, in the main, the farmer must sell, regardless of market conditions, at the time of the maturity of crops, he cannot suspend production in toto. He must go on producing if he is to go on living, and if the world is to exist. The most he can do is to curtail production a little or alter its form, and that—because he is in the dark as to the probable demand for his goods—may be only to jump from the frying pan into the fire, taking the consumer with him.

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