

HAVE DANCED, NOW PAY FIDDLER, SAYS FARMER TO TOWNS

Opinions of farmers on the agricultural and industrial situation follow:

ROY E. SMELKER, New Paris, O.—I am one of the many farmers of this neighborhood that will be forced to decrease production of food supplies during the coming season, because of inability to get help. I believe I can make more clear money and do less work myself and not have to bother or worry about any hired help. A neighbor of mine tried this plan last year and it worked like a charm.

If city folks really realized the importance of agriculture, they would devote more time to the study of this subject than they do to Latin. They realized its importance when the German submarine peril was at its height. They will realize its importance more and more during the next few years.

Why is there a sugar shortage? Because the production of sugar cane and sugar beets has been a losing game for the farmers. Hundreds of Louisiana sugar cane planters went bankrupt early in Wilson's administration because of ruinous legislation.

Town Life Attracts.

For 20 years people have been leaving the country and going to town. They all go for the same reason: shorter hours and more money. This movement will continue until in a few years city folks go hungry and ragged, because there are too few producers on the farms.

A friend of mine planted an apple tree, cared and protected it for six years. Took the first bushel it produced to town and sold it to the grocer for \$2. The grocer retailed them in less than 24 hours for 10 cents a pound: \$4.50. The grocer made more profit off of that apple tree in one day than the farmer had in six years.

If the retailer earns the 10 and 15 cents a dozen he charges for handling eggs, the farmer ought to have at least \$2 a dozen, if he gets as well paid for his work.

Retailer Is Gouger.

The city retailer gouges the producer and bleeds the consumer. He refuses to handle many of the farmers' products, unless he can make at least 100% profit in a few hours time. At present he offers me eight cents a pound for popcorn that he retails at 24 cents.

A few years ago I lived in a city about half the size of Richmond. There wasn't a grocery in that town that would sell you an honest neck of potatoes and give you full weight that you were entitled to by law. One of the leading grocers of that city said that an honest man had no business trying to run a grocery store. That if a grocery didn't get rich while the war was on, he never would.

On with the dance! You city folks enjoy life while you can, but remember those who dance must pay the fiddler.

Farmers Are Organizing.

The old line politicians in North Dakota have been kick'd overboard and the farmers are running the state house from turret to foundation stone. Coming over home here in Ohio the farmers have the balance of power in the state legislature and run the show to suit themselves.

The election of the farmer depends on his learning to scratch his ticket on election day. As long as he braces that he votes his ticket straight, he deserves no sympathy and will get no relief. There are plenty of farmers of both parties that would vote their ticket straight (and bring about it) even if there was nothing on them but yellow goods and billie goats.

Exchange Handshake for Knife.

Just before election the city politician comes out with a hearty handshake and a cheap cigar and then puts the knife into Friend Farmer during his entire term in office.

Organized labor is going into politics. Yes and organized farmers are going into politics. For every vote that Labor casts for many candidates, farmers will cast 10 against.

I have always been a Wilson man and am proud of it, but Wilson has not given the farmers a square deal. I believe that the farmers of good old United States of America will select and elect for the next president a man who understands that agriculture is the life blood of our nation, that without it the streets of your city

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Nothing Like Plain Bitro-Phosphate to Put on Firm, Healthy Flesh and to Increase Strength, Vigor and Nerve Force.

Judging from the countless preparations and treatments which are continually being advertised for the purpose of making thin people fleshy, developing arms, neck and bust, and replacing ugly hollows and angles by the soft, curved lines of health and beauty, there are evidently thousands of men and women who keenly feel their excessive thinness.

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and all other cities would grow up in weeds or be covered with desert sands. Hats off! Governor Lowden, of Illinois, the next president.

Labor Calendar

Meetings of local labor unions scheduled for Tuesday night follow:

Carpenters, President, S. C. Lantz; Secretary, Charles Griffy. Time, 7:30. Place, Lukens' Hall.

Blacksmiths, 563. President, W. H. Washburn; secretary, F. A. Irwin. Time, 7:30. Place, T. M. A. Hall.

FATHER DIES; SIX CHILDREN ARE SICK WITH INFLUENZA

SULLIVAN, Ind., Feb. 24.—John Swamer, age 39, a farmer living three miles south of Sullivan, died Saturday of influenza. His six children are all critically ill with the disease and his mother, 80 years of age, is also a victim. The widow is attending the seven stricken members of the family. Many of the Swamer's neighbors are bedfast with the same disease.

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and the softest mosses.

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Identifies the true, world-famous Aspirin, prescribed by physicians for over eighteen years



The "Bayer Cross" is the signature of the true "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin." The name "Bayer" is only on genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for over eighteen years.

In every handy "Bayer package" are proper directions for Colds, Headache, Toothache, Ear-

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Tin boxes of twelve tablets cost only a few cents. Druggists also sell larger "Bayer packages." Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monoacetic acid ester of Salicylic acid.

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\$2.00 Cot Size
BLANKETS \$1.59

Double blankets, cot size, firm woven, soft fleece finish, colored border, with coupon \$1.59

COUPON

5c CARD SAFETY PINS 3c

Polished nickel steel, best quality, assorted sizes, 12 on card with coupon 3c

COUPON

Children's \$1.00 WASH SUITS 50c

Mother's, here's a bargain! Wash suits slightly soiled, assorted sizes, light and dark colors, with coupon 50c

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Polished nickel steel, best quality, assorted sizes, 12 on card with coupon 3c

COUPON

15c HUCK TOWELS 9c

Checked material with rubberized back, bib style, another big value, with coupon 9c

COUPON

\$1.00 Rubber Kitchen APRON 65c

Checked material with rubberized back, bib style, another big value, with coupon 65c

COUPON

15c HUCK TOWELS 9c

Less than factory price, limit 6 to customer, good size, fringed ends, with coupon 9c

COUPON

18c Kitchen Crash TOWELING, Yd. 13c

100 yards to go at this price: bleached, firm woven crash, full width, with coupon, yd. 13c

COUPON

Closing out Grocery Department — Big Savings

COUPON

EIGHT ROLLS TOILET PAPER 25c

Direct from paper mill. Save the jobber's profit: 8 rolls crepe paper with coupon 25c

COUPON

35c DRESS GING- HAMS, yard 21c

Fast colored plaids and figured ginghams, suitable for women and children's dresses, with coupon 21c

COUPON

Men's 20c Canvas GLOVES 10c

Canvas gloves and cotton flannel mitts included in lot, another big money saver, with coupon 10c

COUPON

Paper Dressmakers' PINS 3c

Full count paper adamantine dressmakers' pins, perfect points, polished steel, with coupon 3c

COUPON

SILK DRESS SKIRTS \$2.50

Just think, Silk Dress Skirts worth \$5.00 and up, a closeout lot. Material alone cannot be bought for \$2.50. Novelty stripes, neat models—

COUPON

Children's Hose SUPPORTERS 15c

White or black, non-tear hose attachment; pure gum webbing, all sizes, with coupon 15c

COUPON

MEN'S WORK SOCKS 23c

Brown mixture, genuine "Rockford" knit, no seam in toe, with coupon 23c

COUPON

Women's 29c BLACK HOSE 17c

Fast black cotton lisle with reinforced heel and toe, Wednesday, with coupon 17c

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RICHMOND'S UNDERSELLING STORE

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THE CROWDS

Connie Mack's battery men will head the parade of major league players to the training camp in Dixie. They will leave Philadelphia next Friday, Feb. 20, for Lake Charles, La. The regulars will follow a week later.

Al Demaree has discovered that the distance he must travel from the majors to the minors is quite a trip. Demaree goes from Boston to Seattle. Cleveland teams have trained in New Orleans in 14 of the last 18 years, and the 1920 team will also do its conditioning in the Crescent City. No other team has stuck to one training camp so consistently.

Ray Demmitt, one-time Yankee and a member of the St. Louis Browns for the past two seasons, is not to be a member of the St. Louis club in the coming campaign, according to reports from the Mount City.

FRITZ IS BUSY FINDING "WAR CRIMES" OF ENEMY

(By Associated Press)

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—The Saxon demobilization bureau is engaged in a compilation of "enemy war crimes" and claims to possess much evidence bearing on occurrences at Dirant, Belgium, in August, 1914, when the city was burned after alleged attacks upon Germans by Belgian snipers.

At Fox's office, it's said the European heavyweight champion has accepted the offer of \$250,000 and a split of the receipts.

New March Numbers of Columbia Records

Margaret Romaine's First Columbia Records

This sensational new soprano of the New York Metropolitan Opera Company makes her Columbia debut with four exquisite records. As an exclusive Columbia star she gives every promise of adding an even wider following of music lovers to the great audiences who have so enthusiastically applauded her every appearance in London, Paris, and New York.

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