

AMERICANS, BOOBS, PAYING GOLD-BRICK PRICES—MEREDITH

The rube who bought the gold brick used to be a whimsical novelty in the life of the nation. The yokel who paid \$47 spot cash for the Masonic Temple used to be a stray bit of color in the news of the day. Today—take it from the United States department of agriculture and its secretary, Edwin T. Meredith—the nation is a collection of gullible suckers walking around with exposed bank rolls.

The famous American public, than which there used to be no "famouser," has become in the last five years as naive as a girl with her first hair net. It has, by its semi-indifference, brought upon itself a high cost of living and a dollar worth 30 cents.

Food Should Be Cheap.
"Food today," said Mr. Meredith in Chicago Tuesday, "should be as cheap if not cheaper than it was six years ago. There is more food per capita being produced in the country."

Mr. Meredith produced figures. The figures showed that in the last 30 years the production of grain on the farms had increased from 226 bushels per capita, to 406 bushels per capita; that since 1880 production has increased 25 per cent per acre; that cotton has increased from 36½ pounds per capita to 60 pounds per capita; that milk has increased from 80 gallons per capita to 96 gallons per capita; wheat from six bushels to eight bushels the six leading cereals from 38 bushels in 1874 to 62 bushels in 1919.

These and a succession of similar figures marshaled by the secretary of agriculture point plainly in his opinion, to the fact that production on the farms has not fallen off, but increased—that following the natural laws of supply and demand, the cost of food should not have increased.

Enter Gold Brick Boobs.
Enter, however, the great, wise American with the nervous bankroll. Ten years ago a man going to buy a pair of shoes for \$5 would not have thought of buying a pair for \$10 than he would have thought of eating them.

Today the citizen entering a shoe store or any other kind of a store will come through with any kind of a price asked—and no questions asked by him. It is the same in the groceries, in the restaurants, theatres and all other places where the great American rube is shedding his bank-roll.

"We have become a nation of silly spendthrifts," said Mr. Meredith, and the result is we are being trimmed right and left by everybody and anybody. The newspapers prepare the American for his trimming. They keep writing about the high cost and the higher cost of living. The result is that an American, when asked some preposterous sum for an article, sighs and says: "Prices have gone up."

"Prices are hundreds per cent higher in some places than they should be. But that is not my field. That is up to the department of justice."

Suburban News

GREENSBORO, Ind.—Dorothy Gwin, Thelma Stackhouse, Ira Duff, Inn Stackhouse, Cuba Sowers, Earl Stackhouse, Desmond Bavender, Myrl Stackhouse, Eugene Davis, Kenneth Cates, Frank Duff, and Robert Honnell, met at the home of Mary and Robert Myers, Saturday evening. Games and music were enjoyed by all. John Ellis is sick. Miss Mary Haden returned Tuesday from Richmond, where she spent the week-end. Melba Thornburg is sick.

CAMDEN, O.—Miss Mary DuVal has been home from Dayton the past week suffering from a fever. Miss Ruth Freitag was home this week end. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kenworthy and daughter were Camden shoppers Saturday. The Philomathean club will hold their regular meeting with Mrs. John Sizelove Tuesday evening. Mrs. Anna Klopp and Mrs. Gertrude Garret will entertain the young ladies' class of the Presbyterian Sunday school, Wednesday. Mrs. J. E. Randall has been called to Richmond on account of serious illness of her father, John T. Stubbs. Mr. Stubbs was stricken with paralysis Sunday evening. Mrs. Daisy Freitag, who has been sick with grippe, is able to be at her work in the post-office again. Mrs. Mary Marshall has been suffering from lumbago.

WILLIAMSBURG, Ind.—Miss Ruth Smith was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ora Smith, north of town. Miss Carrie Reynolds of Anderson, is spending a few days with relatives here. Charles Goodson and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Enos Veal Sunday. Otho Clark, who has been in overseas service for some time, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Daugherty. Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Lewis had as their guests Sunday, Alvin Study and family of Fountain City, Melvin Coggershall and daughter, Oceola, and Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Martin. Mrs. Sarah Snedeker of Richmond returned to her home after spending several days with her sister, Mrs. John Parks, at this place. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Meyers of near Fountain City, were the guests of Mrs. Meyers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fulton, west of town, Sunday. Mrs. W. E. Mickesell and children are improving.

CHESTER, Ind.—Mr. and Mrs. James Webster and daughter, Florence, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meyers and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cutter. Wallace Kendall of Richmond, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kendall. Mrs. Michael Kendall, who has been sick with the flu, is much improved. Charles Shelly has sold his property here. The last quarterly meeting of the conference year was held at the M. E. church here last Wednesday night. Rev. Semans of Richmond, conducted the meeting in the absence of Dr. Light, district superintendent, who was sick and unable to attend.

CAMPBLETOWN, O.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles West residing in the Verner Scarce tenant house on Friday Feb. 13, a baby boy. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mettett, of Dayton spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Mettett. Superintendent J. S. McDivitt left Monday for Celveland to attend the National teachers association. John O'Hara and family spent Sunday with Bert Bear and family. Heber O'Hara, Delbert Thompson and sister Mabel, visited the New Paris school Monday. Joe Sheffer and Principal Jones visited Dixon Central school Monday. The Y. P. C. A. social was well attended considering the condition of the roads Saturday evening. Ora Mettett donated a \$1 box of stationery and it was sold and resold until it brought about \$20. A splendid program was rendered which added much to the social in the way of amusement. Mr. and Mrs. James Fowler spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Armacost. Rev. Harris returned Saturday evening from a few days visit with relatives in Indiana.

FOUNTAIN CITY, Ind.—Mrs. John Boren of Indianapolis visited a few days last week with relatives of this place. Mrs. Anna Thornton entertained at dinner last Thursday in honor of her 82nd birthday the following: Mrs. Will Thornton, Mary Thornton and son Dudley, Mrs. Irene Thornton and Mrs. Alva Ellman. W. D. Wilson and family moved into the property last Thursday recently purchased from Purviance Hunt. Mr. Wilson took possession of the grain elevator last Saturday. Miss Aletta Lacey of Winchester and relatives of this community last week. Mr. and Mrs. Linus Reynolds moved last Thursday on what was formerly the Milton Hodgkin farm, south of town. Guy Carroll and family of Richmond spent Sunday with relatives at this place. Lyman Richardson has been seriously ill and was taken to the Reid Memorial hospital Sunday morning. Mrs. Ona Boren spent the week-end with Ed Reynolds and family at Newcastle. Mrs. John Powell had a tonsil operation performed at the Reid Memorial hospital last Monday morning. Little Hilda is improving from an attack of diphtheria. It is thought that the quarantine might be lifted this week. Miss Marie Keene returned to her school at New Madison this week after being confined to her home last week on account of sickness. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor returned to their home Sunday after an extended visit with relatives at Muncie.

FAIRFIELD, Ind.—H. D. Rose of Economy, Ind., spent Thursday night and Friday here. Freeman Kimball is quite ill. Dr. Patterson of Brookville is attending him. Cecil Pierce of near Bently, is working for Frank Cromwell. Miss Eleanor Mills spent the week-end with Misses Helen and Edna Logan at Brookville. Omer Hemelick is sick. Amasa Banning is ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. Joseph Younts. Lewis Younts is serving on the jury at Brookville. Charles Branchia of this township has announced his candidacy for sheriff of

PLANS TO CLIMB PEAKS OF ZION NATIONAL PARK



Miss Thelma McMurrin, attired in her climbing costume.

Miss Thelma McMurrin is one of several Salt Lake City girls who expect to explore and climb the innermost recesses and heights of the New Zion National Park this spring and summer. Their costumes for the trip will include knickers, woolen socks which will be pulled up over the knees, ankle-high boots, heavily hobnailed, woolen shirt and a soft buckskin coat.

Franklin county. Eugene Howard was in Brookville Sunday. John Miller was able to be out last Saturday. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Levi Mullin, a baby girl, last Friday. Mrs. Mat Everett is ill. Emmet Apsley and family have the measles. Morris masters has appendicitis and one of his children has mumps. Paul Neukam and wife moved on the Olive Smith farm north of Roseburg last week.

CLARK'S STATION, O.—Mrs. William Whit has the measles. F. W. Allen and family were in Greenville Saturday. Chalmer Reigle and Ed Downing were in Greenville Saturday. Traffic on the Big Four railroad was tied up a short time when a truck was pulled from a freight car at Clark's crossing, last Saturday. Clara Stump is recovering from an attack of influenza. Benjamin T. Miller, of Palestine, was here last week. Frank VanFleet and son, Ferdinand, spent last Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Van Fleet, of near Coleton.

Prospective Elopers, Heed! Kentucky Gretna Greens May Be Closed by Law

Prospective newlyweds of Richmond or Indiana, who wish to keep their marriage a secret for a while and who "fly to Newport and Covington will be dealt a hard blow if a bill now in the Kentucky legislature is passed.

The bill requires that all marriage licenses to be advertised and issued at least four days before the wedding. Many couples heretofore have shook the dust of Richmond from their feet for a day to "flee to Newport or Covington," to "put it over." If the bill passes, these two cities may cease to be Gretna Green.

Juvenile court authorities are backing the bill.

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The Farm and The Farmer

BY WILLIAM R. SANBORN

TALKS WITH BANKERS.

The following brief interviews with well known country bankers will interest both city and country readers, because the subjects discussed are of importance to all. The prosperity of the farmer is the basis of all prosperity.

E. M. WEAVER, of the Farmers Bank at Milton—No farms have been sold around Milton lately, that we know of, although there were quite a number of transfers in 1919. Land values are held steady and our farmers are content to hold and to continue to farm as usual, unless they get a price which suits them. Believe all the sales made are already on record and none are awaiting transfer on March 1.

No Talk of Reduction.
Have heard no talk of reducing acreage this spring, except that the farmer will depend on himself and family to do the work, and because help is scarce will plant only what the family can care for. Some may cut down hog production for different reasons, but we have heard no talk of this. There are various opinions as to growing wheat. Not much building in prospect, except that we are to have one of the best township schools in the state, to be built this year.

R. S. HIATT, cashier of the bank at Dublin—Quite a few farms were sold in this vicinity last year, probably a dozen or more, and at high prices compared with pre-war land values. As to tenant change there will be a number of them, in Wayne and over the line in Union County. No, I don't think farmers will feed as many hogs as usual, in fact now and then a depositor has said that he would cut his feeding 50 per cent, using less feed and doing less work, also taking less risk as to lower markets.

Little Building Expected.
Have heard no talk of cutting general crop acreages, though some must for lack of help. While there may be some building done on the farms, probably will, we know of none in sight in Dublin right now. We have plenty of money to loan for new buildings and would be glad to put it out. Our deposits are 15 per cent over those of February, 1919.

JOSEPH BLOSE, Cashier of the Centerville State Bank—Farmers are wondering if there are to be further losses on hogs which have been fed on high priced rations, and as to the future of the live stock markets?

Many Sell Brood Sows.
Many have sold off a number of their brood sows and are planning to cut down on grain and increase their pasture. How general that idea may be, am not prepared to say. Know of no farms that have been sold within a month, or likely to be sold soon, but prices on land is well maintained.

As to decrease in general farm crop acreage, there will be some. One farmer tells me that he will cut down corn a third, and plant but 50 acres.

Believe that, in the main, farmers will plan whatever acreage they think they can handle to advantage, regardless of hired help.

E. T. MAZE, Brownsville State Bank—There have been some changes in farm ownership, not very many perhaps, but add at a large advance, and some at more than double what would have been realized four or five years ago. Not only are land values up but are well maintained.

Tenants are Wanted.
As to farm tenants there are a number of farmers looking for good renters and these seem very scarce and do little moving. There is some talk of reducing acreage, not so much as to demand and prices as because of help. It isn't a question over here of wages, but of getting good help at any price, or a good tenant, as the case may be. This situation is really serious and must cut production. The only building of importance planned just now is a fine garage. Business is good with us and retailers are not complaining.

Hines Asks Help In Preparing Teacher's Week

City and county school officials Wednesday received a letter from L. N. Hines, state superintendent of public instruction, asking them to take active participation in the celebration of "Teachers' Week, March 7 to 14. The letter follows in part:

"The week of March 7 to 14 has been set aside as teachers' week, or educational week, here in Indiana. The emergency that confronts Indiana's

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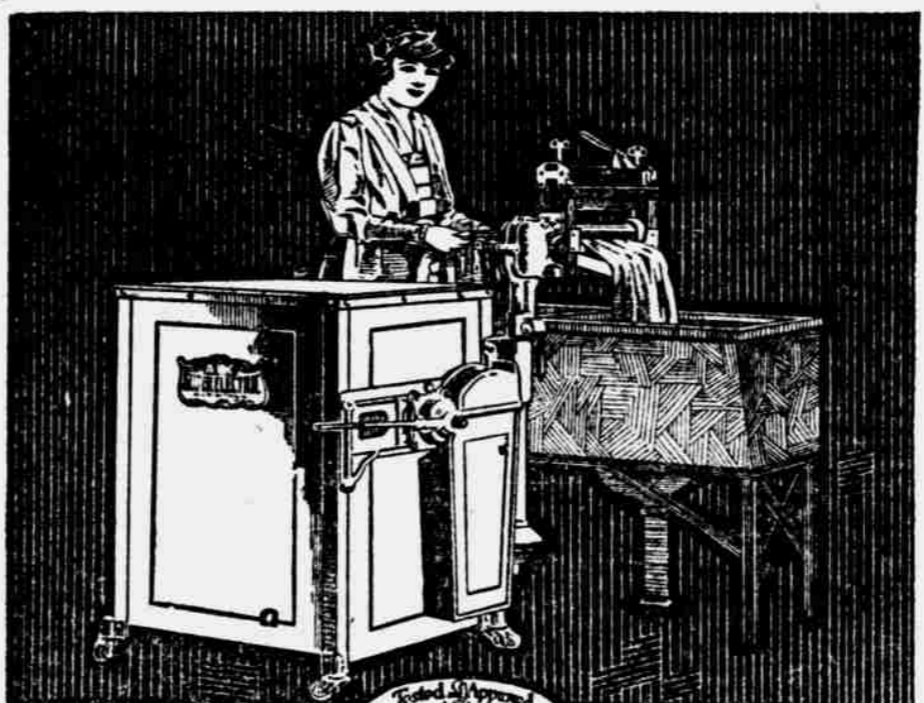
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"We are very anxious to have held in every city, town and township in the state during educational week, one or more public meetings bearing on the welfare of the public schools, the scarcity of teachers, the pay and other features of the teacher's work, and matters kindred to these topics."

INDIAN CHIEF BLOWS OUT GAS, HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—U. M. Sum Kim Chief of the Kayuse Indians of Umatilla county, Oregon, who was en route to Washington on business for his tribe, was found asphyxiated in a hotel here today. The police were of the opinion that he had blown out the gas. On a string about his neck was found four small chamolais bags.

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