

S MR. LEGGE A

"MIRACLE MAN?"

Chairman Legge of the Federal Farm Board says bluntly to the farmers: Cut your acreage 10 per cent., or we quit.

If the Farm Board quit and dumped its holdings of a hundred million bushels of grain on the market distress would turn into disaster.

Suppose the farmers reduce their acreage (controllable) by 10 per cent. and bad weather cuts the yield per acre (uncontrollable) by 0 or 20 or 50 per cent.—where all the farmers be then?

The farmer's expenses have trebled in the last few years. He pays, collectively, more than a billion dollars a year for implements and machinery made by industry.

His efficiency as a producer has increased: acreage per man, 48 per cent.; production in dollars per man, 19 per cent. (authority of Professor F. B. Mumford, Missouri College of Agriculture.)

His marketing methods have been developed to a point where reductions in cost of marketing are almost impossible.

What does the farmer want? He wants a higher price for his product. What did Congress try to do for him? To help him, without increasing the cost of food to the consumer.

What does Mr. Legge urge? Reduction of acreage, to lessen supply and increase demand.

There is an obvious incongruity in his chain. From the producer's point of view Mr. Legge's argument is fallacious.

There are substitutes for wheat to which consumers will resort rather than pay higher prices. They will turn to other cereals; to increased use of potatoes and rice.

To reduce the chaos of factors and opinions to order would keep any student busy for a lifetime. Those who offer snap solutions are if the mark.

The act of Congress by which the Farm Board was set up tried to effect an economic revolution at a single stroke.

The export debenture plan was discarded. That plan took into account the inherited and fundamental belief of the farmer, as a Western dairyman expresses it, "that large crops are a blessing." Such a belief cannot be wiped out by an act of Congress.

The debenture plan aimed specifically at assistance to the producer of a surplus exportable crop, permitting him to draw on the United States Treasury for half the amount of money that would have to be paid for a similar shipment coming in.

This plan was direct, specific, individual; no more paternalistic than the import duty enjoyed by industry.

Chairman Legge has a giant's job on his hands. Of course we wish him success; but he is under handicap through the very nature of the task set up for him by Congress and the President—the task of achieving an economic revolution in a hurry.—Philadelphia Record.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
Jacob Winklebleck, et ux, to William Burd, tract in Miles Twp.; 3,600.

J. S. Burd, Adm., to Doyle W. Best, et ux, tract in Haines Twp.; 1,695.

W. W. Phelps, et ux, to J. Munson, et ux, tract in Rush Twp.; \$8,500.

Alfred P. Krape, et al, to William W. Kerlin, tract in Potter Twp.; \$3,000.

W. H. Ertle, et ux, to John G. Meyer, et al, tract in Penn Twp.; 2,325.

Miles Decker to C. F. Clevestine, tract in Walker Twp.; \$1.

Farmers National Bank and Trust company to Nora M. Ornor, tract in Haines Twp.; \$5,240.

J. W. Henszey, et ux, to Chilpison Asso., Inc., tract in State College; \$1.

Charles W. Heverly, et al, to Margaret Schenck, tract in Liberty Twp.; \$400.

Levi S. Wolford, et ux, to George A. Corman, tract in Miles Twp.; \$780.

Emma C. Corman, Exec., to George A. Corman, tract in Miles Twp.; \$243.

Warren F. Stover, et al, Exec., to George A. Corman, tract in Miles Twp.; \$50.

W. W. Phelps, et ux, to Paul L. Harper, tract in Phillipsburg; 100.

Mary A. Rogers, et bar, to Lois Kurtz, tract in Bellefonte; \$9000.

American Butler, et al, to Burnine Butler, tract in Liberty Twp.; 1000.

Fortney E. Butler, Adm., to L. Mason Shellenberger, et ux, tract in Liberty Twp.; \$196.

English Law Demanded

Attendance at Church

Sunday holiday makers and trippers will be interested to know that a statutory law in England, years ago prohibited such frivolity, says the London Daily Mail. The Act of Uniformity, 1552, requires: All persons, except those dissenting from the worship or doctrines of the Church of England and usually attending some place of worship not belonging to the Church of England, are, if they have no lawful or reasonable excuse for absence, to endeavor to attend their parish church or accustomed chapel, or, if reasonably prevented from so doing, some other place where the divine service of the Church of England is performed, on all Sundays and other days ordained and used to be kept as holy days, and to abide there orderly and soberly during the time of common prayer, preaching, or other divine service there performed. Failure to observe this law renders the offending "parishioner or inhabitant of a parish" who is not legally exempt from attendance at divine service on Sundays and holy days liable in proceedings taken against him in the ecclesiastical courts to be censured for the offense, admonished as to his attendance in the future, and to be condemned in the costs of the proceedings.

Ancient Builders' Idea of Humor Quite Modern

The builders of the old churches in England were not so serious but that they now and then perpetrated a joke, even in stone. On more than one of their creations they carved in relief a scene representing a monk preaching solemnly to a flock of geese. The same humorous spirit is sometimes to be detected in the domestic architecture of early times.

Just upon the boundaries of Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire formerly stood an old rambling farmhouse. The living-room was long and low, and on the center beam that went across the ceiling was inscribed this legend: "If you are cold, go to Hertfordshire."

This seemingly inhospitable invitation was explained by the fact that one-half of the room was in one county and one-half in the other. The fireplace was in Hertfordshire.

Disdainful of Physicians

Disraeli affected to regard all doctors with a sovereign disdain, writes a columnist in the Manchester Guardian. "Gull is all froth and words," he declared at seventy-three. "They are all alike. First of all they throw it on the weather; then there must be a change of scene; so Sir W. Jenner, after blundering and plundering in the usual way, sent me to Bournemouth, and Gull wants to send me to Ems; I should like to send both of them to Jericho." And Joseph Chamberlain's insistence that to go up to bed and to come down again constituted exercise enough for any man must have been a sore trial to his doctors.

Afraid of Life

"You're not afraid of life, are you?" she asks him, and Finch is startled into truth. "Yes, I am. I'm awfully afraid of it."

She reared her head from the pillow. "Afraid of life. What nonsense. I won't have it. You mustn't be afraid of life. Take it by the horns. Take it by the tail. Grasp it where the hair is short. Make it afraid of you. That's the way I did. Do you think I'd have been talking to you this night—if I'd been afraid of life? Look at this nose of mine. These eyes. Do they look afraid of life? And my mouth—when my teeth are in—it's not afraid either."—Kansas City Star.

Sunrise on the Moon

The transition from night to day on the moon is very rapid, for the moon has no atmosphere; no rosy tints paint its mountain tops at dawn. There are no graduations between darkness and night, no twilight with color-tinted clouds. Before the sun comes there is blank, black darkness, deeper and blacker than anything experienced on our earth. As the sunshine moves across its surface the first peaks to catch its rays stand suddenly out, fully defined in a harsh, untempered glare and in sharp contrast to the dense blackness of the nearby terrain, where it is still night.

Food Requirements

According to Prof. V. H. Mottram, an adult woman needs but 2,500 calories a day. An adult man engaged in sedentary occupation requires 3,000 calories daily. A man doing hard work should have 5,000 calories. The physiological reason given is that the feminine organism utilizes food more economically than man. A child's food should not be proportioned according to his age, as he requires more than half the food of an adult. Boys and girls of fourteen are to be considered as adults in food utilization.

Sanity in the Madhouse

I should imagine that a madhouse would be an excellent place to be sane in. I'd a long sight rather live in a nice, quiet, secluded madhouse than in intellectual clubs full of un-intellectual people, all chattering nonsense about the newest book of philosophy; or in some of those earnest, elbowing sort of Movements that want you to go in for Service and help to take away somebody else's toys.—From "The Poet and the Lunatics," by K. Chesterton.

Minimum of Waste in Sardine-Canning Plant

In a Down East sardine canning factory the only thing that is wasted is the odor. That may not be a dead loss, for there are persons who assert they like the smell of a sardine factory. The scales are sold to the manufacturers of artificial pearls. The fish meal is in demand in Germany and in this country. The waste oil is collected and utilized in the production of paints and varnishes. Even the tin cuttings from the cans are baled and shipped to England for reprocessing into new sheets of the metal.

Down East sardines are sent to 85 different countries. In Java, when representatives sought a new market, the natives would have nothing to do with the "little fishes boiled in oil." Two hundred free cases were offered if the prospective customers would place a 1,000 case order. At last the deal was made. The sardines were heaped high on trucks, together with a band of native musicians, taken from bazaar to bazaar, and sold. Thus introduced, there was no further difficulty in adding Java to the list of sardine consumers.—New York Times.

Hard to Grasp Facts of the Stellar System

At first the brain reels a little in the attempt to grasp the facts of the stellar system, even explained with the lucidity and exactness of which Sir James Jeans is a master. From the vast extensions of the sky he carries us into the inmost recesses of the atom, where the electron whirrs around its perpetual circuit several thousand million times every second. These numbers, says the London Spectator, are but dazzle painting, and it is simpler to say that the electron travels as far in a second as our latest seaplane travels in an hour. Sir James Jeans has a happy fertility in such comparisons, and forcibly strikes the imagination when he tells us that if the carbon atom were magnified to the size of Waterloo station, its electrons would be represented by six wasps flying round in the vast vacuity. All the rest is emptiness; and so in the celestial spaces it is immense odds against any given spot being occupied. "We live in a gossamer universe; pattern, plan and design are there in abundance, but solid substance is rare."

One of Life's Tragedies

They sat gazing into each other's eyes. At last he slipped from the sofa and, kneeling at her feet, gave utterance to the sweeping thoughts that were swelling up his mind.

"Darling," he said, "sometimes I think how lucky I was to be born in the same century as you, to have met you. It seems as if Fate had intended us for each other since the beginning of time, and that at last the great design has been completed in our love. It has been Fate, my dearest, Fate."

"Aye," she replied, a little wistfully. "It was fate all right. Your fate. If I hadn't tripped over your fate 'jumpin' on the bus . . ."

And they pondered over the tragedy of might have been.—London Tit-Bits

Paper Barometer

Henley's Twentieth Century Book of Recipes publishes the following method of making a paper barometer: Saturate white blotting paper with the following liquid and then hang up to dry:

Cobalt chloride, 1 ounce; sodium chloride, 1/2 ounce; calcium chloride, 75 grains; acacia, 1/4 ounce; water 2 ounces.

The amount of moisture in the air is roughly indicated by the changing color of the paper, rose red indicating rain; pale red, very moist; bluish red, moist; lavender blue, nearly dry; blue, very dry.

Unfortunate Early Savant

Henry, Marquis of Villena, a Castilian savant in the reign of John II, studied astronomy so diligently that he lost all run of his worldly affairs and caused a wit of his day to comment sarcastically: "He knew much of heaven and nothing of earth."

His blind neglect of his financial concerns cost him all his possessions and reduced him to extreme penury in his last years. He was suspected of necromancy, and at his death in 1834 the king's ecclesiastical agent threw more than a hundred of his precious books into the flames.—Detroit News.

Concerning the Law

The true view, as I submit, is that the law is what the judges declare; that statutes, precedents, the opinions of learned experts, customs, and morality are the sources of the law; that back of everything lie the opinions of the ruling spirits of the community; who have the power to close any of these sources; but that as long as they do not interfere, the judges, in establishing law, have recourse to these sources.—John Chipman Gray.

Do Bees Know Bookkeeper?

One often hears the statement that bees know their master. This is not true. During the working season a bee lives for only about six weeks, two of which are spent in the hive. It is hardly likely that a bookkeeper would examine a hive frequently enough to become known to such short-lived creatures even if they had the ability to distinguish between different human beings.

PATIENTS TREATED AT CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Mrs. Basil Frank, of State College, was admitted for surgical treatment on Monday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leathers, of Bellefonte R. F. D., are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, born at the hospital on Monday of last week.

Ralph Stam, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stam, of Pine Grove Mills, became a medical patient on Monday of last week.

Mrs. Vivian Buckwalter, of Centre Hall, was discharged on Monday of last week, after undergoing medical treatment for two days.

Mrs. Thomas Shaughnessy, of Bellefonte, was discharged on Monday of last week after undergoing surgical treatment for fifteen days.

Miss Betty Edmiston, ten-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Edmiston, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Tuesday of last week for medical treatment.

Miss Eva Grove, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Tuesday of last week for medical treatment and discharged on Thursday.

Mrs. Charles Smith, of Jersey Shore, a medical patient for fifteen days, was discharged on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Florence Stiffler, of Cherry Tree, a surgical patient for three days, was discharged on Tuesday of last week.

Alfred Collier, of Nittany, was discharged on Tuesday of last week, after undergoing medical treatment for two months.

Roland Jckoff, of Bellefonte, a medical patient for eleven weeks, was discharged on Tuesday of last week.

Miss Mary E. Swartz, of Bellefonte, became a surgical patient on Wednesday of last week and was discharged on Friday.

Charles Gault, of Harrisburg, was admitted on Wednesday of last week for surgical treatment.

Roy McClintic, of Linden Hall, became a medical patient on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Helen Harvey, of State College, was admitted on Wednesday of last week for surgical treatment.

Florence E. Sawers, thirteen-year old daughter of Mrs. Maude Sawers, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Wednesday of last week for medical treatment.

Leonard Smeltzer, of Bellefonte R. D. 2, a surgical patient for sixteen days, the result of an automobile accident, was discharged on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Marguerite Lambert, of Bellefonte, became a surgical patient last Thursday.

Mrs. Boyd Weaver, of State College, was admitted last Thursday for surgical treatment and was discharged on Friday.

Mrs. Elvina Rockey and infant daughter, of Linden Hall, were discharged last Thursday.

Miss Dora Neidigh, of State College, was admitted on last Thursday for surgical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. William Scheckenger, of State College, are the proud parents of a son, born on Friday, whom they have named William, Jr.

Mrs. Clara Horner, of Graysville, became a surgical patient last Thursday.

Mrs. Hazel Swartz, of State College, was admitted on Friday for medical treatment.

Mrs. Marcella Woodring, of Milesburg, became a surgical patient on Saturday.

Charles Wensel, of Port Matilda, a surgical patient, was discharged on Saturday.

Mrs. Ralph Williams, of State College, a surgical patient for a month, was discharged on Saturday.

Miss Marian Stiffler, seven-year-old daughter of Mrs. Florence Stiffler, of Port Matilda, was discharged on Saturday after undergoing surgical treatment.

Mrs. Wilbert Heffner, of Pine Grove Mills, became a medical patient on Sunday.

There were thirty-four patients in the hospital at the beginning of this week.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM FOR TEACHER'S COLLEGE.

At a faculty meeting last week at State Teachers College at Lock Haven, the commencement speakers who are to represent the different groups graduating from the College this year were selected. Miss Elizabeth S. Kittelberger, of Curwensville; primary group; Miss Marion Puckey, of Altoona, was selected to represent the intermediate group; and Mr. Samuel M. Long, of Liberty, Tioga county, was selected to represent the four-year high school college group.

Commencement week begins on Friday, May twenty-third, with the Junior class play; Alumni day on Saturday, May twenty-fourth; baccalaureate services on Sunday, May twenty-fifth; class day exercise on Monday, May twenty-sixth; closing with the commencement program on Tuesday, May twenty-seventh.

—Francis E. Prey, of Jersey Shore, a former teacher in the Bellefonte High school, has filed nomination papers in Harrisburg as a candidate for Congress from the Luzerne county district. Mr. Prey was a teacher in the Wilkes-Barre High school for four years before moving to Jersey Shore.

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A FARMER was awakened one night by the reflection of light on the ceiling. He ran to the window in time to see the tail light of a retreating truck and in a glance saw that his barn doors were open. Too late to pursue, the farmer telephoned his neighbors and the sheriff. It was not more than half an hour before the truck was halted and its occupants captured. They had attempted to steal thirty bushels of wheat, harness, and a variety of farm implements.



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