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PRESIDENT SEES PROSPERITY NEAR

Worst Phase of Agricultural Crisis Past, He Tells Minnesota Farmers

GENERAL SITUATION BETTER

By the Associated Press

Crookston, Minn., Feb. 10.—The general industrial and business situation now is such as to justify confidence that "we are well past the worst phase of the agricultural crisis," said President Harding in a letter read today to farmers attending the annual Red River Valley Farm Crop and Livestock Show here.

"The improvement is well begun and will continue steadily from this time forward," said the letter, which was addressed to C. G. Selvig, superintendent of the Northwest School of Agriculture and chairman of the Board of Managers of the mid-winter show held in conjunction with the farmers' meeting.

Work of Conference Praised

After expressing regret that he was unable to deliver personally his message, President Harding's letter referred to the recent national agricultural conference in Washington and continued:

"I am glad to say that my utmost anticipations of useful results from that gathered were more than realized. I believe it has set a new mark in the aspirations not only of the agricultural community, but, indeed, of the entire country in behalf of a better solution of our agricultural problem and of more effective measures for dealing with it.

"The fine spirit of co-operation among the farmers and the disposition on their part to unite their efforts in every possible way with those of the Government augur particularly well for our hope of accomplishment. The conference gave thorough consideration to the problems before it and presented practicable proposals for doing practical and worth-while things. It avoided all extremism and adopted the wise course of making no excessive demands for special favors or class treatment. I am very sure that the wisdom of this course will be demonstrated hereafter.

Worst Phases Past

"In the general industrial and business situation there is much to justify confidence that we are well past the worst phases of the agricultural crisis that improvement is well begun, and that it will continue steadily from this time forward. This is not only a source of satisfaction to every friend of the farmer, but also to whoever is interested in any phase of American business, for we have all come to recognize the interdependence of all departments of the national industrial establishment.

"No one of them can prosper permanently if any other great branch of national activity is depressed. Therefore, in expressing my conviction, based on a wide array of information, that the worst is past as concerns agriculture, I am recording my firm belief that an era of better business and more prosperous times for the entire commercial establishment of the country lies just ahead of us. I feel, therefore, that we are entitled to look with much satisfaction upon what we have accomplished in the last year, and with all confidence to the future."

CO-EDS HOTLY DENY THEY ALWAYS LOOK FOR KISSES

California Student Editor's Assertion Arouses Storm of Contradiction

New York, Feb. 10.—(By A. P.)—A majority of the co-eds at Columbia and New York Universities today denied and characterized as a libel the published contention of R. L. Ingraham, editor of the University of California "josh" paper, The Pelican, that "college women universally desire to be kissed and they expect every man who takes them out to attempt it." A majority of Barnard girls also cried out against the charge.

True, a rather negligible minority merely smiled when the matter was called to their attention, refusing to comment either in the affirmative or negative. The male undergraduates, too, were stingy in conversation, but prodigal in knowing smiles. The overpowering majority of women students, however, registered an emphatic "no." The substance of their hot denial, boiled down, was that the college girl saved her kisses—all of them—for the man who was to be her husband.

"All college girls like to be kissed," wrote Editor Ingraham, basing his assertion on four years' of apparently intensive observation. Cave-man stuff is regarded with high favor, and college girls are disappointed with the mild and meek type of student."

As to the assertion that the college girl kisses only the man she is to marry, he said:

"Yes, but every man a college girl goes out with is a prospect."

WOULD TAX UTILITIES REALTY FOR SCHOOLS

State Directors' Convention Also Indorses Supt. Finegan's Policies

Harrisburg, Feb. 10.—Resolutions calling for a State law permitting taxation of local realty holdings of public utilities for school purposes were adopted by the State School Directors' Association at their annual convention today on recommendation of the Legislative Committee.

The resolutions also urged support for the consolidation of schools in all districts where it is found practicable, and that no candidates for legislative nominations or elections be supported unless favorable to improvement of Pennsylvania's educational system.

The legislative report was adopted without discussion.

The Committee on Resolutions commended State Superintendent Thomas E. Finegan, thanking him for "his clear and complete statement of the plans and policies of his department" and pledging him "hearty co-operation in furtherance of his work."

"America must face the fact that her education is to cost almost five times as much as she has been paying, and the greatest expense will come not from enlarged equipment as much as from lowering the number of children a teacher is compelled to handle, and raising the qualifications of the teachers," Miss Margaret P. Maguire, principal of the McCall Public School, Philadelphia, told the association.

"The idea that any one who possessed a little information was competent to teach has long since been relegated to the world of untrue things," Miss Maguire said. "There is grave danger for the welfare of a nation if her mediocre minds are allowed to take hold of the children."

CITIZENS BLAMED IN DRY LAW FIGHT

Apathy of People and "Lethargic Officials" Make Enforcement Difficult, Says Haynes

RAPID PROGRESS REPORTED

By the Associated Press

Columbus, O., Feb. 10.—The "apathetic citizen" and the "lethargic public official" are two of the outstanding difficulties in the way of better enforcement of prohibition laws, Major Roy A. Haynes, national prohibition commissioner, declared in an address here today at the State dry law enforcement convention.

"I do not class these apathetic citizens and lethargic officials with the lawless," Major Haynes said, "but I cannot dissociate them from my problem of law enforcement. I know there is no form of lawlessness, no matter how deeply entrenched, financially, politically or socially, that can stand in our country against the awakened public conscience."

Commissioner Haynes said he was convinced that one of the most serious tasks the prohibition enforcement department has "is to arouse this apathetic citizen and to disillusion a lot of perfectly good people, who have been innoculated with a great mass of popular misconception and misinformation."

Thirty Organizations Seeking Repeal

"There are thirty paid organizations," he said, "striving day and night to accomplish the impossible feat of causing the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Drinking among young people and in society, Mr. Haynes declared, must be regarded as a national fad or craze, and not a permanently entrenched custom.

"It would be just as logical," he continued, "to charge the crime wave to woman's suffrage as to the prohibition amendment. That is a world condition, and in America we find the reflex. The facts show that the total known importation during the last fiscal year was one-half of 1 per cent of the total consumption of liquor in the United States the year before prohibition.

Enforcement Going Forward

"To the propaganda that prohibition is not proving successful, it is only necessary to say that prohibition enforcement is going forward as rapidly as any sane, reasonable prohibitionist has the right to expect.

"A year ago, a large proportion of the 'best citizens' of many of the cities were so violently prejudiced that they were in effect accessories to crime. Today the best citizenship, even in these great cities, is coming to recognize that any law must be enforced, and that any policy adopted by the American Nation is entitled to a fair trial on its merits.

"All that prohibition law enforcement needs is a fair chance, and it is beginning to get it."

KU KLUX OPPOSES RULING OF COURT

Klansmen Take Sides Against Oklahoma Judge After Sensational Scene

By the Associated Press

Okmulgee, Okla., Feb. 10.—Petitions requesting that a new Grand Jury be called to replace one discharged yesterday by Superior Judge Christopher on the ground that it was illegally drawn, and delve into the affairs of the defunct Bank of Commerce of Okmulgee, are being checked by officials today to determine whether they carry sufficient signatures.

The eptitions were filed after a mass-meeting at which the action of Judge Christopher in discharging the Grand Jury was denounced and his immediate resignation demanded by Ku Klux Klansmen and others. The meeting followed a demonstration in Superior Court, where spectators applauded an attack upon the decision by James Hepburn, county attorney. Some spectators shouted "take him out and hang him," referring to the judge.

The tenseness following the incident in the courthouse was accentuated last night when several hundred members of the Ku Klux Klan paraded the streets. At the head of the parade was a motor-truck bearing this sign:

"Officers, do your duty or move."

On the truck rode six Klansmen, one of whom held aloft an American flag, while at the fore end was a large cross, the emblem of the Klan.

Walking between a guard of Klansmen, was County Attorney Hepburn. After parading, all but six of the Klansmen entered a hall. The six took the county attorney, drove to the Main street corner, and ordered Mr. Hepburn to make a speech.

Referring to the incident in the courtroom when Judge Christopher dismissed the Grand Jury, Mr. Hepburn said:

"I'm not going to say much about what happened. It was one of those things that are very distasteful at least.

"Many have told me it was an incident that made them lose confidence in the courts. It is nothing of the kind. In spite of hell and anybody in Oklahoma City justice is going to be done. The people in this State, high or low, who are responsible for the swindle where hundreds lost a good part and in some cases all they had, are going to be dealt with. Another Grand Jury will be empaneled and we will do all the work over again, along much the same lines as before."

Oklahoma City, Feb. 10.—(By A. P.)—Roy Wolcott, assistant bank commissioner, today assumed the duties of banking commissioner, succeeding Fred G. Dennis, State bank commissioner, whose resignation was accepted last night by Governor J. B. A. Robertson.

FOOD FOR RUSSIANS BURNS

Ship Laden With Supplies for Murmansk Destroyed by Fire

Christiania, Feb. 10.—(By A. P.)—The British steamship Lowlands, bound for Murmansk with a cargo of food for Russia's famine sufferers, has been destroyed by fire off the Murman coast.

The news of the steamer's destruction was received in Ahomse, a northern port, from the six surviving members of the British crew. They described the situation in the Murmansk district as terrible, and said the people there resembled wild beasts.

The steamer Lowlands had a tonnage of 3559 gross tons. She was built in 1897 and was owned in Glasgow.

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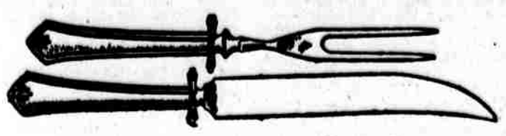
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