

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Letters to the Editor

Farmers Should Stick Together

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—The charge that the new tariff bill intends to levy duties on numerous articles based on American...

Our Government was founded on a sentimental slogan. "Liberty and justice for all." That is, we obtained freedom from the oppressors who were then squeezing us as one would a sponge.

But the liberty we secured from oppression also gave liberty to every man to look out for his own interests. It has progressed until now combinations of men are at liberty to look after their own interests. The manufacturers do this by "sticking together"; and so long as the farmers continue to "stick apart," so long will their interests be overlooked.

HIRAM HAYSBEED, Conshohocken, Pa., April 21, 1922.

Tide of Democracy in China

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—Probably the last week brought out the fact that the "cloud of civil war" is about to break out in China. Unfortunately many of our sympathetic American friends have taken this fact merely as the proof of our national hopelessness and perpetual lethargy.

This statement is so unjust and far from all fact that I cannot accept it without a great deal of suspicion. We appreciate the sympathy of the writer, but he is evidently not aware of the situation of our country; for it was this very idea of our need of a strong despot that a few years ago gave Yuan Shih-kai a chance to overthrow himself, and stirred Chang Sun to restore the child emperor. Thus, this method of coming back to one man's China had been applied and failed again and again; and the only result we obtained was the retarding of the progress of the republic.

It would be well to bear in mind that the failure of Yuan Shih-kai was not due to the shortness of his life or the attack of another despot who was superior to him in power, but the people's hatred of despot and protest from all parts of China. Chang Sun was not defeated by the army of General Tan Chi-ju, but the outcry of "Down with the traitor" of all twenty-two provinces. Therefore, China fails to attain the stage of prosperity and peace not because the people are not ready for a democratic form of government, but because the militarists are in our way, but the militarist does not represent China.

It is true that China needs a rest from the militarists' annoyance which had so long ravaged the country, but we will not employ a lion for the purpose of chasing out a tiger. It is the responsibility of the Chinese people to wipe out all shamefulness of the militarists, and that is the very task we are accomplishing in South China under the leadership of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen, on the other hand, is not a militarist. He is merely the director of our people to overthrow the militarists. So purely Americanized, honest, upright and patriotic is he that we Chinese of all foreign countries are rushing to help him in his recent expedition against the Peking Government.

The rest of all Canton city's dwelling places for one month has been given to him for his soldiers without his asking for it. A large contribution from the people of Hupai province residing in Shanghai reaches him unexpectedly. He was, a month ago, welcomed to Kwai-lin to form his headquarters by the people of Kwangsi province, which was conquered by Sun's troops not long ago, to say nothing about the support given to him continuously by Chinese in various foreign countries.

Various helps of these kinds enable him not only to carry on successfully his expedition, but to enlarge the education plan, road-building and cutting out of all evil business such as gambling, the tax on which would add to the Government more than \$18,000,000 annually. Remember, that our present support to Dr. Sun Yat-sen means to shed the blood of our own brothers, and you may do it with a conscience that we do it only because we have to.

JOHN A. PAUL, 920 Spruce street, Philadelphia, April 23, 1922.

An Osculatory Opinion

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—Having observed a statement to the effect that twenty-eight seniors at the Princeton University make the claim that they have never kissed a girl, I am brought to the conclusion that the rest of 'em tell the truth.

OSCAR OSCULAT'S, Camden, April 29, 1922.

Philadelphia Gardens

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—"If gardens in the country," said an expert gardener the other day, "received the same care that patches in this city and its suburbs do, it would be possible to raise supplies for the whole population on a comparatively few acres." The city gardener, confined to a small space and so, by necessity, forced to apply intensive cultivation, puts brains as well as brawn into his labor. He plans his plantings in order to make every square foot of ground count. He selects only the best seeds because he knows by experience that they return the highest dividends. They assure both quality and quantity, provided that they receive every possible encouragement to develop and produce fully.

Moreover, he does not make the mistake, common to most beginners, of

before the end of next month every available piece of ground in Philadelphia and its suburbs will have its producing gardener. RUS IN URBE, Germantown, April 21, 1922.

Questions Answered

Pygmalion and Aphrodite

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—In the "What Do You Know?" of the Evening Public Ledger, Saturday, April 22, paragraph No. 8, it is stated: "Pygmalion fell in love with his own statue of Aphrodite." Was not the mythical statue named Galatea and was not Aphrodite a sea nymph?

HARRY HILLER, Bridgeburg, April 23, 1922. There are several versions of the myth. One is that Pygmalion fell in love with Aphrodite (Venus). Another is that the sculptor fell in love with a statue which he carved, and which was endowed with life by Venus and named Galatea. There is no ancient authority for the latter story.

which is the one used by W. E. Gilmore in his comedy, "Pygmalion and Galatea." Aphrodite is the Greek name of the goddess Venus, and in mythology Aphrodite rises from the sea.

Race Population of the World

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—How does the Caucasian race compare in numbers with the Mongolian and Negro? MALTUS, Philadelphia, April 22, 1922. The six great races of mankind are divided by ethnologists as follows: Mongolian, 625,000,000; Caucasian, 618,000,000; Negro, 120,000,000; Semitic, 81,000,000; Malayan, 62,000,000; Red Indian, North, Central and South America, 23,000,000.

Poems and Songs Desired

"Christ in Flanders"

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—Kindly print "Christ in Flanders." READERS, Philadelphia, April 26, 1922.

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