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EDITORIAL COLUMN

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HOOVER AND THE FARMER AGAIN

Last week we set forth four of the six major problems facing the agricultural industry of the United States. At the same time pointing out how completely and how practically President Hoover dealt with these four problems. The other two problems are of an entirely different type, possibly even more difficult to solve. Of the two remaining problems the first deals with taxation on agricultural land. Comparatively few of us can thoroughly understand the economics of taxation let alone competently adjust it equitably. But this fact stands out i. e. that the farmer pays a double tax—a heavy tax on land and improvements, then again a tax on income from the land. We do not propose tax exemption on farm land, but we do support a farm land tax based on a ratio of what the land will produce. It is a problem within the individual states yet collectively it is of total importance to the farmer. The last of the six problems deal with speculation in the farm products. Here again farm products speculation sub-divides itself into speculation in the actual products and speculating in paper, wheat and corn. There is no particular criticism if 20 farmers sell all their wheat, corn or cabbage to one buyer. The price the buyer pays in this case is largely determined by the actual supply of the corn. But these same buyers—called speculators, will buy on a produce exchange several car loads of paper wheat and corn and sell the same paper wheat and corn the next day or the next month. Now the facts are that they did not deal with the wheat at all nor did they deal with warehouse receipts for wheat. Such a practise creates a flood of paper wheat, corn and the like and works to the disadvantage of proper pricing of the real product. We believe this type of farm product speculation should be abolished. We believe further that sooner or later it may require the strong arm of Hoover government to prevent such speculative action.

BOYS SHOULD ATTEND CLASSES

The citizens of Dallas and the readers of The Post at large believe that it is time for the little boys on the Dallas School Board cut out the horse play, take off the boxing gloves and get down to business in their classes.

We believe that as school directors they can thus better serve the school and the community. A little less time on petty bickering and more time spent in the investigation and employment of the best teachers possible, the best text books obtainable and the adoption of the best policies for child health would be heartily approved by the entire community. A little spirit of give and take, with the good of the schools always in mind, rather than individual prejudices would in our mind be the shortest path to the kind of schools which Dallas Borough deserves.

CONTRIBUTORS COLUMN

"Though I may disagree heartily with what you say, I will defend with my life your right to say it."—Voltaire.

Editor of The Post—

Kindly send us a copy of The Dallas Post of April 6th for our files. Many thanks for the splendid editorial in that issue. I believe many of your subscribers will now take a different attitude toward the Federation as a result of it.

RAY LLEWELLYN,
Publicity Secretary,
Community Welfare Federation
of Wyoming Valley.

Editor of The Dallas Post:

May I take this opportunity to commend the present editors and staff of The Dallas Post on the recent improvement in their paper. The concentration on news items relevant to the residents of Greater-Dallas, the delightful manner in which they are written and the attractive appearance of the front page, make me feel that The Dallas Post is a paper with not only an established present, but a wonderful future. I am sure the residents of Dallas appreciate the improvement in their "local newspaper."

GERTRUDE METH,
Adv. Mgr., J. R. Homer Co.

EDITOR OF THE POST—

On Tuesday evening the Dallas High School Athletic Association held its first dance of the season in the new Dallas High School gymnasium.

The affair was very well attended, not only by the younger set, but by several married couples about town. A fine attendance was enjoyed from several of the outlying districts.

The Dallas Orchestra furnished the music and the most favorable comment was heard on the quality of the music furnished by our local boys.

An incident which tended to mar the feeling of friendliness and dampen the ardor of the dancers was the unwarranted action of School Director Waters.

A prominent young man and young woman of this town were dancing together, and in the opinion of almost everyone present, were the best dancing couple on the floor. For some unknown reason, Director Waters went out on the floor and requested them to leave. The young man promptly told him that the young

woman and he were dancing correctly and did not like the idea of leaving the floor.

Director Waters attempted to take them off the floor and failing, darkened the light. Rather than cause any further embarrassment to the young woman, the young man immediately left the floor and was commended afterward for his gentlemanly conduct in ignoring the petty action of the director.

Various prominent people about town who attended the dance, although not dancing, remarked on the fine dancing of the couple and bitterly censured Mr. Waters' action and his display of crude and limited tact.

In view of the high standing in our community of these two young people, I refrain from mentioning names and would rather not mention the incident but I feel that this action by one member of the board, who feels that he has the control of the board should be publicly censured.

Perhaps Director Waters realizes his mistake by this time and although he might have acted in what he thought was good faith, his action was totally uncalled for.

In my mind this action has added additional hard feeling toward the board and we are sure that the board will endorse these friendly get-together affairs of the Athletic Association and appoint one with authority to supervise such affairs.

The writer feels that these dances, while not approved of by many people of the town, will provide a clean, social and friendly entertainment where our young folks will be together to enjoy themselves, rather than there to drive to the highways and by-ways for recreation. We were young once, let the young enjoy themselves.

—A Constant Reader.

Uncle Eben

"De trouble dat you makes foh yourself," said Uncle Eben, "usually gives you de privilege of braggin' dat you did a purty good job."—Washington Star.

No Doubt

Banks are now equipped with many devices to trap robbers, all of which the cashier can work when permitted to lower his hands.—Rochester Times-Union.

Varieties of "Sardines"

Sardines from southern Europe are young pilchards; the Norwegian sardines are sprats and herrings, while off the coast of the United States and Canada both pilchards and herrings are turned into "sardines."

The WEEK'S DOINGS

Wesley J. Harvey, Tunkhannock garage man, received an airplane from Waco, Texas, the latter part of the week, which he will put into use as soon as he has learned to pilot it. It is a Curtis plane with a 90-horse power engine, capable of driving the machine at 120 miles an hour. It was formerly owned by a large daily newspaper and used in distributing advertising matter. It has been flown forty-five hours.

Odd Fellows' Lodges of Luzerne County observed the 110th anniversary of the founding of the Order in America on Friday night with a program in Wilkes-Barre Y. M. C. A. auditorium Judge Albert Lloyd of Shamokin was the speaker. Many Odd Fellows from hereabouts attended.

Smooth, slippery, oily, Harry F. Sinclair, unless pardoned, must serve three months in jail for his refusal to answer questions before the Senate Teapot Dome Committee. Like many less wealthy crooks, Sinclair appealed the verdict but the Supreme Court upheld it at its sitting this week.

Soon airplanes will hum over Wyoming Valley. A lease on 327 acres of land as an airport site was closed this week between Wilkes-Barre-Wyoming Valley Airport Association and Ralph Garrahan, of Forty Fort. A six-passenger Bellanca two Travelair planes have been ordered delivered on June 1.

Baffled for four months, expert mining engineers were this week successful in extinguishing the \$150,000 fire that has been raging in abandoned workings of the Henry Colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company at South Plains.

Quite a few persons in Terrytown, N. Y., it seems, are strangers to their most prominent resident, John D. Rockefeller, Jr. His car, this week, was broke down. He needed a lift to a garage. Scores of passing motorists failed to recognize him.

Autopsy on exhumed body showed Walter Majesky, farmer, of Honesdale, died of internal hemorrhage and had several broken ribs. His son, Walter, Jr., was this week under arrest. The father's death was originally reported as due to heart trouble.

Gray-haired, kindly looking matron, Mrs. Mary Ware Dennett, was convicted this week in Brooklyn for sending obscene matter through the mail. Her offense was a pamphlet on sex which she had written eleven years ago for her two sons, then aged 11 and 14. So fine was the pamphlet that the Y. M. C. A., school teachers, ministers, Columbia University, physicians, and Union Theological Seminary had endorsed it for young people over a period of ten years. No evidence of this was, however, allowed to reach the jury. The verdict will be appealed.

Great was the controversy caused this week when there appeared a full page advertisement in the New York Times denouncing the destructive propaganda program being broadcast weekly by Lucky Strike cigarettes. An open letter to the Advisory Council of the National Broadcasting Co. from the National Food Products Protective Committee, the leading food manufacturers of America, the advertisement asked that the Lucky Strike program of Tainted Testimonials be barred from the air. In part the letter said, "a great tobacco company, the American, backed by a fund of \$12,000,000, has undertaken to transform 20,000,000 young men and women of the United States into cigarette addicts by a campaign of tainted testimonials secured from professional athletes, motion picture stars and other celebrities. Testimonials of such a nature that the War Department has rebuked a general and a leading steamship company has disciplined two officers for a similar offense." The men referred to were: General Bullard of the U. S. A. and Capt. Freed and Chief Officer Manning of the S. S. America. Those who have flatly refused to endorse "Luckies" when big sums of money were offered them are: Charles Lindbergh, Gene Tunny, Bill Roper, great Princeton coach and Knute Rockne, famous Notre Dame coach. The advertisement asked all radio listeners to write their congressmen denouncing the use of the air for the spreading of tainted testimonials that poison the air every Saturday night when the Lucky Strike dance orchestra furnishes the medium for reaching millions of young men, women and children.

The Tunkhannock New Age and American says this week:

"There have been more improvements made in Tunkhannock within the past fifteen years than in sixty years previous to that time. Streets have been paved or macadamized, new business places built, old ones remodeled and modernized, pretty bungalows erected and other things done. It is somewhat more than fifteen years since the introduction of electric lights and telephone service, but these afford better service and are more extensively patronized. But we still have the railway station built in 1869."

The borough council of Tunkhannock recently refused to close a dangerous grade crossing so that the Lehigh Valley Railroad could construct a modern new station.

Cell's Long Vitality

Tiny life cells, which have lain dormant for possibly 200,000,000 years, have been revived by Dr. C. B. Lipman of the University of California—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

First American Theaters

The first permanent theater in America was built on South street, Philadelphia, in 1763. The following year New York's first permanent theater was opened on John street.

FEARED AROUND THE CORNER

The Firemen Dances It was remarked around the corner that firemen are planning to hold another dance in the near future. Let's all get out and push these affairs along.

The last affair was well attended, and many women of the town who do not approve dancing, came anyway and played cards and otherwise enjoyed themselves.

The writer noticed Mrs. Arthur Turner, Mrs. Parrish, Miss Still, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Disque, Mrs. Kunkle, Mrs. Space, Mrs. Machell, Mrs. Besseker, and oh so many people of the town at the affair. These women can be of great assistance to the firemen by giving not only their moral, but physical support to any clean entertainment that will bring income to the fire company. When Dallas wants to put a thing across it can do it, and as the members of the fire company and their families practically have the controlling vote of the town, they are the best organization to further other activities for the benefit of the town.

Stanley Doll

The writer feels that Stanley Doll, and our opinion is shared by many, is one of the two logical men to aspire for the office of school director this coming fall. Stanley as he is known to me is a square shooter, an up-to-date, honest and christian gentleman. Maybe we do not agree with all of his policies in regard to school affairs, but he is one who can be reasoned with and if convinced, is big enough to change his mind.

Not a Burgess Candidate During the past week, Charles Cooke, our congenial squire, let it be known that he would not consider placing his name before the voters for the office of Burgess. Mr. Cooke feels that he has to give practically all of his time to his business. However, while not saying whether or not he would be a candidate for the office of justice of the peace, we feel that at the proper time he will aspire for justice.

The Fine Weather

The fine weather of the middle part of the week has made your column writer lazy and if this column does not come up to expectations this week, blame it on the weather.

OFFICE DOG

Last week the Office Dog was so gloated with food that he fell plumb asleep and didn't wake up until the paper had gone to press. When he

did get a glance at this column he found it all decked out with so many choice morsals it looked like a Christmas tree.

Well, fate hasn't been so kind this week and again the pup goes hungry for want of food for his diet of verse, rhyme, jingle and literary masterpieces.

Anyway here's something someone sent in to stave off starvation.

THRO' THE YEARS

I know that thro' the years Will come sorrow and tears But it does not matter, dear As long as you are near.

Sometimes we'll be happy, dear one, Sometimes, yes, we'll have our fun But there are times, my dear When our hearts are filled with fear.

Fear of the problems we meet in life Fear of the trials we meet in the strife, Yes, there'll be many fears To conquer thro' the years.

But love is the sweetest story And real love never does grow old, And as long as we have it, we'll conquer all fears, That we meet, my dear, thro' the years.

—A Post Reader.

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