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### Equality for Farmers

(Reprinted from The Progressive Farmer)

- I. The farmer is entitled to just as good wages for his labor as others get.
- II. He is entitled to just as good returns on his capital as others receive.
- III. He is entitled to just as good living conditions for himself and his family as others enjoy.
- IV. His children are entitled to just as good educational advantages as other children enjoy.
- V. He is entitled to just as much liberty of action in organizing for selling his products and for regulating production to meet market demands as other classes exercise.
- VI. He is entitled to just as efficient and adaptable service from the country's banking and financial institutions as other classes get.
- VII. He is entitled to taxation, tariff, and transportation policies which will deal just as fairly with agriculture as with any other business or occupation.
- VIII. He is entitled to equal recognition with other classes in the make-up of all governmental bodies, boards, commissions, legislatures, etc.
- IX. He is entitled to a civilization and culture, including an educational system, literature, art, drama, etc., which will recognize, reflect, and utilize the cultural influences of country life and its environment in the same degree in which present-day culture recognizes and reflects the influences of urban life.

### What the New Deal Has Cost, And What It Is Worth

(From The Atlanta Journal)

THOSE who think of the Roosevelt Administration as a reckless, fruitless spendthrift will change their minds if they look far enough into the figures and facts—provided, of course, their minds are open to the light. Some are in the case of the sixteenth century worthies who refused to look through Galileo's telescope at the moons of the planet Jupiter because, as they heatedly told him, they knew there were no moons to be seen. But those willing to use their eyes can verify for themselves the meaningful, though perhaps not generally appreciated, fact, that in the last three years of the Hoover administration our country's net national debt increased six billion, two hundred and thirty-six million dollars, whereas under President Roosevelt it has increased seven billion, four hundred and nine million, counting as far ahead as June 30, 1936. This is a difference of one billion, one hundred and seventy-three million dollars. And now for a practical question: "Is the New Deal worth a billion dollars more to the American people than the Old Deal?"

This question, which can be answered by plain figures, we have quoted from one of the great independent newspapers of America, the Philadelphia Record. "Marriner Eccles, governor of the Federal Reserve Board," it goes on to say, "finds that the national income has increased more than fifteen billion dollars each year during Roosevelt's administration, as compared with Hoover's. In a period of thirty and one-half months, the national income has increased thirty-seven and one-half billion dollars over what it would have been if the Hoover level had continued. A horse that pays thirty-seven to one is a good horse on any track. For that billion-dollar greater debt we are getting recovery under Roosevelt. For a billion-dollar smaller debt under Hoover we were getting a one-way trip down hill. Conditions were never so black as they were after Hoover had rung up his six-billion-dollar debt increase. Business has not been as good in five years as it is today over the country as a whole, after Roosevelt has run up his seven-billion-dollar debt increase. And recall that Hoover's deficits were mounting year after year, while Roosevelt's are decreasing. Remember these figures when the free-wheeling Republican orators and the anti-administration Democrats start working on you again about how Roosevelt has run you into debt and increased your taxes. It is time the American people went off their diet of elephant 'baloney.'"

The case, as thus stated by the Philadelphia Record, one of the few big Eastern papers that gives editorial justice to the New Deal,

## COMES THE DAWN

by A. B. Chapin



is in terms of economic results, because it is on this score that the Roosevelt critics are most garrulous. And if economic results were the only criterion by which to judge a national administration, they would abundantly vindicate the major policies under which we have advanced from the depression of March, 1933 to the prosperity of this good day. But there are other and more vital values which the New Deal has produced, social values, human values. It has given courage to hearts that were despairing, confidence to minds that had lost faith in government, security to institutions that were gravely threatened, a living hope and working chance to millions who before were friendless and forgotten. Judged by fact and by truth, the Roosevelt Administration is a thousand times worth its cost.

cause of honorable peace.

The young people who come to my house tell me that in all colleges and schools the anti-war sentiment is very strong. Does this mean that modern youth is more courageous than its forbears? at all. It means that the world is coming to realize that as it used to be and war as it is are two entirely different things. There may have been glory in hand-to-hand conflict; there is glory in long-distance slaughter.

The age-old road-show of War has lost its following. The scenery is worn and tattered and spotted; martial music has lost its magic, the costumes and well-worn lines of the principals seem to belong to the years of Nellie the Beautiful Cloak Model. The show is a flop.  
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## BRUCE BARTON Says:



### THERE ARE OTHER WORLDS

A man who has made some money without work, and therefore thinks he knows everything, was recently delivering himself on the subject of religion. He dismissed the idea of immortality as mere superstition, the yearning of children afraid of the dark. "Of course, there is no other world," he said.

To which a friend responded quietly: "You yourself have already been a resident of another and very different world. The world in which we now have our existence is a world of alternating periods of sunlight and dark; it is a world wherein human beings draw air into their lungs and expel it, eat and drink through their mouths, and walk around on their own legs. For nine months you lived inside your mother's body, in a world where there was no light, no air, where no nourishment reached you through your mouth and you were moved about on other legs than your own. Suppose an embryo were endowed with intelligence and imagination. How could it ever form any notion of this outside world? Wouldn't any description of it seem absurd? Wouldn't the embryo say, as you have just said, 'There can be no other world?'"

The smart man is still thinking up his answer.

Just before I left the house this morning I held a conversation with a member of my family in the presence of our dog. As we talked, his little head swung back and forth, his round eyes looking first at one of us and then the other, trying so hard to understand. He dwells in the same house, eats the

same food, breathes the same air that we do. But what we say and do and think and hope is utterly beyond his comprehension. He and we are citizens of two different worlds.

I have friends who live in worlds which I never have been able to enter. They see values in pictures my eyes can not see; music speaks to them in a language I do not understand; they have spiritual experiences which never have come to me. When I am in the presence of the best of them I have no difficulty in believing that there are possibilities of human life far and above our highest imaginings. Even beyond and above the mystery called Death.

### THE SHOW IS A FLOP

When the tension between England, France, and Italy was at its highest point recently, the French veterans sent an appeal to their Premier not to make war on Italy. They said that armed conflict with the soldiers who had been their brave allies was unthinkable.

Now this is a very interesting development in history. In times past the veteran use to sit around the tavern, relating his deeds of courage and urging the young men to prepare themselves for the day when they too would fight.

The veterans of the World War went back to their respective countries with no impulse to boast; memories were graven on their hearts that never can be erased; modest, quiet, tight-lipped, they have kept their war stories to themselves. In almost every country they are now leaders in the

### Muse's Corner

#### WHEN OUR LORD WAS CRUCIFIED

Behold the Man who was in a  
Was filled with love, and  
from brags,  
Had no sin and owed no debt,  
But conquered everything  
met!

Built his Church on solid stone  
And promised us a happy home  
Gave no cause to ever quit;  
And He never frowned a bit.

How could anyone turn Him down  
He who wore a thorny crown  
And upon the cross He died  
When our Lord was crucified  
—Troy F. Hooper

#### The Seine and the Rhine

Paris isn't on the Seine, and the Rhine never reaches the sea. Geographers point out that the Seine is only one of the minor tributaries rather than the main branch of the river that flows through Paris. The Rhine breaks up into a number of rivers as it enters the land. None is called the Rhine.

### LEGAL ADVERTISING

#### NOTICE

A convention of the Republican Party is hereby called to meet at the Courthouse in Franklin, North Carolina, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 1936, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention, Congressional Convention and Senatorial Convention.

This the 3rd day of March, 1936,  
WALTER DEAN, Chairman  
DON HENRY, Secretary  
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