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The influence of weekly newspapers on public opinion exceeds that of all other publications in the country.—Arthur Brisbane.



THE NEED FOR COOPERATION GROWS

The farmer who believes that because government is seeking to do certain things for him, he needs do nothing for himself, might ponder these words of Governor Henry Morgenthau, Jr., of the Farm Credit Administration: "I believe in cooperation both as a way of advancement and as a necessity for the American farmer. I don't believe any new form of economy or new regulation of production will ever make it less necessary. It is more likely to increase the importance of it."

Agricultural cooperation means that the farmer, in association with his fellows, is taking definite steps to help himself—and is adopting the soundest and most proven means of achieving a given end. The government itself recognizes that—and the careful reader of recent farm legislation will be impressed by the emphasis laid on cooperative methods. Indeed, Mr. Morgenthau says that the new system amounts to a chain of banks is going to help by providing necessary financing, and the rest is up to organized farmers.

During three years of depression the membership rolls of the established cooperatives have constantly grown. During the next few years—the years of recovery—their rate of growth should be immensely accelerated. If that happens, and all indications are that it will, agriculture faces a bright future.

NOT FOR US TO WORRY ABOUT

"And when ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, be ye not troubled."

That seems to us as good advice to Americans today as it was to those to whom it was spoke, nineteen hundred years ago.

Great to-do is being made over Germany's withdrawal from the League of Nations and the Disarmament Conference, following Japan's action some months ago. The Sensation-mongers are busily trying to promote another war in Europe, a war between the United States and Japan, other wars between other nations.

We do not believe that wars are so easy to start as all that. Nor do we recall a war that was heralded by such a volume of preliminary publicity. War preparations are not made in the open. No nation which proposes to make war on another sends out notice in advance. In other words, we think that most of the war-talk is bluff.

We remember the last great war. We remember how the people of America were swept off their feet by what we now realize was largely inspired propaganda. We do not think this nation will easily be drawn into another war while there are those alive who remember the

last one. We wish we could say that we do not believe we shall ever engage in another war; but we are afraid that no nation as yet has reached the stage of poise and self-command to insure that.

Nevertheless, we do believe that the present rumors of war are matters over which we should not be troubled.

DON'T ECONOMIZE WITH PUBLIC SAFETY

The kind of "economy" that endangers a city's safety is false indeed.

That is the message in a brief article by L. S. Gregory, Assistant Secretary, Fireman's Fund Group. He is in a position to know. During the past few years a great many communities have gone in for "economy" where it is most dangerous—by lessening appropriations for the fire department.

Mr. Gregory cites a case in a large Southern city, where the firemen, in fighting a blaze in a manufacturing plant, could do almost nothing because the hose was so old that it could not stand normal pressure. They were able, through a fortunate circumstance, to borrow new hose from a private concern. Otherwise a conflagration might have resulted.

In another city, cuts in fire department appropriations necessitated laying up the fire boat. When a water-front fire broke out the city was confronted by the ludicrous spectacle of a handful of firemen in a row boat attempting to pull a line out from shore to control the fire!

It is probable that most cities and towns have economized principally in the matter of fire apparatus. Old engines are allowed to keep on in service when they are outmoded and inefficient, or in need of repair. New engines which are vitally needed are not purchased. A few thousand dollars is "saved"—and millions of dollars and a multitude of lives are endangered.

There's no worse place to cut costs than the fire department. And there's no better time to improve than right now. The Federal government is making exceptionally favorable loans to cities, 30 per cent of which is to be an outright gift, for needed public works. No "public work" is more valuable to every citizen than an A-1 fire department.

Odds and ends of interest from the industrial front follow:

STEEL—Iron Age says that the industry is just beginning to work smoothly under code; main trouble is labor problems.

ELECTRIC POWER—Report for late week shows 10 per cent rise over same last year.

RAILROADS—Rumor grows that every form of transportation—rails, buses, trucks waterways, aviation—will be brought under one federal agency. Freight carloadings in the fourth quarter of 1933 are forecast as being 14 per cent above year ago.

DIVIDEND PAYMENTS—Ratio of favorable to unfavorable dividend actions by American companies sharply increased. Two-thirds of all changes in August were favorable.

COPPER—Producers and smelters said to be reaching agreement on code.



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OF COURSE, you would like

TO KNOW the names of

THE CHIEF characters in

THIS LITTLE story, but

YOU'LL HAVE to guess

THEM IF you find out

JUST WHO they are. "What

DO YOU think it is that

ACCOUNTS for the luxuriant

HEAD OF hair So-And-So

HAS? SAID one local citizen

TO ANOTHER. "He ought to

HAVE PLENTY of hair", was

THE REPLY. "He's been

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WENT INTO effect

FOURTEEN YEARS ago."

I THANK YOU.

COMING WINTER TO BE COLDEST IN YEARS

Harrisburg, Pa.—The Pennsylvania farmer, whose reputation as a weather prophet runs far beyond the state's borders, warns that the coming winter will be the coldest and longest in many years. Take the heavy coat of the pig-con for example, says the man who "tells" the weather by "signs". Then, too, mushrooms are plentiful, the bark of the trees is heavy, corn husks are thick, it was a rainy summer—and if you believe in signs, you know it's going to be the kind of winter grandpa used to rave about.

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STANDING ALONE

For just a moment, in the next spring, there seemed to be a renewed popular interest. The crowds flocked around Jesus in the old familiar way; the disciples noted it joyously. "The multitudes come together to him again," they exclaimed and at once their hopes were busy with new visions of his success. But dismay followed fast. Against their ardent protest he carried them off into close retirement. They were restless, lonely, distressed at the high handed fashion in which he turned away supporters.

Was it necessary to be so harsh with the Pharisees? Why should he have ridiculed them out of his company? Why tell people that their precious ritual was less acceptable to God than the cry for mercy of an untaught publican? Why slight their ready hospitality in favor of an outcast like Zacchaeus? Jesus' little group of friends were still groping for a clear vision of message and purposes when for the last time he led them down to Jerusalem and the final feast. The one week of his life which everybody knows is the last week. Hence we pass over it in these articles. It began with the triumphant shouts of "hosanna"; it ended with the bloodthirsty cries of "crucify."

Between the first morning of triumph and the last hours of mortal agony it witnessed his finest victories over his opponents. Never were his nerves more steady, his courage higher, his mind more keen. Deliberately he piled up the mountain of hatred, knowing that it would kill him, but determined that there should be no doubt through the ages as to what he had stood for, and why he had to die.

Every man who loves courageous manhood ought to read these final chapters at least once a year. Any attempt to abridge or paraphrase them would result in failure or worse. We pass over them in reverent silence, stopping only for a glimpse of a most wonderful scene.

It is the final supper on that cool, quiet Thursday night. He knew that he should never meet with the disciples around the table again. All the memories of the three great years must have crowded into his mind as the meal progressed.

And this was the end. His relatives had turned their backs on him; his home town had scorned his advances, his best friend had died doubting; the people had turned away, and his enemies were about to triumph—is there any other leader who would have stood forth unbroken by such blows?

Too Much Idle Land In State

With over one and one-half million acres of cleared land now lying idle in the State any additional clearing by cutting off timber will only add to that land on which the farmer is paying taxes and from which he is getting no return.

"This idle land is just as harmful in an economic way as idle labor," says R. W. Graeber, extension forester as State College. "The natural erosion and leaching will cause untold losses in soil fertility and this cannot be replaced in a day, a year, or a number of years."

To this million and a half acres now lying out will be added thousands of other acres released from cash crop cultivation under the crop reduction program, points out Graeber and he advises farmers not to cut timber and clear land but to plant trees on much of the land that is not now in cultivation.

Many farmers are even now cutting down trees that within a few years would make valuable lumber, Graeber says. This timber, in most cases, is not of commercial size but, in a few years, would be worth considerably more as saw logs than they will bring as cord wood.

Pines that are from 15 to 20 years old are increasing in value from two to three dollars an acre which is enough to pay taxes and have a little surplus if figured from a money saving standpoint. Any additional clearing will only mean more land to wash away and the farmer will lose in both soil and timber value, says Graeber.

SOCKS 74 YEARS OLD

The old shirt and socks often worn by A. Riden of Colorado Springs, Colo., are as old as he is, 74 years. His grandmother made them for him the year he was born, at Tiffin, O., in 1859.

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Jack Moss, Beverly Hills promoter, who Fitts declared tried to sell the insurance to numerous motion picture figures, was questioned by the district attorney.

Fitts told Moss he objected to the literature which the latter mailed with his offer to insure Alice Brady, screen actress, against financial loss in event she is required to pay a kidnaping ransom.

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