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FARMERS IN POLITICS

As never before the farmers of this nation are making their influence felt in the national legislation that is now before the country. In the years past the few times that farmers did plunge into politics they made but little progress and got but little good from their efforts. Just why no one possibly can tell. It will be recalled that during the past two or three years the farmers of the west have been organizing with one purpose of being able to sell their farm products at a fair price. After perfecting their organizations they at once saw that but little could be accomplished for their cause unless they could have some voice in the legislative halls. And so they have demanded and are getting a hearing from a number of able men who are in one branch of Congress. It is now admitted that there are as many as 25 Senators in the United States Senate who are in sympathy with the farmers to that extent that they are ready and willing to listen to their voice about the needs of the country in national legislation.

Now all this gets to be interesting when one recalls that the stand-pat Republican Senators, who were supposed to control the country, recently framed a tax bill that was supposed to become a law at their saying the word. This bill that they championed is said to be much in favor of the very rich at the expense of the other classes of society. Now your farmers with their organizations and their control of 25 Senators are demanding that this stand-pat bill be changed to meet the real needs of the country. Just what will be the outcome of it all no one can tell, but certainly the farmer has shown his hand in a way to indicate that he is to be a national factor in the future in matters that concern his welfare.

THE WASTE OF PUBLIC MONEY

In these times of high and many taxes the minds of thinking people are being called to the waste of public funds. This waste is not due to dishonesty, but rather to the want of the proper application of good business methods in handling the public money.

Thinking men are expecting that taxes will continue to be high, for schools, roads, bridges, asylums and the many other public efforts to benefit humanity call for large expenditures. All this expense can be met only by high taxes, that is, high compared with what the country was paying only a few years ago. Men who are thoughtful have figured out that if modern business methods, rather than the methods of the politician, were applied to public business, 70 cents would do the work that \$1 is now required to do. And when one recalls the facts that the total public expenses of the country average just \$500 to the family, then one can see what a saving it would be to make 70 cents do the work that one dollar is now doing.

Back in the years when men were called upon to pay only a small amount of tax they went about their own business and left the politician and the lawyer to manage the country and bothered but little about it. But now that the amount of taxes has become such that many lie awake at night planning how to meet the public bills, men of minds are beginning to get more interested and look much into the manner of spending the public moneys.

The Produce Market.

Produce has been coming to this town during the past few days in larger quantities, but there is a short crop in all products. It seems strange not to see the long lines of wagons on North Main street laden with apples, but such are not coming here and it is with difficulty that local stores are able to buy enough for home consumption. Below is a list of prices received by farmers for their products on this market Tuesday of this week.

Cabbage,	\$2.25 to 2.50
Good Irish potatoes,	\$1.25 to 1.50
Onions, per lb.,3c.
Dried apples,	10c.
Chickens,	26c.
Hens,	20c.
Eggs,	35c.
Chestnuts, per lb.,5c.
Country dried beans,	4 to 5c.
Seed rye, per bushel,	\$1.25

The local W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. W. W. Thomas next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Compulsory School Law

Few laws have been enacted that were supposed to be of greater benefit to the State than the law known as the compulsory school act. It is very well known that, with the present generation, if let alone the children will not nearly all get the benefits of our public school system. To get the children of the indifferent parent into our schools has been, and is today, the problem of all those who are interested in the general welfare of the State. The law requires no impossible thing. It was framed by men of practical sense who were perfectly familiar with all the conditions that the people of rural sections have to meet.

A few days ago Prof. Spense, Superintendent of Public Schools of Forsythe county, made the following public statement as to the demands of the compulsory school law. We reproduce what he said for the benefit of those who are interested in the subject.

Prof. Spense says: "The schools are for every child in the county, and if we are to make this a great county in not only education but in every other way all the children must attend school regularly. We are, therefore, anxious to make this year the best in attendance the county has ever known."

"The new compulsory attendance law makes it the duty of all teachers to report to the attendance officer children, between the ages of eight and fourteen years, who do not attend as regularly as possible. It is not the desire to make this law a hardship on anyone, and we do not desire to report any child. Therefore, we request all parents to co-operate with the teachers, that all may be law-abiding to the end that we may have the best educational county in the state."

The legitimate excuses for non-attendance are as follows:

1. All children between the ages of six and eight years of age. The law does not require children of these ages to attend, but if they are physically able, they should enter at six years of age and attend as regularly as possible, in order that they may secure the full advantage of the school in the community. By the time the children reach the compulsory age they will be, as a rule, making fine progress.

2. All between the ages of eight and fourteen. Such children are required by law to attend school for the entire term unless excused by the teacher or county board of education for the following reasons:

- (a) Sickness of the child or sickness in the family.
- (b) Physical or mental incapacity.
- (c) Severe weather.
- (d) Distance of two and a half miles or more from the school.
- (e) Poverty.
- (f) Demands of the farm or home.

Police Report for Sept.

Arrests made for:	
Speeding,	9
Assault,	5
Drunk and disorderly,	19
Gambling,	19
Transporting liquor,	1
Disorderly conduct,	2
Jail breaking,	1
Total,	47
R. E. Lawrence, Chief	

The Fair a Big Success.

The Surry County Fair Association closed its fifth and most successful fair at its grounds near this city last Friday night. Enormous crowds attended during the four days allotted to this festival. On the second day was to be found the largest crowd assembled in Mount Airy in years. On that day 9,425 paid admission tickets were sold, and this does not include passes and season tickets, which ran the number of people visiting the fair in that one day to about eleven thousand. The third day drew an attendance of nearly seven thousand.

The receipts were entirely satisfactory although the money received was nearly all spent in putting on the fair. The total receipts from tickets sold and concessions to stands and shows were \$10,722.49. The following is a partial list of the expenditures to make the fair the success it was:

Paid for horse races, \$2,400; premiums for exhibits, \$3,100; free attractions, such as the bull race, balloon ascension, trained horse act, etc., \$1,000; fire works, \$600; brass band, \$500; weather insurance \$525; incidental expense, labor, etc., \$1,000.

One feature connected with the fair which will be of interest to many is the item of expenditure for weather insurance. This carries fire insurance. The insurance as secured protected the association against two-tenths of an inch of rain from 6 a. m. to 4 p. m. on the second and third days. Should it have rained this much or more on the second day the insurance company would pay \$4,000, and for rain on the third day \$3,000. But fortunately for those who wanted to attend the fair as well as for the insurance company the weather was ideal throughout.

There will be about \$1,500 left in the treasury of the association after all bills are paid, and it is the purpose of the officials to use this surplus from the receipts to still make the fair a greater success next year.

Jurors For October Term Superior Court

First week. C. E. Simpson, H. F. Belton, C. M. Simpson, W. R. Bowman, J. M. York, F. M. Poore, Jr., Geo. Denny, W. A. York, G. W. Fleming, T. W. Atkins, J. A. Pell, R. E. Trulove, O. V. Marion, G. F. Simpson, J. C. Wall, F. W. Brinkley, J. A. Williams, W. D. Dickerson, W. L. Cockerham, J. R. Hollingsworth, J. T. Mays, Willie White, J. C. Booker, John Marshall, J. B. Jeffries, J. W. Booth, J. A. Hicks, J. E. Collins, E. A. Hull, M. S. Cox, S. W. Hutchens, S. E. Banner, S. M. Marion, Rush Doss, T. C. Davis, B. A. Booker.

Second week R. L. Carson, W. A. Hampton, G. C. Atkins, J. W. Simmons, G. W. Redman, J. T. Perkins, C. S. Fulk, H. W. Ring, R. F. Lawrence, A. C. Chaney, E. C. Wood, S. W. Adams, G. W. Cook, F. A. Galyean, D. K. Holyfield, H. A. Ring, E. M. Bryant, C. A. Peele.

A Welcome and a Warning

Roads leading into Atlantic City, N. J., are posted with the following sign, which is at once terse and polite, a welcome or a warning to be taken according to the driving customs of motorists: "Drive slowly and see our city; drive fast and see our jail."

Sheriff Alberty Resigns.

To the surprise of most everybody Sheriff Alberty resigned his office Monday taking effect immediately. Deputy Sheriff A. L. Ashburn of this city was at the same meeting appointed by the Board of Commissioners to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Alberty.

When interviewed as to the cause of his action Mr. Alberty gave positively as his only one that of his personal interests. He owns one of the best farms in the southern part of the county and he says that it is to his interest to give up the office and look after the work on his farm. He will retain the 1920 tax books for the collection of the tickets not yet paid, and has sent out notices that all remaining unpaid by the first of November he will proceed to collect by law. There is only a small proportion left on them. Out of about \$150,000 being about \$7,000 to be collected. Mr. Alberty's efficiency as an officer is shown by the splendid manner in which he has gone about in collecting the tax of the county.

In the selection of Sheriff Ashburn the Commissioners did just what was expected of them as he has been the right hand man to the retiring Sheriff since his election, having charge of the office here in Mount Airy. Sheriff Ashburn will continue to make this place his head office. For the present he has not given out the names of his deputies, but he can be depended upon to select a hustling bunch of fellows, as he is of this sort himself, being especially active in the apprehension of violators of the liquor laws.

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W. L. Steele, Notary Public.

Army Trucks for Road Work.

Tuesday of this week W. J. Herring, district road foreman for state road work, unloaded two large Nansh four wheel driven army trucks to be used to repair the roads leading out from Mount Airy. These are government trucks that were supposed to be used during the war and are loaned to the state for work on its roads.

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