



Mr. Editor an' kine reeders of the Mount'neer:

My observashuns endur'in' the past wk. led me into varryus an' sundry seckshuns of ol' Haywood, an' seein' as I didn't have my I's shet all the time I observed a few things.

**WHOOZ A-CROAKIN'?**

Furst, peep a naulin' their backer to Asheville in droves . . . truck, pick-ups an' tourin' kyars. An' jist think, fokes, the weed's a-bringin' the best price in history . . . all the way from 30, 40,—an' eab'm over 50c a lb.! Why, I wuz told that one man down on Hyder Mt. jist razed hiz shirt tale full; but he took it on to markit ennyway—an' got over \$6 fur-it—glory be!

Cattle still a-eelin' good—  
An' haws a-runnin' high—  
Corn a-bringin' 'round 6 bits—  
An' backer a-tetchin' sky—  
(Hush yore croakin', ol' Croaker—Hush!)

Fack't'ries runnin' nite an' day—  
Payin' bonus wages, too—  
Fokes with plenty cash to spen'—  
Caze thy've got work to do—  
(Shet yore mouth, ol' Critick—Shet!)

Plenty to eat an' plenty to ware—  
See fokes a-buyin' ever whir—  
Then, too, with Xmas drawin' nigh—  
Thar's peccer an' joy, an' chir—  
(Git out o' here, ol' Whiner—Git!)

The Soil Konservashun Program is beginnin' to git under way in this county, Mr. Editor. One man over on Pidgen, wuz axin me about it . . . sed he didn't no what it wuz all about, but if Rozyvelt had "doped it out" he felt shore it wuz all rite. (Rite at this pint I want to say that President Rozyvelt orter be mitey keeful 'bout what he duz or tells the 'Merican people to do, caze thar's a hole lot o' that 25,000,000 that woud go an' jump into the oashun if Rozyvelt axt em to do it.) . . . But I had started to tell ye 'bout the man over on Pidgen; Well, he 'lowed as how if Uncle Sam wuz a-goin' to pay him sump'm fur the patch what he'd already decided to give to the brars an' rabbits he wuz

better off than he thawt he wuz. Sed he'd bin a-prayin' to the good Lord to not send sitch awful hard rains, freezes an' thaws so's he cood hold on to his hill sides a while longer, but had found out that the good Lord wuzn't on the Soil Program.

But this man had jist sold 2 steers day before fur \$85.00—

"So if I have good luck, an' the ol' woman don't haf to go to the horse pittal enny more," sez he "I don't think I'll haf to brake on the \$85.00 before Xmas."

Yes, sir—ee! everthing's prosperous nuff 'round here now, fokes; as Uncle John Mary youce to say, when feelin' good, "Everthing's lovely an' the goose is hangin' high."

Our Farm Agt. I find Mr. Editor, is makin' hiz work count fur sump'm toung a more porgessive farmin'.

Crop rotashun—  
Better marketin'—  
French Siloze—  
Pyore bred cattle—  
"Epsydeezee"—an' so foarth.

Course, a few fokes air agin him—  
or ruther agin the olls; but you no how that is, Mr. Editor, sump fokes air agin everthing that is porgessive like.

I don't think our Farm Agt. is big hedded, a' tall; he goze redly to top into cow-barn, ditch or braz; patch 'thout changin' hiz cloze . . . so, it's like a feller and in speakin' uv him a while back—  
"Hiz feet's not big for nothin'."

**HOW I HELP EM OVER**

Mr. Editor, I want tell the reeders of this kolyum that Uncle Abe's grinnin' to be an Eckspurt in helpin' the Fare Seeks akross fences & so foarth . . . out in the kuntry, ye no. I sum-times help em to git their aigs an' chickens to markit . . . not becaws I'm so shivalvus er sump'm, but morseshly to git my Mount'neer munny.

Well, thar's allus 'bout 3 war fences to jump, 4 ditches to krawl under, 5 mud holes to krawl thro an' 6 gates to go aroun'. So, when we git to a "war" fence (as our good S'lieutor sez) I jump akross furst, then I hole the chickens an' basket of aigs while the woman takes a run & go at it. (I'm allus keeful to look t'other direck-

**Farmerette Displays Steer**



When the 37th annual International Livestock exposition opened at Chicago, Nov. 28, Ruth Smith, pretty 4-H club member from Washington, Ia., entered the steer which she raised especially for competition in the show.

**SSA RUSH**

Those states and territories which do not pass legislation by Dec. 31 to conform with the Federal Social Security Act will lose a lot of money.

On Jan. 1, the 1 per cent tax on 1936's pay rolls for the unemployment compensation fund will be collected from all the states, the money from states lacking unemployment insurance laws will go into the treasury's general funds. Only sixteen states and the District of Columbia have fulfilled the requirements of the SSA. Some governors have asked Washington for an extension of the deadline, to be permitted by the next Congress.

Others, as North Carolina's governor, have called emergency sessions of their state legislatures.

**Booster Club Observe Annual Ladies Night**

On Thursday evening the Booster Club, of Hazelwood, entertained their wives, friends and teachers of the Hazelwood school, with a dinner party given in the Town Hall, and served by the women of the Baptist church, of Hazelwood.

The tables and all appointments bore the Christmas motif, and another seasonal feature was a visit from Santa Claus who presented each of the guests of honor with a lovely gift, which closed the evening's activities.

L. M. Richeson served as master of ceremonies, R. L. Prevost gave a toast to the teachers, to which Mrs. Whitener Prevost, in a very clever rhyme, which included all the names

of the Booster Club, responded. Causing much merriment was the toast by Mr. Joe Davie, young bachelor of the club, "To the wives," in which he gave advice on how to manage husbands. Mrs. E. C. Wagenfelt responded.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Prevost as the occasion marked their thirty-first wedding anniversary, and to their son, Mr. Whitener Prevost, mayor of Hazelwood, who was observing his birthday on Thursday.

**MARINE TROUBLES**

More and more complicated last week became the sequence of strikes and counter-strikes on ships of the Atlantic. The strike strategy committee, a rank and file group, which has renounced the established leadership of the International Seamen's Union, continues its walkout for higher wages and better conditions.



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