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THE PARCEL POST.

A System Whereby Small Packages Can be Carried at a Reasonable Rate, and the Big Deficit in the U. S. Treasury Be Wiped Out.

To Members of the Farmers' Union:

One of the things I insist that members of the Farmers' Union and farmers generally, should do is get in behind Congress about the Parcel Post.

Year after year, we have been striving to secure this legislation from Congress. False promises from politicians, the lobby maintained by the express companies, and, to an extent, our own apathy, have operated to keep us out of this huge benefit.

The time has come to cease dilly-dallying. Go after your Representative and Senator with a club, bury him under an avalanche of letters, telling him you want a Parcel Post and that you are not going to let him or yourself rest until you get it.

What is a Parcel Post?

The answer is extremely simple.

A Parcel Post is a system which will make the Government do for packages over four pounds what it is now doing for letters; carry them at a reasonable rate, with a profit alike to the manufacturer and the merchant, the farmer and the consumer at large.

Let this fact sink into your mind.

The express companies, which now have a monopoly of the small carrying trade in the United States, are getting on an average of sixteen cents a pound for transporting packages.

Last year one of them declared a dividend of three hundred per cent! Is it any wonder, with a cinch of the transportation of small packages?

Now what will a Parcel Post do for the government.

It will help wipe out that big postal deficit, about which Congress and the newspaper editors are now raising such a howl. It will transfer to the government a large part of the patronage, and, therefore profit now enjoyed by the private express monopolies, which are just about as high-handed trusts as standard oil or any other. It will wipe out that postal deficit, and, as the service develops with use, it will prove a growing and unfailing source of actual revenue to the treasury of the United States.

What will a Parcel Post do for the farmer?

It will save him about seventy-five per cent. a year on the charges he is now compelled to pay the express companies for everything that travels in their cars. The packages that come to his home from the big mail-order houses in the South and North, will cost him about ninety per cent. less for transportation, because in the long run the farmer always "pays the freight." The Parcel Post also has a county feature. Under the plan proposed, the small town merchant will be able to send out small packages over rural routes at a cost so small compared to the hire of a messenger or a horse and buggy or a wagon, as under present conditions, as to put millions of dollars yearly into the pockets of both the American farmer and the American country home.

Don't let your country merchant fool you into believing that a Parcel Post will cut off his revenues by diverting trade to the big mail-order houses. Even if it did, we would still stand for it, because it is better that millions of farmers save money, than that hundreds of small merchants make money. But, as a matter of fact a Parcel Post will add to the profits of the small country merchant by giving

A Neglected Industry.

The restaurants of Charlotte are buying chickens in New Jersey at 42 cents a pound and paying the freight on them, in addition. At least one of the Charlotte hotels is buying its chickens from the West paying the same price, in addition to the freight. This condition is due to the simple fact that the farmers of Mecklenburg do not raise a sufficient number of chickens to supply the Charlotte market. This is a chicken raising country and the farmers of Mecklenburg should be not only supplying the local market, but shipping fowls to the North. The raising of chickens by the wives and daughters of the farmers could be made as profitable as the growing of cotton by the farmers, and would involve far less expense and labor. On almost any farm around Charlotte, the utilization of otherwise idle occupation in poultry raising, would result in the equivalent of two, and sometime there bales of cotton a year. There are great opportunities afforded to the farmers in the prosecution of this neglected industry. Every farmer in Mecklenburg should cultivate the kindly and profitable offices of the hen.

(What the Charlotte Chronicle says above in regard to Mecklenburg County applies with equal force to Caldwell.)

There should be at least a solid carload of chickens shipped from Lenoir every day and if our people will train their attention to it there is big money in the business.

—News.

The brick building standing on the corner of North Main and Ashe Street and known as the Hamilton building, which has been used for several years as a restaurant was sold last week to Mr. S. A. Foster of Statesville N. C., for \$2100.00. Mr. Foster expects to make considerable improvements on the building and will continue the restaurant business; Mr. Foster will move to Lenoir soon.

him cheap access to his customers out in the country.

Impress upon your Congressman that practically everybody in your district is a unit for Parcel Post. Tell him that it won't injure anybody, not even the cross-roads merchant, after the latter understands it. Make him see that there is no opposition to the measure and that it is bound to come, and you will get it quickly.

How much do you pay on the eggs you ship to town? A great big, heavy charge, almost so prohibitive that it doesn't pay you to compete with the cold-storage trust or keep a yard full of hens; the Parcel Post will give you a low government rate on eggs, and other small farm truck, enabling you to sell more goods in town and add to your annual profits.

There is not one single valid argument against Parcel Post. There is every valid argument for it.

If the government wants to keep the farmer on the farm, and to attract others back to the land let the government even up advantages as between country and city, the Parcel Post is one of them.

But I want to remind you that you won't get the Parcel Post or anything else, if you don't keep in behind that representative and senator all of the time and not part of the time.

Write him a letter today. Write him as regularly as the first of the month comes around.

CHARLES S. BARRETT.

Southern Land Investments.

Southern Fields.

Every day brings some new evidence of the value of the lands of the Southeastern states. The best evidence is in the profit given by the crops to which these lands are adapted. Ultimately the profit producing character of all lands must determine their value. That is the only true way for estimating the value of farm lands, especially. For the man who lives on and cultivates his land the soils of no other section of America are so uniformly rich in profit producing possibilities as those of the states which lie south of the Potomac and Ohio rivers and east of the Mississippi. Other lands may be as rich or even richer, but they lack to a very large extent the favorable climatic conditions of these lands of the Southeastern American states.

These lands are also preeminent in the most valuable in America as investment possibilities. They have ranged in price much below equally good lands in other sections, and purchasers of them in the past have had the satisfaction of seeing them steadily advance in value and in demand. That this advance is sure to keep up for a long time to come is shown by increased interest in locations in the South by farmers and homeseekers of other sections, the new demonstrations as to the great profits which are made by the growing of the staple and other crops where improved methods of agriculture have been introduced, the better education of the people of the North regarding the climatic and other advantages of the South, the wonderful growth in all lines of industry and commerce, the unrivaled opportunities ahead of the business man and the farmer in that section, the improvement of roads which is sending farm lands steadily to higher values, and many other things. There is now such a tide of immigration to the South east as has never before been witnessed, and this movement has hardly yet started. The people of the Central states and of the North, west are looking to the Southeast today for cheaper lands, as they have been looking to the West and the Pacific Coast, and they will soon make a great demand for good lands in that section.

The land investor or the man who is looking for tracts of large size for future division into small farms will find his best present opportunity in the Southeast. What has been accomplished in the Southeast is only a forerunner to the advance of the next few years. The increase in land values which has taken place is proof enough that under the new conditions investments in Southeastern lands, where made with ordinary care, must give good and safe returns.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Concord Times.

While Pierce Robbins, the colored man who works for Mr. D. B. Coltrane, was unloading some trash into the big ravine on the north side of Church street last Saturday morning about 11 o'clock, a part of the harness broke, and in a moment negro, horse and wagon were precipitated down the embankment to the bottom, a distance of at least fifty feet. Wonderful to be told neither man nor animal was hurt much. Pierce was somewhat bruised, but was able that afternoon to be about his regular work. The wagon was pretty badly broken up.

Prompt relief in all cases of throat and lung trouble if you use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pleasant to take, soothing and healing in effect. Sold by J. E. Shell and Dr. Kent.

CONVICTED BLIND TIGER CAUSES A SENSATION

News and Observer.

Wilmington, April 12.—Marion L. Winner a middle aged white man, convicted in the Superior court Saturday night of selling whiskey and sentenced to six months on the roads; Judge Cooke sustaining the judgement of the recorder's court, today made a sensational affidavit in which he made a full confession and declared that there are more than one hundred holders of government liquor licenses in Wilmington; that the blind tigers have a thorough organization known as "Association No. 6;" that he has paid regularly into the coffers of the association \$5 a month to be used for political purposes and otherwise; that the members had been given to understand that if arrested and carried before the recorder the severest punishment would be a fine and cost; that in case public sentiment was such that it would be necessary to give a road sentence, the members were to be warned in ample time. The affiant then sets out that he was not warned, and that he has been made a scapegoat of day his former pretended friends. In conclusion the affiant says that the confession and exposure of those he says have benefited him is for the purpose of aiding him in his effort to have his sentence stricken out or reduced.

Winners' attorney will go before Judge Cooke tomorrow and ask for a hearing of the matter.

It is understood that many rank prohibitionist will give Winner their moral support in view of his affidavit.

RECKLESS AUTOING.

Cary, April 11.—On Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson, of Cary, Route 1, were driving on the Raleigh and Hillsboro road, when on Beaver Dam hill, near the country club park, they were met by a couple of automobiles driving recklessly. As the first auto passed, the horse became almost unmanageable. As the second auto approached, Mr. Jackson jumped out to hold his horse by the cheek of the bridle. Mrs. Jackson also sprang to the ground with their two year old little girl in her arms, but tripped and fell. The autos passed at rapid pace, blowing and tooting and as the last one passed Mrs. Jackson and child were lying on the ground. They made no stop.

When Mrs. Jackson recovered she found that the child's thigh was broken and herself badly bruised. They went to the nearest house and there stopped for treatment, reaching their home about 10 o'clock at night.

The community is indignant at the treatment accorded them by the auto parties, while Mr. and Mrs. Jackson have the sympathy of friends.

Get Ready to Catch the Comet's Tail.

The local weather bureau has received instructions from Washington to be on the lookout for strange happenings on May 17, 18 and 19 when, according to the reckoning, the tail of Halley's comet will envelop the earth, Local, Observer Lindley in common with every other observer in the United States will be on duty all night during these three nights for the purpose of obtaining data on the comet's doings.

The weather bureau does not give very definite information as to just what the comet's tail will do to the earth, and for the very good reason that it knows very little more about what the tail is than the average person knows.

NEWS ITEMS.

A mad dog was killed in Wilson N. C. one day last week, but not until it had bitten three people and a number of other dogs.

A barrel branded coal oil was seized by detectives at Hamlet recently and inside of the barrel was a smaller one containing whiskey. It was an effort to evade the state prohibition laws.

Irwin Hanchett, the 14 year old boy who most cruelly murdered a 13 year old girl, Clervie Tedder, near DeLand, Florida, some months ago, has been convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged.

Boy Metcalf, a boy of Bessemer City, was killed by a train near Belmont last Saturday night. The boy with others had been stealing rides on a freight train and it is supposed he fell from the cars and was crushed to death.

A rabid dog bit a man named Morgan and his little four year old child at Concord on Wednesday on last week. The man and child went to Raleigh to take the Pasteur treatment. The dog was killed.

THE GOLDEN EGGS.

The News and Observer.

Talking about high priced eggs, how does five dollars an egg strike you? A man named Fishel at Hope, Indiana, sold fifteen eggs of the White Wyandotte for \$75, or \$5 each. This is the highest price ever paid for eggs. Only \$2 each were paid for eggs of the famous \$10,000 Kansas City hen some years ago. The five Wyandotte hens owned by Fishel laid 500 eggs from December last 1st to April 4th.

In the old times that we read about in the story book there was only one hen that laid golden eggs. It seems that these hens number five and if five can lay golden eggs there is no reason why this same variety of hens, properly cared for, should not number thousands.

There's big money in hens and poultry and this industry is beginning to receive the attention of men of brains. Mix brains with the poultry yard, and big dividends result.

Six Believed to Have Died of Poisoned Whiskey.

Westerly R. I., April 9.—Six deaths within the last four days, all apparently from poisoning as a result of whiskey drinking are to be investigated by the authorities. Following the sudden death last Thursday of Henry Larrow and Charles R. Hood, it was discovered that two women had died under similar circumstances within a day or two and that today two more deaths ascribed to the same cause occurred. Vomiting symptoms were followed by unconsciousness and death in each case reported.

While the exact nature of the poison is unknown, physicians declare it was probably wood alcohol.

While we believe in being prepared to enforce our rights with other nations,—yet where is this warship building business going to end? Eighteen millions for one battleship is on the new naval program—can't Uncle Sam do without this one and let us have the money to macadamize half the public roads of our State!—Danbury Reporter.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets assist nature in driving all impurities out of the system, insuring a free and regular condition and restoring the organs of the body to health and strength. Sold by J. E. Shell and Dr. Kent.

HELPFUL HINTS ON HAIR HEALTH.

Scalp and Hair Troubles Generally Caused by Carelessness.

Dandruff is a contagious disease caused by a microbe which also produces baldness. Never use a comb or brush belonging to someone else. No matter how cleanly the owner may be, these articles may be infected with microbes, which will infect your scalp. It is far easier to catch hair microbes than it is to get rid of them, and a single stroke of an infected comb or brush may well lead to baldness. Never try on anybody else's hat. Many a hatband is a resting place for microbes.

If you happen to be troubled with dandruff, itching scalp, falling hair or baldness, we have a remedy which we believe will completely relieve these troubles. We are so sure of this that we offer it to you with the understanding that it will cost you nothing for the trial if it does not produce the results we claim. This remedy is called Rexall "93" Hair Tonic. We honestly believe it to be the most scientific remedy for scalp and hair troubles, and we know of nothing else that equals it for effectiveness, because of the results it has produced in thousands of cases.

Rexall "93" Hair Tonic is devised to banish dandruff, restore natural color when its loss has been brought about by disease, and make the hair naturally silky soft and glossy. It does this because it stimulates the hair follicles, destroys the germ matter, and brings about a free, healthy circulation of blood, which nourishes the hair roots, causing them to tighten and grow new hair. We want every body who has any trouble with hair or scalp to know that Rexall "93" Hair Tonic is the best hair tonic and restorative in existence, and no one should scoff at or doubt this statement until they have put our claims to a fair test, with the understanding that they pay us nothing for the remedy if it does not give full and complete satisfaction in every particular. Two sizes, 50 cents and \$1.00. Remember you can obtain Rexall Remedies in Lenoir only at our store.—The Rexall Store. The Lenoir Drug Co.

Blowing Rock Items.

Correspondent of The News.

Dr. and Mrs. Raby returned yesterday from a trip to Lenoir. They went to see their brother off to Idaho.

We are having showers this evening and feel thankful as every thing looks refreshed, and the fires are quenched.

We have just had a three days excitement in our village. The fire raging on the head of Johns river and under the Blowing Rock. The residents of the town and surrounding country responded to the alarm call and fought the fire desperately before it could be gotten under control. The buildings were exposed and some of them narrowly saved. The ones most exposed were the hotels and summer dwellings not occupied. Many who worked and watched were day laborers depending upon their earnings for their daily bread and certainly deserve a substantial expression of gratitude which would be very much appreciated by them.

Worse Than Bullets.

Bullets have often caused less suffering to soldiers than the eczema. L. W. Harriman, Burlington, Me., got in the army, and suffered with it, forty years. "But Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me when all else failed," he writes. Greatest healer for Sore Ulcers, Boils, Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Bruises and Piles. 25c at J. E. Shell