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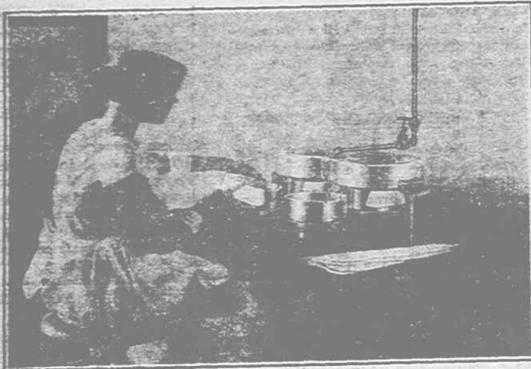
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HAMBURGER'S
DEPARTMENT STORE

DOES THIS EVER HAPPEN TO YOU

Man picks out a clean collar, places the tie in it, buttons it up. Then he attempts to pull his tie through so as to adjust it properly. Doesn't budge—then he pulls it harder—finally rips it—collar flies open. Tries again and again without results. The women of the house put their fingers in their ears so they will not hear. Even if he gets the tie through, it looks like a string.

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**UNCLE SAM EXPERIMENTS IN CAPITAL
WITH NEW POSTAGE VENDING MACHINE**

In the effort to give the public good postal service the postmaster general is trying out a new invention in the form of a postage stamp vending machine. One of the machines is in the lobby of the Washington post office building and a penny placed in the slot marked "one cent stamps" will operate the interior mechanism which forces the penny stamp out of a horizontal slot. The same operation is necessary for the two-cent variety. There is a letter box below where the mail may be deposited.



ALARM

Over the Decline of the Pursuit of Agriculture in the State is Felt.

The Telegram calls to the special attention of its readers the alarming facts found in the following paragraphs taken from advance copy of the report of the State Board of Regents to the governor:

The first cause for alarm about our agricultural conditions is found in the fact that the rural population is drifting toward the towns and cities. We hear much in a vague way about the drift toward the towns and cities but we are likely to associate this movement with some far away state or the country as a whole. This movement is going on at an alarming rate here in West Virginia. In spite of the fact that the population of our state as a whole increased 27.4 per cent during the last decade, the population actually decreased in a large number of our farming counties as shown in the following tables:

County	Decrease in Population
Doddridge	7.4 per cent
Gilmer	3.3 per cent
Hampshire	9 per cent
Jackson	8.8 per cent
Jefferson	3 per cent
Mason	4.7 per cent
Monroe	6 per cent
Pleasants	13.6 per cent
Ritchie	5.4 per cent
Tyler	11.2 per cent
Wirt	12.0 per cent

The same census bulletins from which the figures above were taken shows that the purely rural population decreased in Berkeley, Jefferson, Hampshire, Monongalia, Doddridge, Gilmer, Ritchie, Tyler, Wood, Pleasants, Jackson, Mason, Cabell and Monroe.

It is time for our law makers to take notice when the population in fine farming counties like Jefferson and Jackson fall off from 2 per cent to 8 per cent in a decade while it increases more than 50 per cent in industrial counties like Logan and Ohio. In 1890, 82 per cent of the people of West Virginia lived outside of incorporated towns and cities; in 1900 the percentage had dropped to 78 per cent; in 1910, it went down to 70 per cent; and by this time it is even lower.

The second cause for alarm is found in the fact that increase in production is falling below increase in population of West Virginia. As stated in preceding paragraphs, the population of West Virginia increased 27 per cent during the last decade. Increase in population means increase in ability to produce, hence the natural conclusion would be that the ordinary farm crops of the state would show an increase similar to that of population. Moreover, we are very sure that the demand for food and clothing increased with population, and when our state productions fall behind the ordinary demands of our population, we become an importing state. This means that the money of our state flows from our own stores and banks to outside merchants. Indeed, it means that we are conducting a losing business. Before further comment the facts should be examined.

In 1899 the farmers of West Virginia raised 16,510,789 bushels of corn. Ten years later, in 1909, they raised 17,119,097 or 3.1 more than in 1899 in spite of the fact that the population in the same time increased 27 per cent.

The per capita production of corn

by decades in West Virginia follows: In 1879, 22.4 bushels; in 1889, 18 bushels; in 1899, 17.3 bushels; in 1909, 14 bushels.

There has also been a decrease in numbers of live stock during the period under discussion that is worthy of our consideration. The situation is well shown by the following table: Domestic Animals on Farms in West Virginia.

	1900	1910	Decrease per cent
Cattle	629,782	629,288	3 per cent
Sheep	968,842	910,360	6 per cent
Swine	422,341	228,188	26 per cent
Horses	185,488	179,921	3 per cent

We have a just pride in the \$5,000,000 annual coal sale in West Virginia. We should have equally just shame in the fact that we import into West Virginia annually about \$5,000,000 of farm products which the state should produce. A careful investigation made a short time ago showed that West Virginia imported about \$10,000,000 worth of hay, corn, oats, beans and potatoes; about \$16,000,000 worth of animal products and about \$34,000,000 worth of other farm products. Thus it took all of our coal to pay the farmers of other states. The time is ripe for our legislators and citizens to give these alarming conditions careful consideration.

QUESTION CLEARED UP

Clarksburg Readers Can No Longer Doubt the Evidence.

Again and again we have read of strangers in distant towns who have been cured by this or that medicine. But Clarksburg's pertinent question has always been "Has anyone here in Clarksburg been cured?" The word of a stranger living a hundred miles away may be true, but it cannot have the same weight with us as the word of our own citizens, whom we know and respect, and whose evidence we can go easily prove.

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