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FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

AND THE COTTON MILL MAN TOO.

As to the condition of the cotton mill interests there is no journal in the country which speaks with more authority than the American Textile Manufacturer, and not only our cotton farmers, but the people of the South as a whole will be interested in this summary of recent and prospective conditions in the textile world:

"The measure of prosperity enjoyed by all but a few minor branches of the textile industry, up to the advent of the present financial unsettledness, was nothing less than phenomenal. It was a record of demand far in excess of the productive capacity of the mills; of steady advances in raw materials, wages and all other factors entering into the cost of production; of an inadequate labor supply; of an advance in prices of textile products that carried them far above the levels that seemed exorbitant a year ago; and of a demand that, even after two months of financial unsettledness, has prevented the accumulation of stocks of dangerous volume. What is more, this prosperous condition of the textile industry has been world-wide, and this in spite of an enormous expansion in the cotton spinning branches of the industry in England and Japan. Within three years nearly 12,000,000 new spindles and complementary machinery have been installed in the Lancashire district of England, and are now well employed in the manufacture of cotton yarns and piece goods. . . . While all divisions of the textile market have felt the effect of the financial depression, yet, perhaps, no other section has been in better condition to withstand the quiet which has been so prevalent during the last two months as that connected with the manufacture and sale of cotton gods."

Don't sign away your own and your family's liberty to any merchant.

The Union has done a wise thing in providing that only Union members may hold stock in a Union warehouse.

Good Union men take care of their families, and to do this requires a fruit tree in every possible corner of the place.

The Unions are talking about good roads and how to get them. In the meantime the spilt-log drag is doing its duty under any and all sorts of provocation.

Don't think you have done all you can for your local so long as there is an elligible person in your neighborhood that is not enrolled and an active worker.

You have time yet to make the garden a little larger, and if you will do it, you will have another prop against the mortgage. Getting a living out of a garden is a mighty fine way to beat the doctor.

Why in the Dickens the Union don't make some of the fellows plant some broom corn is a wonder. It has told you all about how profitable this crop is and how easy it is to raise, but—well, we look for the South to raise its own brooms this year.

The Union farmer is the inveterate enemy of all sorts of trusts. Those that are of any account are fighting the implement and vehicle trust by taking good care of the implements and vehicles they have—they are all under a good shelter when not in actual use.

Keep in mind all the time that every farmer is a business man and the Union is a business organization. That leads up to the point, which is this: Don't let your prejudices or pre-conceived ideas dictate to you what to do. Do the thing that common sense dictates for you to do. Carrying this idea out will sometimes make you put your personal enemy in a high place, for he is sometimes the man for the place. Do business in the Union.

Mr. Farmer: If the road running along your property line has been nicely graded and ditched, don't you honestly think the very least you can do for yourself and neighbors is to have a split-log drag in readiness for use after every heavy rain? The time when you will be operating it will be a time when it will be practically impossible for you to be doing anything else. The use of the drag will keep the road free from ruts and holes, nicely rounded, and each time it is worked over it will stand up against the rains just that much better. It is worth the time, effort and energy necessary to secure the results that are bound to follow.—Denison Herald.

You can always point out the home of a good Union man by the flowers he has helped the good women folks to plant around it. He is the fellow who always manages to find time to whitewash all the fences around the house and barn too.

The bears and all the big-crop liars have done all they could to stop the upward climb of cotton, and they have hindered it to some extent, but the 15 cents that the stuff is worth is coming to those who have rigidly adhered to the warehouse agreement.

FOUNDED ON COMMON SENSE.

The Farmers Union has come to stay. It has evolved from its chrysalis state into a fell grown business organization. Railroads and their miserable hireling lawyers may attempt to disrupt it and labor attempt to create discord in its ranks, and hungry penny-a-liners may seek to lead it astray with their scribblings, but it will all be in vain, will eventuate in nothing. No business undertaking can succeed in a week, or a month, or a year, and ours, scarcely more than in its incipiency, so stupendous is the work it must do, and so vast the manchinery it must get into movement, that we cannot hope to do all we intend to do for some years. Remember, we have to undo the wrongs, the errors, the evils of forty years, and right the injustice of all this ghastly nightmare of oppression and spoilation. We have to adjust our machinery and get it running smoothly. We have got to combat and overcome the carpings of the envious, the errors of imbeciility, the machinations of the designing in our own ranks, and repel the approaches and efforts of our enemies from without, and at the same time build up strongly and surely, perfecting it in every detail, the business system needful for the great transactions we have undertaken. The coalition of the South and West along all industrial lines must be accomplished, and it will take time for us to do all these things.

The Farmers Union is not a political party, but a strictly business organization. It was not organized, nor is it to be run in the interest of the Democratic, the Populist, the Republican, the Socialist, nor any other political party, nor of any candidate or candidates. Neither has it come into being to further any church or religious propaganda, or to do anything under the sun but to secure just, honest, fair prices for farm products and for the uplift and betterment also, socially and educationally, of all farming classes. These things the Union can achieve only by the adoption, maintenance and pursuit of strictly business methods, and in business there is no sentiment, hence no man or set of men can stand in the way of our onward and upward progress to the ultimate victory so surely, and it can be so easliy within our grasp, if common sense alone shall prevail.—National Co-Operator.

"Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together," and when you get together, DO SOMETHING along the line of making the life of the farmers more encouraging to the youg people. With the Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges now in operation in almost every State, there is no sense in the farmer holding down his business below the level of the other learned professions. It is all stuff that the "book former" is no farmer at all. It is that identical fellow who is now leading in the movement to lighten the burden of the old-fashioned way of "hit and miss" farming; it is he who is showing the world that there is no "Great American Desert" that all of us older chaps used to see on the maps. Yes, it is this fellow who is showing us that big corn, cotton and wheat crops can be raised on these cactus covered "desert wastes." You wake up and get modernized.

Don't be disturbed by the little "ructions" that come up at times in the management of the Union. The time has not yet come for human ambition to submit itself always to the good of the community, and until this thing does come about, there will be little frictions here and there. The main thing to remember is that the big old Union is founded upon principles as old as mankind, and which would be incontrovertible abstract truths if there were no men and no more time.

But the price of cotton is going on up all the same.

The express companies backing up the Retail Merchants Association, with headquarters in Chicago, have scared Congress until there is no hope of a parcels post bill this time. But it is coming right along, and if the millions of farmers who are the victims of the rapacious express companies, had used their organization as these blood-suckers used theirs, there would have been a bill already through the House.

All over the South there is talk of the good work done by the split log drag. It would be a good thing for your local to take the matter up and see if some sort of a united movement may not be set on foot for general neighborhood work on the public highways. Take this matter up at your next meeting.

Better hunt up something good to take the place of some of that cotton land this season. It is possible to make too much cotton in proportion to the balance of your crop. Pige and peanuts are always in demand, and the world is still eating all the eggs it can get

We need a little tinkering wi... denatured alcohol law until it wi... be in reach, and then the Mr. Farmer will make his own "juice" for running his "Buzz wagon." This may sound sort-er far off, but it aint a minute away, hardly.

Got a telephone in your house? No? Good gracious, me! What are you letting this thing miss you for? Get busy and hook on, and be a citizen of the world in this twentieth century. We are not cave dwellers now.

LOUISIANA NEWS.

Crescent City Notes.

New Orleans: Six novices were received into Holy Family sisterhood.

Archdeacon Weber addressed Y. M. C. A. meeting on higher manhood.

Spanish Fort fire caused about $20,000 damage.

Jockey Rowe was ruled off at Suburban track for pulling Harvest Time.

Rev. F. C. Stanley, field secretary of Antisaloon League, preached several sermons.

Unknown man committed suicide by plunging from Hospital street wharf.

Captain Rawson, J. Post died aboard his ship Comus at New York.

Friends of Naughton, wanted in St. Louis have decided to fight return.

J. H. D. Smith, police drillmaster, and one of survivors of Custer massacre, died.

Conference of ward leaders indorsed Lambremont, Guion and Capdevielle for second primary, and all Sanders candidates for Legislature.

Only one Sunday Law arrest was made.

North Louisiana Agricultural Society.

Calhoun, La.: The North Louisiana Agricultural Society held its monthly meeting in Agricultural Hall of the North Louisiana Experiment Station Saturday with a good local attendance. President S. M. Camp was in his chair and Secretary T. I. Watson was at his desk. The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Letters of regret and encouragement were read from absent speakers, also a letter from Governor Blanchard regretting his inability to be present.

Truckers Want to Combine.

Natchitoches, La.: A meeting of the Natchitoches Truck and Fruit Growers' Ascsociation was held here Saturday for the purpose of discussing the receipt of Irish potato seed, which will reach this city in the early part of the coming week, and to make arrangements for the disposition of the crop when made. Great interest was shown in the meeting, many members reported that their land was in thorough preparation for the seed. It was agreed to submit a proposition to brokers to sell the coming crop of the association on the commission basis. Secretary John C. Clark was instructe dto communicate with the other truck associations throughout this parish with a view of bringing all of them in one organization. The truck growing spirit is alive throughout this parish and this year will see much of the necessities of life for home consumption produced at home.

Six Business Buildings.

Melville, La.: Sunday morning at 3 o'clock fire destroyed the general merchandise store of E .J. Lyon, Pickett's restaurant, F. M. Able's barber shop, Dr. I. Pearce's office, Van Jame's restaurant and a tenement house.

The postoffice, which was located in Mr. Lyon's store, was a total loss. The stock of merchandise was insured for $4,000, and $300 wac carrised on the restaurant. The origin of the fire is a mystery. It originated in the store of Mr. Lyons.

Local Talent in Minstrelsy.

Thibodaux, La.: The Thibodaux Concert Band presented the Thibodaux Minstrels at the local theatre to a large audience. The show is composed of local talent, and carries a concert band of twenty pieces, as well as an orchestra. Several dates have been secured in the towns within a radius of 100 miles. The mayor of the town served as interlocutor, and rendered a vocal selection.

Prisoners Go to Penitentiary.

Alexandria, La.: Deputy Sheriff David left Sunday morning for Baton Rouge to convey the following prisoners, who pleaded guilty and were sentenced to the penitentiary; John Hanagan, robbing, one year; George Harris, forgery, two years; Philip King, larceny, one year; Robert Davis, robbery, three years; Hanagan is a white man, and the others are negroes.

Sanders' Majority 14,419.

Late returns now give Mr. Sanders a total of 60,361 votes, against Mr. Wilkinson's 45,942, a majority for Sanders of 14,419.

For Lieutenant Governor, Bailey is still climbing up, having 36,323 against Lambremont's 34,136, and Lawrason's 19,176.

Coco is safely in second place for Attorney General, with 28,014, against Pleasants 23,799. Guion's total is now 38,568.

For Auditor, Frazee has 26,441, against Pleasants' 23,788. Guion's total is now 38,568.

Michel has 51,625 and Hebert 33,051 for Secretary of State.

Grace is far in the lead for Registrar of the Land Office, having 35,429 ... Crandell's 31,753, and Stewart's 12,...

SIXTH DISTRICT CONTEST.

Congressman Favrot Sure to Have Opposition Next Time.

Baton Rouge, La.: The next political campaign of interest is the campaign in the Sixth Congressional District for Congress. There are signs that this campaign will open up real soon.

Three candidates are considered almost certain, and more are possible.

George K. Favrot will be a candidate for re-election.

Is Woman Deteriorating? —An English Point of View

By T. B. SHAW.

MANY men, many minds! but, alas! I greatly fear ... regards this question, all men are of one mind. ... deteriorating—this is the unanimous verdict—an... reluctantly we acquiesce; reluctantly, indeed, fo... willingly be an iconoclast? Who would willful... beautiful ideal of womanhood, surrounded wi... truth and tenderness, simplicity and sincerity ... fulness, love and life, which has come down to ... ages since Eve, "mother of mankind," "from ... "much wondering?"

Here we have the up-to-date damsel, shoulder to ... eager for the fray, for the tussle, and the effort to wre... pursuits and avocations to which his physique and his ... title him, and on which, perchance, the lives of wife and i... manly professions and pursuits to which the current of ... been set since the days "when Adam delved and Eve span ... is she that "woman is not undeveloped man, but diverse," f... that "she who makes man's cause hers" is liable to the loss ... his allegiance, that her needless contact with the coarsest side ... destroys in her the sweet womanliness, the daintiness, the nie... in days gone by, formed our sex's chief charm. How can it b... Her mind is tainted and her conversation is flavored with th... able slang, the cheap cynicism of the fin-de-siecle literature, ... perceptions are blunted and coarsened by the never-ceasing eff... tract man's attention (which her warped imagination frequen... takes for admiration), to out-Herod Herod and to view all humai... through an atmosphere of tobacco smoke.

The up-to-date woman is nothing if not strong-minded. She pr... fesses to despise those womanly wiles, those feminine graces, by means of which our grandmothers held their sway. And yet, this very week ha... I seen, in a society journal, a legend running thus: "Waists this season a... becoming small by degrees and beautifully less." Paraphrased thus: "Brains among women are becoming small by degrees and beautifully less." It contains much food for thought, but how can we bring ourselves to believe in the superior and strong-minded female until she, with a strong hand, and by an overwhelming majority, puts down this abominable custom which tends neither to wisdom nor to beauty, and which makes the female interior a thing of torture to herself and a perpetual puzzle, wonder and delight to that profession which wields the knife in search of knowledge and science?

One glance at what is mistakenly called the sentimental side of the question:

"Could we but make her as the man,
Sweet love is slain!"

And without love. I boldly assert that life is empty to any true woman.

Love, sympathy, tenderness, tact, these go to form the true woman, whose husband has proudly consecrated to her his manhood, his life's allegiance, and whose children shall surely rise up and call her blessed.

American Monetary System Weak

By M. ALEXANDRE ULAR,
French Financial Editor, Now in America.

In France we are distrustful of your financial methods chiefly for the reason that there is no governmental control of your banking system. We also believe your monetary system is entirely wrong. At the root the government is to blame, of course, for it rests with that body to enact such legislation as will bring banks and similar institutions under absolute control of the government.

As conditions now exist, what is there to prevent a recurrence of what has taken place? Your financial institutions are under no more greater legal restrictions than was the case last year, nor does there seem to be any indication, so far as I can discover, that any will be established. What guarantee, therefore, is there for the future? Absolutely none, so far as can now be seen. Is it not possible, not to say probable, that the same serious and alarming conditions may again be brought into existence at any time? For myself, I am an adherent of the central bank plan, but it is very doubtful if such a system could be placed in operation in this country because of the opposition that would be encountered from the large financial interests. The central bank system is a safeguard to the financial interests of the country the value of which cannot be overestimated. In France we have had practical evidence of its worth, one result being the absolute faith of the people in its practicability and soundness.

Parole System Empties Prisons

By THOMAS SPEED MOSBY.
Missouri's Pardon Attorney.

The decrease in the number of men sentenced to imprisonment, without a corresponding decrease in the number of crimes committed, may be partially due to the extension of the parole system for first offenders. We are by no means to judge the efficiency of a penal code merely by the number of persons sentenced to imprisonment. In my opinion our penitentiary system, upon the whole, has made quite as many criminals as it has cured.

Recidivation, or professional criminalism, exists more extensively in Europe than in America, although in some respects criminality has lately increased in the United States. The high nervous tension common among us is responsible for a growing neuropathic condition which is most favorable to crime. The general lack of industrial condition is developing thousands every year who have never learned to make an honest living, and who, sooner or later, find their way into the paths of crime. Such improvements as are needed in the penal codes of this country are not in the direction of increased severity. The certainty of punishment is of far more avail in the prevention of crime than its severity, and laxity of administration cannot be corrected by amendment of the laws.