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**WON RICHES FROM THE LAND**

Story of an Immigrant Family That Went Farming Forty-six Years Ago.

John Austin and his wife, Emma, 46 years ago came to this country from England with their four sons and settled on a 160-acre farm in the Rocky mountains. Austin had been a mill worker and he and his wife scarcely had money enough to come to this country and take up the 160 acres which the government at that time was willing to give any settler. Of the subsequent success of this family Doctor Winslow writes in Farm and Fireside as follows:

"Once established and the market gardening scheme on its feet, John divided the 160 acres in halves, kept 80 acres and gave each of the boys 20 acres. They all worked the whole of it, but kept the expenses and income from each lot distinct.

"I know Mark Austin well; he is one of the eminently prosperous men in Idaho. He furnishes sugar beets for eight of the large factories along a line of 400 miles of railway, raising many of the beets and contracting for the rest. He is a prince among the business men of Idaho.

"The other three boys, Thomas, William and John, are cattle kings in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah; each is at the head of a live stock company, two in the sheep business—one had 50,000 head when I saw him in 1913. One is president of the Wool Growers' association of the intermountain region.

"The business interests of those four mighty men are interlinked, though financially distinct. They run their vast business schemes as they did their 20 acres each, when they ran the 80 acres as though it were one market garden, but they knew the profit of each 20 acres, and divided it. They still keep those eighty acres together and apart. Each of those four men like a family, and each has done by his sons what the father did for him."

**KNEW REVOLUTION HEROINE**  
Pennsylvania Woman Still Living Who Was Acquainted With the Famous Molly Pitcher.

In excellent health in spite of her advanced years, Mrs. Samuel Sipe, Cumberland county's oldest resident, a personal friend of Molly Pitcher, the heroine of Monmouth, has just celebrated her one hundred and second birthday, according to a Carbondale (Pa.) dispatch to the New York Tribune.

Her health is good, and although she is unable to walk she can hear clearly and her mind is a marvel for cleverness and recollection. Mrs. Sipe was born in Switzerland, October 5, 1812, and came with her parents when only six years of age to this country. The trip was made in a sailing vessel and the voyage consumed 16 weeks. She lived in Philadelphia for a time and came to Carlisle 95 years ago. She remembers the old stage coaches that made this a stopping point on the road to Pittsburgh, and also the running of the first train on the Cumberland Valley, July 4, 1857.

Her stories of Molly Pitcher, with whom she was personally familiar, contain many unique incidents in the life of this peculiar heroine.

**MAN KILLS HUNGRY WILDCAT**

Beast Had Attacked Party of Unarmed Men, and Was Dispatched With Club.

A wildcat attacked a party of hunters in the deer woods of Atlantic county, six miles this side of Mays Landing, and was killed, after a fight, by Thomas Campbell, who brought the carcass home as proof of his exciting experience.

Young Campbell, with his father, Joseph Campbell, and a companion named Geiss, were exploring the woods, following a deer run, with the idea of staking out stands for the open season, when the wildcat suddenly attacked them. The beast leaped upon Geiss, who struck wildly at it with his fists. One of the blows knocked the big cat to the earth. None of the men was armed, but Thomas Campbell picked up a heavy piece of wood and struck the animal as it renewed the attack. A blow on the head stunned the beast, and the two men beat it to death.

The wildcat was apparently a cub, not quite fully grown. Its gaunt body showed that it had nearly starved during the long drought, which drove much of the small game from the woodlands to the swamps. It is believed that hunger forced the beast to attack the men. A wildcat is a good deal of a curiosity in this region, as it has been several years since any of the beasts have been seen by native hunters. Year ago bears and wildcats were frequently seen.—Pitman (N. J.) Dispatch to Philadelphia Inquirer.

**MARKETING WORLD'S GREATEST PROBLEM**

WE ARE LONG ON PRODUCTION, SHORT ON DISTRIBUTION.

By Peter Radford  
Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

The economic distribution of farm products is today the world's greatest problem and the war, while it has brought its hardships, has clearly emphasized the importance of distribution as a factor in American agriculture and promises to give the farmers the co-operation of the government and the business men the solution of their marketing problem.

This result will, in a measure, compensate us for our war losses, for the business interests and government have been in the main assisting almost exclusively on the production side of agriculture. While the department of agriculture has been dumping tons of literature on the farmer telling him how to produce, the farmer has been dumping tons of products in the nation's garbage can for want of a market.

**The World Will Never Starve.**  
At no time since Adam and Eve were driven from the Garden of Eden have the inhabitants of this world suffered from lack of production, but some people have gone hungry from the day of creation to this good hour for the lack of proper distribution. Slight variations in production have forced a change in diet and one locality has felt the pinch of want, while another surfeited, but the world as a whole has ever been a land of plenty.

We now have less than one-tenth of the tillable land of the earth's surface under cultivation, and we not only have this surplus area to draw on but it is safe to estimate that in case of dire necessity one-half the earth's population could at the present time knock their living out of the trees of the forest, gather it from wild vines and draw it from streams. No one should become alarmed; the world will never starve.

The consumer has always feared that the producer would not supply him and his fright has found expression on the statute books of our states and nations and the farmer has been urged to produce recklessly and without reference to a market, and regardless of the demands of the consumer.

**Back to the Soil.**  
The city people have been urging each other to move back to the farm, but very few of them have moved. We welcome our city cousins back to the soil and this earth's surface contains 16,992,160,000 idle acres of tillable land where they can make a living by tilling the earth with a forked stick, but we do not need them so far as increasing production is concerned; we now have all the producers we can use. The city man has very erroneous ideas of agricultural conditions. The commonly accepted theory that we are short on production is all wrong. Our annual increase in production far exceeds that of our increase in population.

**The World as a Farm.**  
Taking the world as one big farm, we find two billion acres of land in cultivation. Of this amount there is approximately 750,000,000 acres on the western and 1,260,000,000 acres on the eastern hemisphere, in cultivation. This estimate, of course, does not include grazing lands, forests, etc., where large quantities of meat are produced.

The world's annual crop approximates fifteen billion bushels of cereals, thirteen billion pounds of fibre and sixty-five million tons of meat.

The average annual world crop for the past five years, compared with the previous five years, is as follows:

	Past Half Decade.	Previous Half Decade.
Corn (Bu.)	3,234,174,000	3,403,655,000
Wheat (Bu.)	3,522,769,000	3,257,526,000
Oats (Bu.)	4,120,017,000	3,508,315,000
Cotton (Bales)	19,863,800	17,541,200

The world shows an average increase in cereal production of 13 per cent during the past decade, compared with the previous five years, while the world's population shows an increase of only three per cent.

The gain in production far exceeds that of our increase in population, and it is safe to estimate that the farmer can easily increase production 25 per cent if a remunerative market can be found for the products. In textile fibres the world shows an increase during the past half decade in production of 15 per cent against a population increase of three per cent.

The people of this nation should address themselves to the subject of improved facilities for distribution.

Over-production and crop mortgage force the farmers into ruinous competition with each other. The remedies lie in organization and in co-operation in marketing.

Nish, which is just now the seat of the Servian king, has previously had a place in history. It was there that Constantine the Great, the founder of Constantinople and the protector of Christians, was born some sixteen centuries ago, and there it was, also, about a hundred years later, that Valentinian I divided the Roman empire with his brother, Valens. Nish was then called Naissus, and it was the capital of one part of the province of Mesia, which is now made up Servia and Bulgaria.

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**NEWS NOTES.**

The Rockefeller Foundation already has spent about \$1,000,000 for the relief of the starving population of Belgium, and stands ready to spend a million more in the same direction, according to a statement issued by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., president of the Foundation.

A heavy vote to continue the strike of shopmen on the Harriman railway lines has been returned by two of the five organizations involved, according to the business agent of the International Order of Machinists.

Juan Isidro Jimenes, who took the oath of office as President of the Dominican Republic, has announced the personnel of his cabinet.

For the first time in four years, the lights on Nantucket Shoals is adrift. The recent heavy northeast storm parted her anchor chains.

Enlio Gutierrez, Provisional President of Mexico, with Gens. Vills and Zapata, formerly occupied the capital section of Mexico City.

Prof. Stephen Panaretov, the first Bulgarian minister to the United States, arrived on board the Kronland, in New York.

High tides and wind sweeping the Atlantic coast have caused heavy damage at Atlantic City, Rehoboth, Del., and other points.

President Hadley, of Yale, is opposed to the proposition to establish a third college in connection with the university.

An unidentified warship, believed to belong to one of the belligerent nations, is ashore off the coast of Maryland.

Bredilovs Smith, 73 years old, an officer of the old Confederate cruiser Alabama, died in New Orleans.

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