

FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

LEARNING BUSINESS METHODS.

The Farmer is Taking His Cue from the Business Men.

The Farmers' Union is the only great farmers' organization that does not delegate its law making power to representative bodies, but adopts the referendum system. In this it differs from any other farmers' organizations that have ever existed. Kindred organizations, such as the Farmers' Alliance and the Grange, delegated their law making power to representative bodies and spread eagle orators a chance to "influence" the body and inject into its schemes in which were hidden selfish and designing purposes—to graft the personal ambition of the said orators upon the body. Other kindred organizations were also wrecked upon the dangerous rocks of partisan politics. With these bold facts standing out prominently as danger signals, is it any wonder that those who conceived the idea of the Farmers' Co-Operative and Educational Union wisely enacted in the constitution a clause that prohibits even a discussion in a Union of anything of a partisan or religious nature, and that any member guilty of such offense shall be expelled from the Union after a second offense.

The referendum system is the safety valve that protects the Union from the swaying influence of "stump speech" oratory that creeps into and controls representative bodies clothed with final power delegated to them by their constituents. It is true that the Farmers Union has its state and national meetings, but these bodies must submit to referendum vote all important matters before they can be called a law of the Farmers' Union. The farmers are learning business methods from business men. They have learned that when business men co-operate for the protection or promotion of their interests, they don't let political sentiments enter into their deliberations. Two or three good cotton warehouses in each county in the south, owned and controlled by Farmers' Union men, will be of more benefit and value to the farmers than anything they have ever received or ever will receive through any political source. Even one good warehouse in your county will be worth more to you than a dozen of your best politicians could be worth to you in the legislature. If it were our privilege to select the best investment of the people's money in the south for the next six years we'd put all the expense money of the legislature into cotton warehouses and let the politicians stay at home.—Our Home, Nashville, N. C.

Little Bannerettes.

A body that is sound enough to work ten hours a day ought to contain a mind sound enough to think about attending the Union at least once a month.

Let the good work go on, educate, diversify, and then tell us how you did it, and what you think of the new plan of farming.

Slaves are always freed by revolutions. Why then should we not revolutionize the old systems that have made slaves out of the cotton producers.

Yes, we exclaim in our sadness, what a lot of funny things we woolen hats miss by not being permitted to mix with the "best society."

The bulldog of capital has its teeth locked in the bosom of the laboring man's pants, and petitions and resolutions will not induce him to let go. Oh! the fun we darned fools do miss by not being permitted to wallow around in the tall grass with the elite society of both America and Europe.

How About Cutting Cotton?

Brother, what are you going to do about that cotton crop this year? You must decide now. Our advice to you would be to put most of it in corn, potatoes, peanuts, and peas. Then plant about ten acres in shoals to feed all the waste you have about your place and when you do this you will not have to study so much about your big cotton crop, for by carrying out the above you will not have time to fool with much cotton nor will you need much cotton or money either for you will have all you need at home.—Winnfield, La., Union Banner.

Show your colors by being the best Union man in your community.

Prove to your neighbor that the Union is a good thing by showing him that it has made a better man of you, and a happier family of yours.

A closer relation between the business man and the farmer will destroy much of the prejudice now existing. When understood there will be fewer charges of an unpleasant character.

A wagon left standing in the sun and rain is not the property of a good Farmers' Union man; it is the implement and vehicle man's friend and is at work for the dealer day and night when thus exposed.

You don't have much trouble getting men to take hold of good things, you only need to show them; this applies to the Union. If it is of benefit to you, the world will soon know it. If it is not, it is likely your own fault. Get busy getting some good out of union, education and harmony!

A FINE INVESTMENT FOR A SMALL AMOUNT.

The Dallas News, after speaking of the things that have been done by some towns to draw trade and show appreciation of the farmers' patronage, adds:

There is one thing, however, that seems to have been overlooked to a great extent by the enterprising citizens of the places which have been looking after such matters, and the only reason The News can assign for the oversight is the apparent insignificance of the thing, and the fact that the cost of maintaining it would be so small. This is the provision for the care of the farmer's vehicles and stock during his stay in town. While this item may appear upon first thought to be of secondary importance, it is nevertheless a very important one to the man who drives his team to town, and particularly to the one who has to remain over all day, as is sometimes the case. It is found that in many places there are not even enough hitch racks where horses may be tied, not taking into account the fact that they should be protected from the weather also. It is a regrettable fact that too many men, sometimes owners of the stock, do not take the care of their animals they should, not only as to looking after the money involved in the purchase of the stock, but as a matter of kindness and mercy to the dumb beasts.

Facilities for the proper care of the farmer's horses and mules would appeal to him and he would appreciate it in a substantial way. These facilities should consist of good shelter, good water and plenty of shade and hitch racks. In many places horses may be seen in winter during the worst weather standing all day in the cold and rain, tied to a fence post, with absolutely no protection, and in summer they are found in the same way, except that at that time they are forced to stand in the blistering sun, without any shade and probably without anything to eat or water to drink. It costs very little to prepare such facilities as here suggested and it is quite certain that the money invested on them by any city or town will be found to be a splendid investment on the part of the men making it.

About Reading the Papers.

The editor of this department has for many years advocated the wider reading of the agricultural papers by the farmers, and also the contribution to these papers more of their personal experiences. The following letter from E. C. Miller, Flora, Miss., taken from the Southern Farm Gazette, Starkville, Miss., is an example of what farm papers may do for a man who has some sense to start with:

Messrs. Editors: While I have been a farmer now about seventeen years, I was raised in a city and did not know what a furrow was. I do not want to flatter myself; but I know more about farming than some people who have been at it all their lives, and I got it all by taking farm papers and magazines. I raised a bale of cotton on a half acre of red clay hill land that used to be a sweet potato patch, and it would not make any potatoes. I have raised two bales of cotton to the acre, and hope to run it up to three next time. I have raised over 200 bushels of Irish potatoes to the acre. People's cattle were dying here with the scours from eating frozen cotton. Mine were sick. I asked all around what was good for the trouble. Nobody knew. I saw in a farm paper that carbonate of iron was a good remedy. I gave them a tablespoonful three times a day and cured them in a few days, saving myself more dollars than all my papers come to.

I never use any commercial fertilizer. I use barnyard and henhouse manure and muck from the swamp; take my scraper and dig all the mud from the ditches in the pasture and haul it on the land. The ditches will hold water better and cattle like it better than pond water. I also plant plenty of peas. I do not care what anybody says—nothing beats peas.

It should be taken into consideration when discussing the immigration question that there are good and there are undesirable immigrants. Throughout the South and West there is plenty of good land that ought to be in the hands of good husbandmen; there are mines and forests, and there are the thousand and one things that people must have from the mills and factories. So long as this condition continues, we want all sorts of good immigrants, and we should seek them in the best parts of Europe and in England, Ireland and Scotland.

The South and the Southwest will plant more corn this year than for many years past. Corn is a crop that does not depend upon the cotton gambler, nor the whims of the English spinner. You have many ways to market it, and many forms into which it may be converted. Corn is a fine crop any and every way you look at it. Plant good seed and give it full culture, so that you will make enough to make it profitable to cultivate it, and justify devoting the land to its use.

Now is the season in which the whitewash brush pays such enormous dividends in the way of health and cleanliness around the place. Get you a barrel of lime and a brush or two, and tell the boys to "lay it on thick and a plenty." Plenty of lime will have a good deal to do with keeping the hen house clear of mites, and many a fruit crop owes its arrival at maturity to the coat of whitewash that the tree got. As a deodorizer and disinfectant, lime stands way up in the list.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT WHITE LEAD IS?

Its Chief Use and a Method of Determining Good from Bad Explained.

White Lead is the standard paint material all over the world. It is made by corroding metallic lead into a white powder, through exposing it to the fumes of weak acetic acid and carbonic acid gas; this powder is then ground and mixed with linseed oil, making a thick paste, in which form it is packed and sold for painting purposes. The painter thins it down to the proper consistency for application by the addition of more linseed oil.

The above refers, of course, to pure, genuine White Lead only. Adulterated and fake "White Lead," of which there are many brands on the market, is generally some sort of composition containing only a percentage of white lead; sometimes no White Lead at all; in such stuff, barytes or ground rock, chalk, and similar cheap substances are used to make bulk and imitate the appearance of pure White Lead.

There is, however, a positive test by which the purity or impurity of White Lead may be proved or exposed, before painting with it.

The blow-pipe flame will reduce pure white lead to metallic lead. If a supposed white lead be thus tested and it only partially reduces to lead, leaving a residue, it is proof that something else was there besides white lead.

The National Lead Company guarantee all White Lead sold in packages bearing its "Dutch Boy Painter" trademark to prove absolutely pure under this blow-pipe test, and that you may make the test yourself in your own home, they will send free upon request a blow-pipe and everything else necessary to make the test, together with a valuable booklet on paint. Address, National Lead Company, Woodbridge Building, New York.

GLAD TO HAVE HIM GO.

Toll-Gate Keeper Thought He Had Visit from His Satanic Majesty.

This is not the only age in which motor cars have created excitement and disturbance. In 1862 such apparitions were few and far between; at present they are too frequent to attract attention. Mr. Joseph Hutton, in "Old Lamps and New," tells of the fright caused by one of Trevithick's steam locomotives, made to run on unrailed roads in the early part of the last century.

Now and then one of these extraordinary vehicles would be encountered, snorting and puffing on the highway. The countrymen regarded them as the evil one in disguise.

One of the cars, coming to a toll-gate, stopped for the gate to be opened. The toll-man came hurrying out. He flung the gate open with trembling hands, and teeth which chattered audibly.

The driver asked him how much toll there was to pay.

"O, nothing, dear Mr. Satan, nothing!" hastily assured the man. "Go on as fast as you like; there's nothing to pay."—Youth's Companion.

DEEP CRACKS FROM ECZEMA

Could Lay Slate-Pencil in One—Hands in Dreadful State—Permanent Cure in Cuticura.

"I had eczema on my hands for about seven years and during that time I had used several so-called remedies, together with physicians' and Druggists' prescriptions. The disease was so bad on my hands that I could lay a slate-pencil in one of the cracks and a rule placed across the hand would not touch the pencil. I kept using remedy after remedy, and while some gave partial relief, none relieved as much as did the first box of Cuticura Ointment. I made a purchase of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and my hands were perfectly cured after two boxes of Cuticura Ointment and one cake of Cuticura Soap were used. W. H. Dean, Newark, Del., Mar. 28, 1907."

The Telephone Girl's Amendment.

Said the business man with a grouse against the telephone central: "One day I was calling a number and said, 'Get me on-four-hundred-so-and-so.' The girl said, 'Fourteen-hundred-so-and-so?' So the next time I called the number I thought I'd be forehanded.

"I said, 'Get me fourteen-hundred-so-and-so.' And the girl asked, 'One-four-oh-oh so-and-so.'"

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WESTERN CANADA CROPS CANNOT BE CHECKED.

OATS YIELDED 90 BUSHELS TO THE ACRE.

The following letter written the Dominion Government Commissioner of Emigration speaks for itself. It proves the story of the Agents of the Government that on the free homesteads offered by the Government it is possible to become comfortably well off in a few years:

Regina, Sask., 23rd Nov., 1907. Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg.

Dear Sir:

It is with pleasure that I reply to your request. Some years ago I took up a homestead for myself and also one for my son. The half section which we own is situated between Rouleau and Drinkwater, adjoining the Moose Jaw creek, is a low level and heavy land. We put in 70 acres of wheat in stubble, which went 20 bushels to the acre, and 30 acres of summer fallow, which went 25 bushels to the acre. All the wheat we harvested this year is No. 1 hard. That means the best wheat that can be raised on the earth. We did not sell any wheat yet as we intend to keep one part for our own seed, and sell the other part to people who want first-class seed, for there is no doubt if you sow good wheat you will harvest good wheat. We also threshed 9,000 bushels of first-class oats out of 160 acres. 80 acres has been fall plowing which yielded 90 bushels per acre, and 80 acres stubble, which went 30 bushels to the acre. These oats are the best kind that can be raised. We have shipped three car loads of them, and got 53 cents per bushel clear. All our grain was cut in the last week of the month of August before any frost could touch it.

Notwithstanding the fact that we have had a late spring, and that the weather conditions this year were very adverse and unfavorable, we will make more money out of our crop this year than last.

For myself I feel compelled to say that Western Canada crops cannot be checked, even by unusual conditions.

I am, dear sir,

Yours truly,

(Signed) A. Kaltenbrunner.

A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE.



Schoolmaster—Do you wish your son to learn the dead languages?

Mr. Koffin—Certainly, as I shall require him to assist in my business as an undertaker.

Giving It the Acid Test.

The clairvoyant was swaying back and forth under the severe strain of her mental connection with the realm of spirits.

"Now," she chanted, "call upon any soul you will and I will make it speak to you—yes, even visible to you." For she was up to date in the biz.

"Bring me," asked the masculine skeptic, "Brevity, the soul of Wit."

Right here the seance ended.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

How's This?

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Diplomat.

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"Yes," answered young Mrs. Tokins.

"Did he appreciate them?"

"Indeed he did. He values them so highly that he is smoking a pipe so as not to use them up too fast."

Druggist's Generous Offer.

"I am sorry to disappoint you," said the old-time druggist to the suitor for his daughter's hand. "I can't let you have any because I've promised her to the son of my partner. But I have five other daughters and give you something just as good."

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