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A few months ago the Joint Commission of Agricultural Inquiry made a report upon "The Agricultural Crisis and Its Causes."

It was printed before any of the "hokum" about the American farmer being dependent upon foreign marets had become "the proper thing" for internationalists, League of Nation partisans, free traders, and those who simply indulge in this "hokum" because they believe it is popular.

The report represents months of exhaustive research. It represents the mature and deliberate thought of those who signed it. It was issued as an economic document, not as a piece of political or international propaganda.

Those who issued it were Senators Capper, of Kansas; McNary, of Oregon; Lenroot, of Wisconsin; Harrison, of Mississippi, and Robinson, of Arkansas; Representatives Anderson, of Minnesota; Mills and Ten Eyck of New York; Funk, of Illinois and Sumners, of Texas.

A large portion of the report was devoted to tables showing the relation of farm prices to exports and domestic consumption. These tables cover every year from 1890 to 1920. The report also contains brief conclusions based upon these tables.

"In general," says this report issued by the above named members of the Congress, "the price of wheat has decreased in years of low domestic consumption and increased in periods of high consumption. . . . Perhaps the most notable fact shown by this table is the tremendous drop in the price of wheat durng 1920, notwthstandng an increase in exports. It seems probable that this drop can be attributed almost wholly to the falling off of domestic consumption, which in 1920 was only 4.6 bushels per capita, and the beginning and continuance of industrial depression."

Again, to quote a conclusion arrived at by this commission, based upon tables accompanying the report, "The consumption of beef bears a very close relation to urban employment or unemployment and declines rapidly in periods of industrial depression."

The tables accompanying the report all bear out the conclusion that the price of wheat and cattle and other farm products varies directly with the amount of domestic consumption and is very little affected, if any, by the variations in exports.

The American farmer can prove this by figures even more recent. According to the Department of Research of the American Farm Bureau, the average price of steers in January was $1.85 higher than January a year ago. The average price of hogs was $1.40 higher. The average price of wheat No. 2 hard was 13 cents higher. In fact, farm prices throughout 1922 were higher than in 1921.

The report of the Department of Commerce just issued compares exports of food products for the year 1922 with the year 1921. It shows our exports of fresh beef for the year 1922 were only one-third in quantity what they were the previous year, yet, as the above figures show, the price of cattle is higher than in 1921.

The exports of fresh pork for 1922 were less than half the quantity they were in 1921. The exports of bacon were 75,000,000 pounds less than in 1921. The exports of lard were 102,000,000 pounds less than they were in 1921. Yet the price of hogs is higher tha nin 1921.

The exports of wheat were 116,000,000 less bushels in 1922 than they were in 1921. Yet the price of wheat is higher now than it was in 1921.

The above figures make ridiculous the propaganda about the American farmer depending upon European markets for his prosperity. The reason farm products are selling for more today than in 1921 is the increased domestic consumption of farm products. This in turn is due to the increase in employment in American industries. Four million more workers are earning wages than a year ago. This means they and their families are again in the market buying white bread, beef and pork products, and other food products of the American farm.

COM. DOERR GAVE INTERESTING TALK TO WILLISTON COM. CLUB

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should go about 6 inches apart. In a few days they will start to grow and then you must water and pull the ground to the plants as they grow. After you get the furrow full, then keep it level; and cultivate so that the ground is all level, and you will have 4 or 5 inches of celery root. If you pile the ground up around the plants, the celery will rust. Keep ground level and bleach it with boards.

"Now winter celery is planted out of doors in April. It takes a long time for these seeds to germinate. Later, you transplant, and be sure to use plenty of water.

"Now for beans, the kind which grow on poles, the Kentucky Wonder, they are very prolific and very tender. For bush beans use Valentine or Wax beans.

"Carrots. Oxheart can be planted as early as any other vegetable. These may be planted in March, they are slow to germinate and I like several successive plantings and you have plenty of carrots all summer.

"Lettuce to be used in October and November must be sown in June, and transplanted when it is 3 or 4 inches high. When the sun comes out hot in the summer you must drive sticks down and fasten to them cloth covering. Have stubs about a foot out of the ground and let your canvass hang over about 6 inches, so as to allow air to circulate through there. Use a dibble when you come to transplant this, and do not try to pack the earth around with the foot."

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A Correction

In our last issue we told of a miniature automobile on display in the store of F. J. Wright, which we stated was made by Mr. W. W. Dukes, of Concord. We regret that in some way this information which we received was incorrect and that the real designer is 19 year-old William B. Roach, of Concord, who has made several of these small cars and sold them to various persons for a small sum. Our attention was called to this error by the inventor in the following letter:

To the Editor The American Union:
Dear Sir:-

Will you please correct a mistake published in The American Union last week in regard to the automobile on display in Dr. F. J. Wright's store. It was built and painted by myself, (William B. Roach) and sold to W. W. Dukes.

Hoping you will get the mistake corrected in time for this week's paper, I am ever yours,

WILLIAM B. ROACH
Hobbs, Md. January 29, 1923

Dr. HOWARD R. HOPKINS

Dr. Howard R. Hopkins, a prominent physician and highly respected citizen of Hillsboro, died of pneumonia on Thursday morning last, after a brief illness. He was about 71 years old. He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Mary Hackett, and two children—Mrs. Henry Owens, of Texas, and Mr. Howard Hopkins, of California. Funeral services were held at St. Pauls's Protestant Episcopal church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Alward Chamberlaine, rector, officiating. The body was taken to Wye Mills for burial.

Remember your friend's birthday with one of our attractive birthday cards.

WORSHIPPING GOD AT THE GATES OF ENTRY TO THE PROMISED LAND

Religious Services At Ellis Land

A most significant innovation has taken place at Ellis Island, the gateway to America. Regular religious services are now being held every Sunday. Definite opportunities for worship through religious services have been made possible through the splendid co-operation of the present Commissioner of Immigration, Mr. Robert Todd. This was thought impossible before, because of the many nationalities and sects assembled at Ellis Island. Every Sunday morning now three types of religious service are held. At 8:15 o'clock the Roman Catholics have their mass; at 9:15 o'clock the Protestant service is held and at 10:15 o'clock all Hebrew immigrants have an opportunity for worship, with a rabbi presiding.

These religious services were inaugurated through a special committee of the "General Committee of Immigrant Aid," composed of 33 religious and social agencies. Representatives of the three distinct religious groups from the General Committee were appointed to this special "Committee for Religious Services," It was very gratifying to watch this committee of Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish representatives at work, and to note their spirit of cooperation and the conviction of every member of the great need for religious worship at Ellis Island to comfort distressed immigrants in detention.

For the Protestant services a monthly schedule was worked out, thereby allotting four Sunday services for each month to a different Protestant denomination. To date eight denominations, including the Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Dutch Reformed and Baptists, have all rotated in taking charge of the Protestant services.

"We regard the religious services as a real success. The plan has in it large possibilities for developing relig ious welfare of the aliens who are detained" writes one of the workers.

The testimony of one of the matrons is:

"For the first time in the history of the Island, it seems like Sunday over here."

A beautiful pipe organ has been installed especially for these religious services by the present Commissioner at Ellis Island.

Imagine yourself at Ellis Island. It is Sunday. The detention rooms are crowded with men, women and children of all nationalities. Time hangs heavily. The official business has ceased for a much needed day of rest. Interviews of friends and relatives with detained immigrants are not possible. The organ in the hall of Inspection begins to peal out a musical strain of religious devotion. The guards call out in detention rooms in various languages: "Church, church, who wants to go to church?"

It is an impressive sight to see these immigrants from many lands assembled in the main Inspection Hall at Ellis Island ready to attend the Prosestant service; to notice their real appreciation while they listen to beautiful music of the organ and hear a vested choir; to study their faces while the Scripture is read and a simple message concerning God and His love is given and translated by interpreters, and to observe their deep reverence when prayer is offered.

Thus spiritual and mental comfort in a very definite way is given to every detained immigrant as he passes through Ellis Island. Many of them have great sorrows and disappointments to bear. They need the strengthening influences which only religion and a belief in God can bring. Besides each one is also given the impression that the "Spirit of America" is fundamentally religious.

E. M. G.

Try This On Your Car

Dr. E. L. Crowson is a bee man, and a fellow-citizen of his tells us the doctor recommends honey to be used in radiators to keep them from freezing. Whether this is a joke or straight goods remains to be seen. Anyway if a radiator did freeze after after having honey applied, it would, at least have a "sweet time doing it."

The Doctor says with all seriousness that honey as a radiator mixture in sub-zero weather can be depended upon—that a 50-50 solution of strained honey and water makes a perfect anti-freeze cooling compound for car radiators—that will withstand temperatures way below zero, will not gum up or have any bad effect on the motor, or prove injurious in any way. More water will have to be added from time to time, as the water will evaporate, but the combination has the virtue of not "boiling" up. He contends that honey soon is to solve the chief trouble of motorists in winter weather.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Jessie O. Hignutt to Charles E. Wright, consideration $2,000 lot in 5th district.

Harvey L. Cooper, M. Maud Cooper to Joseph L. Spence, consideration $1,000 76.5 acres in 8th district.

Annie V. Betson to Annie L. Betson, consideration love and affection lot in Greensboro.

Harvey L. Cooper, M. Maud Cooper to Anna O. Saulsbury, consideration $10.00 2 lots in Ridgely.

Harry Bilbrough and wife to C. Norman Draper and wife, consideration $3,000 71 acres in 2nd district.

Joseph J. Desmond and wife to Mary C. Cross, consideration $1,000, 43 acres in 2d district.

Howard T. Roop and wife to Hall J. Beulah, consideration $25.00, lot in Caroline county.

Mary A. Calloway and husband to Charles F. Gambrill, consideration $250 lot in Federalsburg.

Walter L. Wheatly and wife to Henry Wright, consideration $425 lot in Federalsburg.

Margaret N. Hackett to Clifton R. Hicks and wife, consideration $18-oo lot in Hillsboro.

Harry M. Hollis and wife to Charles B. Harrison, consideration $500 39 acres in 5th district.

Charles B. Harrison assignee to Harry M. Hollis, consideration $1185, 39 acres in 5th district.

Albert G. Saulsbury and wife to H. L. Cooper, consideration $10.00 lot in Ridgely.

HARMONY

Mrs. Cora Todd is very ill at her home near here. Her death is hourly expected. She is the widow of Alva Todd who died a little over a year ago.

Mrs. John Hubbard, of near Grove was the guest of Mrs. J. McConnell the last of the week.

Miss Hattie McConnell, of Wyoming Delaware visited her mother on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Lloyd Brodes has been on the sick list this week.

Cantaloupe Meeting

The Farmers Supply Co., Inc., announce a meeting Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock at the Court House for the purpose of devising plans for the growing , shipping and marketing of cantaloupes.

There will be cantaloupe growers from Wicomico county and other sections who will tell how they are making money on cantaloupes.

Everybody interested in the growing of cantaloupes are requested to be present. For further information phone, write or see Mr. R. W. Walworth, at the Farmers Supply Co.

Preston Farmers Getting Together.

There will be a meeting of the Preston Farmers Association at 2 p. m., Saturday, February 3.

In the evening of the same day the Preston Produce Growers Association will hold a meeting. There will be representatives of the American Fruit Growers, Inc., present to discuss the cooperative marketing of cantaloupes and othre products.

On Board of Charities

Mayor Broening, Baltimore, last week appointed Mr. Albert G. Towers, formerly of Denton and still largely interested here, to be president of the Board of Supervisors of City Charities, a position of commanding importance in the city. The appointee, is president of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company, of Baltimore.

Patrons to Meet Monday

Monday evening, the regular meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association will be held in the high school auditorium at 8 p. m. Every one interested in the welfare of the school should attend. This is the first meeting under the leadership of the new officers.

The Lather of Advertising

I hastened into a barber's shop the other day and asked if I could be shaved in five minutes. "Yep!" was the reply. The barber quickly applied the soap. He began lathering and lathering, and kept on lathering until I felt sure I would miss my train. Still he kept on plying his soap brush. I was saying to myself, "Why doesn't he quit this process and get busy with his razor?" That would have been my way of shaving myself in a hurry. When he did finally take up his razor, the job was over in a jiffy. And I caught my train.

The incident, for some reason or other, begot this thought in my mind. Lathering is to shaving very much the same thing as advertising is to selling. If you do enough preliminary work, so the ground work has been thoroughly prepared, then the resistance is very greatly reduced, and it is possible either to shave with less trouble or to sell goods with less trouble. A good many business men are foolish as I would have been in trying to shave myself in a hurry. They don't use enough advertising before starting to try to get results. They don't apply enough advertising lather.

Is it not so?—B. C. Forbes.

Out of writing paper? We have just what you would like, no matter who you are. Come and see! The Amercan Union.

ERNEST G. COOPER

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FIRE INSURANCE

Law Building

DENTON, MARYLAND

AMERICAN STORES CO.

Do You Know

it costs less to live when you buy all your table needs in an American Store—where quality counts, cleanliness reigns, and your money goes the furthest.

Let us prove it to you today

Gold Seal / Ceresota / Gold Medal Flour 12 lb bag 47c
Or your choice of any other brand in stock

Asco Extra Fancy Calif PEACHES big No 2½ can 25c
Fully matured and packed in a heavy sugar syrup.

Gold Seal Hawaiian PINEAPPLE big No. 2½ can 31c
The brand is your guarantee.

Fancy Calif. Peaches big can 20c

Hawaiian Sliced Pineapple No. 2 can 25c

Best Pure Lard lb 12c
The finest open-kettle rendered lard made.

Extra Fancy Florida ORANGES doz 38c, 50c
very heavy fruit full of juice.

Big Juicy Florida GRAPE FRUIT 3 for 25c
Thin skin. Very juicy

Gold Seal ROLLED OATS / Gold Seal MACARONI / Asco PORK & BEANS / Asco BUCKWHEAT — 3 for 25c

Best Granulated Sugar lb 7c

Asco Coffee lb 29c
Rich, full heavy body, delightful aroma. Buy a pound today and you, too—Will taste the difference.

Star Naptha WASHING POWDER big pkg 20c

Palmolive 3 cakes for 20c Soap

Best Alaska RED SALMON tall can 25c

Very Choice Pink Salmon . . can 12c

Victor Bread loaf 6c
The biggest bread value sold today

BestCorn Meal..... lb 2½c
Rolltd Oats .....lb 4½c
Asco Bacon .....pkg 15c
Assorted Jellies tumbler 10c
Pure Preserves.. tumbler 15c
Pure Preserves jar.23c
Tender Peas .....can 14c
Sugar Corn ..... can 10c
Cooked Sweet Potato can 12½c
Garden Spinach .... can 19c
Asco Corn ..... can 15c
Asco Peas .... can 17c, 19c

Finest Whole-Milk Cheese..... lb 30c
Asco Oleomargarine..lb 25c
Asco Pure Cocoa..½ lb can 15c
Asco Golden Syrup ..... 3 cans 25c

Asco Teas ¼ lb pkg 12c; lb pkg 45c
Which blend do you prefer? Orange Pekoe, Old Country Style, India Ceylon, Plain Black, Mixed.

304 Market Street Denton, Md.

WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES FURTHEST

AUDITOR'S ORDER NISI

FRED R. OWENS, Assignee
vs.
MARTHA NOBLE, et al
In the Circuit Court for Caroline County in Equity No. 2159

Ordered this 31st day of January, 1923, that the Auditor's Report, made and filed in the above cause, be ratified and confirmed unless good cause to the contrary be shown within three weeks from the 1st day of February, 1923, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline County, once in each of two successive weeks before the 15th day of February, 1923.

GEO. A. DEAKYNE, Clerk

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GEO. A. DEAKYNE, Clerk

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First Batch of Seeds Arivve

The first bag of free seeds has arrived, sent from the office of Senator France. These are vegetable seeds and may be obtained by and of the grownups who apply for them.

Please do not send children for them. So many seeds are simply wasted by the youngsters, when they ought to be doing someone some definite good, that we have made a definite rule never to give them out to children.

By act of Congress recently this free distribution of seeds was ordered abolished. This is the last year it will be possible to obtain them.

The fourth Quarterly Conference of Concord Charge will be held in Concord church, Saturday morning, February 10, 1923.

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