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A political commentator says you can safely bet that both James A. Farley and John M. Hamilton, rival political Merlins of the major parties, are keeping eager eyes fixed on the business barometer.

If there should be a Republican sweep this year, resulting in the election of Governor Landon and a G O P majority in the House, the party's legislative problems would be far from simple.

After serving 12 years as general superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of America, with headquarters in Washington, Dr. F. Scott McBride has resigned to become state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Pennsylvania.

AUTOMOBILE TAXES The extent to which motor vehicle owners in the United States are "soaked" by the taxing powers is revealed in figures made public by the Keystone Automobile Club of Maryland.

In 1935, motorist taxes soared to the unprecedented height of \$1,286,157,907, an increase of \$85,000,000 over the total in 1934.

In gas tax alone the total contributions in the period 1919-1935 were as follows: Pennsylvania, \$316,529,478; Maryland, \$68,182,556; New Jersey, \$119,186,865; Delaware, \$10,526,307; District of Columbia, \$17,924,679.

AND NOW TO ELECT THE PRESIDENT

For the 37th time in the history of our present government the citizens of the United States are headed for the polls to elect a president—a chief executive who will direct the fortunes of the nation for four years.

There are two distinct steps to the White House—nomination and election. Nomination of candidates has already been accomplished by the two predominant parties, the Democratic and Republican, as well as the Socialist Union (more commonly known as the Third Party), Prohibition and Communist.

As a matter of fact, the people do not vote for the president and vice president but for "electors" who meet in the various states and usually cast the electoral vote for the states as a unit.

Despite optimistic claims by chairmen of both major parties the general opinion of political observers is that the final result may be close.

On the first Monday after the second Wednesday in December the electors meet at places designated by the legislatures of their respective states and cast their individual votes for president and vice president.

But what happens if no candidate has a majority of the electoral vote? Quoting further from the 12th Amendment we find that it is provided that "if no person have such

AUGUST DESIGNATED AS NATIONAL BEEF MONTH

August has been designated as National Beef Month, according to B. E. Carmichael, secretary of the Maryland Stockmen's Association.

All retail meat outlets in the United States, including chain store systems and independent dealers, are joining in a special concerted effort to assist the beef cattle producers on five and one half million farms in moving the abundant supply of good quality beef into channels of consumption as rapidly as possible.

Livestock associations, marketing agencies, and the packing industry are giving their full support to the movement, according to Mr. Carmichael. Actively functioning in the plans are the National Live Stock and Meat Board, the Institute of American Meat Packers, Food and Grocery Chain Stores of America, Inc., the National Association of Retail Meat Dealers, and other national, sectional and state organizations within the livestock and meat industry.

BONUS MONEY GOES FOR PEACE WORK

Peace is getting a boost these days from World War veterans. Unasked, a number of them have recently sent part or all of their bonus money to peace organizations, including the National Council for Prevention of War and World Peaceways, asking that this money be used to maintain peace, and explaining that "they do not want their children to grow up in the midst of the havoc created by future wars."

The economic importance of canning crops to the farmers in Maryland is indicated by the fact that in 1935, 139,670 acres produced a total of 327,070 tons of sweet corn, peas, tomatoes, snap beans, lima beans and spinach, having a farm value of \$5,460,000.

A single housefly can produce 600 eggs that will develop into mature flies in about two weeks. They may be followed by seven or eight generations during a single season.

majority, . . . the House of Representatives shall choose immediately, by ballot the president." In such an election the House must choose a president from the persons, not exceeding three, receiving the highest electoral vote.

Such a situation has arisen only twice in the history of our government. In 1800 Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr each received 73 electoral votes and after a long and bitter controversy Jefferson was elected, Burr automatically becoming vice president since this was before adoption of the 12th Amendment.

Of course this question naturally rises: What would happen if the House disagrees and gives no candidate a majority before January 20 when the president is due to take office? Then the vice president-elect becomes president "as in the case of death or other constitutional disability of the president."

The same holds true if the president-elect should die before he is inaugurated. But since the candidates for president and vice president, under our present party system, usually get the same number of electoral votes, who would be the vice president if the election of a president is deadlocked in the House?

JEST A-WHITTLIN' AN' A-THINKIN'

By PETE GETTYS A State Farmer Section Feature

"Some of these newspaper fellers that work with us in gettin' out The State Farmer Section in the drought stricken area has been pretty hard hit this month," says the boss the other day. "An' it costs a heap of money for them to get out one of these State Farmer Sections. For this reason, we're jest goin' to call off the entire August issue and give their pocketbooks a little breathin' spell. After all it's pretty warm to be readin' a magazine these days anyway."

Naturally, I figured that's give me a little vacation, too. But it jest didn't work out that way. So your regular correspondent's sort of pinch hittin' for the rest of the State Farmer staff this month, and here I am. An' if the heat's gettin' under your hide like it is mine these days, you'll kind of go easy on a feller and see if we can't do a much better job for you with a real, sure enough, bang-up State Farmer Section for the month of September. An' it's surprisin' how soon that next issue'll be waitin' for you in your copy of The Midland Journal.

So here it is for August: Along comes a feller who's director of Food Research Institute at Stanford University, and tells us the sure-fire remedy for our agricultural ills.

You know how, when there's a rundown neighborhood in the city, where the very poorest folks live in hovels, half starved, they call that "slums"—an' along comes the Mayor, or some big upfift scheme, and tears away these cheap, no good houses an' makes a park or something, all pretty and nice.

This professor calls his scheme: "Squeezing the slums out of agriculture." An' his idea advocates nothin' less than the junking for good of a million American farms—250 million acres of land out of the total of a little over a billion acres.

Good idea all right—for a lot of farm failures—poor corn—poor tobacco—poor everything—planted on poor land, no good for anything—an' failure is bound to follow—but how you goin' to work it? A feller's old shack of a house leaks and is about to fall down, an' of course, he knows it ought to be torn down—but it's the best house he's got, an' he's got to live somewhere. An' after all, most of the old worn out farms are lived on by fellows who don't know anything but that kind of a place—don't expect much and don't get much—and if they were on a Kentucky blue grass estate, the place'd soon look like a widow woman lived there, and the barn roof'd be patched with old auto licenses an' the windows stuffed with old straw pillows—so there you are.

With the hopper grassers eatin' up everything and stoppin' trains an' cuttin' all kinds of shimes, looks like the Dept. of Agriculture could rig up some kind of fan contraption an' suck 'em up in big tanks an' render into lard or some sort of grease, or dry 'em out and grind 'em up and make fertilizer or something. Maybe a filler for axle grease, or brew 'em into grasshopper cocktails.

"Progress," somebody said, "is just substituting one nuisance for another"—an' maybe if we get rid of the grasshoppers something else will hop up worse to plague us some more.

But here's somethin' they call "phenology"—no, not "phrenology", feelin' curves and knots on your head to find what you are thinkin' about—but "phenology"—an' every housewife is a phenologist, who knows just about all the normal dates on which all the different home-grown fruits an' vegetables show up in the local markets, and notes whether each is early or late in any particular year.

Now that's what you call "phenology"—an' it's something to know if you are a farmer! See you in the September State Farmer!

One Language, One People

THE expression, "to speak the same language," is a common one. But speaking the same language may mean more than having a vocabulary in common. Figuratively, it implies having certain experiences in common; that is, having a similar outlook from which we may understand one another more readily.

Certainly, if we would gain anything more than a superficial sense of friendship and co-operation, we must go farther than mere words. It is apparent that between individuals and nations friendliness involves a considerable degree of what is called understanding. Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, reminds us (Miscellaneous Writings, p. 262) that "when the heart speaks, however simple the words, its language is always acceptable to those who have hearts." And she explains this in her sermon, "The People's Idea of God," where she says (p. 13), "This all-important understanding is gained in Christian Science, revealing the one God and His all-power and ever-present, and the brotherhood of man in unity of Mind and oneness of Principle." In order to recognize our true relation to each other, we must be aware of the basic oneness of God as Principle.

HER LOVELINESS NEVER FADED

EVANGELIST JOHN MOSES BAKER Baltimore, Maryland

Her loveliness never faded, But as fair and bright to me As the day we set sail together, Out over life's beautiful sea. Her voice just the very sweetest, In the evening time of life, As it was in the early morning, When she first became my wife. The heart that loves truly loves on evermore, And the sun shines as fair and as bright. Time cannot make any changes, As we near the harbor light. Some day, in that Beautiful City, When the last battle is fought and won, And the words of the Blessed Master: Faithful servants, well done. Our eternal career in Heaven, Around the Great White Throne. No parting words will ever be spoken, In that Land of Home Sweet Home.

NOTE: Daniel Webster said there is nothing upon this earth that can be compared with the faithful attachment of a good wife, who for the object of her love is so indomitable, so persevering, so ready to suffer. Her timidity becomes fearless courage when circumstances drive her to put forth all her energy and the inspiration of her affections.

EVANGELIST TO PREACH IN HIS OLD HOME CHURCH

Rev. John Moses Baker, Baltimore's well known and noted Evangelist Author, will preach Sunday night, August 16, 8 o'clock, in the South Baltimore Station Methodist Episcopal Church, William Street, near Montgomery, Baltimore, Md. Mr. Howard E. Jones, President of the South Baltimore General Hospital, will take part in the service. For many years Rev. Baker was the Superintendent of the Sunday School of this church, which was one of the largest and best in Baltimore City. Mr. Howard E. Jones was a prominent official of the church. There will be a special musical program. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Fritz and Mr. John Stein will sing.

Be sure and read Rev. Baker's poem "Her Loveliness Never Faded" in this number of The Midland Journal. This poem is a companion poem to his great poem "A Good Wife Heaven's Gift To Man," which has been published several times in our paper. The life work of Evangelist John Moses Baker has proved him to be well equipped to arouse the mind and awaken the conscience and persuade the will in order that men, women and boys and girls, may give their lives to Christ. During the past years Evangelist and Mrs. John Moses Baker have conducted Revival Services in many of the churches in Baltimore City, Washington, D. C., and other places, going back to some of them year after year to conduct revivals with the blessing of God.

Today two-thirds of the livestock is raised west of the Mississippi River and two-thirds of the meat is consumed east of the Mississippi.

that personal familiarity may breed contempt leaves no assurance that intimate association on a human basis will promote a better understanding between individuals. Evidently, agreement must be sought in acquainting ourselves with man's real qualities, qualities which proceed from divine Mind, God.

Since God is All-in-all, the children of God, the one Mind, have, in reality, an inheritance of united thinking. The brotherhood of man depends for its very being on the fatherhood of God. In proportion as we understand that in our real being we are all the offspring of one Father, ideas of one Infinite Mind, our companionship and co-operation are assured, whatever may be the personal or racial differences. Brotherly love, then, is not an old wives' fable, but is based on the Science of being.

Jesus repeated the commands of Moses: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind;" and, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself" (Matthew 22:37, 39). The allness of creative Mind, God, establishes the essential unity of all Mind's ideas. The understanding that God is the source of all true thought and action makes men brethren. The acceptance and understanding of the Infinity of God, good, is the only basis for genuine unanimity. When we seek the divine way, we shall find that we have true sympathy in our relation to each other. We shall perceive that it is divinely natural to live and think unitedly. The discovery of God's universal law of spiritual accord, and the natural result of applying this law in the thoughts and lives of men, give us confidence to overcome what may appear to be insuperable differences of human opinion. We find that man is the image of God, Love. In His universe is no Babel of tongues, no confusion of many minds. Here is assurance of the possibility of a perfect reconciliation, and we begin to understand what St. Paul meant when he said: "Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour; for we are members one of another" (Ephesians 4:25). . . .—The Christian Science Monitor.

GOOD MONTHS TO CAN CHICKEN

July and August are the most convenient and economical months for canning chicken because they are the usual months for culling the flock. The plump two-year-old hens, no longer profitable to keep, are ideal for canning. Their meat has better flavor and texture after processing than the more delicate, tender meat of very young chickens. Chickens may be canned successfully at home in several different forms. Besides plain canned chicken, which may be put up with or without the bone, the homemaker may can such specialties as chicken sandwich spread, plain chicken broth, and chicken-gumbo soup. The chicken livers will make excellent canned liver paste.

But chicken canned in any form needs processing under steam pressure for safety, according to Margaret McPeeters, nutrition specialist for the University of Maryland Extension Service. Like other non-acid foods, chicken requires a temperature higher than boiling for sterilizing. So a pressure canner is listed as the first essential piece of equipment for chicken canning. Chicken may be canned either in plain tin cans or glass jars in sizes up to a quart. But chicken canned in small containers has better flavor and texture because it does not require such long processing. Because chicken may turn dark in the can if it has been prepared in sheet iron or copper utensils, authorities advise against using these metals. Using stainless-steel knives in preparing the chicken is recommended. Chicken darkens more easily than other meats.

All men look alike and talk alike after they have been married a couple of years.