



FOOD FOR REFLECTION

The newspaper is the great educator of the masses today. Where one reads a two dollar book, five thousand read the five cent daily. Since this is true, the editor should spend a good deal of time on his knees, it seems to me, with his mind fixed on the Giver of all good; none the less should the contributor for the newspaper wrestle in prayer; if the blind lead the blind both shall fall in the ditch.

I go to my newspaper every day for information—for counsel. Such of it as I don't like, I don't take. Since humanity is pretty much the same the world over, I assume that you do the same.

I am interested in the legislative problem of reapportioning the states for the purpose of securing better representative government; I am not interested in the kind of hosiery worn by the king of Siam or the sultan of Turkey.

Which leads me to the thought: If our daily newspapers were shorn of much that is merest rubbish, there would be less volume, but more that is useful to our people. . . The Sunday edition might be cut almost in half!

"O," some one says, "we are not all alike; some want to know about the king of Siam—the sultan of Turkey;

they must have Sunday reading." I grant it. But our aim, it seems to me, should not be to kill time, but to store our minds with useful information. There would be a better world if there were no prize-fighters in it; there would be a more useful citizenry if men and women busied their minds with things calculated to make the world better.

I'd rather study business, or even politics on Sunday, than possible championships in utterly useless occupations. Life is too short to waste valuable time in worthless things.

I like my paper to contain, first of all, news. Next, such leisure reading as cannot fail to be instructive to me in things calculated to elevate and uplift a frail or faltering humanity.

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SMALL BILLS SAID TO BE DANGEROUS

New Currency Is Poorly Made and Is Easily Counterfeited, Says Former Director of Engraving.

Washington, Sept. 16.—"Dangerous money" is the way Louis A. Hill, former director of the United States bureau of engraving, describes the new small currency now being circulated by the government.

Hill has asked the senate banking and currency committee to investigate issuance of the new currency by the treasury. He contends the small notes are poorly made, and therefore easily counterfeited.

Hill recommended that the small money be withdrawn from circulation to prevent the country being flooded with bogus notes, thus offsetting the saving the government makes in substituting bills one-third smaller than the old issue.

While only one case of counterfeiting the new currency has been reported to the treasury secret service to date, it was learned that hundreds of people from every section of the country have written to Secretary Mellon protesting the change in money sizes. Writers contend the smaller notes cause confusion and errors and that the larger bills were easily handled.

Hill wrote the committee the new "flivver" sized bills were the "poorest, confessedly the cheapest and without doubt the most dangerous issue of United States currency in history." He predicted public opinion would require its withdrawal from circulation.

"To produce greater quantity and quality of a given article for the same or less cost is evidence of economy and efficiency, but to produce one-third more by merely reducing its sizes is an expediency that to be justified must wholly depend upon its equality in values as a substitute, which in this case is woefully lacking," he said.

"It is true that through the changes made in the issue of notes the sum of \$1,500,000 will be saved annually in the bureau, under present estimates the government or, in other words, the public benefits by this saving.

"But is it worth while to save this amount to be lost through making the way easier for the counterfeiter? If you have in your possession a \$10 counterfeit bill it is a dead loss, as the government does not insure against that nor will it think of refunding the good money or the value of goods which you gave when you took this bad bill."

Farm Demonstration Notes

C. B. Cannan, County Agent.

Fall Grain and Winter Cover Crop

Due to dry weather damaging the corn crop of this county, it is wise for farmers to meet the situation by planting oats, wheat or barley for feed. Laurens county's production of grain has been greatly reduced by not seeding the grain early enough. I would advise all farmers who can possibly seed their fall grain to do so at once, or at least by the 15th of October. If you will study the experiment data you will find that the greatest yield is produced when grain is sown at the proper time.

By all means treat your seed oats for smut this time. Wonderful results have been received from last year's smut treatment. The treatment is simple by using formaldehyde. If possible fan, or separate your grain before treating, to rid the grain of small inferior seed. Spread your grain on a floor, wagon body or hard surface in the yard, and mix at the rate of one pint of formaldehyde to 10 gallons of water, which is enough to treat 75 to 80 bushels of grain. Sprinkle this mixture over your grain as soon as possible, and stir thoroughly. After thoroughly stirring, pile the grain in a pile similar to that of a potato hill and cover with sacks, bagging or canvas, that has had no grain in it and let remain for two hours. The gas of the formaldehyde is what kills the smut. At the end of two hours the grain is ready for drilling. If the grain can not be used at the end of two hours by all means uncover the pile and spread in a thin layer, in order to let the gas escape from the oats. Wheat may be treated the same way. The formaldehyde may be bought at any drug store. For small amounts of seed to be treated, use proportionately of above mixture.

Quite a bit of interest has been shown in the use of winter peas and cover crops this year. Outstanding results on crops are being shown following the Austrian pea last year, but due to the high price of the pea, and the scarcity, it is out of the question to buy them, as they are \$15.00 per 100, f. o. b. shipping point. The shortage and high price is due to the failure of the pea crop in Europe. I would suggest that you use hairy vetch, or crimson clover for hay, or for green manure. For hay, use 12 to 15 pounds of hairy vetch with 2 bushels of oats drilled. For cover crop, use 20 to 25 pounds per acre. For crimson clover, 12 to 15 pounds to 2 bushels of oats, drilled, or for cover crop, 20 pounds. All legume crops should be inoculated when planted unless growing on the same land where the crops grew last year. Vetch seed is quoted at \$10.48 delivered. Clover at \$13.99 delivered, per 100. These prices are subject to change at any time.

BLEASE CHARGES DOPE DENS EXIST

Says Four Narcotic Joints Are Within Shadow of Capitol. Heflin Also Joins In Charges.

Washington, Sept. 23.—An assertion that "four narcotic joints" are operating near the capitol on Pennsylvania avenue, and that this was known to "people whose duty it is to stop it," was made in the senate today by Senator Blease, Democrat, South Carolina.

Bleaze made the statements while speaking in opposition to a committee amendment to the tariff bill to eliminate a house provision to extend the liability to owners of vessels for unmanifested smoking opium found on board.

Bleaze said the cases of four persons suspected of narcotic law violations were presented to the grand jury for action here last July and that no action has yet been taken.

There was reason to believe, he added, that some higher up was preventing grand jury action.

Senator Heflin, Democrat, Alabama, also spoke against the senate amendment, saying the traffic in narcotics was "running into hundreds of millions of dollars."

"The idea that a senator wants to relieve a ship owner and fine only the master is something I cannot understand," Heflin said, adding that the Dollar line had been fined forty-odd times, but had most of the fines remitted.

The reason the law is not enforced, he charged, was that "officers hold their hands behind them and accept fees from the smugglers."

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