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Admit Soviet Forces are Defensive

UFL EXPOSES FAKE PROSPERITY PLAN OF WISC. COUNTY AGENT

County Agent of Iron County Brings Specialist to Get
Destitute Farmers to Raise Eggs

By SOPHIE MUTANEN
Van Buren, Wis., April 11.—The Iron County, county agent called a meeting of the farmers April 7th bringing along with him from Madison a specialist on raising poultry. As Iron county is the one part of Wisconsin whose main item is not poultry farming they were here to tell the farmers what a great item poultry raising was at present, and in general might relieve the discouragement of the farmers. Now that outside work besides farming is scarce the county agent wanted that poultry farming itself would be a great outlet for killing time. It would keep the people in a good mood, working along with the industrious birds, and thus while the depression is on they would be able to educate themselves and study so when better times come flying they could then fill that vacant pocketbook this crisis has flattened out.

The specialist as usual spoke about the industrious type of bird. The farmer could at least bear in mind while raising eggs for his own family and selling a few to keep him in pocket cash, that life itself is not so hard after all.

When the floor was opened for discussion, many farmers took the floor and told what they thought of poultry farming with eggs hitting the market at 10c per dozen. They saw no reason on earth why these parasites wanted them to raise poultry when eggs were way below the price that it costs the farmer to produce them.

The idea of the County Agent and the specialist was to hypnotize the farmers into believing that good times were behind the door and prosperity was lurking around the corner. Comrades, the

county agent is nothing but a parasite to us farmers and steps must be taken to liquidate him. The farmers must be shown that the county agent is of no use to them, but on the contrary nothing but harmful. It is up to the county agent to report regularly to the state officials of the farmers conditions. With the reports they lay heavier tax burdens on the oppressed farmer.

The County Agent does all in his power to get our children to function in the 4-H Clubs, etc., in order to keep them from organizing into their own class ranks with the Young Pioneers and the UFL youth sections.

The co-operators organization that the county agent asked the farmers to join must be some sort of offspring of the bosses. However, none of the farmers took advantage of the chance of joining it. This, however, would have been different had not the members of the United Farmers League participated in this meet and uncovered the fake schemes of these bankers' tools.

Farmers, we must wake up to the fact that there is no prosperity behind the corner for us. We must join the United Farmers League and get active in the desperate struggle that confronts us. Certainly no relief can be secured by the Seed Loans the county agent brings forward. We must organize and in masses begin to demand immediate relief and charity. The U. F. L. is the only organization that carries on the struggle of the poor oppressed farmers, and no matter how much petty talk the county agent and his like give us it is only true deeds that show the farmer there is something behind it after all.

MINN. UFL LOCAL PROTESTS NEW FISH AND GAME ORDER

Veterans of Foreign Wars Attempt to Expel Militant
Member of United Farmers League

By BRUCE N. TAYLOR
Palisade, Minn., April 11.—The roads here are in poor shape due to the frost going out, so our last regular meeting was not as well attended as usual.

The demands and protests of the U. F. L. finally forced the "Aitkin Republican" to publish the resolutions.

CHARLES E. TAYLOR
WILL SPEAK AT 11
MEETINGS IN MINN.

The organization tour which Comrade Charles E. Taylor has been conducting in Koochiching County, Minn., has been very successful thus far. Many memberships have been secured for the United Farmers League and many subscriptions have been obtained for the Producers News. In the ten-day period, May 2-12, Comrade Taylor will cover the rest of the county in his tour.

The dates for these meetings are as follows:

- May 2—Wildwood, Hans Ettestad's Place
- May 3—Northome, City Hall
- May 4—Mizpah
- May 5—Marge
- May 6—Sturgeon River
- May 7—Town of Henry, town hall
- May 8—Cingmars, town hall
- May 9—Dentabow
- May 10—Indus
- May 11—Birchdale
- May 12—Beaver township

The meetings will begin at 2:00 p. m. Any changes in the schedule will be given in next week's issue of the Producers News.

**Tax Delinquencies
in Oregon Increase**

Tax delinquencies in the various counties of Oregon increased from 15.75 per cent on March 1, 1931 to 29.57 per cent on March 1, 1932. This represented an average increase of 13.82 per cent for the past year.

RAIN TODAY

The high wind that has prevailed the greater portion of the past week resulting in considerable damage in fields brought a fine rain early this morning (Friday) to Plentywood and vicinity. The sky is still overcast and the wind continues to blow but the great billowy dust clouds have disappeared. The ground has been quite dry and the rain comes at a time when needed although very little or no grain has been planted.

SHARP DROP IN FARM WAGES IS UNPRECEDENTED

The deepening crisis has brot with it a continued drop in the wages of the agricultural workers. From January 1 to April 1 there was a drop of four per cent. This drop is even greater than indicated since during this period there is usually an advance in wages paid to agricultural workers. In the five years prior to 1931 there was an advance of from 3.2 to 6.8 points from January 1 to April 1 with the average increases in the five years 1926-1931 amounting to 4.7 per cent.

The decline in wages has resulted from the continued increase in the supply of agricultural workers. The "supply as expressed as a percentage of demand on April 1 was 193.4 per cent." This means in other words that for every job available on the farms there were two workers without jobs.

FARM PRICES DROP THIRTY PER CENT IN TWELVE MONTHS

WALL ST. TARIFF WIDENS
GAP BETWEEN FARMERS'
SALES AND PURCHASES

The decline in the prices of farm products continues steadily after the slight hesitation in March. Wholesale market prices of farm products which had risen from 71 per cent of the pre-war level on Feb. 15 to 72 per cent on March 15 fell by April 2 to 69. At this latter level they were 33 per cent lower than a year ago.

The prices actually received by the farmers for their goods are 30 per cent lower than a year ago. On March 15th, these prices were at 61 per cent of the pre-war level and by the early part of April had declined somewhat further.

The prices of the commodities which the farmer has to buy, were according to the figures of the Hoover government itself, still at 117 per cent of the pre-war level. As a result of this there has been a sharp decline in the relative exchange value of farm products during the past year.

During the early part of April the relative exchange value of farm products, that is the value of farm products related to the value of the products the farmers have to buy, was at 52 per cent of the pre-war level as compared with 68 per cent a year ago. This shows a decline of about twenty-five per cent in the exchange value of the farmers products related to the commodities which he has to buy. While the prices of his products have been sliding down the toboggan, the prices of the commodities which he has to buy have been kept up by the

FLOOD IRRIGATION REVEALED AS WORK OF COUNTY AGENT

SHERIDAN COUNTY FARMERS
ARE UNABLE TO FIND
EVIDENCES OF WORK

The following news item is clipped from a Great Falls paper: BOZEMAN, April 17.—E. G. Ferguson, county extension agent in Sheridan county since 1928, has resigned to accept a position with the Farmers' Seed Loan office of Minneapolis, according to J. C. Taylor, director of the Montana extension service. In his new work, Ferguson will be in charge of field work in southern Montana.

At the request of the Sheridan county commissioners, the assistant agent, Edwin Austvold, has been appointed to fill out Ferguson's unexpired term which ends July 1. Austvold will continue the extension program organized by Ferguson, which includes for this year emphasis on flood irrigation, club work, crop standardization and the more pressing problems of locating and distributing seed supplies.

Flood irrigation has been one of the major points in Ferguson's program and many farmers already started on private projects will have the work completed this spring, according to Director Taylor.

Don't that sound good to some of you farmers? "At the request of Sheridan county commissioners 'someone' has been appointed to fill out Ferguson's unexpired term which ends July 1." When Commissioner Carl Hansen heard about it, he was surprised and said that he knew absolutely nothing about it. Nothing had been said to him about it. He further stated that the county

Miss. Share Croppers Strike Against Misery

VICKSBURG, Miss. — Striking against their state of virtual slavery, 19 Negro families, numbering 93 persons, share-croppers of Holmes county, Miss., have packed up their belongings and left the plantations.

The share croppers are on strike against working for "furnish"—that is, receiving no money, but only the rotten food, worn-out clothing and weather-beaten shelter that the boss class of Mississippi has been throwing in their faces. When the 93 croppers moved from their cabins on the plantations to the yard of a Negro church in Jerusalem, Miss., the Holmes County Health Department came to the aid of the landlords and ordered the croppers to disband. The croppers refused to dig an inch from the yard. The health department is therefore

commissioners' proceedings would show where Mr. Ferguson's term expired May 1, and not July 1, as stated.

To most farmers of Sheridan county it has always been a mystery just what our county agent was doing. We know it now. This clipping tells the story. "FLOOD IRRIGATION." That's what Mr. Ferguson had done for us all these years, and we didn't know anything about it. Even after we know what he did, none of us was able to find just where he did it.

We have been told this new man was sent here to straighten up Mr. Ferguson's business and will only stay a few days. We hope this rumor is correct.

OUTLOOK UFL GROWS IN INTEREST

A rousing U. F. L. meeting took place in Outlook Friday evening, April 15th. More and more farmers and their families are turning out to these meetings. The farmers are beginning to realize that "a strong back and a weak mind is not bringing results," and find this is the place to congregate and talk things over, and participate in the social side of life, although too much neglected in the past.

After the business meeting was over, a program that was a credit to any community, was presented. Guitar, mandolin and violin music was rendered, also songs consisting of solos, duets and quartette were enjoyed by the crowd. Four readings were presented. A very interesting letter from

DEMONSTRATE MAY DAY IN PLENTYWOOD FOR DEFENSE OF THE SOVIET UNION

Mass Meeting Called for Farmer-Labor Temple
Sunday, May First, 2 P. M.

A May Day mass meeting will be held in Plentywood on May first as part of the world-wide demonstrations on that day against the imperialist war preparations and for the defense of the Soviet Union. Each day brings additional evidence of the preparations of the capitalist countries for the attack on the Soviet Union. The Japanese imperialists are the spearhead of all the imperialist forces. Their invasion of Manchuria and ruthless bombardment of Shanghai was carried thru with the agreement of the other imperialist powers because they saw in this the opening beginning of the armed attack on the Soviet Union, the only workers and farmers government.

The struggles of the Wall Street bankers about the Japanese invasion of Manchuria has been around the question of which of them should head the anti-Soviet war front of all of the imperialists, which of the mshould reap the greatest loot from the crushing of the Chinese masses and the attack on the Soviet Union.

These bankers and their agents are the very ones who exploit the farmers of the county. Those who would lead the armed attack on the Soviet Union are the ones who have robbed the small and middle farmers thru every possible means. They are the ones who now decree that those farmers who cannot pay their taxes and interest would be evicted from their homes.

The May Day mass meeting which will be held at the Farmer Labor Temple will rally the farmers of Sheridan county in solidarity with the workers and farmers thruout the United States and thruout the entire world AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST WAR DANGER AND FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE SOVIET UNION. ALL OUT TO THE FARMER-LABOR TEMPLE, MAY 1, 2 P.

This mass meeting is called under the auspices of the United Farmers League, the Communist Party, the Young Communist League and the Young Pioneers of America.

FIVE MAY DAY DEMONSTRATIONS IN N. DAK., MONT.

Five May Day demonstrations will be held in North Dakota and Montana to rally the toiling farm masses of these states for the fight against the imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union. On Saturday, April 30, a mass meeting will take place at the Dover Hall in Bonetrail, North Dakota, under the auspices of the United Farmers League at 8 p. m. Demonstrations and mass meetings will take place in Minot, Williston, Forbes, Portal, North Dakota and in Plentywood, Montana, on May 1.

TEXAS LAND BANK SALES MEAN MORE LOOT FROM MASSES

BANK PUSHES LAND SALES
TO NON-FARMERS AS MORE
FARMERS LOSE LAND

Because of the fact that 77 per cent of their sales have been to non-farmers, officers of the Houston Federal Land Bank stated that, "We believe that the land market is in the strongest position it has been for a number of years." Of the land which has been sold in 1931 only 23 per cent was sold to farmers, the remainder to city or town dwellers.

The reasons for this as given by the Land Bank, are:

"During the last few years returns on farm investments have not been satisfactory when compared with almost any other form of security, but almost all investments have proved a disappointment and it now appears that there is a feeling among investors that land, selling at present levels, offers the safest and most satisfactory security."

What this actually means is that thousands of unemployed workers, and small businessmen who have been driven out of business, are using their last savings to find some security from the terrors of the crisis on the farms.

During 1931 there were 191 sales for \$521,771 as compared with 104 sales for \$391,500 in 1930. The Federal Land Bank is forced to admit, however, that during 1931, about which it talks so much, "ACQUIREMENTS EXCEEDED SALES." In other words, at the very time when the Federal Land Bank was enticing non-farmers on to the farms, it was acquiring more farmers than it was selling to non-farmers. The acquisition by non-farmers of farms from which small and middle farmers had been evicted means that the Federal Land Bank is now going to appropriate these new owners of their little savings.

ERICKSON REPLIES TO RESOLUTION ON CO. ROAD WORK

STATE WILL BE UNABLE TO
SELL DEBENTURES AND
NO WORK IS IN SIGHT

The resolution, passed at the U. F. L. mass meeting demanding that Federal Aid road work should be given to the county at estimated cost, was mailed to Governor Erickson, the State Highway Commission, and our County Commissioners.

The reply from Governor Erickson has been received and is printed below. From his letter you will see where they do not expect to be able to sell their debenture bonds. These bonds are backed up by our gasoline tax, which should be as poor a guaranty as there is. Still, they don't think they can sell them. It shows how the whole system is collapsing in the State as well as in the counties—and still some are yet looking for prosperity around the corner under our present system.

STATE OF MONTANA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
Helena

April 15, 1932.
Mr. Hans Rasmussen,
Plentywood, Montana.

My dear Mr. Rasmussen: I am in receipt of your favor of April 12, containing copy of resolutions passed by the farmers and workers of Sheridan county asking for employment on State highways.

I have called the attention of the Highway Commission to these resolutions and have urged them to do everything possible in the way of giving employment on roads to local farmers and workers.

In view of the fact that it is

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400 WHITE GUARDS ATTEMPT PROVOKE RED ARMY ATTACK

Attack Soviet Railroad Manager of Chinese Eastern
Railway in Harbin

Japanese Imperialists Use White Guards to Instigate
Attack on Soviet Union

The attack of 400 White Guards on the offices of the Chinese Eastern Railway, in which the Soviet manager of the railway was also attacked, is a deliberate attempt on the part of the White Guard agents of the imperialists to incite the imperialist attack on the Soviet Union. This attack on the Chinese Eastern Railway offices was carried on with the full knowledge, if not at the direct instigation, of the Japanese imperialists who are in control of the city and who could not plead ignorance of an attack of 400 White Guards in the heart of the city.

In preparation for the direct attack on the Soviet Union, the foreign office of the Japanese imperialists in Tokyo gave out a statement to the effect that if a clash occurred between the Soviet Union and the imperialists, the Soviet Union would be the cause of it. Even the statement given out by the Japanese foreign office, tho, shows the defensive nature of the Soviet reinforcements which have been sent into eastern Siberia.

The foreign office statement read in part as follows:

"The experts assert the dispositions clearly indicate the Russians are expecting a clash with Japan. Although they are of a defensive nature, they are capable also of assuming the offensive."

The foreign office has added the statement that the forces of the Soviet Union could assume an offensive character in order to cover up its own admission that the Soviet forces are essentially of a defensive character. The foreign office statement further reveals the reasons for the attack on the Soviet manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway.

"We don't believe a clash is imminent," it said, "and unless Soviet Russia sends troops into Manchuria there is no reason to be alarmed. We certainly have no intention of attacking Russia and we do not believe Russia would be so rash as to challenge Japan."

The Japanese imperialists, thru their White Guard agents, are attempting to provoke the Soviet Union by these vicious attacks into sending troops into Manchuria, so that the imperialists could have a "legitimate" excuse for the attack on the Soviet Union.

Open war threats against the Soviet Union were made recently by high Japanese government officials in both Tokyo and Manchuria.

Seizing on the dynamiting by insurgent Chinese troops of a Japanese troop train in Manchuria as a convenient pretext for further advancing the program of the infamous Tanaka Document for a robber war against the Soviet Union, Japanese officials, including Minister of War Araki, brazenly attempted to connect the Soviet Government with the dynamiting of the troop train. A Tokyo dispatch to the New York Herald

23 WORKERS AND FARMERS AT COMMUNIST PARTY SCHOOL

Students At Minneapolis Appeal for Support for School
Training Them for Leadership

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — The member of the United Farmers League described the terrible plight of the poor farmer. Mortgage foreclosures, sheriff's sale are every day occurrences, but with a program of tax exemptions no evictions, cancellation of all debts, the League is organizing the farmers to fight for these demands.

The comrades are learning a first hand from each other of the struggles that are going on in the various sections of the district. These contacts are making them realize keenly the solidarity of their interests, and that by unite struggle only can their immediate demands be forced through an capitalist overthrow.

Each of the students has been assigned to units in Minneapolis

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EX-COUNTY AGENT FERGUSON TAKEN CARE OF BY BANKERS

Capitalist Press Reports Hide Fact That Ex-Agent Was
Forced Out of Office By Farmers

Ferguson has gone. Aided and abetted by his local news gatherer the capitalist press outside of Plentywood, he has given some space to the departure of Ferguson and to his new duties. They follow the line taken by the Plentywood Herald which remarked as follows concerning the removal of Ferguson:

"The local county extension office has been of untold value to farmers of the county under the supervision of Mr. Ferguson, during the five years of his service here. He has been at all times in helping the farmers to the best possible advantage whenever they sought advice and his services cannot be measured in dollars and cents. He has also brot about the organization of boys' and girls' clubs throughout the county, which has been especially instructive and influential among the younger farm residents."

This is the Herald's way of repeating the stupid "arguments" of the mainstreet for their stool pigeon county agent as put forth by Jack Bennett, Welcome March, Lars Agreick and such like of its representatives.

Want Ads

WANTED—Cook on farm, \$15 per month. HARVEY TYLER, Napa, Mont. 4-11-p

FOR SALE—Clean Bison Flax, \$1.75. Newland Flax, \$1.40 per bu. KNUTSON BROS., 12 mi. south of Archer. 4-3t

FOR SALE—Clean wheat ready for drill. Price 73c per bushel. —Marquis and Ceres. FARMERS ELEVATOR, Outlook. 4-3t

FOR SALE—Marquis seed wheat from registered seed, cleaned by Carter mill. Price 80c per bushel. L. C. RIDENOUR, Plentywood. 4-3t

FOR SALE—Purchased milking strain Shorthorn Bull calves. Two to twelve months old. Well bred and well fed. H. A. HUFFMAN, Raymond, Mont. 4-11-p

FOR SALE—Large Registered Hereford Bull, coming 1 year old. Terms cash or part cash with good security. HANS HARDERSEN, Archer. 4-11-t

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UNITED FARMERS
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MEETINGS

QUITMEYER—School house, Apr. 23, 8:00 P. M.
MC ELROY—School house, Apr. 23-8:00 P. M.
RAYMOND—May 4
OUTLOOK—A. O. U. W. Hall, May 14-8:00 P. M.
COMERTOWN—School house, May 14-8:00 P. M.

Send in notices of your UFL meetings so that they can be listed here.

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Local Brevities

Emil Stahlberg of Outlook was here Friday of last week.

Ole Vold was over from Outlook Friday of last week.

"Beanie" Huett of Opheim visited with friends here Sunday.

J. F. Wolters left for Fort Harrison by train last week, where he will receive medical attention.

Peter Glein of south Dagmar country was a business visitor in the county seat Monday.

Henry Walders motored over from Outlook Monday to look after business and visit with friends.

The D. S. Garrick family of Outlook visited at the R. J. Van Hee home Sunday.

Hans Aagaard, farmer living south of Plentywood, was in town Wednesday to get repairs.

W. Mack was in from the Comertown country Wednesday looking after business matters.

John Lindblom of Raymond transacted business in the county capital the middle of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ofsthus of Comertown were callers in the county metropolis Wednesday.

Art Hagan, Redstone farmer, was a Plentywood visitor the forepart of the week.

Mrs. Eric Olson and son Clifford of Comertown were shopping here Tuesday.

The Lutheran D. O. R. met at the Ole Wold home on the Plentywood Bench Tuesday.

Melvin Torgersen and John Hagan were business visitors in Plentywood from Comertown last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hansen and Matt Gullord from Comertown were Plentywood shoppers the first of the week.

Commissioner Carl Hansen was a business caller in Plentywood Monday from his home in the Dagmar country.

Niels Sundsted and Niels Peterson of the Antelope-Dagmar country were in town Monday on business.

The High Schools athletes are now training for the track meet which will be held at Culbertson the last of this month.

Construction of the new water mains in the south part of town is progressing rapidly. Max Huett is in charge of the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Hanson and children of Crosby, N. D., visited at the E. H. E. Helgeson home Sunday.

Dagney Jensen, Mrs. Axel Olsen and children and Mrs. Gilbert Olsen and baby of the Dagmar community visited at the Hans Rasmussen home Monday.

Otto Matiskainen and Louis Wallin of Van Hook, N. D., and Mabel Husa of Belden, N. D., were here on business Thursday and Friday of last week.

A. J. Moore and daughter Evelyn and son Lyle motored to the Ben Luebke farm, east of Fried Sunday, where they spent the day, returning that evening.

Wienie Niva of Frederick, S. D., drove up by motorcycle from Fried Sunday. He left here Monday for Superior, Wis., accompanied by Pete Stoyanoff, who left for points in North Dakota.

Svend Petersen and Fred Olsen of Dagmar motored to Redstone Monday in the interest of the Mutual Fire Insurance Co. Art Hagan had the misfortune to lose his large house there.

Martin Reinertson and Clarence and Gene Antonson drove to Bainville and Homestead after Bear Creek coal Tuesday. The coal station is being removed from Homestead.

Franklin Loucks had the misfortune to damage his Whippet car last Saturday night while returning from a dance at Flaxville. Coming to a sharp turn in the road, Franklin saw he couldn't make the turn, so he volplaned across the ditch to make a perfect pancake landing. The car was but slightly damaged and has been repaired. The occupants of the car were uninjured.

The Monarch Lumber Co. office was entered Saturday night by persons unknown and a small amount of stamps and cash was taken. Entry was supposedly made through a window and the safe, whose outer doors had been left open, was rifled but nothing was taken. The inner box in the safe was jimmied open but nothing was found. From a draw in the desk the thieves got a few stamps, 50 or 60 worth, and a little small change, less than a dollar. So all in all, the robbers were very poorly paid for their trouble. All the drawers had been rifled and papers scattered over the floor, but no actual damage was done. The night marauder or marauders left by the door supposedly as it was found open the next morning by J. P. Pedersen, local manager of the yard.

HERALD LINES UP
WITH DEPORTATION
DOAK'S ATTACKS

MILITANT FARMERS SHOULD
BE DEPORTED, SAYS HARRY
POLK'S MOUTHPIECE

The Plentywood Herald in its last issue published a "poem" about the United Farmers League, "put in verse by a reader," name not given. The body of the "poem" is concerned in the malicious way common to mainstreet, with the Hunger March to Washington on Dec. 7, the county agent, the Red Cross, feed loans, etc.

The first stanza and the last two read as follows:

Who hasn't heard the prattle of the
United Farmers League,
Who isn't ready to admit
They are feeling a fatigue;

So, why not ship them o'er the
pond
As now it is reported,
A bill is up in Congress
To have them all deported

God speed the day when we are
free
Of this big bunch of trash,
And they have gone to Russia
To live on Bla, Bla, hah!

The Plentywood Herald probably got the idea of "fatigue" after hearing one of the boundary hoppers' reports on the entertainment and dance put on by the United Farmers League on April 9, or else it is just a conscious lie, instead of an unconscious one borne of the vain hopes of Harry Polk.

In the last stanza it comes out quite clearly that the Herald is not afraid to bray to the same tune as Jack Bennett and Welcome March. Jack Bennett said the farmers of the county are like a "bunch of kids." The bumptious Welcome delivered himself of the insolent statement that they were "damned fools", and Harry Polk thru his Herald thinks that the farmers of Sheridan county can best be characterized as "this big bunch of trash." The Herald dares not come out and say this openly. It uses the less dangerous medium of a "poem" written by some of its "readers." The Herald thinks that "this bunch of trash" ought to be deported to Russia. We know that the farmers of Sheridan County would be much better off if they were in the Soviet Union. Wouldn't Sheridan County make a nice desert if the small and middle farmers went to the Soviet Union. Harry Polk and the rest of the mainstreeters could go down to the Muddy and wonder just how they were going to eat when there were no farmers to exploit and rob. Harry would probably hide himself to Williston, but what would his buddies in the Commercial Club do with nobody to cheat and lie to but each other.

But the Herald is not just wishing that the members of the United Farmers League and other militant farmers should go to the Soviet Union. They line up shoulder

to shoulder with the boundary hoppers.

"So, why not ship them o'er the pond,
As now is reported,
A bill is now in Congress
To have them all deported."

Why doesn't the Herald come out openly and admit that it was one of the ringleaders in the mainstreet attempt to have Simon Swanson deported. It comes out openly and states that all foreign-born farmers who have been fighting militantly for relief and against the attacks of the masters of mainstreet, the Wall Street bankers, should be deported. It lines itself up with Deportation Doak, Secretary of the Department of Labor, who deported 20,000 workers during 1931 and has promised to deport even more this year. The boundary hoppers at least wear uniforms so that all who pass can recognize them for what they are. Put on your uniform, Harry. Don't go around hiding in man's clothing. You are a worthy recruit to Doak's bloodhounds.

McELROY SCHOOL
GIRL DIES AFTER
60-FOOT PLUNGE

Edith Potter, eight year old school girl of McElroy, died at the Minot hospital Monday morning, as the result of an accident at McElroy Friday evening.

Edith had been at the depot and walked across the track to the Farmers elevator, just opposite. About ten or fifteen minutes later, Mr. Walters, the depot agent, heard her call and on investigating found her near the door of the driveway unable to get up. He carried her to the depot first. It was evident that she was hurt but she did not tell what was the matter then. Dr. Weeks was called and arrived about eight o'clock. To him Edith said she had gotten on the man-lift in the elevator and it had started up and she had fallen out of the elevator. It was indicated that she might have gone to the top before falling. A four inch board and an apple box were crushed that she must have struck before she reached the floor.

Both legs were broken and there were some fractures besides other injuries. Dr. Weeks could not help much so she was taken to Minot that evening. Her mother, Mrs. Potter, who had come from Dooley; her aunt, Miss Lundene, and Joe Noon accompanied her. All was done for her that could be, but she passed away.

Edith was a winsome little girl, and all who knew her, as well as her own family, will miss her presence. The funeral will be at Dooley, the home of the Potter family.

A large wedding party occurred at the Storaasli home Saturday in honor of the marriage of Oscar Storaasli and Miss Leader. The revelers stayed until early morning and departed, wishing the newlyweds a joyous and prosperous future.

SEED LOANS COMING
SLOW

If you take a trip thru the country, you will only see a farmer here and there working in the field. The rest of them are waiting for their seed and feed loan. They simply can not start before they get it. What horses are left are nothing but skin and bones, their tractors are without gas and repairs, granaries without seed.

Many applied for loans four and five weeks ago and have not heard a word yet. It is getting late and people are getting nervous: they want to be doing something. They wire here and wire there and no result comes out of it.

The latest report is that some new rules and regulations, some more red tape has been invented, giving some more people a chance to get at Hoover's pie counter and building up the Hoover machine for the next election. The farmers can wait until the pie-eaters get good and ready.

RED CROSS GARDEN SEEDS
ARE NOW AVAILABLE

All Red Cross garden seeds are now in the hands of the local committeemen. These packages of seeds include sufficient with which to plant a large garden; and the same are the best northern-grown seeds. The distribution is limited to families which are registered Red Cross cases (that is, persons receiving regular Red Cross aid at this time); and such persons should call upon their local committeeman.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

O. M. Simundson, Pastor

Sunday April 24—Services in Plentywood at 11 A. M., at Raymond at 2:30 P. M., and at Outlook at 8:00 P. M.

Sunday May 1—Services at Plentywood at 11 A. M., at Dooley at 2:30, and at Antelope at 8 P. M. A special business meeting will be held at Dooley after the service. Please make a note of this.

Plentywood members please bear in mind the special business meeting to be held at the church parlors on Monday, April 25, at 8:00 P. M.

RACINE VALLEY

Very few people around here have started spring's work yet, due to the delay in receiving the seed loans.

Carl Johansen, Sr., celebrated his 77th birthday Wednesday, the 13th. His children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and some friends came to wish him returns of the day with the hope that he would yet have many birthdays to celebrate.

Lydia Johansen is staying at Pete Madsens out on the reservation during spring's work.

Julius Knudsen has moved over to the old Lenager place and Vern on Stevens has moved over to the Jensen place where Knudsen has been farming the last two years.

Starting the first Sunday in May, church will start at 10 o'clock A. M. and Sunday school will be immediately after the sermon. There will not be church services in Racine Valley school house again this summer as people

can now drive down to the church. Lenora Larsen, Augusta Laursen and Agnes Jensen are going to teach the summer schools this year.

CARL HANSEN SCORES VICIOUS
PLENTYWOOD HERALD EDITORIAL

Ignorance and Hypocrisy are Basis of New Attempt to
Mislead Farmers of County

By CARL HANSEN

Last week the editor of the Plentywood Herald went into a political and religious spasm, because of the fact, that representatives of the United Farmers League had appeared in Plentywood, business houses soliciting advertising to be printed on the programs announcing the mass convention which was held at the Farmer-Labor Temple on Saturday, April 9th. Although the Herald writer would like to leave the impression that they all refused, he knows better than that, because several ads did appear on said programs, not because of threats made against them, but because some Plentywood merchants realize that it is of benefit to them to have people come to Plentywood. That some did refuse shall not be denied, because their line of thoughts run pretty much in the same groove as the Herald writers.

The Herald editorial is especially noticeable for its ignorance of facts or perhaps for its malicious attempt to confuse the reader's mind. The writer is laboring under the illusion that the United Farmers League and Communism are the same thing. But it is a safe bet, that he has never read the platform of either organization. And somehow the idea has settled in his head, that the Red Flag of the universal working man is also the emblem of Communist Russia. Almost any child of school age could have put him right on this, if he had only taken the trouble to ask.

He is despairing of the fact that the farmers have come to Plentywood and marched while carrying the Red flag, just as if no other organization ever marched thru town carrying its own emblem.

And for the benefit of the Herald writer I will state that the Red Flag came in being long before Communism was ever thot of. The Herald writer brings forth the idea that since the Producers News, the official organ of the United Farmers League, carries more or less news from Communist sections throughout the world, that everybody having anything to do with said organization must be a Communist. This Herald writer completely lost sight of the fact that the Producers News prints whatever its readers are interested in and for the same reason that the Plentywood Herald throughout the winter has been carrying each week several columns of their views on Communism.

The Herald writer winds up with a great flourish about religion and one hundred per cent patriotism. But as he says in his editorial, "No, people are not so easily fooled." It takes people of a different caliber than the Harry Polk-Bur-

ley Bowler tripe to fool the people of this county. Such propaganda might work in Daniels county or down at Williston, but not in Sheridan county. The owners of the Plentywood Herald has shown the people that they are not concerned about the golden rule or about the principles of Christianity. They are only concerned about their own selfish greed and are trying to hide behind a religious cloak for the purpose of deceiving the people. When the printing press comes up to be let to the highest bidder, religion and patriotism are swept aside and the maxim of "grab all you can while the grabbing is good" holds forth. The idea of bringing people's religion or their lack of religion into politics is not a new one. It is just the same old political noise made by grafters when they feel their throne tottering. It was brought into the political fights of the Nonpartisan League years ago, when they were accused of being free lovers and atheists and I suppose it always will be a favorite argument against any movement which doesn't suit the mainstreeters.

But contrary to the statement made by the Herald writer, the United Farmers League does not object to any and all religion. We invite the Catholic as well as the Protestant or the Atheist to join our ranks. A person's religion is no concern of the United Farmers League and is something each person will have to settle to his own satisfaction. But it does not speak very highly of the Herald writer's own religious state of mind, when he will stoop so low as to bring his religion into politics in order that he may gain political power for himself.

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