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Title: Sugar Beet Article

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wanted in Martinez for something more noteworthy than mere hobo-ism and drunkenness.

Beet Thinners Organize

And now Oxnard has a labor union. It is known as the Mexican and Japanese Labor Union.

Five hundred Japanese laborers and two hundred Mexicans form the charter list of this new organization, which has organized for the purpose of protection to the laboring interests of Oxnard, so far as wages, hours, and especially enforced patronage are concerned.

Those who are at the head of the Union state that there has long been a combination in the sugar city which has forced the employes of the farms to purchase their supplies at one or two places, whether or no. This system the new organization proposes to correct, and at once. To the seven hundred names now on the rolls, five hundred more will be added, and the body will then be a formidable one. An office will be maintained in Oxnard and laborers furnished for all kinds of work at reasonable wages.

The union has the sympathy of the greater part of the residents of Oxnard and especially of the merchants who are willing to see the trade of the hundreds of employes who work in the beet fields and about the factory divided among all of them instead of going to a favored few.

To Cure a Cold In One Day

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Excerpt from Ventura newspaper article, 1903

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