

EDITORIAL PAGE OF THE LA GRANDE EVENING OBSERVER

An Independent Newspaper.
 Published Daily and Weekly at La Grande, Oregon, by the
LA GRANDE EVENING OBSERVER PUBLISHING CO.
J. D. MEYERS **H. B. LEITER** **CLARKE LEITER**
 President Vice-President Editor and Publisher

Entered at the Postoffice at La Grande, Oregon, as second-class matter.

Address all communications to
THE OBSERVER, 1710 Sixth St.

On Sale in Other Cities: Oregon Hotel News Stand, Portland; Imperial News Stand, Portland.

City Official Paper. Leased Wire Telegraph Report of United Press Associations.

The Observer carrier boys are instructed to put the papers on the porches. If the carrier does not do this, misses you, or neglects getting the paper to you on time, kindly phone The Observer, as this is the only way we can determine whether or not the carriers are following instructions. Phone Main 37 before 7:30 o'clock and a paper will be sent you by special messenger if the carrier has missed you.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

By Carrier.		By Mail.	
Daily, single copy	5c	Daily, by mail per six months in advance	\$2.50
Daily per week	15c	Daily, by mail per three months in advance	\$1.25
Daily, per month	65c	Daily, by mail per month	45c
Daily, per six months in advance	\$3.50	The Saturday Evening Observer, per year in advance	\$1.50
Daily, per year in advance	\$7.00	Weekly-Observer-Star, per year in advance	\$1.50
By Mail.			
Daily, by mail per year, in advance	\$4.00		

SPECIAL RED CROSS DIVIDENDS.

One of the most interesting and unusual developments of the Red Cross campaign to raise \$100,000,000 during this week is the action of corporations in declaring special Red Cross dividends. The procedure is to notify shareholders of the declaration of this dividend and to request their permission to turn it into the nation's gigantic humanitarian fund to alleviate suffering among our Allies and to prepare to meet the medical needs of our own men. H. P. Davison, chairman of the Red Cross War Council, in a letter to Cleveland H. Dodge, chairman of the Council's Finance Committee, points out that this action by corporations is considered by the war council as of the greatest importance. At the same time Mr. Davison urges that there be not the slightest suggestion of coercion in presenting this matter to shareholders.

"While nothing is more important to the work of the Red Cross than the financial support which might come to it through such means," says Mr. Davison, "nothing could be more unfortunate than that the Red Cross should receive from any direction moneys that are grudgingly given, or worse still, given under any suggestion of coercion. We feel that we should emphasize this, as we fear that very ill effects might attend even a successful financial campaign, were it not made clear that all stockholders who are to receive a special dividend should thoroughly understand this position of the Red Cross with regard to contributions of this nature."

A copy of Mr. Davison's letter will be sent to all shareholders by corporations assenting to the plan. This making the position of the Red Cross clear, will, it is thought, remove from the action of the corporations even the remotest suggestion of pressure.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Ben Selling's Patriotism.

One of the good citizens of Portland is Ben Selling—keen businessman, shrewd politician, generous giver, real philanthropist and patriot. If Ben Selling were to die today, the papers would teem with his praise, and each would exhaust the vocabulary of flattery to provide epitaphs for his tomb. And yet, they would fall somewhat short of doing full justice to Mr. Selling's good citizenship, because, telling only of the generousities of which they had knowledge, they would leave unrecorded the better part of his fine philanthropy.

We had an example of Ben Selling's good citizenship in the past few weeks while the "drive" was on for the sale of the Liberty Loan Bonds. Mr. Selling not only bought

Support The Government!

At this critical period in our history our manufacturers are offering their mills, and our young men are offering their services to the United States Government.

Do your bit by subscribing to the Liberty Loan. This bank can furnish Bonds in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500 or \$1000. You can pay for bonds in installments.

Come In and Talk It Over

La Grande National Bank

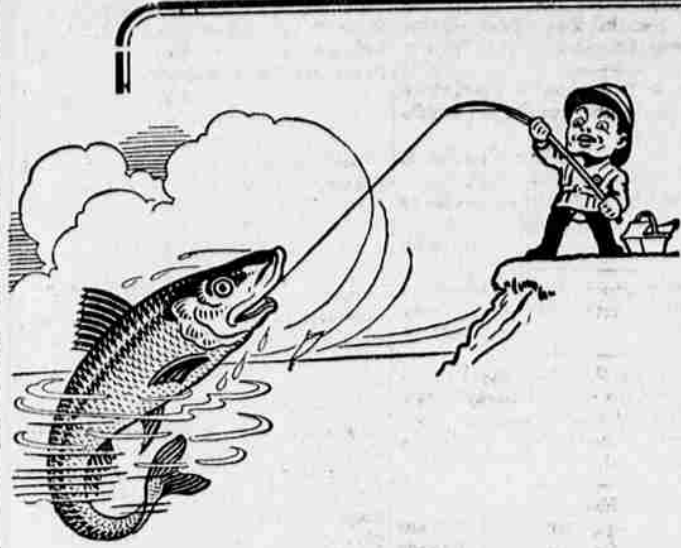
HERBERT HOOVER ONCE A SALEM OFFICE BOY

Salem, Ore., June 20.—(United Press)—Back in 1895 Bert Hoover was office boy for the Oregon Land company in Salem—a good office boy at that. His uncle Dr. J. W. Minthorn, was the head of the company. Young Hoover thought he was worth more money. Dr. Minthorn didn't. Hoover left, wandering south into California. President Wilson has announced that this same Bert Hoover—ex-office boy—is to be "Food dictator" of a nation of a hundred million.

But to go back 22 years—in California Hoover entered Leland Stanford University, taking an engineer's course. He worked his way through the school. An Arizona placer mine couldn't get water to the property, and placer mines without water are not much good. The mine owner sent to Stanford for a bright young man to solve their problems. The university sent Hoover. Hoover mastered the difficulty.

Later an Australian company heard of Hoover and sent for him. He straightened out another engineering problem. Then England called him and he worked there for some time. In the meantime he put a brother and sister through school.

Natives here are recalling the youth of 1895 who did odd jobs around the Oregon Land company office at \$35 a month.



GOING FISHING?

This is the time for fishing—Hundreds of them were pulled out last Sunday. Get your fishing togs and tackle and be out early.

We can fit you out completely for your trip—Coat, trousers, hat, and boots or leggings.

Khaki clothes are what you need on a fishing trip—Woolen trousers get heavy when they are wet, and easily snag in brush and fences.

- KHAKI COATS \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25
- KHAKI TROUSERS \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25
- KHAKI HATS—Soft crushers that are cool and comfortable. 75c, \$1.50
- KHAKI LEGGINGS \$5.50 to \$12.00

Your Boots or Shoes are the last things to be considered and we have an excellent line of each—High top, medium and low.



a large block of bonds for himself, but made it very easy for others to buy them. He offered bonds in any quantity and denomination for \$1 down, and \$1 a week until paid for, and charged no interest to the buyer, who will collect

the interest on the bonds while paying for them. I think that is a very fine exhibition of patriotism, which in its last analysis is doing for your country service that costs you something.—Portland Spectator.

Electric Washing Machines

- AT -

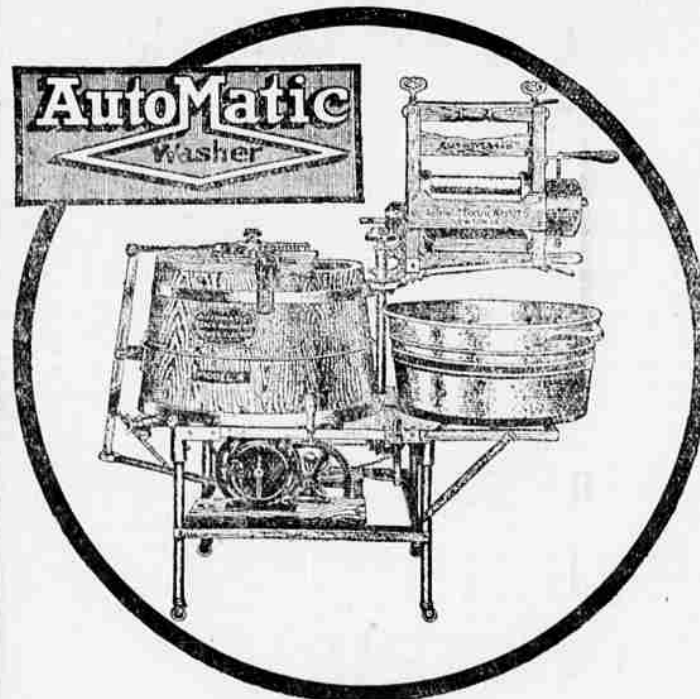
Special Prices and Terms

DURING

Month of June Only

Prices for
Cash

- No. 2 \$60
- No. 4 \$70
- No. 6 \$75



Prices On
Terms

- \$7.50 Per Month
- No. 2 \$65
- No. 4 \$70
- No. 6 \$75

You Can't Beat These Prices
You Can't Beat These Washers



Tested and
Endorsed by

Eastern Oregon Light & Power Co.