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There should be no governmental handicap on the actual homeseeker. He should be afforded every facility for making a success of his undertaking. He cannot make a success of his undertaking unless the credit which the government extends him is for a long period.

DR. WITCOMBE'S CANDOR DR. WITCOMBE is commendably frank in his views respecting the plan to give the governor the right to veto single items in appropriation bills. He is opposed to the plan, and does not hesitate to say so.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Communications sent to The Journal for publication should be on one side of the paper, should not exceed 100 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have his name printed, he should so state.)

A FEW SLIDES A boy would persist in saying "I have written" the teacher, after many reminders and remonstrances, set him to work to make a demand for a few slides.

SMALL CHANGE Be a sport and get up in the morning to see a few sunrises. Meantime the water in the Niagara river continues to go over the falls.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS In the year ending June 20, 21,884 visitors were registered at the Blaine public library. Book circulation amounted to 5713.

IN EARLIER DAYS In February, 1848, the volunteers marched up to Whitman station to avenge the death of Dr. and Mrs. Whitman and the others killed at the Whitman massacre.

When You Go Away Have The Journal sent to your Summer address. It is with narrow souled people as with narrow necked bottles; the less they have in them, the more noise they make in pouring it out.

SPLENDID NEWS THERE was splendid news for Oregon in The Journal's dispatches from Washington yesterday. The committee on commerce has favorably reported to the Senate the river and harbor bill with the Chamberlain amendments included.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Continued) Discussion is the greatest of all reforms. It is rational, it is sane, it is the only way to bring about a change in the mind of the people.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Continued) An endorsement. Portland June 22.—To the Editor of The Journal—The Editorial in Sunday's issue of your paper, entitled "Throw Out the Yoke of Trade Tyranny," should be read by every citizen.

WHAT THE FLAG SAID (Secretary Lane's Flag Day Speech to the Clerks of the Interior Department.) This morning, as I passed into the land office, the flag dropped from its rippling folds I heard it say: "Good morning, Mr. Flag-Maker."

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Continued) An Open Letter. McMinnville, Ore., June 22.—To the Editor of The Journal—Through the columns of The Journal I ask to present to the Portland Chamber of Commerce the following address:

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Continued) An Open Letter. (Continued) I was about to pass on, feeling that I was being mocked, when the flag stopped me with these words: "The world knows, that yesterday the president spoke a word that made happier the future of 10,000,000 people in Mexico, but that struggle which the boy in Georgia is making to win the Corn club prize this summer, yesterday the congress passed a law to give the boy in Alaska, but a mother in Michigan worked from sunrise until far into the night to give her boy an education."

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Continued) An Open Letter. (Continued) From the Bulletin of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. "Moisture in the air we breathe is necessary to maintain life," said a recent experimenter on the conditions of Rochester, N. Y.

THE SPOKANE DECISION IN THE whole history of rate making, no case approximates in importance the Spokane decision announced by the Supreme Court yesterday. It means that the railroad rate between St. Paul and Spokane cannot exceed the rate between St. Paul and Portland.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE (Continued) An Open Letter. (Continued) The Chamberlain amendments raise the total contemplated appropriations for Oregon to nearly six and one half million dollars.

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AGAINST AID FOR OREGON THE Oregonian trying to beat the river and harbor appropriations for Oregon? Or, is its attack on the river and harbor bill a mere instance of stupidity? Speaking of the bill, it says through its Washington correspondent:

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HELP THE HOMESEKER SECRETARY LANE of the Interior Department wants Congress to help the homemaker on irrigated lands. The Senate has passed a bill modifying the conditions of settlement and extending the time of payment from ten to twenty years, of money advanced by the government in reclamation projects.

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THE REVOLVER AGAIN ONE man seriously injured and the lives of many people threatened is a revolver's record at the Eagles' picnic Sunday. The gun was in the hands of an Italian, who was discharging it at random in the crowd.

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THE ISSUE OF TAXES IN WISCONSIN, a cry of high taxes has been raised by the standpat leaders in an effort to discredit the system of progressive government established through a fight of many years by Robert La-Follette.

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