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THE DEHYDRATION BANQUET LAST NIGHT

The dehydration banquet at the plant of the Salem King's Products Company last night was unique.

It showed a representative gathering of Salem business and professional men and farmers from the surrounding country what this great plant is doing.

It marked the success of the undertaking of securing \$200,000 stock subscriptions to the company in the Salem territory. The rest of the work is a matter of detail.

There were a number of very fine talks by men well known in Salem.

But the text of this article will be an excerpt from the address of Hon. M. L. Jones, who has subscribed for \$25,000, or one-eighth of the stock asked for from Salem.

Mr. Jones said he knew of a farm of 640 acres in his neighborhood that went at one time for the price of a Hudson's Bay shot gun.

That was its going value in that early day.

The present owner of a part of that farm recently refused an offer of \$750 an acre for his land.

That farmer has planted his land to loganberries that produce such marketable crops as to give his land such actual producing value that he can with good business judgment refuse an offer of \$750 an acre for it.

Mr. Jones said that on the American river in California there is land that is worth \$10,000 an acre on account of the crops it produces. And there is a large acreage of equal potential value in the country tributary to Salem.

It is merely a question of markets.

The Kings Products Company furnishes the market.

We produce here in this territory the finest vegetables in the world.

In ten years, Mr. Jones predicted, the Salem King's Products Company will produce \$20,000,000 worth of manufactured articles annually.

The writer believes this prediction of Mr. Jones will come true.

What will that mean?

It will mean that 5000 people will be employed at this factory.

And it will mean that three times that number of people will be employed in the country around Salem in raising the necessary vegetables and fruits.

It will mean that this industry alone will support handsomely a city of at least 25,000 people.

It means that this industry alone will directly add about 24,000 people to Salem's population.

And indirectly as many more, perhaps.

SALEM IS AMERICA'S DEHYDRATION CENTER.

And this fact will go a long way towards making this a city of 100,000, and one of the most prosperous cities in one of the most prosperous countries on the round earth.

If that is not worth growing enthusiastic and optimistic about, what is?

Already loganberry tips, strawberry plants and gooseberry and currant cuttings are being grabbed up in this district, for next season's planting. Not one should be wasted. There will be use for all. There should be a concerted effort made, to the end that there may be conservation along these lines.

Next, the drive for more dwellings in Salem.

Wheat growers may rest assured that there will be no great slump in price. That part of the world will need all the Russian surplus.

Mexico is a good deal like a drunken neighbor who comes home and disturbs the peace. There ought to be a sunrise court for that country.—Exchange.

The federal reserve board says that the cost of clothing and foodstuffs is going down. What wonderful news they sometimes send out of Washington.—Exchange.

President Wilson complains of the unrelieved responsibility of the task at Washington. If he would employ a cabinet he might be relieved of the burden to some extent.—Los Angeles Times.

Canada and the Union of South Africa have ratified the treaty and come into the league of nations. The league of nations is a going concern. If some one does not get a steam roller at work in the United States senate, our country may be at the tail end of the procession in point of time in ratifying.

Arthur Henderson, labor leader, was defeated for the British house of parliament last winter. He has just been elected by another district, Widnes, Lancashire, at a bye-election. They do it differently over there. They cannot keep a good man out of parliament—or a bad one, either, if he has ability. If one district turns him down he turns up in some other district and tries it over again.

HELPING OUT.

There are about six thousand jobs in the quarter-master and supply departments of the regular army.

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were selling around \$75 a carat may now go as high as \$1000 in the case of especially excellent stones. The thing is that this is largely in response to the age-old law of supply and demand.

People are buying jewels who never did much in that line before.

In spite of the high cost of living, there are a lot of people who have more money than they ever before possessed and as soon as they have their stomachs filled they think of diamonds.

Likewise, the man who spent a considerable portion of his substance in riotous living now invests his surplus in a spark because prohibition has broken up his old program.

At any rate, there has been an unusual demand for the white rocks and the thoughtful gentlemen who have them in stock have sensed it sufficiently to advance the price a hundred-fold.

What does our president purpose to do about this fresh evidence of profiteering? A cynical friend declares that some of our most painstaking labor agitators have had to go two or three weeks without a fresh sparkler.

THE NEBRASKA IDEA.

A full-faced and full-voiced gentleman named William Jennings Bryan has a proposition which makes the Plumb plan wither and die.

As one of the most persistent patrons of the railroads, Mr. Bryan's judgment as to their custody and operation may be conceded as that of an expert.

He has shaken hands with more conductors and engineers than any man who ever came out of Lincoln, Neb.

Roughly, speaking, the Bryan plan is for the federal government to buy up all the trunk lines while the states acquire the branch lines within their borders. Of course bond issues by state and nation would take care of the trifling financial details connected with the transfer and the federal and state governments could operate in cahoots. By carrying out this principle to its natural extent the counties would own certain stub lines and the cities the railroad yards and local systems.

Each ward might hold its own trackage and finally the individual might control so much of the road as abutted on his property. If he could match up with the man next to him they could operate, otherwise he might fence in his part of the system and use it for a clothes line.

At any rate, we would be having government ownership and public operation down to its ultimate degree—and that is what numbers of people seem to be urging at this time.

It is an experiment which would only cost forty or fifty billion dollars—mostly in bonds—and this is a trifling matter in these Democratic times.

A mere bagatelle, as the Nebraskan would say.

Financing is distressingly simple when a people can issue bonds to an indefinite amount.

Why not make the securities non-interest-bearing?

Then there would be no need to bother about the little detail of paying interest on official obligations.

Mr. Bryan's plan will have the enthusiastic backing of a lot of people who have their thinking done on the installment plan.

THE PUNISHMENT.

Now we all know what is to become of the food hoarders and profiteers generally. A prominent theosophist of Los Angeles declares that such people will be reborn on earth under mean and unhappy circumstances.

Certainly everybody will be glad to learn that the profiteer is to "get his."

Of course it will mean a lot of hard work for the charitable organizations a generation or so hence but they probably won't kick, for if nobody were poor or wicked how could anybody be rich or good?

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Did you get dehydrated?

If not, you must.

It is the thing that will help most in making Salem a prosperous city of 100,000 people.

It is one thing after another. The putting the dehydration drive "over" will force the drive for more dwellings in Salem. But Salem will have to stand it.

The Methodists of Oregon will

meet in Salem in annual conference October 1 to 6. Bishop Matt Hughes will preside. All Salem will go Methodist during those days.

If you think these are not great, historic days for Salem, when she is putting over dehydration, you will have another thing coming.

Now for a long and a strong pull to get all crops out of the wet.

The prune men were worse scared than hurt—if the rest of the days remain fair till picking is over. Picking will be general after today.

Sam Gompers says that the prohibition is rotten. He has possibly been drinking some of that 2.75 beer.

A lot of people think it easy to secure peace throughout the world, yet when they enter a cafeteria they can't make up their mind what they want to eat.

President Wilson has started west to grow up with the country.

President Carranza says he does not recognize the Monroe doctrine. Has he taken this hint from our allies?

"Call this hot weather," said a visitor to Boston, quoted in the Transcript of that city. "Why I've seen it so hot down south that the popcorn popped right on the stalks."

"Whew!" exclaimed the host. "And

that's not all; the juice in the cane in the next field turning into molasses, ran through the fence, mixed up with the popcorn and formed the finest combination of popcorn and molasses that ever crossed your lips."

"Trousers will be worn much longer this fall," say the fashion experts. Yes, just as long as they will hang together.

Up in Idaho they are making a drive on the squirrels. Looks like a movement to conserve the nut crop. If so, heaven forefend.

Of course, the Henry Ford libel trial is over, but it has not yet been settled whether or not a mobile army always hails from Mobile.

Over in England they are getting ready to "settle with politics." It is an everyday performance in this land of the free and home of the brave.

Chinese troops are now being transported by automobiles. Imagine the caterwauling and the Chinese jargon in case of trouble with the spark plug.

The Pittsburgh baseball club has just signed a new pitcher who bears the name of Ponder. Suppose he will make the other fellows sit up and think when he goes into the box.

The modern woman arranges her

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veil like an Arab's and possibly on some occasions as silently steals away. We are becoming delightfully oriental in some things.

Extravagant buying and industrial slackers make the profiteer's paradise. Do an honest day's work and cut out needless expense. That is the answer to the high cost of living.

First Scout (In Boy's Life)—I've lived on vegetables only, for two weeks.

Second Scout—That's nothing, I've live on earth for a number of years.

"Thelma" Individual Chocolates—A Salem product—made by The Gray Belle—distributed by George E. Water—for sale everywhere, 5c

No Indictment of Trustees Who Escape from Prison

Judge Percy R. Kelly of the circuit court for Marion county held yesterday that chapter 41, laws of 1919, making escapes from the penitentiary a felony and imposing a penalty of an additional term of years in the state prison does not apply to men who escape while on holdup was made after a preliminary had been made from the Marion county grand jury in the case of S. R. Woods, a trustee who escaped June 13 and whom the warden of the prison attempted to indict before the grand jury. Woods was committed from Multnomah county last January.

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It doesn't cost anything to guess and you stand as good a chance of winning a week's meat as any one.

GROCERIES—	
10 pounds of cane sugar.....	\$1.00
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Hard Wheat Flour.....	\$2.80
Valley Flour.....	\$2.65
Jap Rice, 5 pounds.....	.65c
Broken Rice, 5 pounds.....	.45c
White Beans, 5 pounds.....	.40c
Lima Beans, 5 pounds.....	.60c
Cream of Barley, 2 packages.....	.25c
Corn Flakes, 3 packages.....	.25c
Grape Nuts, 2 packages.....	.25c

Coffee is now advancing. Hurry and buy at our special prices. Best Reliance, Royal Club coffee, 3 pounds \$1.49: 1 pound.....	
M. J. B. Coffee, 3 or 5 pounds at, per pound.....	.49c
One pound.....	.50c
Selecto and G. A. Coffee.....	.44c
Peaberry in bulk.....	.40c
47c F. C. S.....	.35c
Cocoa in bulk.....	.31c

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES—	
Watermelon, pound.....	11.2c
Best grapes.....	10c
Potatoes, 7 pounds.....	.25c
Dry Onions, per pound.....	.5c
Cabbage, per pound.....	.5c
Lemons, per dozen.....	.25c

SHOES—
Our enormous lot of fall and winter shoes is already on the shelves and waiting for the customers. You will save positively \$2.00 on each pair if you will buy at the People's Cash Store. The Peters Shoe Home. Especially Big Bargain in Peters guaranteed school shoes. 1 tablet given FREE to each pair of shoes.

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The best and guaranteed corset at the lowest price.

Good news to our premium coupon savers. We will get in an enormous lot of Christmas toys and will give same for the coupons they have, according to value thereof.

LARD, 3 POUNDS.....	\$1.00
Compound, bulk, pound.....	.30c

Please visit our economy basement. Economy bargains in Crockery, Graniteware, Shoes, Tennis Slippers, Rubbers and Notions.	
6 rolls Toilet Paper.....	.25c
Shoulder hams, all sizes, per pound.....	.25c
Matches.....	.5c
Big bottle bluing.....	.9c
Economy jar tops, 2 dozen.....	.55c
Crown Sanitary jar tops.....	.20c
Caps, saucers, pair.....	.25c
Hop gloves, 2 pair.....	.25c

THOUSANDS OF OTHER BARGAINS

CANNED GOODS—	
Carnation, Borden's and Armour's Very Best Milk.....	.16c
Libby's Golden Crest milk Case.....	\$7.00
Small Libby, 2 for.....	.15c
Sugar peas and string beans.....	.15c
Sweet corn.....	.16c
2 1-2 Standard Tomatoes.....	.14c
No. 2 Pork and Beans.....	.11c
Holly Milk with rice and raisins, 2 cans.....	.25c
Clams, flat, 3 cans.....	.35c

Pearl or Crown Shortening, No. 5.....	\$1.35
No. 10.....	\$2.65
The best cooking oil, per gallon.....	\$2.20
Crisco, 6 pounds.....	\$2.35
3 pounds.....	\$1.20
Cottolene, large.....	\$3.19
Cottolene, medium.....	\$1.29
Wesson Oil, 1-2 gallon.....	\$1.70
Wesson Oil, quart.....	.89c
Mazola oil, 1-2 gallon.....	\$1.78
Mazola oil, quart.....	.85c

SOAP SALE—	
10 bars Crystal White.....	.70c
10 bars Sunny Monday.....	.65c
10 bars No Rub Naptha or Easy Washer.....	.50c
10 bars of best Wool soap.....	.70c
Brooms.....	.65c, 85c, 99c

MEN'S AND BOYS' FURNISHINGS—	
\$35.00 Men's Suit.....	\$15.48
Men's Bib overalls.....	\$1.98
Workshirts.....	.98c up
Dress Shirts.....	.98c up
Sport Shirts.....	.79c
Boys' Suits.....	\$3.49 up
Boys' Shirts.....	.49c
Misses Union Suits.....	.98c

Big sale in Blankets and Comforters. Also in cotton hats.	
Woolnap Monarch Blankets, \$9, 64x76.....	\$6.50
Monarch Blankets, \$5.10, 64x76.....	\$3.29
\$5.00 Comforters.....	\$2.79

FAIR WEEK SALES—
Special Sales Each Day During Fair Week. Nice Souvenirs Given Away.

BOYS' SUITS—
Just received large shipment of high grade, stylish suits for boys. Come here and save money on your boy's school suit.

SUGAR—
We will supply sugar when purchased with Groceries, Dry Goods or Shoes.