

THE OREGON STATESMAN

Issued Daily Except Monday by
THE STATESMAN PUBLISHING COMPANY
215 S. Commercial St., Salem, Oregon

MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to the use for republication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited in this paper and also the local news published herein.

R. J. Hendricks, Manager
Stephen A. Stone, Managing Editor
Ralph Glover, Cashier
Frank Jaskoski, Manager Job Dept.

DAILY STATESMAN, served by carrier in Salem and suburbs, 15 cents a week, 50 cents a month.

DAILY STATESMAN, by mail, \$6 a year; \$3 for six months; 50 cents a month. For three months or more, paid in advance, at rate of \$5 year. (THE PACIFIC HOMESTEAD, the great western weekly farm paper, will be sent a year to any one paying a year in advance to the Daily Statesman.)

SUNDAY STATESMAN, \$1 a year; 50 cents for six months; 25 cents for three months.
WEEKLY STATESMAN, issued in two six-page sections, Tuesdays and Fridays, \$1 a year (if not paid in advance, \$1.25); 50 cents for six months; 25 cents for three months.

TELEPHONES: Business Office, 25.
Circulation Department, 583.
Job Department, 583.

Entered at the Postoffice in Salem, Oregon, as second class matter.

AN OUTRAGE AND AN INJURY TO ALL

In answer to a question of Congressman Riddick of Montana, Herbert Hoover wrote a letter, published in the Associated Press dispatches of yesterday, giving his views "as to practical measures to insure better returns to the farmer for his labor and investment."

Mr. Hoover suggests the creation of a commission composed of highly trained farmers and skilled economists and financial experts to consider the causes and remedies for the situation.

Mr. Hoover asserts that high prices will sooner or later decrease—and he says this deflation must not begin on the farmer.

Mr. Hoover thinks transportation must be improved, in order to keep up an even flow of produce from the farm to the consumer. This will help eliminate the hoarder and the profiteer.

It will prevent the farmers being compelled to sell on a glutted market and the consumers being obliged to buy during a local shortage.

The excess profits tax is virtually an appointment of food manufacturers and distributors to collect taxes for the government by adding them to the margin between the farmer and his market.

The whole marketing system is indirect, expensive, wasteful, obsolete, and increases the margin unduly.

Such, in brief, are the conclusions of Mr. Hoover, the world's greatest expert on economic questions, and the man above all others able to put his conclusions in words which intelligent people can understand.

In this connection, Congress ought, by all means, even at the sacrifice of a summer vacation, to come to the relief of the Federal Farm Loan banks.

The money sharks of this country attacked the constitutionality of the Federal Farm Loan act in the courts.

They were defeated in the lower courts. Of course. Now, they have carried the case to the United States Supreme Court, where it has been argued; but, by some legal hocuspocus, they have maneuvered the thing into a reargument—when the highest tribunal is about to take its vacation.

A number of farmers in the Alsea country in Oregon applied for Federal farm loans, with which to build silos and buy cows and generally develop the dairying industry.

They are now held up.

A season's work is to be lost to them.

Such things are happening all over the United States—

At a time when this country needs larger production from the farms; when the whole world needs it.

A shade higher prices will be passed to the whole people on account of this shameless holdup.

It will cost the consumers millions; perhaps billions.

Such shyster tricks allowed in high places are what foster the Non-Partisan League form of Socialism; what make Bolsheviks and near-Bolsheviks of consumers pressed to the wall and crowded into a corner.

They make our American Jean Valjeans.

They make men who by training and instinct see white, see red.

If we had a virile President in Washington, or a virile Congress, or a few virile leaders in Congress, this outrage of the shyster hirelings of the Shylocks of America would be remedied by speedy legislation, to bridge over the delay—

In other words, the farmers would get their loans.

Delay is all the buzzards of big business expect; for they know their case will finally fail.

FINE; FLAX IS DOING VERY WELL

Editor Statesman:

The 250 acres of flax planted around Turner and Aumsville for the Oregon Flax Fibre Co. are coming up very good and of even growth; the germination of the seed was perfect. There is plenty of moisture in the ground to last until some time in June and if we get our June showers we will harvest a big crop; although the season is three weeks later than usual. All the crops are looking good. What is needed is a little more warm weather.

—E. J. HANSETT.

That is fine; very fine.

Mr. Hansett is superintendent of the Oregon Flax Fibre Co.

That is the district that produced the flax that took the prize on all nine points considered against all countries at the Philadelphia Centennial; a two pound sample of which a famous Irish linen manufacturer said then that he could take and spin a thread that would reach around the world.

Mr. Hansett and his associates are keeping alive the work that will eventually result in a linen mill in Salem—who knows how soon? The writer believes it will be quite soon.

Hungary will accept the terms of the allies. Pass the Hungarian goulash, please.

Personally we are not alarmed at the attitude of the federal reserve

See C. W. Brant's

Auction Sale Ad.

On Page 2
450 S. 14th Street
Thursday, May 27, 1:30 p. m.

See E. L. Meyers'

Auction Sale Ad.

On Page 2
1480 Bellevue St.
Friday, May 28, 1:30 p. m.

bank that has pronounced against loans for nonessentials.—Exchange.

The new Mexican government will ask for recognition at Washington. We are in favor of that—if the said government stands still long enough to be recognized.—Exchange.

Senator Simmons thinks woman suffrage ought to be adopted because it will help the Democratic Party. Here we have the highest ideals of statesmanship.

When the platforms of the two parties are presented to the public there will be ever so many people to declare that they are just what they knew they would be.

It is announced that President Wilson will remain in Washington

until after the San Francisco convention. The idea is a good one. There are so many devices for the comfort of a jarred statesman at the White House.

Help! Every farmer who knows how to grow cabbage, and is not a cabbage head himself, is asked to tell The Statesman about cabbage growing, for tomorrow's Salem slogan pages. And do it today.

There is one thing emptier than a last year's bird's nest. That is the Johnson victory in Oregon. Its bottom has a hole in it and is loose, and it will fall out after the first ballot.

After the first ballot the Chicago convention will be governed by the same old rules. And may the best horse win, dark or otherwise. Just so he is neither red nor yellow.

CALLING NAMES.

Congressman Madden called the Confederates traitors and destroyers, in the course of some remarks in the house the other day.

He may have kept within the truth but he certainly showed no tact. There is no warrant or justification for any man to stand up on the floor of congress today and tell the sons of the south that their fathers were traitors and ingrates. It sets not well on any man's chest.

THE POINT OF ATTACK.

A jury gave a judgment of \$25,000 against an eastern restaurant man who served a paper of tacks in a bowl of oxtail soup set before a physician. The doctor has a punctured inner tube and a lot of other troubles and may never be as good as he once was. People run up against some new form of tax every day, but when a man gets a paper of tacks in his chowder, the iron enters his soul. There are several points to this.

BEING SKINNED.

The president of the International Fur exchange says that the supply of furs in the world is insufficient to meet the demand. There's another gent who has the fumes of artificial prosperity in his head and doesn't know what he is talking about. The supply is inexhaustible and the demand is waning.

By this time all the poor working girls have their furs and few are suffering for them. Besides this there is always the public to be skinned. Think of all the pelts that could be obtained in this way. It will be a long time before we run out of skins.

PASSING THE PEAK.

It is promised—and indeed the evidence is materializing—that the peak of high prices has been passed. This is declared by the government experts to apply to virtually all lines, and if any attempt is made to charge more for an article than was asked during the early part of the month, detailed explanation will be in order. The mere statement that the dealer needs the money will not suffice. There are warehouses that are jammed full of merchandise and food-stuffs. There is no real shortage in essentials and no need for suffering.

If people would buy what they must have, instead of what they think they would like to have, there would be plenty to go 'round, and

FUTURE DATES

May 26, Wednesday — Opening of Greater Willamette campaign.

May 26-27, Wednesday and Thursday — Apollo club concert, Grand theatre.

May 27, Thursday — Baby clinic at Commercial club.

May 28, Friday — Veterans visit Salem schools and address students.

May 29, Saturday — Baseball, Salem high vs. Eugene high.

May 29, Saturday — William Howard Taft speaks at armory.

May 30, Sunday — Baseball, Albany vs. Salem.

May 30, Sunday — Decoration day.

May 31, Monday — Salem stores to be closed in celebration of Memorial day.

June 1, Tuesday — Salem-Portland air service begins.

June 2, 4, 5 and 6 — Salem Tennis tournament.

June 4, Friday — Baseball, Salem high vs. McMinnville high.

June 5, Saturday — Annual picnic of Oregon Duroc Jersey Breeders' association, Salem.

June 6, Sunday — Baccalaureate Sunday for Kimball School of Theology at First Methodist church.

June 6, Sunday — Baccalaureate sermon for high school graduating class at Leslie Methodist church.

June 5 to 11 — State G. A. R. encampment at Astoria.

June 11, Friday — Blooded Jersey sale at State fair grounds.

June 11, Friday — Commencement day address for Kimball School of Theology at 1:30 p. m. in Assembly hall.

June 11, Friday — Salem schools close.

June 12, Sunday — Baseball, Woodburn vs. Salem.

June 14, Monday — Play day.

June 14 to 17 — Officers' schools for Oregon National Guard at Vancouver and Port Stevens.

June 19 and 20 — National 57-year-tour motorcycle events in Salem.

June 22, 23 and 24 — Imperial conclave of Mystic Shrine in Portland.

June 23, Wednesday — Imperial conclave of Mystic Shrine to visit Salem.

June 24, 25 and 26 — Portland Rose festival.

June 26, Saturday — Letter Carriers' convention in Salem.

July 2 to 24 — Summer school for rural pastors at Willamette university.

July 6 to 26 — Annual encampment of Oregon national Guard, infantry and engineers at Camp Lewis, artillery at Fort Stevens.

July 14 to 24 — Salem Chautauqua.

July 22, 23 and 24 — State Elks convention in Salem.

September 27 to October 2 — Oregon state fair.

prices would reach their proper level. The Lord loveth a careful buyer.

NEED OFFICIAL BACKING.

Once again it has become necessary to call attention to the unfortunate lack of firmness which marks the foreign policy of the Democratic administration. In a recent interview, A. C. Bedford, chairman of the board of directors of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, calls attention to the flabbiness at Washington. He insists that the only relief from the impending acute shortage of oil and gasoline in this country must come through an aggressive policy under which the state department will back up American business men who go into other lands.

At present the United States is the pre-eminent petroleum nation.

Consumption here is so enormous, however, that the time is bound to come when it must lose that position and must import oil.

The big American companies realize this and are constantly scanning the world over for new fields which they can exploit. It is absolutely necessary that in their enterprises in other countries they have the support of the state department in seeing that they get a square deal. Mr. Bedford hints that American companies are imposed upon abroad and that the state department does not uphold them in their efforts to get fair treatment. The heads of oil companies are not alone in making this charge.

A cablegram from Floyd Gibbons in Paris declares that American business men and commercial representatives abroad are commencing to renew their old complaints about the apparently inexplicable attitude of the state department toward Americans in foreign countries.

Those Americans need the utmost encouragement by Washington, yet the official attitude is marked by a painful lack of the backing which is necessary to give our capitalists confidence to go ahead with enterprises which, although outside our borders, are of the utmost importance to this country.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Democrats using vitriol.

They are pouring it onto Woodrow's head.

They are saying that distance lends enchantment to the view—referring to his request for a mandate over Armenia—

And his watchful waiting policy as to Mexico.

Oh, it is a beautiful row, and the Republicans should worry.

If the weather man would only warm 'er up and let 'er rain, the farmers would all be happy.

Still, there will not be enough pickers to go around, to gather all the fruit.

Next week, it will begin—on gooseberries, and perhaps on spinach.

Then it will be one continuous thing after another, till the turnips are gathered next winter.

The Salem free auto camp is being advertised by its loving friends, who will increase into a vast army of boosters. It is a great thing; a great stroke; a happy thought.

Expense Statements of Candidates Are Filed

The candidacy of George E. Chamberlain for the Democratic nomination for United States senator in Oregon cost him in excess of \$1200, according to the senator's expense account which was filed yesterday with the secretary of state. Of this amount \$465 was contributed by Oswald West. In behalf of Esther Pohl Lovejoy, who received the Democratic nomination for congress in the third district Mr. West contributed \$50.

The following statements were filed yesterday:

Franklin P. Kórell, Portland, representative, 18th district, Republican, nothing.

J. C. Smith, Grants Pass, state senator, seventh district, Republican, \$22.50.

William T. Vaughn, Portland, vice president of United States, Democratic, nothing.

Elton Watkins, Portland, presidential elector, Democratic, \$15.

H. C. Wheeler, Pleasant Hill, representative third district, Republican, \$10.

Eouis E. Bean, Eugene, representative, third district, Republican, \$10.

Gilbert H. Hedges, Oregon City, district attorney, Clackamas county, Democrat, \$20.

C. J. Smith, Portland, delegate to national convention, at large, Democrat, \$30.11.

Oswald West contribution in behalf of the candidacy of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$465.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

ator, seventh district, Republican, \$22.50.

William T. Vaughn, Portland, vice president of United States, Democratic, nothing.

Elton Watkins, Portland, presidential elector, Democratic, \$15.

H. C. Wheeler, Pleasant Hill, representative third district, Republican, \$10.

Eouis E. Bean, Eugene, representative, third district, Republican, \$10.

Gilbert H. Hedges, Oregon City, district attorney, Clackamas county, Democrat, \$20.

C. J. Smith, Portland, delegate to national convention, at large, Democrat, \$30.11.

Oswald West contribution in behalf of the candidacy of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$465.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.

Ed Cary, Carlton, representative, 15th district, Republican, \$15.45.

Walter L. Toose, McMinnville, delegate to national convention, first congressional district, Republican, \$54.43.

M. C. George, Portland, presidential elector, Republican, \$15.

Sam Laughlin, Yamhill, contribution in behalf of candidacy of W. H. Dennis, candidate for state senator, 24th district, Republican, \$114.25.

Charles T. Chamberlain, contribution as treasurer of the Chamberlain club, in behalf of George E. Chamberlain, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States senator, \$665.