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SHALL THE STARS AND STRIPES BE DRIVEN FROM THE WORLD'S TRADE ROUTES?

The most important question now before the American people is the one concerning the building up and maintenance of an American merchant marine.

Or whether the Stars and Stripes shall be driven from the trade routes of all the seven seas.

Unaided, American ships cannot be operated indefinitely under the American flag in foreign trade without in time bankrupting their owners.

And, as was said by a writer in the American Economist of last week, "It might just as well be known first as last that if the United States refuses to give substantial aid to American ships operating in foreign trade they will be withdrawn from that trade, or be placed under alien flags. There is no reason why private Americans should bankrupt themselves in order to maintain American ships upon the seas."

More than this, it is stated in Washington that Chairman Lasker of the Shipping board "will consent to the alienization of American ships if the ship subsidy bill fails."

That is a very serious statement; a proposal for the final surrender of an American merchant marine.

It must not come to pass.

If the ship subsidy bill cannot be passed in its present form, or cannot be amended and put into such form as will secure a majority vote in the two houses of Congress, there is another way by which American ships can be protected.

For over 60 years American ships were protected by the exaction of a higher duty on imports in foreign vessels than imports in American vessels were required to pay, and by collecting tonnage taxes eight times higher from foreign ships than American ships paid. When that policy was in force the great bulk of our foreign carrying was done by American ships. In place of a shipping problem we had a large, successful and prosperous American merchant marine in foreign trade. For over 70 years, preceding the Civil war, American ships averaged 80 per cent of the foreign carrying of the United States; so successful in those days was our American shipping policy, which was formulated, originally, with the approval of the great founders of the Republic—Washington, Jefferson, Hamilton, Madison, and a great majority of the statesmen who safely piloted the young United States through the war for independence.

It is to be presumed that the representatives of the American people in the two houses of Congress are not going to allow the Stars and Stripes to be driven from the seas.

That with a suitable subsidy bill or with laws giving American vessels advantages over alien ships, the Stars and Stripes will be seen with increasing frequency wherever the trade winds blow. Surely, nothing short of such a policy will satisfy the vast majority of the people in this country.

The congratulations of tomorrow will help to wipe off the mud.

Any way, there will be time for something besides politics after today.

Thursday's Statesman will contain a lot of very valuable matter concerning the walnut industry. It is one of the biggest things in Oregon; and capable of bringing

soon. We are all going to forget the bitterness and get along and grow together. Nothing is going to be allowed to prevent Oregon from becoming the greatest state in the union.

Whatever happens, the flax plant at the penitentiary must not only be preserved; it must be extended in its operations. There must be the spinning of twines there, for the benefit of the fishing and other industries of Oregon.

MAYOR HALVORSEN GIVES SOME PLAIN WORDS

To the Voters of Salem: In answer to Mr. Moffitt's letter in the Sunday Statesman there are a few remarks that are fitting at this time.

In the first place it should be clearly understood by the citizens of Salem that not a member of the city council nor your humble mayor have at any time tried to place before you, as voters, any measure without first giving due consideration to such measure; after knowing all the facts in regard to the same as no other body could possibly know them, unless they have been connected with the city government. It is, therefore, easy to read the meaning of Mr. Moffitt's letter when you realize that he is the only one that has a personal interest in the matter for, if the measure that he has taken so much pains to block is carried, there is a possibility of his losing the salary that he now draws.

I say this in all fairness to our present city marshal, for he well knows that this office, if appointed by the mayor and council, will not be, as he has stated, ruled by a group of politicians but by representatives of the people direct, for that is what your city councilmen are. They represent your wishes as only such a body can, and it is regrettable that an official of this city, drawing a salary from the taxpayers of the city should so lay himself open to criticism in attempting to defame the members of the city council and your mayor because of a selfish motive.

I wish to state further that you are not losing your right as citizens if this measure carries but are protecting your own interests if you vote for this charter amendment, inasmuch as someone will have the right to act in stopping actions in the police department that are not proper and fitting.

Mr. Moffitt is correct when he says that thoughtful citizens do not have to go out of the city to find out that interference is not necessary in the government of the police department for, if this department were left alone, as he is asking, the police of Salem would not only attempt to enforce the laws of our city but the county as well, leaving the city without the protection that we, as citizens, are entitled to.

I wonder, voters of Salem, if that is the kind of non-partisan and free-from-politics police department that Marshal Moffitt wants? I did not personally or otherwise intend to take any active part in the campaign for city marshal, but after due deliberation, could not let this matter go by unnoticed; if for no other reason than to uphold the members of the city council who have extended every aid to your mayor and to you citizens in the administration of city duties, to the extent of sacrifice of valuable time and energy, who have seen the vital need for this change in the charter and have placed this amendment before you for your approval.

No other marshal of the city of Salem has had the opportunity to make good in this office as has had the present incumbent, and no other mayor has wanted any more than I to see him make good. The council has done everything in its power to assist him in getting the needed equipment so that he could properly conduct this office efficiently, and I earnestly believe that he has tried. The statement of the police department that has been circulated through the press and by pamphlet is a splendid statement, the only thing lacking is the NEGLECT OR FAILURE TO HAVE AT LEAST SOME SIGNATURES OF MEMBERS OF THE POLICE COMMITTEE OR COUNCIL TO SHOW THAT MEN WHO ARE PERSONALLY IN TOUCH WITH CONDITIONS WERE READY TO SAY THAT THEY ARE CORRECT.

The council now appoints the city attorney, city engineer, fire marshal, and street commissioner, all capable men working in harmony with the other departments of the city government.

In closing, will state that this charter amendment and the fire measure both have the UNITED ENDORSEMENT OF THE ENTIRE COUNCIL, YOUR REPRESENTATIVES, working unselfishly only for the best interests of this our Capital City, and should receive your earnest consideration. Respectfully yours,

—G. E. HALVORSEN, Mayor of Salem, Oregon.

Salem, Ore., Nov. 6, 1922.

WHAT SALEM NEEDS

Editor Statesman: Salem needs: 1. Increased fire protection. A carelessly dropped match or cigar, a child's thoughtless act, may start a fire in a minute that will bankrupt a business corporation, render a family or community homeless, or destroy any one of a score of schoolhouses or

FUTURE DATES

- November 4, Saturday—Road district special tax elections in Marion county.
November 7, Tuesday—General election.
November 8, Wednesday—Business and Professional Women's club meets at Unitarian church.
November 10, Friday—Apollo club concert at armory.
November 11, Saturday—Armistice day, legal holiday.
November 12, Monday—Scottish Rite Masons to meet in Salem.
November 14, Tuesday—Representative W. O. Hawley to speak to Salem Six O'clock club. First Methodist church.
November 20, Thursday—Thanksgiving day.
December 3, Saturday—Bazaar, St. Paul's Church, 500 Chesapeake.

and shivered and shook so hard he could scarcely sing. It was early in November and all his friends had long since left for the south. A nasty, old sleet was falling. It pierced right through his summer feathers and chilled him to the very bone. "I can't stand this much longer," he shivered. Just then he caught sight of the little lame girl and he sighed. "I just don't see how I can go away and leave her. I'm all she has. Every day she lies there and waits for me to come and eat her crumbs."

The little girl leaned over and opened the window. Robin ruffled up his feathers and tried to look warm and happy. He chirped loudly and hopped around the room. The little girl did not laugh as his caers as usual. She looked sober and started talking to him. "Robbie," she said, "I just don't know what I am going to do without you. The doctor says I must get out of this cold climate, so I have to go south for the winter. Oh, dear, I just can't bear to leave you," she ended, her lips trembling.

Robin sat on the window sill

Answer to last puzzle: Cat, rat, mat, fat, hat.

state institution buildings in our city. The loss by one such fire may easily cost the city more than half a dozen firefighting outfits would, as is distinctly shown by the recent loss at Waller hall, the state hospital, the girls' training school, etc. Those who are truly wise will vote "Yes," for ballot number 502, for the tax to enable our city officers to purchase at once an additional fire equipment of the very best pattern.

2. An efficient police force composed of men intelligent, sober, brave and incorruptible—men who cannot be bribed, or cowed by any mob, or deceived by any clever trick; men who will listen to no voice but the call of duty, and will halt at no danger or opposition when duty calls. But such a police force must have all of these qualifications centered in its chief. There are city and state laws against theft, gambling, the white slave traffic, bootlegging, prostitution and other crimes, which the chief is sworn to ferret out and bring all offenders to justice, no matter what their social, official, or business standing may be. Unless a chief of such character heads the police force there will be an epidemic of lawlessness and immorality in the city. Votes for W. W. Birtchett for city marshal will help to elect such a chief of police.

3. No less important than the office of city marshal is that of city recorder, who selects the jurors and presides as judge in police actions, and deals with all classes of youthful offenders. Mr. Frazier can be depended on to be a terror to evildoers, and a safe adviser for unwise or indiscreet youths.

4. The city marshal, called also chief of police, who is now elected by the popular vote and is thus in a large sense an authority unto himself, should be appointed by the mayor, with the advice and consent of the city council, and thus made directly responsible to the elected governing body of the city. In no other way can the police department become and remain a coordinate part of the city government and work in perfect harmony with other departments and under instructions of the city's governing body, where all executive authority belongs.

Vote "Yes," for ballot number 500 and help to bring this important and necessary change into the city charter. FOR GOOD CITIZENSHIP AND MORALS.

The election returns are cold blooded, without sentiment. They will be given, just as they come, by the newspapers. The Statesman will gather the returns as fast as possible, and bulletin and megaphone and print them. The Associated Press, whose full report The Statesman receives, is making plans to cover the election news more thoroughly than ever before; and that is saying a lot.

The Statesman has printed all the communications received, that were printable, for which room could be spared. But a good many have been crowded out—not intentionally, but because it was not possible to handle them all; and there had to be some exercise of discretion. Perhaps poor discretion was used in some cases. Any way, this would be the verdict of some of the writers whose communications were crowded out.

After today, there should be a holiday in politics till the meeting of the legislature, which will convene early. It will meet on January 8th.

The trouble with the world's leaders is that they are always leading us into trouble and never out of it.

The farther a man is from the possibility of becoming president of the U. S. A., the easier it is for him to say what he would do if he held the office.

PILES

Cured without Knife, Operation or Confinement

THOUSANDS of reputable and responsible Northwest people can testify to my unflinching skill in curing Piles. Why suffer the pain and discomfort when my non-surgical method will cure you to stay cured?

I remove all doubt as to results by agreeing to refund your fee if I fail to cure your Piles, no matter how severe or chronic the case. Write or call today for my FREE booklet.

DR. CHAS. J. DEAN
2ND AND MORRISON PORTLAND, OREGON
MENTION THIS PAPER WHEN WRITING

AUTUMN SALES

UNUSUAL SAVINGS EXCEPTIONAL VALUES

The Business Woman

You Are Particularly Invited To Attend This Sale

—A sale of Wool Frocks that are adapted to the use of the business woman. Made of materials that give excellent service. Hard twisted poret twills, twill cords and tricotine that are sturdy yet pliable enough for the new style effects. See the new coat style dresses and note how wonderfully practical they are for every day wear. We can save you from \$5 to \$12 on your dress in this sale.

GROUP ONE—For inexpensive apparel we believe this group stands unequalled for quality, style and tailoring. So many very practical garments in this lot from which to choose. You'll want one or more when you see them. **\$14.50**

On sale all this week.

GROUP TWO—Poret twills, twill cords and tricotines in navy blue, make up this showing of lovely wool frocks. Many values as high as \$29.50 in this group, styles are side panels in the new uneven effects. Blouse Dresses, also the new Coat Dresses. All in this lot priced this week **\$18.95**

Very special

GROUP THREE—Values to \$45 in Poret twill, twill cords and tricotines. We especially call your attention to the values in this lot for you save as high as \$12.50 on a single garment—dresses that are, so far as style is concerned, right in the beginning of their season **\$32.50**

Patent Leather For Rainy Weather

New Oxfords

New Patent Leather-Oxfords for rainy weather, welt soles, rubber heels, either bal or blucher cut.

For street, business or school wear this Oxford is exceedingly valuable.

The new Tongue Pumps are here, also the wishbone strap. Patents, ooze, bud and satin. Let us show you the newest in footgear!

\$5.00 pr

Sale of Knicker and Vest Sets

A timely sale of Pretty Lingerie. New patterns in Knickers made of silk crepe plisse. Colors orchid, flesh and honey dew. See them today, tomorrow may be too late. Priced especially **\$1.98**.

Silk crepe plisse Vests in orchid, honey dew and flesh, special **\$1.59**.

Outing Flannel Gowns

—Good quality Outing Flannel Gowns will be appreciated these chilly nights. Owing to the weave of nappy material it pays to buy the best in Outing Flannel. A group of plain white with sleeves. Priced **\$1.25 and \$2**.

—Short sleeve, low neck, in striped Outing of best grade, **\$2**.

—Short sleeves, low neck, in striped Outing, priced at **\$1.25**.

Good Goods Good Service

—Statistics prove that trade marked goods are showing a large increase in sales each year—why is this true? The buying public is ever on the alert to buy good goods because, someone is responsible for the amount of service or good contained in that article—that's why we feature trade-marked merchandise, that's why you can find more trade marked articles in this store than any other store in Salem.

Good goods cost you less per month, no matter how you figure your bills.

If it were not for hurrah sales inferior merchandise would sink to oblivion—with

it would go the high cost of clothing upkeep.

The thrifty shopper is quick to appreciate the true advantage of "sticking" to uniformly good lines, merchandise of dependability and economy.

Perhaps that is why the only perceptible change in our list of customers is noticed in the addition from week to week of new names.

The consistent loyalty of our old accounts has been the greatest single factor of our success.

Sale of PLUSH

"Esquimette"
"Salts Peco"
"Seal Plush"
"Hilustre"

Bed Spreads

—New Bed Spreads are here ready for your choosing—scalloped or plain, heavy crocheted patterns in conventional figures, stripes, checks, etc. (Domestic Department)

Hemstitching Parlor

Miller's new hemstitching parlor, is now ready and guarantees to do your work quickly and efficiently. Try this new department, second floor, next to Mrs. Varty's dressmaking-quarters.

Phone 11

MILLER'S

Good Goods

Salem's Leading Department Store

Table Covers

—Thanksgiving table linens in assortments of ready-made cloths, table runners, doilies, etc. Also a very fine showing of linen towels, large size or guest New lines Huck by the yard for stamping. See Miss Helen Bode.

Miss Helen Bode

Miss Helen Bode, representing Prof. Vance Shaw, from the New York Art Academy, is teaching a class, the cut-lace embroidery, simple and easy to learn. Free lessons this week. (Art Department)

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SUCCESSFUL STUDYING

HOW TO WRITE THAT THEME

(This is the sixth of a series of articles which will help young students to learn more and get better grades by showing them how to study more efficiently.)

For many students any piece of writing such as a theme is the hardest kind of work. They sit and stare desperately at a piece

of blank paper and wait for something to come. That is not the way to go about writing. Plunge right in and begin to write.

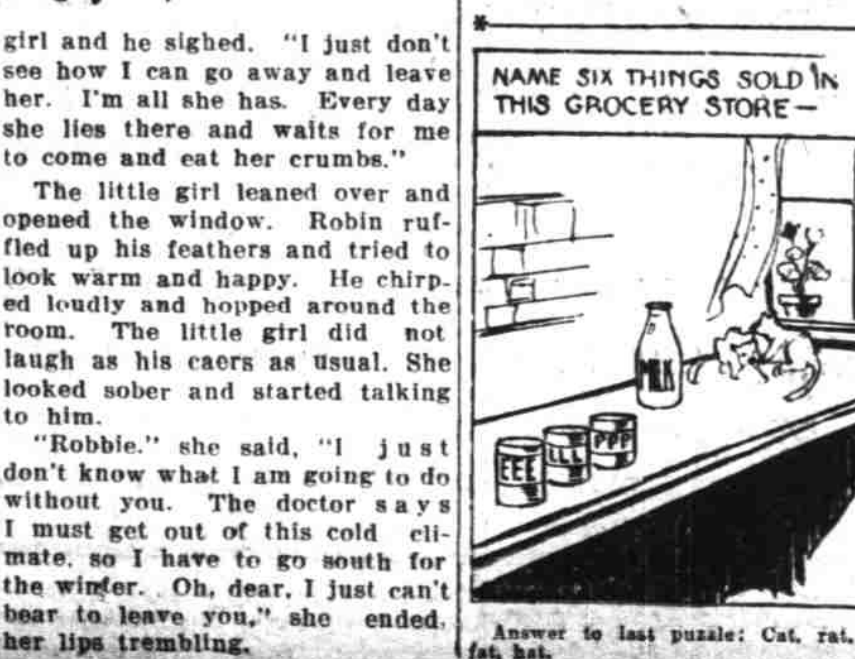
Even great authors say they have trouble getting started. They make themselves write down something, whether it is the beginning or the end, and then they get into the swing and shape the story up. So write down any ideas you have, first, and then use your old friend the outline to marshal your ideas in the right order.

Decide on Point of View Before you start the story itself, however, you must decide on the point of view. If it is a foot-ball story, are you writing it for people who know all about the game, or for some child who knows nothing of it? You can see that such a point makes a difference in how you write the story. Now you are ready to go ahead.

THE SHORT STORY, JR.

ROBIN GOES SOUTH

Robin sat on the window sill



PICTURE PUZZLE

NAME SIX THINGS SOLD IN THIS GROCERY STORE—



Answer to last puzzle: Cat, rat, mat, fat, hat.