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AN INTERESTING TARIFF SITUATION

The section of the present law which provides in a small measure for resiliency in tariff rates was recently invoked to increase the duty on wheat from 30 to 42 cents a bushel. Canadian competition was used as the reason for this increase.

And now there is a prospect that this section may be invoked and applied to cotton textiles. The cotton manufacturers are face to face with a tough situation. Among the depressing factors cited by a correspondent of the New York World, who has been canvassing the situation, "have been the year to year shrinkage of the cotton surplus, the depredations of the boll weevil and last year's high domestic consumption of cotton goods. All these have brought about a prodigious increase in the cost of raw material, with a corresponding increase in the cost of finished goods. The whole cotton industry, in north and south alike, has been hard hit. Raw material costs are very high."

In the mean time, the British cotton mills are invading the American markets, and beating down the prices here. The pre-war sales of the British manufacturers in the American markets were about 30,000,000 yards a year. Their sales are now at the rate of about 220,000,000 yards annually.

The American mills have the capacity to make all the cotton goods that are coming over from Great Britain and replacing the supplies that might be turned out at home.

A number of American cotton mills have been shut down; others are working on short time.

If there is to come any relief, it must come from higher protective rates.

There is absolutely no other way out.

The South must turn to protection, or let their own cotton mills be driven out of business, as well as those of the North.

This makes an interesting tariff situation. It is coming about that in a number of lines the South needs protection more than any other section of the country.

In the mean-time, the employment of newly invented machinery in the flax industry, to say nothing of the hemp industry, is making an interesting situation the world over—perhaps bringing near the time when linen goods will be cheaper to the consumer than cotton goods.

There is no doubt that the proposed new farm for the boys' state training school will be purchased, and that within a short time, and a beginning made of construction of the new building. The law and the circumstances are considered mandatory. In the same way, it is mandatory that the farm be such as to lend itself to an effort to make the institution self-supporting, mostly through the production of the standard crops that may be cultivated and harvested by the boys. There must be as large a tract purchased as may be, of the kind of land that is adapted to the growing of tree and bush fruits and nuts and the keeping of cows and poultry. There is no other one thing that will tend more largely to the making of the work such as to turn out law abiding and useful members of society. Work and play and study, and proper discipline, are all needed in a scheme of reformation, and the greatest of these is work, and work of the kind that will lead both to habits of industry and to trained capacity for useful careers.

WILL BE ADJUSTED

There is little danger of serious trouble because of Japanese exclusion. There has been a general agreement in effect for a long time, but we have had exclusion. The form may be changed just a little, as Americans are not going to hurt the sensibilities of the Japanese. The thrifty citizens have come here and made good. They have worked hard and saved. There has not been much crime among the Japanese who have come here. They have a better reputation in this respect than the Chinese, because the Chinamen are given to opium and kindred vices.

President Coolidge is on the job and he is doing his best to adjust matters to meet the demands of the radicals and save the feelings of the Japanese. There is always middle ground that is honorable if there is a desire to take it, and the Oregon Statesman does not fear any affront to Japan or anything but a fair compromise on the part of the radicals.

SOME GOOD NEWS

A European critic in correspondence gives it as his opinion that it will be a long time before there is another real war in Europe. They will never have peace such as we have, but they do have what to them amounts to the same thing. The nations are so suspicious of one another that they never will trust themselves in any way to any surrounding country. Europe cannot afford a war; it cannot finance a war. It will not have real peace because people who are suspicious very seldom are able to secure permanent peace but it is good news to have this authority tell us that there is no danger of real war.

ABOUT THE COMPLEXION

There is a face on the bulletin board across the street from the Statesman office advertising complexion, but the girl is not attractive and her appearance is not attractive.

now 62 years old, is selling her recipes for youth, and we have an idea that she too, is more bleached than preserved. At any rate there is enough in both of these things so that people in middle age and older are preserving their complexions and continuing to be youthful. It is really a sad sight to see a little dried up old woman when you know that with care of herself she would look just as well as the woman across the street who has only a few wrinkles. We take it that the women owe it to themselves, as well as to the world, to use enough beauty aids to make them attractive as elderly people, not as giddy youths.

MAKING MONEY

It has just been officially reported that the Rocky Ford district in Colorado operated at a distinct loss last year. The manager of a big farm in the Willamette valley tells us that he has operated at a loss three years. We know the wheat farmers are hit hard. There must be something fundamentally wrong, something economically wrong. America is remarkably prosperous, yet in so many lines the basic industries are not profitable. There must be some way found to equalize prices and stabilize production. It is not fair for any considerable portion of our people to operate at a loss in normal years. Disastrous catastrophes we will always have, but we will not always have unprofitable farming, fruit raising, or stock raising. We must adjust and readjust until an equitable basis is found.

NOT SO BAD

A good many of the stand-pat papers are getting all heated up over the farm bloc. They claim that it is working for selfish ends.

Until a bloc was organized the farmers always got the worst of it. Now they get the worst of it only part of the time. The old line republicans are responsible for all the trouble, however. Instead of trying to bring the progressives to ad-

vanced republicans they began trying to cut their throats so they could not pull the party forward. It has not had a good effect: it is not good politics in the first place, and it is no way to get men to act differently, in the second place.

FOREST FIRES

Forest fires are starting early this year and are very disastrous. A patrol is being maintained and the government is taking all the necessary precautions to prevent these fires, but people will be careless. Some of these days promiscuous camping will be outlawed. The northwest has lost millions because of fires started by careless campers.

Forest fires are mighty serious in this country because one-sixth of all the timber in America is bunched in Oregon, and a fire once started spreads rapidly. These moving pictures to educate the people are very desirable and are working well, but the fires continue.

GO TO IT

The city council under the leadership of the mayor is making a determined fight against the eyecore on the north Pacific highway, commonly called a junk yard. The owner is defiant, but public opinion will demand that he get out of there. No man has a right to desecrate his own premises to a detriment of his neighbors' premises and the health of the neighbors' children. There must be no letup until this unsightly place is moved.

A DERELICT GOVERNOR

Governor McCray of Indiana has been sent to jail for using the mail to defraud. In pronouncing sentence the judge declared that McCray was the worst offender he had ever known. A year ago when his high financing was discovered the party leaders tried to get him to resign. He refused, and now the people of Indiana have the humiliation of putting the governor in jail.

NEED A BRIDGE

We were glad to note that the people living in the vicinity of Wheatland have awakened to the fact that the only way they can get a bridge is by organized effort. The county board must be shown that the bridge is needed, and that the people are demanding it. A bridge is certainly much needed, and only by such an agitation as the one begun can a permanent bridge be secured.

The California Produce News is devoting a good deal of attention to Oregon and giving us a valuable profit for which we are very thankful.

The Fun Shop MAXSON PUBLISHING CO. VERSES AND REVERSES (By Samuel Hoffenstein)

Sleep my little treasure, Sleep my little tot; Mamma needs some pleasure, Which rocking you, is not; I love your little ways, dear, Your body pink and white, But you have mama's days, dear, So go to sleep at night.

A little dachshund used to say, "Things grow brighter every day; Sleet or snow or mist or hail, I was an optimistic tail." Little dog, you're not the first Whose hopes have gone from bad to WORST!

Two Characters in Search for an Author Peg: "I took a beauty nap this morning." Meg: "Really? What wakened you so soon, dear?" —Ernest Boyd.

Local and Personal Friends of Uncle Joe Whetsun will be grieved to learn that he was brutally assaulted by a couple of highwaymen Saturday night but was not killed.

Silas Foddergrass is out on the streets after having been confined to his house for six weeks with a broken leg much to his friends' relief.

Felix Stonebruse has received his badge and instruction book from the Neversleep Detective agency and is now looking around for something to detect. As a starter he might try to find out what has become of the Soldier's Monument fund.

Frenzied Finance (A Triolet) What good's our budget, The darned thing won't budge! Perhaps we misjudge it, But what good's our budget? What two R or mudge it, Its figures won't budge!

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Sayings of Socrates Everybody tells you not to worry, and then worries you.

The country is suffering from auto-intoxication.

It seems a Teapot will burn anything of anybody.

The good die young; no use taking chance with them.

Jack's Second Trial The second time that Jack proposed

"'Twas really a surprise, Though still I—gossips so supposed—"

Found favor in his eyes. His first avowal, months before, I'd treated with disdain And laughed at him the while we swore

He'd surely try again.

The second time that Jack proposed I never said a word, Though to assent I'd grown disposed

I simply overheard By accident his earnest plea While in the waltz's whirl; The second time 'twas not to me, But to another girl!

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EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

Objects to Name To the Editor of The Statesman and Salem in general: To Salem in general and the patrons of our schools, especially, the writer would like very much to see a better name selected for our new junior high school. Our new and commodious junior high school building will no doubt be a great credit to our fair city, and a much needed relief to our present school buildings. The name Parrish is very near and dear to the hearts of some of our old timers, but the writer feels that they should give way to a name that every school child, every passerby, and especially to every stranger or tourist passing the building, would easily realize and remember always. The writer has talked with several teachers and they tell me that every time the name Parrish is mentioned, an explanation is absolutely necessary and always will be, as but very few, if any, know anything about the Parrishes or the Parrish addition. No doubt many of the teachers don't know. The name the writer would suggest would be an everlasting advertisement for Salem.

The name the writer suggests would be "Salem's Junior High," and as stated above, every school child would know and realize at once. Yours truly, and in the interests of Salem's future, —H. L. CLARK.

Capital City Capital Editor Statesman: The Chamber of Commerce announces that the amount of money to be spent this year on Homes in Salem will total a million dollars. What is the secret of this growing prosperity of our Capital City? It has been stated over and over that the natural beauty of Salem is our greatest asset as a city. We have the river and the hills, and the stately public buildings. But what would our city be but for its trees? What a variety we boast, including our wonderful Marion Square, Wilson plaza and the arboretum about the state house. Then follow the banks of the two water courses that flow through our city, and follow the stream that threads its way down to and through the Bush park. What magnificent groves of oaks, ash and fir are standing in that splendid hundred acres, and not a tree to become the victim of the tree murderers!

Residents out on Twelfth street about baseball park vicinity are feeling outraged at the slaughtering of a grove of trees there that seems uncalled for. It is stated that it has been done without permission of the City Park Board, and probably some of the trees are on private property. The trees cut down included oaks, hundreds of years old, and balm trees two feet in diameter. There still stand a pair of twin balm trees 30 to 36 inches in diameter, easily a hundred feet high. Shall they fall by the axe for cord wood? Should not such great trees be spared as landmarks? Have we no com-

munity interest in such forest growths in the city that have been protected for three-fourths of a century? Should not our city council order a tree survey made and seek to preserve the most striking features of the municipal skyline?

Remember the beautiful fir grove that crowned Fairmount hill—slowly it has been vanishing. Think of that block of oak trees, some two hundred to three hundred years old, covering the hill owned by Mrs. W. P. Lord. Is it all to go to the woodshed? Should not our civic association and various women's organizations stand for the City Beautiful, that shall always be our greatest asset of distinction and delight thousands of tourists every month in the year? Every day and week in the year trees are being cut down here and there in our city and its suburbs, regardless of the community interest in this wonderful asset of natural beauty that adds millions to the value of property, compared to an absolutely treeless community.

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Things To Do

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STORIES OF PRECIOUS JEWELS

Jade—China's Most Highly-Prized Gem

Jade is not usually counted among the precious stones, yet to the Chinese and Japanese it is the most valuable of all gems, in fact, they measure the value of all other



The face here is one carved by skillful Chinese jewelry-makers.

stones in terms of jade. The Chinese say jade is a combination of five cardinal virtues, Jim, charity; Gi, modesty; Yu, courage; Ketsu, justice, and Chi, wisdom. They carve it most exquisitely in elaborate and fragile designs, for it is no harder than ordinary glass and so is not difficult to work upon. It is frequently used for carvings of the figures of Chinese gods.

Jade includes two stones which are very similar in appearance, greenstone and jadeite. Both are fibrous and tough and greenish.

Five Opinions Handed Down By Court Tuesday

The following opinions were handed down yesterday by the supreme court: J. T. Sullivan vs. P. Welch and Rogue River Valley Canal company, appellants; action for salary and monies advanced; appeal from Jackson county. Opinion by Justice Coshaw. Decree of Judge F. M. Calkins modified by reducing amount from judgment from \$1522.36 to \$522.36.

Frances I. Anderson, administratrix, vs. Patrick R. Maloney and Tom Swennes, appellants; appeal from Multnomah county; suit for damages; opinion by Justice Burnett. Judge Robert V. Morrow reversed.

In the matter of the application of Humphrey Barton for public road, Holland-Washington Mortgage company, appellant, vs. Humphrey Barton and Hood River county; appeal from Hood River county; appeal from judgment in

statutory proceeding for condemnation of land. Opinion by Justice Brown. Judge D. R. Parker affirmed. H. C. Atwell vs. Alfred Schmitt, appellant; appeal from Linn county; suit for satisfaction of claim. Opinion by Justice Rand. Judge George G. Bingham affirmed. Wiggins company, incorporated, appellant, vs. McMinnville Motor Car company, et al; appeal from Yamhill county, suit to set aside chattel mortgage. Opinion by Chief Justice McBride. Judge H. H. Belt affirmed. L. M. Cox admitted to bar for nine months on probation; certificate from Iowa; to practice in Portland.

WHEATLAND

A meeting was held in the vicinity of Wheatland Saturday evening, April 19 for the purpose of considering a plan to secure a bridge across the Willamette river

at Wheatland, connecting Marion and Yamhill counties.

The meeting was well attended. It voted unanimously for a bridge. A permanent organization was elected and adjourned to meet again Monday evening, May 5. All interested are requested to attend.

FUTURE DATES

April 29 to May 3—Shrine circus to be held in Salem. May 9 and 10, Friday and Saturday—State convention of Disabled World War veterans, Salem. May 11, Sunday—Mothers' day. May 16, Friday—Primary election in Oregon. May 24, Saturday—Yeomen to meet Oregon realm of Rhodamantus. June 10, Tuesday—Hospitality union at convention meets in Cleveland. June 14, Saturday—Annual Marion County Sunday School picnic. June 22, Sunday—Idaho County picnic at fair grounds. June 24, Tuesday—Democratic nation at convention meets in New York. July 16 to 23—Chautauque season in Salem.

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DODGE BROTHERS SALES

6576 Dodge Brothers Motor Cars (or over 1,000 cars per day) were delivered to retail purchasers during the week ending April 19th—not including cars for export or overseas.

This breaks all Dodge Brothers retail delivery records.

Figures for the first three weeks of April are:—

Week ending April 5th . 5694 Week ending April 12th . 6106 Week ending April 19th . 6576

Each week since October 1923, deliveries of Dodge Brothers Cars to users have shown a consistent gain over the corresponding week of any previous year.

DODGE BROTHERS DETROIT

THIS PURE CREAM ENDS HEAD COLDS Apply in Nostrils—It Opens Air Passages Instantly Colds and catarrh yield like magic to soothing, healing anti-septic cream that penetrates through every air passage and relieves swollen, inflamed membranes of nose and throat. Your clogged nostrils open right up and you can breathe freely. Hawking and snuffling stop. Don't stay stuffed up and miserable. Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist. Apply a little in the nostrils and get instant relief. Millions endorse this remedy known for more than fifty years.—Adv.

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