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June 4, 1925 I SHALL NOT WANT:-The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want...Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. Psalm 23: 1, 6.

LOWEST PRICED LAND IN THE WORLD HERE

The Slogan editor of The Statesman has been saying and repeating for six years that the lowest priced land in the world is in the Salem district, considering the potential productive value-

And proving it.

No particular claim is made as to the low price of the bare land in this district-

Much cheaper land considered as mere acreage may be found in many countries-in Mexico or Africa or Russia, for instance-

But the claim is made when potential value is taken into consideration-

And the full potential value of any single acre of land in the Salem district will not be realized till it is put to its best use. For instance, beaver dam land in this section is worth perhaps \$100 an acre to raise hay on, while it is well worth \$1000 an acre on which to raise celery or onions or onion sets or head lettuce. It is worth several times its hay price to raise mint on.

The same claim may be made as to good land for walnuts, filberts, red or black raspberries, evergreen blackberries, loganberries, etc., and as to three or four or five story farming in a number of combinations, as for instance tree or bush fruits and nuts and poultry and bees.

And there is a great possible diversity-

As has been said and repeated many times in these columns, this is the land of diversity; this is the country of opportunity.

Salem is essentially a farming center; a fruit growing and gardening center. The greatest prosperity and growth of Salem will come with the greatest prosperity and growth. of the surrounding country-And that will come with the best possible use of the land; with the production of the most valuable money crops on each acre of land; with intensified and diversified farming developed to the limit, following the slogan, "More acres and more to the acre," and sticking everlastingly at it. To the prospective new comer, the writer will say that a well posted man made the assertion not long ago that there are more than 100,000 acres of land within a radius of twenty miles of Salem that, planted to the right crops, may be made to produce money returns that will pay for the purchase price of the land each year.

Union high school will pass upon the dissolution of their district. The school is reported in excellent condition by reliable school authorities and it appears to The Statesman a backward step if dissolution shall prevail. The advantages of the school educationally are obvious.

High school districts where the Gervais pupils would attend are reimbursed by the taxpayers of the county including those in the Gervais district for the full cost of instructing

these pupils. These costs include: Salaries of teachers and janitors; supplies; fuel; water; light and power; telephone; printing; insurance; stationery; repairs; transportation; interest on current warrants; interest upon fair valuation of the investment in the high school buildings after depreciation has been taken into account. And while Gervais will have to pay her full share of this expense of the other schools, she will receive no tuition from pupils outside her own district who now attend her high school-a matter of growing importance.

Her pupils who attend high school elsewhere will be away from home or must find transportation for a considerable distance, with the result that probably some who would go to high school in their own district will not attend elsewhere. The location of a high school is a valuable asset to any community. The voters should take all these matters into consideration before they vote to dissolve their excellent high school.

## TRIFLING WITH THE LAW

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The attempt of all public authorities to suppress the sale of corrupt magazines and other literature is commendable. Municipalities generally are subjecting this feature of immoral suggestion to closer scrutiny just now than usual. The matter of unclean literature persists and strangely the cleanup process goes on intermittently.

After special effort the aroused public conscience usually lapses into a state of security or indifference and the dissemination of the vile stuff increases until persons or organizations whose sense of decency is shocked offer indignant opposition. And to these latter who do demand protection mocking. from these evil influences every encouragement possible should be given.

At the nation's capitol notice has been served on dealers to sell no more unclean literature. The manager of a theatre has been arrested for specializing in obscene dialog; but this was not done until after complaints by different public organizations. The district attorney has just recently served notice on the men responsible for prize fight exhibitions in Washington auditorium that the law against these fights in the District of Columbia will be strictly enforced.

The question arises-why were these unlawful exhibitions permitted at all when the officers of the law knew they were in defiance of the laws they as officials had taken oath cards all nicely laid faces up on to enforce and obey?

Why should any person who knowingly disobeys the law or refuses to perform his official duty in the enforcement of the law be treated with the courtesy of a notice? Why thus to mask it with bravado. make a joke of law and its enforcement?



That is a rather sweeping statement; but he proved it-And that land is surely cheap that will pay its entire cost each year. That statement cannot be made of any similar body of land in the world; and proved.

And land values here will go on increasing for generations, when the land is put to the right uses.

For instance, filbert trees will increase in value for many this life suddenly and unexpected- seed and flower growing, nut culyears; so will walnut trees-for hundreds if not thousands of 1y by a cow kicking him on the ture, etc., etc. vears.

With proper rotations and renewals by fertilization, our servant." land will never wear out. The oldest land in the world in continuous use is the richest land in the world; for instance, in France and Italy and Spain.

If this issue of The Statesman shall give a little more faith in our agricultural and horticultural resources to our own home people, and shall induce a few people to come to ress came from the kitchen bearthis land of diversity and country of opportunity and become boosters for this great district, its mission will have been accomplished.

There is so far only one injury from the more than flood, and the ark landing on Mt. find this a subject for try-outs. usually abundant showers the Salem district has been having Ararat, surely!" in the past few weeks, and that is the certainty that they will cause our growers to forget that in some seasons we three days." are not blessed with such abundant rains; that some of our crops suffer from lack of precipitation. This year, our strawberries are getting almost too much rain-or at least a threat of too much. But this is unusual. It is seldom that our strawberries cannot be increased greatly in yield by irrigation: the late varieties doubled or more than doubled in yield, and vastly improved in quality. The same is true of our bush fruits, and of most of our crops. So that, even in seasons of abundant rain like the present one, we should prepare for dry seasons. We should be ready to give our crops water when the rains fail in the growing season.

## SAVE THE HIGH SCHOOL

A general movement is on over the state for the establishment of union high schools. In Marion county there are ye?' yelled Bob Bowline." two of them, one at Gervais and the other at St. Paul.

The union high school is a cooperative movement for the purpose of organizing and maintaining better schools than can be organized and maintained by single districts. By this union better buildings may be provided, better qualified teachers employed and better equipment furnished.

The success of these high schools has been general However, instances occur where there are attempts at d tion. On the fifteenth of this month the voters of Gervais

Trifling with the law by giving its defiants opportunity to disobey or ignore it and then escape punishment through a gentle notice that the law will be enforced is productive of law breakers. Not until law enforcement is a matter of fact instead of a possibility will our laws be respected and obeyed.

The state grange now in annual session is handling matters of taxation and education vigorously.

in the Salem district. A grower in this district can INNER STORIES

make his land worth what he starts out to make it worth, by In an out-of-the-way corner of raising the right kinds of money Boston graveyard stands a crops; by rotation; by irrigation; brown board showing the marks by three, four, five, six and seven of age and neglect. It bears the story farming, and on up to skyinscription: "Sacred to the memscraper proportions, including ory of Eben Harvey, who departed poultry, pigs, honey bees, dairying,

15th of September, 1858. Well 5 5 5 done, thou good and faithful We have a couple of hundred thousand people in Salem's trad-

ing district and we have room for The commercial traveler had ten millions. We will ere long een obliged to remain in a small employ a million, directly and intown for the night on account of directly, in the flax and linen in- with which he accompanied the the effects of a heavy rainstorm dustries. This is the place for men of vision, industry, know how, tuition." on the railway. At breakfast the next morning working intelligently and diligent-

the storm still raged. As the wait- ly with the forces of nature. ing his order the traveler turned Some volunteer flax has already to her and remarked:

"What a terrible storm! It cerplant. As suggested last year, tainly looks like the flood." this crop grown in this way. The "The what?" "The flood. You've read of the Oregon Agricultural college might

5 5 5 'No, mister," returned the wait- H. M. Mead, our bee king, ess. "I ain't seen a paper for speaking to the Salem Rotary club for nabbing her."

yesterday on honey bees, showed that he knows his subject, down per replied sullenly. Representative Britten, the bet- to the last detail. He proved to Washington tea:

Some of my opponents seem absolutely, and he interested land business.

"Bob Bowline took his best girl out one day, and a trolley car **Novices to Movies Find** 

"'Ahoy, ye blind landlubber, Bob roared at the conductor. can't ye see where yer goin'? Ye might have killed my lady friend

"'Ah, what's eatin' snarled the conductor. driving this car, am 1?' "'But yer steerin' her, ain't

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That describes our land si

nearly ran over her.

ou mean." she said.

ery.

"You will before I'm through touring has caused these cities to with you," he said, his voice suddenly menacing beneath the drawl. able places to camp, realizing "You've double-crossed me, and it what a great advertisement they never has been considered exactly are and knowing that most tourhealthy to do that to me."

"Your Little Game Is Up."

"I haven't." she began defiantly, but his voice with the sharpness of a whiplash cut short her lights, fuel and all that goes to make the tourist comfortable. protest.

"You brought Madge Graham here. She's here now. Oh. you needn't trouble yourself to think extended by their hosts. up any lies about it! I saw her." "Now I know you're lying," the

abuse the hospitality offered by girl retorted, stressing the prothe cities that have modern campnoun ing grounds. "What a complacent, cocksure,

Before leaving camping grounds courteous charmer you are." His tourists should leave their camp tone was meditative, then changed site clean, free from paper or lit abruptly. "But you're only wastter of any sort. They should leave ling time stalling. I saw her in the camp in as good condition as Tony's, and I've been within a few they found it. rods of you ever since."

"In Tony's?" Grace Draper replied, and again I detected nerv-**GENERAL MARKETS** ousness. "Then you were-"The man on the motorcycle,' he returned, and I could imagine PORTLAND, June 3-Butter. the grandiloquent mocking bow

extras, 43c; standards 42c; prime first 31c; firsts 40c. words, "Exactly, Marvelous in-Eggs, extras 35c; pullets 32c; urrent receipts 31c. I caught my breath at the revel-

ation. So my own intuition had not been at fault, although I had

thy \$20@21; ditto eastern Ore not thought of Harry Underwood gon \$21@24.50; alfalfa \$20.50@ been brought to the state flax during those hours of suspense in 21; clover \$17.50; oat hay nomithe limousine. But he was speaknal; cheat \$11.70; oat and vetch there should be experiments with ing again, slowly, icily, this time. \$20@21: straw \$8.50 per ton. "So, you see, your little game Selling prices \$2 a ton more. is up," he said. "And I'm waiting **Grain** Futures

to hear why you butted in on my Wheat hard white BS, Baard game. You agreed to leave that June \$1.60; July \$1.50; soft dame to me when the time came

white June \$1.60: July \$1.47: western white, hard winter June "They wanted her," Grace Dra-\$1.59; July \$1.47; northern spring June \$1.59; July \$1.45;

Madge Is Amazed.

"You mean you wanted her." he retorted. "Much they care

feed June \$37. No. 3, 38 pound one who knows anything, and I'm the only one who can land him. \$47.50; July \$48. The old fool still thinks I'm vir-

gin wool." Studio Doors Closed I stifled a despairing cry with

the coverlet. What awful thing did this speech mean? Of course HOLLYWOOD, Cal., May 30 .-Another studio has joined the gen- the "old man" meant my father. and I knew only too well his uneral movement adopted by Hollywood to discourage America's swerving bellet in Harry Under-"movie struck" in their rush at wood's integrity. Had I been right the gates to film fame. The gen- and he wrong after all? Had all eral manager of this studio has, Harry Underwood's protestations in effect, hung out a sign read- of friendship and loyalty, his asing: "No newcomers need apply." sertion that he was a "glorified

"The only way the picture in- stool pigeon" in the camp of the dustry can retain players," he conspirators, been black, treachpointed out, "is by giving them erous falsehoods? enough work to make a living. "What's the difference which And every pay check given to one of ns gets her as long as you those struggling to pry their way are as sore at her as you pretend into the studios is one taken from to be?" Grace Draper asked. "If the already overlarge colony of to get even with her is all you experienced players.'

want, I promise you she won't Greamery butter Butterfal, deliver need any disciplining after I get tion. Put it over strong and there A city of beautiful streets and through with her. And surely to will be no dull days in farming well-kept lawns. Salem, Oregon have dragged her here yourself

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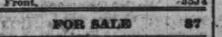
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