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And He spoke to His disciples, that a small ship should wait on Him because of the multitude, lest they should through Him...

CHURCH GOING PRESIDENTS

The dispatches of last Sunday told of President Coolidge attending a little white country church holding scarcely 100 persons, at a service conducted by a white-haired blind preacher...

Another dispatch of last Sunday told of Herbert Hoover and his family attending the little Quaker church in down town Washington.

Most of our presidents have been church goers. President Roosevelt gave nine reasons why one should attend church. They follow:

- 1. In this actual world, a churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs... 2. Church work and church attendance mean the cultivation of the habit of feeling some responsibility for others...

FLAX HAS ARRIVED

(Oregon Voter)

Thanks to the courage and business acumen of Thomas B. Kay and the loyal co-operation of Salem business men and a few Portlanders, flax has arrived as a genuine Oregon industry...

Kay took hold of the Salem linen mills venture while it was still in the promotion stage. To unify the industry, he later took on the Miles linen mills, which already was well established in production of fishnet twines...

While Kay is an intensely practical man, anything but a dreamer, he has a vision of what the flax industry can mean to the Willamette valley, due to climatic advantages peculiar to western Washington and western Oregon...

Then our penitentiary, thanks to Governor Withycombe, Governor Olcott and Governor Pierce, installed flax retting and scutching machinery as a means of finding employment for convicts. The product, flax straw, gradually found a pre-

carious market, many carloads being shipped to eastern linen mills. By painful and expensive experience, means of economizing in production and of improving quality were found.

A few years ago there came to Oregon an Ontario linen manufacturer accompanied by a tall, earnest gentleman who was sized up as a machinery salesman. Events proved that instead of merely intending to exploit flax zeal to dispose of machinery to deluded enthusiasts he was genuinely interested...

Mr. Kay has the confidence of Portland business men to an extraordinary degree. He will have no difficulty in getting a hearing from any of them, but he is a busy man (incidentally being state treasurer) and will be unable to make a personal canvass.

The above, from the Oregon Voter, is worthy of special mention; very special mention—

Because C. C. Chapman, publisher of that paper, has not heretofore been enthusiastic about the flax and linen industries. In fact, he has at various times, by his cynicism in regard to the industry, "thrown a monkey wrench" into the progress its development, as he himself intimates.

But, in the language of the old revival call, "so long as the lamp holds out to burn, the vilest sinner may return," and Mr. Chapman is welcomed with open arms into the company of the elect, the flax and linen enthusiasts of Oregon.

He sees the vision—and it is a clear vision, that will open out to greater things than he now contemplates, and sooner than his predictions suggest.

WITH THANKS AND APPRECIATION

Editor Statesman:

We have been greatly interested in the editorials in your paper recently with reference to the sugar beet activity and want you to know that our interest is just the same as it has been all the time and you will recall we spent about \$1,000 in sending out men to help get this industry started.

We believe you are right in attempting to secure one thousand or two thousand acres just as close to Salem as possible so as to keep the activity grouped closely together, and if you find any place where we can assist you, do not hesitate to call on us.

R. H. KIPP,

Manager Agriculture-Marketing Department

(The above is written on the stationery of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. It is received with thanks and appreciation. For the 1000 or 2000 acres, perhaps no outside help will be needed. But the writer believes we should go out after 7000 to 10,000 acres of sugar beets, and a factory, and that, now, we can make it; especially with the help of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. There has been a great awakening concerning the importance of the beet sugar industry here; a great change.—Ed.)

Salem's financial policy on public school education is to be commended. For years that city has clung to a levy of about 13.2 mills, which includes \$10,000 a year for new buildings. It is paying off an old bond issue, but avoids the issuance of new bonds, which is sensible. This year it will be necessary to fix up class rooms in attics and basements of public school buildings. This is not an ideal condition, but it is an intensely practical method, assuming that due regard is had for safeguarding against fire hazards.

There is very important news in the Slogan pages this morning, about hops in general; and especially about a possible breaking down of the English hop industry. That might mean disaster to our industry, but for one thing. That thing is the 24 cent a pound protective tariff duty of the United States. If there come the disaster feared in England, all our Democratic hop growers will surely be protectionists.

George of Georgia Now At Houston Convention

HOUSTON, Texas, June 23.—(AP)—Senator George, of Georgia, one of those upon whom the southern democrats may concentrate in their drive to stop Gov. Smith, arrived in the convention city last night to carry forward his campaign for presidential nomination.

Sen. Simmons Unable To Attend Convention

WASHINGTON, June 23.—(AP)—Senator Simmons of North Carolina, who led the opposition in his state against the candidacy of Governor Smith of New York, announced today that he would not attend the democratic convention at Houston, Texas. He said his decision was made on the advice of his physicians, as he had not fully recovered from the effects of a recent operation.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

June 23, 1903 Murray Wade of Portland visited over Sunday with Salem friends.

Hon. C. B. Moores went to Oregon City yesterday afternoon.

John F. Hall of Marshfield, one of the prominent attorneys of that city, was in Salem yesterday transacting business.

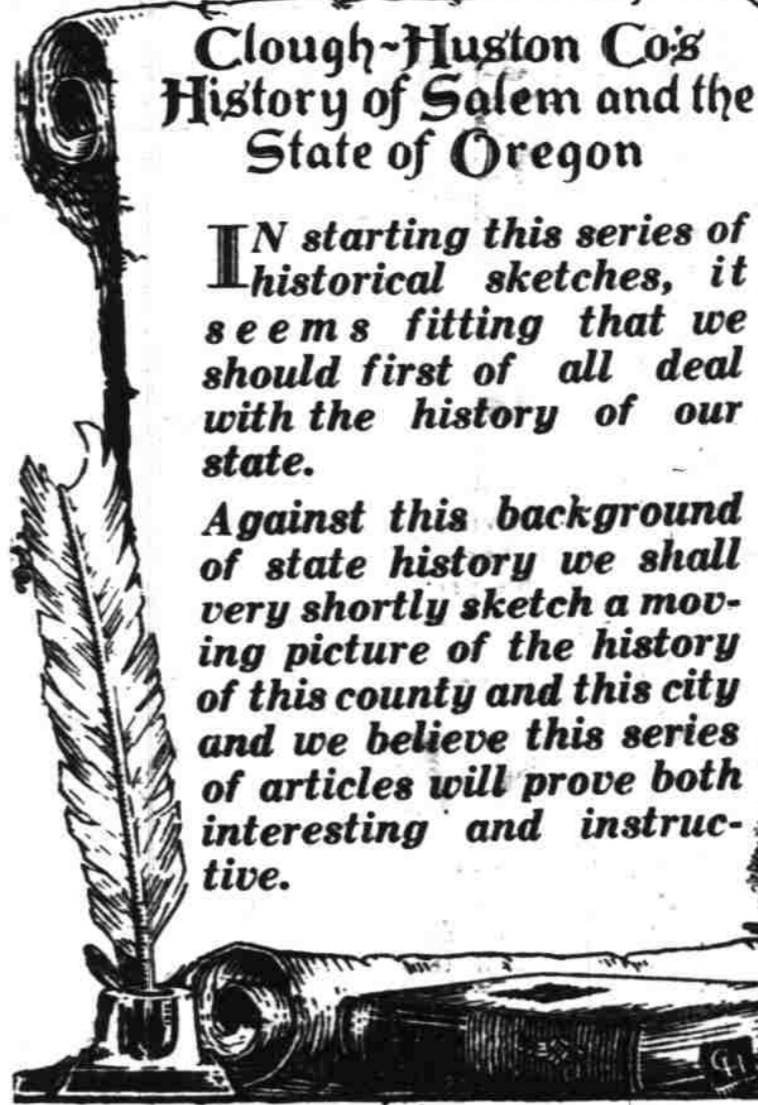
An open air concert given by the Salem Military Band will initiate the new band stand at the Marion Square Wednesday evening.

Prof. W. C. Hawley went to Albany last night to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hawley's mother, Mrs. John Geisendorfer.

Salem is again at the top of the column in the Willamette valley league standings. The Raglans won from Albany 10 to 2 Sunday.

Prof. W. E. McElroy, late leader of the Eugene band, will reorganize the Salem Military band.

The ladies' auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will hold the last meeting of the season this afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. building.



Clough-Huston Co's History of Salem and the State of Oregon

IN starting this series of historical sketches, it seems fitting that we should first of all deal with the history of our state.

Against this background of state history we shall very shortly sketch a moving picture of the history of this county and this city and we believe this series of articles will prove both interesting and instructive.

WE are all interested in the early history of our community because the past is almost always valuable as a source of information. We learn from others by studying the past.

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SUNDAY GUESSING

By the Regular Guesser

Have you noticed the dozens of slightly colonial houses going up between the State fair grounds and the Tom Kay properties south of the old Garden road?

The influence of the flax mills is throwing the weight of new homes toward the north. A great deal of the cemetery property to the south not yet filled with graves should be saved for residence districts on the south side of the city to maintain the balance in the growth and development of the rapidly growing capital city.

Americans gave two billion two hundred nineteen million, seven hundred thousand dollars in 1927 to education, philanthropic, religious and charitable organizations. (\$2,219,700,000), and it is not out of order for Willamette university to make a drive for a million or two addition to their endowment fund.

The exposures by a senate committee-headed by a senator from Oregon of the vast sums supposed to have been spent by presidential candidates have faded in public interest when nothing was revealed in the way of scandalous sums. Our country is so large and spread the qualifications of an individual candidate over the forty-eight states is no longer like taking up a collection for a Sunday school picnic.

Mere nominated candidates for the legislature fighting over the presidency of the senate and the speakership of the house may be an ancient political custom in Oregon, but it has kept an old combination in control of state affairs for the past twenty years, and a deficit of nearly three millions in state affairs does not look very encouraging for those who pay the bills and are clamoring for a half-way decent business administration of affairs.

Salem has now a full-fledged ham-sandwich and fried-chicken dinner parlor conducted by the original fat-boy barbeque man who made such a success on the Pacific highway that he was asked by some of his friends to sell out and start the same kind of a place in Hollywood, the theatre district of the fair grounds neighborhood.

West Salem continues to be the objective of seekers for artistic homes. Each new building going up has a touch of the Bohemian or Hollywood kick that the artist spirit brings with it.

Enlisting prominent citizens in the founding of a memorial park, the latest idea for displacing the old-fashioned cemetery with its collection of moss-grown tombstones leaning in all directions, and some with fences fallen down, the memorial park being a construction of the art of the landscape gardener, running streams of water, lakes and pools, terraces and flower gardens, with no weeping willows or other shrubbery of the sorrowful and mournful varieties, is a project of the W. A. Laidlaw and son and son-in-law families. The senior Laidlaw is from San Diego, but they formerly lived in Hillsboro, where the son was born but married into an eastern Oregon family, when the Laidlaws were connected with the Wasco Warehouse and Milling company owned by the McCoy and Atwoods.

It would be a fine idea to give the proposed new boulevard to be built south from Fairmount park through the present cemeteries to Salem Heights and on to the new Memorial Park the same name. What a great number of sites for new and beautiful homes would be brought into market by such a program. Coolidge was not joking, the

THE MORNING ARGUMENT

AUNT HET By Robert Quillen



"Little brags about havin' more sense than her husband, but any women that's got more sense than her husband has got too much sense to let him find it out." (Copyright, 1928, Publishers Syndicate.)

POOR PA By Claude Callan



"I feel mean about writin' my sister Nan that we wouldn't be at home, but I guess it really would be awful hard on Ma to cook for company in hot weather." (Copyright, 1928, Publishers Syndicate.)

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Baptist Convention Hears Plea for Old Religion

DETROIT, June 22.—(AP)—What she termed the "appalling secularism" of contemporary life and the decline of prayer were cited by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery of Rochester, N. Y., before the Northern Baptist convention meeting here as the greatest evils besetting the church today.

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