

GROWING The "New" Statesman is gaining new fields with every issue. Literally scores of subscribers rally to the new newspaper every day.

FLAX GROWERS REQUEST STATE PURCHASE CROP Contract With Vancouver, Wash., Mill Falls Through; Capital Lacking Farmers From North End of County Will Interview Board of Control

There is a "pretty pickle" of flax in the north end of Marion county, and in several other sections of this district, with respect to the flax acreage that was contracted to the Vancouver, Wash., linen mills.

Superintendent Henry W. Meyers of the penitentiary and Col. W. B. Bartram, manager of the industries there, announced early that they would not recommend the purchase of any flax not grown under state flax industry contracts and conditions—wishing to avoid the handling of poor quality or woody flax.

SHIP LOADED WITH POWDER BLOWS UP TACOMA, Aug. 6.—(AP)—A terrific explosion on board a ship in the narrows, just west of Tacoma, rocked the city at 7 o'clock. The boat was first believed to be the Margaret Dollar but later turned out to be the La Blanca.

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Drum Corps to Go To Texas Despite Loss at Medford Not daunted by their defeat at Medford, the drum and bugle corps of Capital Post No. 8, American Legion, three times Oregon champions, will make the trip to San Antonio to compete in the national contest.

Liquor Episode Gets Arbuckle In Court Again LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6.—(AP)—A story of another "wild party" in which Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle figured has called the once famous film funster into court—this time as a result of divorce suit filed here today by his wife, Doris Dean, screen actress.

FRAUD CHARGED TO TWO SEATTLE MEN SEATTLE, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Charged with obtaining approximately \$200,000 from several hundred small investors by the sale of fraudulent mining stock, Peter Torbo and Charles S. Cressler of the Mount Rainier Mining company of Enclaw were brought today before United States Commissioner A. C. Bowman in a preliminary hearing.

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NEW INSURANCE LAW PROPOSED AT CONFERENCE Clare A. Lee Asks System Similar to Licensing of Realty Dealers Insured Entitled to Protection, State Official Tells 200 Visitors

A stand in favor of a new qualification law for all kinds of insurance agents, "something in the nature of the present real estate dealer's requirement for license, inclusive of the bond," was taken yesterday by Clare A. Lee, Oregon state insurance commissioner, speaking before nearly 200 insurance men gathered from all parts of the state to effect an organization.

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John B. Holman Salem Pioneer Closes Career John B. Holman, 89, well known in this city since he moved here from Canada at the age of 27, passed away at about 7 o'clock last night, following a gradual decline in health that had continued for about a year.

COOLIDGE SAYS HOOVER SURE TO BE ELECTED Hard Work Necessary, But Little Doubt Seen as to Vote Result Usually Reticent U. S. President Shows Interest in 1928 Campaign

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Obregon Death Conspirators? Here are the first pictures of the alleged conspirators in the assassination of President-elect Obregon of Mexico to reach the United States, Mexican authorities having at last permitted them to be photographed in jail.

Mexican Church Makes Denial of Connection With Obregon's Death MEXICO CITY, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Statement declaring that the Mexican clergy is completely innocent of the crime of the assassination of President-elect Obregon was issued in Mexico City today in behalf of the Episcopal sub-committee. The statement was sent to the newspapers in the name of the Archbishop Miguel De La Mora of San Luis Potosi.

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LABOR UNDECIDED ON CAMPAIGN ISSUE ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 6.—(AP)—The executive council of the American Federation of Labor failed today after an afternoon of discussion of the political situation, to reach a decision on endorsement of Herbert Hoover or Alfred E. Smith for the presidency.

Flyers Who Failed Ocean Trip Arrive in America To Tell of Experiences NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Captain Frank T. Courtney and the three companions who cheated death as a result of the seaplane "Whale" which crashed at sea in mid-ocean reached New York today on the liner which picked them off the floating wreck of their aircraft.

Brigadier General Charles Porter Dies ST. LOUIS, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Brigadier-General Charles L. Porter, 64, a veteran in the light for his companions who cheated death as a result of the seaplane "Whale" which crashed at sea in mid-ocean reached New York today on the liner which picked them off the floating wreck of their aircraft.

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CONTRACT LET N. HIGH BRIDGE TO LOCAL FIRM C. O. Engstrom, One of Successful Bidders, Resigns From City Council Successor's Selection Deferred; Call Bids on South Liberty Project

Contracting firm, was the low bidder on the North High street bridge construction job, with a bid of \$27,075, and accordingly was awarded the contract at last night's city council meeting.

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WEATHER Max. temperature Monday 80; Min. 52; Tuesday 78; Wednesday part cloudy; no change in temperature; gentle winds.

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