

JOHN FARMER RAPS BUY NOW CAMPAIGN

Salem Residents are Urged To Report Cooperation With Program

This is an appeal to good recovery supporters. Nope, not for money. Listen:

An indignant John Farmer (naturally, not his real name) rushed the counter at the Statesman office the other morning.

"Where's the fellow who's writing all this Buy-Now bologna? I'll tell him something." John hardly paused for an answer as he started to unload, something in this manner:

"Who the heck do you 'spose is paying any attention to that stuff. Why don't you leave a blank space in your paper if that's all you got to write about—say, I'll bet you my next year's hay crop there hasn't been \$25 spent in Salem today on account of this Buy-Now rignamole."

"How can us farmers Buy-Now— we got all we can do to buy bread and corn meal, let alone buying new stoves, 'n davenport and a lot of other things we can get a long without. Why any dumb fool oughta know you can't buy when you ain't got no money."

Right there gave the reporter the first opening; 'twas only an observation.

"Well, there won't be any money until more people get work and there won't be more work for more people unless people who have a few extra dollars now spend 'em."

But that didn't mean anything to John Farmer, and he let loose again along his own line. But why go into that more? The reporter got an idea: Why not let the buyers themselves say whether or not they are behind President Roosevelt's Buy-Now campaign?

And say, folks, that's where you come in. Merchants say they have no way of checking definitely, but they're sure some of the increased buying this month has been due to Buy-Now efforts. And that's the word that's been printed here.

But John Farmer says it's a "lotta bologna."

Now you, patient reader, can step in and show John Farmer he's all wet, speaking fairly politely.

What have you bought as a direct result of the Buy-Now campaign started in Salem November 9 and to continue for one month?

Whether it's something big or little, costly or cheap. If you bought it because of the Buy-Now activities, let's hear about it. Write it down and drop the message to the Statesman, care Buy-Now writer. Of course, if you want to sign your name, it's fine; your initials will do. Or drop the message on a post card.

But come on, let's show John Farmer that Salem is supporting the Buy-Now movement in earnest.

Wettest State's Liquor Laws Console Drys



Consolation for dry losers in the recent repeal fight is seen in the adoption of a stringent set of liquor regulations by New York State. The old saloon is definitely banned. Liquor may be served with meals or without meals in licensed restaurants, but the drinker must sit at a table—no more bars or brass rails or back rooms. Retail liquor stores may sell beverages for home consumption on a strict cash and carry basis, purchases being limited to three quarts to a customer at one time. The regulations, framed by the State Alcoholic Beverage Control Board under chairmanship of Edward P. Mulrooney, may serve as a model whereupon other States may create similar control laws.

Bits for Breakfast

vide the guarantees which Dr. Diemel sought.

M. C. McMillan, superintendent of industries for the Minnesota state prison at Stillwater, told the writer, visiting there last year, that the Oregon penitentiary might have a good field for the making of ply goods, from our flax and hemp fiber; that a highly superior article might be manufactured here.

Mr. McMillan is a cousin of Isaac E. Staples, state senator from Multnomah county, well known in the Salem district. Mr. McMillan has been at the head of the prison industries in his state for a generation—the largest and finest operation of its kind in the United States, or in the world.

He has recently put in a plant for making ply goods, from sisal and manilla hemp fiber, mostly the latter, the former coming from Mexico and East Africa and the latter from the Philippines. Manilla hemp fiber has no relation to that of the plant called hemp. Nearly all ropes are made from manilla hemp. He has found a great demand for the ply goods, and he believes there would be ready sale for the higher class goods we could make here from fibers of our own growth. Minnesota cannot grow either.

Mr. McMillan's suggestion would apply with equal validity to private plants in the Salem district. But the field is large; as said before, it covers over 100 articles of commerce.

How would the building and operation of linen mills in the Salem district put back on the map neighboring small cities, towns

and villages? With the steady and full operation of Salem's present two linen mills, they would require much more fiber than can be turned out from the state plant at the prison.

With such a plant as Dr. Diemel proposed to build and operate, there would be necessary the production here of several times the tonnage of fiber it would use, because it would be able to take only the kind in leaf (fineness) specifications needed for its specialty.

So there would have to be, in course of time, retting and scutching plants in all the cities and towns of the valley. Organized co-operatively, the farmers in the various districts could get federal funds for building these retting and scutching plants and providing the extensive warehouse space necessary for them.

The labor would be drawn from the local sections, and the scutching might be carried on throughout the wet seasons, or even the whole year, by supplying sprinkling systems, and thus keep boys and girls at home, instead of obliging them to go away as now to get work and make their careers.

Had E. H. Harriman lived a few years longer, all this would have come about ere now. He had it under serious consideration, with definite plans, in his last years. Mrs. W. P. Lord, the pioneer flax enthusiast of Oregon, was well aware of this, and active in promoting it; the same being true as to the plans of Dr. Diemel. The writer has in his files some of the correspondence in connection with it.

If we could now have such leadership, that would enlist the support of all the interests that

would largely benefit from the certain doubling of the population of Salem from the securing of the one mill, to make Hnen mesh goods for the American trade, it would prove the best community investment that could be made—and, all our people thoroughly convinced of this, the undertaking could be put over.

Thus Salem's population would be doubled within five years or less, and all the other benefits mentioned would certainly follow.

Can the reader think of any other way to double the population of Salem so quickly? Or any other way that would bring about the certain and solid advancement of the whole central Willamette valley?

Belfast is a metropolitan city of a half million population. And Belfast district linen manufacturers must import from other countries, with tariff duties, 85 per cent of the flax and hemp fibers to supply their raw materials.

And they must take what they can get, from Russia, Poland, Holland, France and Belgium, etc., bad, good and indifferent in quality. And they must stand the tariff charges on their manufactured goods sent to other countries—largely the United States. (Continued tomorrow)

Transient Relief Director Coming

Clarence Reynolds of Portland, director of transient relief for the state relief committee, is expected to arrive in Salem today to outline plans for cooperative operation of Hotel de Minio, transients' quarters conducted by city police in city hall here since 1931. Renovation of the place, located on third floor of city hall, has already been started.

MIGRATORY LABOR IS NOT PREFERRED

Rules for Re-Employment Received by Barnes From PWA Counsel

Migrating ex-service men are not to be given preference over bona fide residents of a community where PWA projects are planned, according to a ruling received yesterday by E. T. Barnes, manager of the local federal re-employment office. The opinion regarding the order of preference to be observed, was handed down by B. V. Cohen, associate counsel for federal administration of public works.

The opinion reports the national recovery act was not intended to encourage the migration of labor from one district to another as this practice would defeat the aims of the administration to provide work where the unemployment situation was acute. The veterans were given a preferential, not an exclusive right, the opinion reported.

"The preference accorded, fairly construed, is not absolute and unqualified, but is a preference when other conditions are similar," the opinion said. "Veterans are entitled to a preference ahead of others in any given group but non-resident veterans are not entitled to preference ahead of residents."

Following is the order of preference which will be followed in the hiring of labor for PWA projects.

- 1—Veterans with dependents, who are residents of the political subdivision or county in which the work is to be performed.
- 2—Other citizens and aliens, who have declared their intention of becoming citizens, who are bona fide residents of such political subdivision or county.
- 3—Veterans with dependents who are bona fide residents of the state, territory or district in which the work is to be performed.
- 4—Other citizens and aliens, who have declared their intention of becoming citizens, who are bona fide residents of the state, territory, or district, where the work is to be performed.

Prunes, Walnuts Feature Candies West Will Make

A candy bar which utilizes Oregon prunes and walnuts, both raised on large scale about Salem, in a delicious blend is being manufactured at 265 North Commercial street by Benjamin F. West and distribution has already started in Oregon and Washington. Prunewal is the trade name for the chocolate-dipped confection.

Associated with West in the venture is Mrs. West, and so far they are employing two persons part time. Special heed to strict sanitation has been given both in the candy kitchen and the dipping and cooling room.

Response with which the bar has already met leads West to believe he may eventually build up a business that will employ a score or more persons and use a considerable quantity of local prunes and walnuts.

Community Clubs

HOPEWELL, Nov. 20. — The general community club meeting has been changed from its usual date, November 24, to December 1. The program committee, Mrs. J. W. Versteeg, Carl Wood and Beulah Campbell, is preparing a 45-minute play, "The Red Lantern," and several other numbers. A glee club is being organized by the new president, Mrs. Neva Long.

SHELBURN, Nov. 20. — The Cole community club met Friday night. The election of officers was held at the election at the October meeting was found illegal. The following officers were named: President, Mrs. Freda Elder; vice-president, Mrs. Harry Christman; secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Merts; treasurer, Arthur Sandner; sergeant, Frank Galloway, and reporter, Gladys Christman.

The new president appointed the following program committee: Mrs. Maysel Lyons, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Doris Cantbran, Shelburn; Mrs. Margaret Kelly, Queener; Mrs. Norma Wells, Mun-

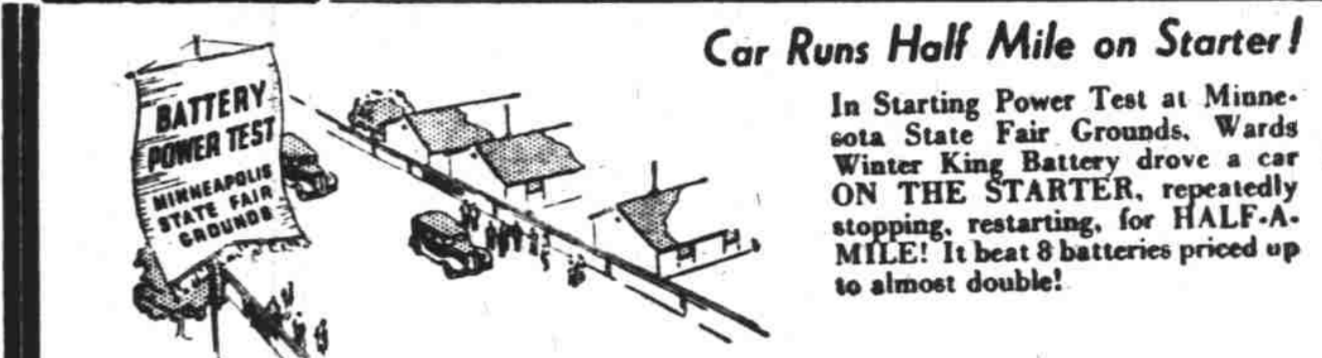
crowd. It was voted to meet every two weeks, the community to put on every other program and to get programs from other communities every second week, this community to return favors. Miss Elaine Chapin gave an interesting description of Carlsbad cavern in New Mexico. The next meeting will be Friday night, December 1.

Speeding Past School Charge

State police yesterday answered complaints of motorists speeding past Salem Heights school by arresting Ralph Boje, route two, after he drove by the school grounds at a high rate of speed, officers here said. Boje pleaded guilty in justice court and later paid a \$7.50 fine. State officers said they would continue to keep as close a lookout as possible for speeders in the Salem Heights vicinity.

Lewis West Visits — Lewis West, son of Whorter L. West and son-in-law of Roy H. Wassam here, visited in Salem Sunday while en route to Seattle and other northern points on business for his brokerage houses in San Francisco.

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TEST No. 10

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Mount the above diagram on a thick blotter. Place a pile of pins at the right. The diagram and the pins should both be on a sheet of paper. With your right hand pick up the pins one at a time and stick them into the black dots on the diagram. You must go down each column and leave each pin standing in an upright position. Average time is twenty-eight seconds.

Erick Hagenlocher (Camel smoker), champion billiard player, completed the test in seventeen seconds.

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