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**EDITORIAL**  
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### Farm Loan Issue Held "Bunk"

Portland, Or. — (Special). — The bogus campaign issue raised by Governor Pierce and his appointee, Jeff Myers, that of bad loans to farmers, is flouted openly by the Capital-Journal of Salem, as staunch a democratic paper as there is in the state. It declares it openly as campaign bunk, useful only for political purposes in the hope of electing Myers state treasurer.

The Capital-Journal calls attention to the cock-and-bull scandal in the state highway department at the time of the election two years ago, which was put forward merely for campaign purposes to aid only in Pierce's election. Of course it was all forgotten as soon as the votes were cast.

The Capital-Journal, too, points out that any time for the past 14 years books of the state land board have been open to inspection and any delinquencies could have been unearthed long ago if there were any merit in the hue and cry that has been raised.

Many loans are classed as bad by the Pierce adherents that show interest delinquent from six months to two years. By applying the same rule of delinquency, delayed payment on six months' interest, the records show that during 1923, when Governor Pierce was chairman of the school land board, 70 loans he approved are now bad loans. This seems to show that the governor has not made any notable improvement in the handling of state funds, although he and Jeff Myers have very little to say about the current loans. They point merely to the trumped-up delinquencies of their predecessors in office and do not, in any case, blame themselves.

The pitiful part of the newest Pierce "scandal" is that he is seeking to make political capital at the expense of the good name of Oregon farmers. Of 602 loans he has classed as bad, by figuring interest delinquent after six months, interest was paid on all last year and on all but a small percentage of them in the fall of 1923. Therefore, when the audit was made, as of June 30, out of the whole 602 notes, there were more than 520 on which a year's interest was not yet due, but on which, without doubt, the interest will be paid this fall after the crops are sold.

The audit shows that 181 notes and mortgages have been sent out for foreclosure and of this number, interest was paid in full in 1922 on 58, in 1923 on 45 more and in 1924 on six. There was, therefore from six months' to one and one-half year's interest due on more than 100 of these 181 notes now under foreclosure.

The last legislature, recognizing the plight of the farmer, amended the school law to the effect that the time for payment of such interest on loans as was then due might be extended to two years.

Despite this, and the well known fact that the governor is a warm friend of the farmer, the land board, which he heads, is foreclosing mortgages on many lands they are not required or expected by law to foreclose and the only explanation must be that the action taken is for political purposes alone.

Estimate of losses as made by Pierce and Myers has been grossly exaggerated, as is shown by the record and this too, is purely for political effect. Farmers of the state who have been out-luckied by poor prices will no doubt be willing to call it dirty politics.

For instance on 80 notes that have been foreclosed, assessed values of the properties represented are from 40 to 50 per cent in excess of the amount the state has loaned on them. In Malheur county, for instance, where it is said the worst risks are, property represented by 11 notes, on which the state has invested \$21,172, is assessed at \$31,070 and appraised at \$77,000.

The state has already sold 15 farms on which it had foreclosed and received an average of 40 per cent cash payment, and yet none of these farms has been sold at a loss.

These facts show that talk of immense losses is all bunk, put out by the Pierce administration clique for political purposes only and calculated to hoist Jeff Myers into office, so that he may continue to threaten hard-pressed farmers who have not made interest payments on state loans within six months.

Bryan is out of save the nation from predatory wealth. He is the same Bryan who tried to save us in '96 from the gold standard and again he sought to save us from imperialism and other things at various times.

LaFollette is out to save us from the supreme court, the railroads, the Versailles treaty and the American idea generally.

The fact is the country is safe right now. It is more apparent all the time that what the country most needs is a government of common sense.

## TARIFF STAND OF LA FOLLETTE UNFAIR

Products of Wisconsin Only  
Ones He Showed Any  
Interest In.

Portland, Or.—(Special). — The La Follette record on the tariff, it has been pointed out here by the Republican State Central committee after an inquiry, has been thoroughly inconsistent and thoroughly selfish.

La Follette voted for the highest tariff rates on all products of his own state and for the lowest rates or no tariff at all on everything produced elsewhere.

He voted for the highest duty proposed on linseed oil and flax-seed oil, both made from raw material produced in his own state. He was so insistent on protecting the Wisconsin product that he voted amendment of the committee report submitting the Fordney-McCumber schedule, inserting a new paragraph providing a tariff on casein, and he voted to amend the report by increasing duties on honey, poultry, cream and a number of other products of vital interest to the state of Wisconsin. But he voted, on the other hand, to decrease the duty on almonds, walnuts, rice, nuts, lumber, shingles, etc.

Because of his bitter opposition to a tariff on woolen textiles, he was afraid to vote for a tariff on wool. On the other hand, because the sheep-raising industry is well established in his state, he was afraid to vote against the tariff on wool so he was absent on all roll calls on the wool schedule.

La Follette consistently voted against the tariff on all manufactured goods with two exceptions, metal pants buttons and metal hooks and eyes. In both these instances he voted to increase the schedule above the committee report. It was not understood why he was so careful of the welfare of manufacturers of these articles.

La Follette is now talking about the iniquitous sugar tariff, but he was not enough concerned about it when it came up in the senate to be present and vote.

### POSTAL BILL VETO IS EASILY EXPLAINED

Portland, Or.—(Special). — There has been plenty of criticism of President Coolidge because of his failure to approve the bill to increase salaries of letter carriers and postal clerks, but, according to the Republican State Central committee headquarters here, this adverse comment comes from persons not familiar with the facts.

The committee points out that two measures for relief of the underpaid postal workers were considered, one that had the approval of the administration and was recommended by Postmaster General New. Mr. New, moreover, is the only postmaster general who has ever proposed higher pay for all postal workers.

The administration measure carried an expenditure of \$48,000,000 and would have been signed by the president had it passed. But the postal employees stood out for their own bill, appropriating \$68,000,000 and, unlike the other, providing no means of meeting this added expenditure.

It was that bill the president vetoed, his reason being that the measure did not provide for the proposed expenditure and he was compelled to give it his disapproval. His action, viewed in connection with the administration bill for the relief of postal employees, did not show him out of sympathy with the needs of the postoffice workers.

### CITIZEN AWAY FROM HOME MAY CAST VOTE

Oregonians may vote even if away from their own precincts on election day, it is pointed out by the Republican State Central committee. There is a provision in the election laws that will permit this practice, so that none need lose his vote November 4.

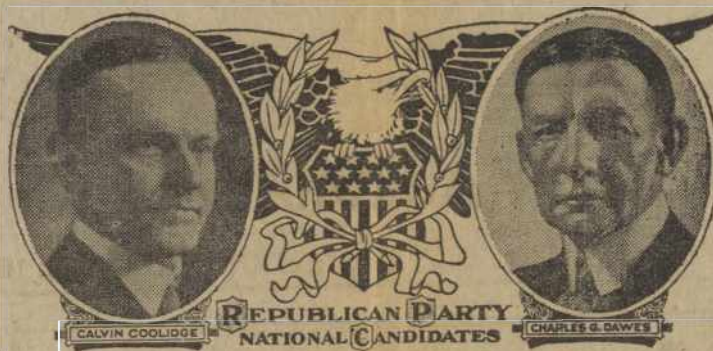
Because of the livestock show at Portland closing just before election day, it is thought a number of persons may not return home in time to vote and the way this can be accomplished is pointed out.

Anyone who expects to be at a distance from home on election day should provide himself with a certificate of registration that he may obtain from his county clerk. By presenting this certificate, he will be entitled to vote in any county of the state for state and national tickets.

In case the absent voter has not obtained a certificate, it will be required that he swear in his vote. This can be done in Multnomah county by six freeholders, but in other parts of the state, two freeholders may make affidavit.

#### Coolidge on Taxation.

It is impossible to escape the conclusion that high taxes make high prices. So long as the cost of government is high, the cost of living will be high. This is usually a source of misunderstanding and always a source of discontent. The duty that government now owes to the people is to reduce their burdens by paying off the obligations that came from the war rather than imposing additional burdens for the support of new projects. Having met our war obligation to pay, let us meet our peace obligation to save.—Coolidge.



## Keep Coolidge and Elect Dawes

Vote for the Common Sense Candidates

— Their Records Recommend Them

"I AM FOR ECONOMY. AFTER THAT  
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He proved his faith by his work. This administration has saved the people \$6,000,000 daily in taxes as compared with 1921. It has lopped off 95,456 employes from the federal payrolls.

Dawes, the budgeteer, put the country on a business basis by cutting out the deadwood in governmental affairs. Deficits in former years have been turned into surpluses. The national debt has been reduced \$2,750,000,000 in three years.

### FOREIGN POLICY SPELLS PEACE ABROAD AND PROSPERITY AT HOME

The Dawes plan has made possible rehabilitation of Europe, which means better markets and better prices for America's farm crops. Limitation of armaments is an administration policy and makes for peace as well as reduced costs of government.

The Republican tariff, linked with restrictive immigration, has brought prosperity to the man who toils. Wages were never so high, they would never buy so much, as today.

### COOLIDGE POLICIES HAVE RE-ESTABLISHED PROSPERITY—CONTINUE THEM

When this administration took office, it faced all the problems of reconstruction. Deplorable conditions existed. The people were suffering from a tremendous deflation. Interest was high and capital scarce. There was general acute financial distress. Our citizens were compelled to sell their government bonds around 85 that they had bought in war-time at par.

A complete change has been accomplished. Never before in peace time has there been such constructive accomplishments as since March, 1921. Prosperity for all the people has displaced general distress. Industrially, the country was never on firmer ground. Agriculture, in dire plight when the Republican party came into power, faces a brightening future. Our depreciated government bonds have all risen above par and are selling at better than 106.

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A Vote For Coolidge and Dawes is a Common-Sense Vote

Republican State Central Committee Portland, Oregon.  
I. L. Patterson, Chairman. John W. Cochran, Secretary.  
(Paid Adv.)

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### Sheriff's Notice of Sale of Real Property on Foreclosure

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an execution duly issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Marion, and to me directed on the 18th day of September, 1924, upon a judgment and decree duly rendered, entered of record and docketed in and by said Court on the 12th day of September, 1924, in a certain suit then in said Court pending, wherein W. C. Winslow was plaintiff and Isaac S. Ramsey, Otha Ramsey, E. E. Lavalleur and Bank of Beaverton, a corporation, were defendants, in favor of plaintiff and against said defendants, Ramsey, by which execution I am commanded to sell the property in said execution and hereinafter described to pay the sum due the plaintiff of \$1375.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent per annum from the 22nd day of December, 1922, until paid and the further sum of \$150.00, attorney's fees, together with the costs and disbursements of said suit taxed at \$51.00 and costs and expenses of said execution. I will on Saturday, the 25th day of October, 1924, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day at the West door of the County Court House in Salem, Marion County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand on the day of sale, all the right, title, interest and estate which said defendants and all persons claiming under them subsequent to the execution of plaintiff's mortgage in, of and to said premises hereinbefore mentioned and described in said execution as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at a point on the East line of Winter Street 155 feet North from the Northeast corner of the intersection of Winter and Market Streets in the City of Salem, Marion County, Oregon, running thence East 177 feet to the alley; thence North along the West line of said alley to Gaines Avenue; thence West along the South line of Gaines Avenue 50 feet; thence South parallel with the East line of Winter Street 62½ feet; thence West parallel with the South line of Gaines Avenue to the East line of Winter Street; thence South along the East line of Winter Street to the place of beginning.

Said sale being made subject to redemption in the manner provided by law.

Dated this 19th day of September, 1924.  
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Sheriff of Marion County, Oregon.  
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To whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Mildred White Schunk, has this day filed in the County Court for Marion County, Oregon, her final account as executrix of the Last Will and Testament and Estate of Fred H. White, deceased, and said Court has fixed and appointed Tuesday, October 21, 1924, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. of said day, at the County Court Room, in the County Court House in said County and State, as the time and place for the hearing of objections to such final account and for the settlement thereof.

Dated this 13th day of September, 1924.  
MILDRED WHITE SCHRUNK,  
Executrix of the Estate of  
Fred H. White, deceased.  
Carey F. Martin,  
Attorney for Estate,  
413 Masonic Temple Building,  
Salem, Oregon.

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