EDITURIALS OF

Can the Fee System Be Best Abolished

A CORRESPONDENT ASKS A PER-TINENT QUESTION, AND POINTS OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION REGARDING OF-FICERS' SALARIES.

(The Statesman is pleased to print communications upon topics of general interest, at any time, There is scarcely any limit to the topics of general interest. It is asked only that correscondents refrain from personalities and use care that nothing be written of a libelous or unworthy or untruthful nature.)

The Fee System.

Editor Statesman:

The Constitution of Oregon, Article XIII, Section I, defines the salaries of State officers to be:

The Governor shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, The Secretary of State shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars. The Treasurer of State shall receive an annual salary of eight hundred dollars. The Judges of the Supreme Court shall receive an annual salary of two thousand dollars, They shall receive no fees or perquisites whatever-for-the performance of any duties connected with their respective offices; and the compensation of officers, if not fixed by that Constitution, shall be provided by law,"

This section is plain enough, and it seems quite evident therefrom that the salary of State officials is fixed by the Constitution, because there has been no other compensation provided by law, except by allowance made to said officials for their service on the several State Boards, Asylum, Penitentiary, and others.

As the Republican and Democratic State platforms of 1902 have both declared in favor of a flat salary system, beyond which sum the State officials shall receive no fees or perquisites whatever for the performance of any duties connected with their respective offices, the question very properly arises, whether or not it will require a Constitutional amendment to define a flat salary for each official beyond which sum he shall receive no compensation as fees or otherwise, or whether the-latter part of said Article XIII, Section I, which reads: "And the compensation of officers, if not fixed by this Constitution, shall be provided by law," will give the Legislature power to enact a law placing the State officials upon a flat salary and that all fees shall be covered into

FREDERICK NAPOLEON. Salem, April 15.

Enforce Law First. Editor Statesman;

There seems to be a movement under comideration in this city, to see what, if anything, can be done in city improvement and get the people interested in beautifying their home surroundings. It is truly a needed and praiseworthy undertaking. But the writer knows from experience, what an almost hopeless undertaking it is, and what a waste of money and labor, to plant and care for shrubbery and try to improve home surroundings, under the present economic administration of the city laws. We, who are living a few blocks from Commercial street, pay our proportion of taxes, small though it may be, but receive no protection whatever. We have a night policeman living in this part of town but his time is all required to bok after the business portion of the city. Very recently, after to o'clock at night, boys between the ages of 10 and 15 years were seen deliberately breaking and destroying shrubbery around a ly prohibring children of that age before we begin civic decoration? INDIGNANT CITIZEN.

Salem, April 15, 1902.

Editor Statesman:

One of the most important considcrations among the respective elective offices today is the selection of those men who are to represent us in the House and Senate of our State Legislative Assembly.

when our Legislators shall be chosen cans, broken bottles, old wash boilers, occasion. The writer looks forward to the day by the people on account of their conspicuous merit and pronounced ability, which should be their leading characteristics, instead of their geographical location, and regardless of the services, ward-heeling, etc., which they have performed for their respective parties.

Most gentlemen of considerable prop-

erty, at some period or other in their lives, are ambitions of representing their county in the Legislature; and those who are ambitious of receiving so high a trust, would also do well to remember its nature and importance.

They are not thus honorably distinguished from the rest of their fellowcilizens merely that they may further their own interests, that they may list under party banners, may vote with or against a popular or unpopular administration; but upon considerations far more interesting and important. They are the guardians of the Constitution; the makers, repealers, and interpreters of the laws: delegated to watch, to check, and to avert every dangerous innovation, to propose, to adopt, and to cherish any solid and well-weighed improvement; bound by every tie of nature, of honor, and of religion, to transmit that Constitution and those laws to their posterity, amended, is possible, at least without any deroga-And how unbecoming must it appear in a member of the Legislature to vote for a new law who is utterly ignorant of the old! What kind of inwho is a stranger to the text upon yesterday afternoon from a visit to terpretation can he be enabled to give which he comments! Indeed it is sim- the family of her son, Wm. F. Van ply amazing that there should be no Buren in this city.

THE PEOPLE method of instruction is not looked upon all requisite, except only the science
of fegialation, the noblest and most difficult of any.

Apprenticeships are field necessary to

almost every art, commercial or mechanical; a long course of reading and study must form the divine, the physician, and the practical professor of the laws; but every man of superior fortune thinks himself born a legislator.

Yet Tully was of a different opinion: "It is necessary (says he) for a Senator to be thoroughly acquainted with the Constitution, and is a knowledge of the most extensive nature; a matter of science, of diligence, of reflection; without which no Senator can possibly be fit for office."

The mischiefs that have arisen to the public from insonsiderate alterations in our laws are too obvious to be called in question; and how far they have been owing to the defective education of our Senators, is a point well worthy the public attention.

For, to say the truth, almost all the perplexed questions, almost all the have sometimes disgraced our courts of justice owe their original not to the common law itself, but to innovations lant matters. that have been made in it by the acts of Legislature; "overladen with provisos and additions, and many times on a sudden penned or corrected by law." Respectfully.

"BLACKSTONE." Salem, April 12, 1902.

Are Not Pirates.

Editor Statesman:

It is hard for some people in Multnomah county to conceive that the Republicans of this county are Republicans and not political pirates like the Republican leaders of that county have been during the past six yars. The report has been industriously circulated in that county that because Governor Geer, whom the people of this county wanted renominated, was defeated, the ticket nominated would not receive the hearty support of Marion county Republicans from top to bottom, and that the nominee for Gov- city would derive from such a League ernor, Mr. Furnish, would be sacrificed and, at the polls to gratify our spite. Multnomah Republicans ought to know that we have not turned Indian yet like they have, and that we do not employ their methods, even if we had occasion to complain at the treatment of the last convention. The wreckers and plunderers who have dominated the various factions in Multnomah have no influence upon the Republican voters of this county, and they will act upon the same principles that have always directed them in the past and ment League. render support to the entire ticket.

While Governor Geer's friends may attribute his defeat to a band of political wreckers who have not voted the regular Republican ticket for years, who defeated Dolph and Corbett, yet they have no disposition to employ Multnomah's methods to rectify this wrong. Geer and his friends are for the election of the ticket, and Mr. Furnish will get as large a majority as any one on it who has not a large second acquaintance in the county No doubt if Geer is invited to do so he will take the stump in behalf of the Republican ticket and work for the election of Mr. Furnish and the rest of the men who compose it, but Multnomah politicians of neither faction can conceive why he and his friends should not bolt the ticket as a Multnomah chief does when he is defeated. Bolting has become a habit with them, and they are too narrow and selfish to see why others can be actuated by motives aside from re-

venge and personal splte. ANTI-BOLTER. Salem, Ore., April 14, 1902.

Clean the Streets.

Editor Statesman: For weeks the citizens of Salem have had the subject of public improvements and the beautifying of the city in various ways, dinned into their cars, the movement being led by one of the city's board of aldermen. This is all very good, and the plans of the promoters of this scheme of public improvement would, if carried into practice, doubtless be a blessing to the city, and would attract the favorable attention of be had on the occasion, which is calcuall visitors. But would it not be pertinent to ask Alderman Stolz to insist kind ever held in this city. The matthat the city's proper officer should-We have a city ordinance strict- before the citizens take up the matter evening and it was decided to hold the of public improvement-abate nui- grand rally, the arrangements for from roaming the streets unattended sances on the public streets such as by parent or guardian at that hour, stare the visitor in the face before he May 16th, at 8 o'clock p. m., in the Why is not that law enforced? If ever reaches the heart of the city? we can't be protected by our city laws, I refer to an eyesore on 12th street, had we not better civilize the children between Chemeketa and Center streets, and within one block of the tion and brief remarks were made on East School, the leading school of the the subject by several present, con-

Salem district. At this point, and alongside the railway track, where five passenger trains would far surpass anything of the kind pass daily in broad daylight, and ever held in this city or State, and it where hundreds of our young people was finally decided to call a citizens' pass daily on their way to and from mass meeting which will be held in the school, there is one of the worst eye- City Hall on Monday, April 21st, at 8 sores in Salem. A pile of rubbish lit- o'clock, for the purpose of appointing ters a portion of the east side of the the necessary committees to make all street at this place, consisting of old oil of the arrangements in detail for the tomato cans, brush, stumps, straw, rags, etc., etc. in anything but picturesque confusion, and it looks like the many courtesies which had been an old dump pile. This unsightly rub- shown in various ways. bish heap lies scattered along for a J. H. Albert, chairman of the Good half block, adjoining the sidewalk on Roads Committee, to which was rethe east side of 12th street, and in ferred the communication from startlingly plain view of the rallway Alko Club, of Linn county, soliciting trains passing through. What kind of the co-operation of the Greafer Salem an impression does this make on the Commercial Club in the matter of connew arrival, who in the same instant, structing a wagon road from Detroit catches sight of this detestable nulsance and the handsome East School building? What is the use of theorizing trade from that district into the Wilabout public improvement when such lamette valley, made a formel verbal eyesores exist on public streets which, report upon the matter in behalf of in any other town of Salem' size, would the committee. He stated that he had be kept clean? Why not make a pre- investigated the matter to a certain tense of keeping the public streets extent and in view of many circum-

beautify the city? Clean the streets of the unsightly time for the Club to pledge itself to rubbish heaps; do not use them as any material assistance in the propodumping grounds; let the city officers sition, at least until more definite ando the work expected of such officers in formation could be secured upon the all well ordered cities, and for which subject relative to the benefit, of such they are paid, and it will then be time a road, and his report was received by to ask the citizens to help beautify their the Club and the secretary instructed surroundings, and make the city "a to communicate with President Hamthing of beauty and a joy forever." An old German saw has it that the streets of Jerusalem were clean because everyone swept his own doorway.

A FRIEND OF IMPROVEMENT. Mrs. M. A. Van Buren, of Pontland, and little daughter departed for home

tion, art, or science in which some Legal blanks at the Statesman office.

CLUB MEETS

Arrangements to Organize an Improvement League

A MASS MEETING CALLED FOR NEXT MONDAY NIGHT TO PRE-THE NATION'S BIRTHDAY-THE Frank Henry. CACADE WAGON ROAD.

(From Thursday's Statesman.) The Greater Salem Commercial Club met in called session at the city hall, at 7:30 o'clock last evening, for the purpose of arranging for a celebration niceties, intricacies, and delays which for the Fourth of July in this city, and the consideration of other impor-

Secretary Judah, on behalf of the Bureau of Immigration, reported that placards notifying strangers where men of none, or very little judgment in any desired information may be obtained, had been procured, in accordance with an order of the club and had been posted in the most conspicuous places in the city, such as the waiting rooms at the passenger depots, steamboat docks, hotel corridors, etc. Chairman Stolz, of the Improvement Bureau, reported that the committee had received an expression from several different organizations in the city commending the movement heartily and urging that steps be taken in that direction and he therefore offered the following resolution which was

unanimously adopted by the Club. "Whereas, the time seems-most propitious for the organization of an Improvement League in Salem, and fully appreciating the great benefit our

"Whereas, Ladles of the various organizations of Salem have expressed their desire to assist in such work, therefore, be it.

"Resolved, That the Greater Salem bringing about such an organization, Fish Packing Company as bookkeeper, and be it further.

"Resolved, That a public meeting be called at the City Hall at 8 o'clock p. m. of May 9th for the sole purpose of organizing the Capital City Improve-

"Resolved, That the Greater Salem Commercial Club cordistly invites all fishing trip. We have 100 fishermen lodges, churches, Young Men's and as many Chinamen to work in the Women's Christian Associa-Young in the ten Salem precincts, to send a delegaton of ten members from each organization to attend such public meeting and assist in the formation of a permanent league, having for its objects, the beautifying and adorning of our city and the betterment of any

"Such a League will mean much to the Capital City, and the time will come when all who have lent a helping hand to this movement, will be proud of their connection with it."

It was decided, upon motion, that the chairman appoint a delegation of ten members to represent the Greater Salem Commercial Club at this meet ing and as the chair desired a little time to select this delegation he reserved his appointments until the next regular meeting of the Club. The secretary was instructed to notify each organization in the city of the Club's action urging them to send representatives to the meeting and to also send an invitation to Mr. G. M. Hyland, of Portland, who is possessed of a store of valuable information and has had much experience in the line of improvement leagues, to be present and

deliver an address upon the subject. Arrangements have been made for several months by the Club for a grand rally but the event has been postponed from time to time in order not to con flict with other prominent local attractions, so that a large attendance may lated to be the greatest affair of its ter was brought up at the meeting last which are already complete, Friday, Armory.

The matter of celebrating the Fourth of July next came up for consideraveying the idea that it is the intention of having a celebration this year that

The Club tendered a vote of thanks to the daily newspapers of the city for

over the Cascade mountains into Cook county, so as to turn the tide of clean before calling upon the citizens to stances connected with the project, he did not deem it practicable at this mond of the C. & E. Railroad Company, and, if possible, to ascertain the position of this company and advise him of the findings of the Club's comthe next regular meeting, which will \$172.62, for the quarter ending March earned. on next Wednesday afternoon, April 23d.

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WORK IS FINISHED

EVANGELICAL CONFERENCE HAS MADE ITS APPOINTMENTS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

The United Evangelical Conference, held at Dallas, has completed its work. Among the business of general interest transacted were the appointments for the year, as follows:

Visiting Committee Dallas College-PARE FOR CELEBRATION OF Rev. C. A. Rabing, G. L. Lovell and College Trustees-Rev. H. L. Pratt, H. A. Deck and H. Barendrick.

Statistical Secretary-Rev. C. L. Delegates to the Board of Missions-

Rev. C. C. Poling. Appointments of ministers for the Willamette District-C. C. Poling, P

Brooks-G. L. Loyell. Bridgeport and Lewisville-S. J.

indsay. Bulah-S. M. Wood. Corvallis-H. A. Deck. Dallas-A. A. Winter, Dayton-J. Bowersox. Florence-T. A. Yost. Gaston-A. W. Brickley. Hillsboro-G. W. Phelps. Independence-B. J. Kelly. King's Valley-W. L. Arnold. Lafayette-C. T. Hurd. Portland-First church, H. L. Pratt; econd church, E. C. Basom. Salem-C. A. Robing.

Sodaville-F. E. Fisher. St. Johns and Warren-M. J. Ballan-

selected as the place for the conference to be held in April, 1903.

BOUND FOR ALASKA

A LETTER FROM J. O. SHINN SENT BEFORE SAILING ON A FISH-ING TRIP UP NORTH.

Claud Gatch is in receipt of a letter J. O. Shinn, formerly bookkeeper in Ladd & Bush's bank, but now on the Commercial Club take the initiative in way to Alaska, where he will serve a The letter is written from Astoria, and says in part:

"I will sail for Nushagak river, Bristol Bay, Alaska, through Unimak Pass-where the company has canneries on the three-masted sailing vessel Harry Morse, outfitted for five months' cannery. I am bookkeeper, paymaster tions, men and women's social clubs and supply seller; have a cargo of goods to keep tab on; also about \$2000 in cash, principally silver. When buying fish from the Indians we have to pay them every night, and in silver.

"I have a room off the captain's parlor (cabin), better than the first mate, as his is off the dining room. Captain condition which may be found to be a Reynolds is a fine fellow, not over \$5;

"The Harry Morse is one of the fastest sailers on the coast. If we have good luck it will take sixty days to make the trip and two months at the canneries, making four or five months. I will have a good chance to learn the fish business and a good deal about navigation. I have a good, warm outfit and there is a library aboard the vessel, so will have a fine trip if I do not get sick. Can't receive any mail all summer and will only have one or two chances to send any."

In the same mail a letter was received from Oswald West, containing a photo-of the vessel, Harry Morse, lying in the stream. The picture was endorsed: "The last of Shinn."

CASE ARGUED

IN THE SUPREME COURT YESTER-DAY-AN APPEAL FROM BENTON COUNTY.

The case of the City of Philomath, appellant, vs. J. W. Ingle, respondent, an appeal from Benton county, was argued and submitted by J. R. Wyatt and E. L. Bryan for appellant, and E. E. Wilson for respondent.

This cause came up on appeal from judgment of the Circuit Court of Benton county, Oregon, upon an order dismissing the petition of the plaintiff for a writ of review and a judgment against it for costs and disbursements. One minor order was made by the

ourt, as follows: Leander eLwis, respondent, vs. J. E. Blackburn, appellant, ordered on motion that appellant have until April 30th to serve and file his brief.

John G. Wright, plaintiff, by his attorney, R. J. Fleming, yesterday filed his amended complaint in the second department of the State Circuit Court, praying for an order declaring a judgment heretofore obtained in the maintenance which aggregated the These Prices are Winners sum of \$254 with interest at 10 per cent sum asked for, 172.62. and the sum of \$40 special attorneys fees with interest at 6 per cent, together with costs and disbursements, amounting to \$12, to be a first lien upon an 80-acre tract owned by the defendants, R. C. and Mary Halley, and demanding that said property be sold and the money realized therefrom be applied toward the payment of the amount found to be due on the judgment, tad to the payment of the costs of this suit.

ST. MARY'S HOME, OF ST. PAUL ASKS FOR STATUTORY AL-LOWANCE ORPHANS HOME.

Based upon the provisions of an act of the Legislature, entitled "An Act to Appropriate Funds for the Relief of the Several Institutions of this State founded for the purpose of educating, maintaining and caring for orphans and foundlings," the St. Mary's Home, of St. Paul, Oregon, yesterday made application to the Marion county court for relief to the amount of orphans and foundlings under the age

of 14 years. To the application is appended statement showing that the institution has a registration of thirteen orphans, way always the best way. years and the cost of their respective no recollection of youthful frolles.

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DEEDS RECORDED

(From Thursday's Statesman.) Four transfers of Marion county rend state were filed for record in the ounty recorder's department yester- Large Fancy Silver Prunes, per Pound day, the considerations of which aggregated \$2721, as follows. Ole L. Ness to A. O. Dahl, 73

acres in the Wesley and Sophia harles B. Moores and wife to Barbara Dillmann, lots No. 9, 10 11, 12, 13 and 14, block 4, and lots No. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, block 3, of Highland addition to mann, lot No. 8, of block 4, in Highland addition to Salem, Walter L. Thoze and wife to Mc-

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