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BUSINESS NORMALITY.

Charles H. Sabin, president of the Guaranty Trust company of New York, addressing the state bankers' association, foretold a return this year to "normal business conditions, stabilized prices, easier money and a larger business opportunity."

The prophecy may be fulfilled. There is no reason why it should not be, unless that reason is supplied by business men themselves, interfering short-sightedly with the natural processes of reconstruction.

A return to "normal business conditions" does not mean a return to old-fashioned prices. The "normal" itself changes from time to time. All that can be expected for the immediate future, as Mr. Sabin intimates, is "stabilized prices."

Normal business conditions, however, while not implying the pre-war prices, do imply pre-war standards of profits. The chief trouble, in these years of inflation, has been that business in general acquired a false standard. It was not content to apply the former rate of profit to higher prices, taking, say \$2 cents profit on an article costing \$12 instead of the 10 cents profit taken when that article had cost \$11.

The most important thing in reconstruction is for them all to get that false psychology out of their systems. Let them expect to make no more on a dollar than they made before the war. If the economic situation justifies, let us say, a general price-level 50 per cent higher than it was in 1914, then let everybody be content with 50 per cent more profit than he made on the same goods in 1914, thus realizing the same return, dollar for dollar, on his investment.

A PIONEERING STATE.
Maine is becoming a pioneering state. The turn in the tide of westward migration is striking. Farmers from many other states of the east and middle west have been going to Maine lately just as in past years their kind crossed the Mississippi or the Rockies in quest of agricultural opportunity.

THE SANDMAN STORY

BOLD BROWN SPIDER

WHEN Brown Spider first began to look after himself he was so conceited that everyone said in Spider Town that he would come to grief at an early age.

He spun webs in the most dangerous places, and no matter what happened to the web Brown Spider was sure to escape unharmed and begin another home in a more dangerous place.

"You will be killed some day," warned all the neighborhood spiders, for there were many spiders living in the attic where Brown Spider lived, but he only laughed at their warning and kept on with his reckless doings.

One day Puss came to the attic hunting for mice, and when she ran under a chair where Brown Spider sat in his web near the floor she took the web and Brown Spider, too, away on her back.

Everyone thought that was the end of him, but by and by he came running across the attic floor and began a new web under a low shelf by the window.

"I guess you were scared that time," said one spider from her safe home high in a corner.

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Some of the originals of that period, still in existence, are found in All Hollows church, Barking, England, and it was there the experts went to examine the fixtures.

The chandeliers are exact facsimiles of the originals, with the exception that they are wired for the use of electricity instead of relying on real candles. They are made of ornamental brass with the candle effect achieved by means of a small frosted glass bulb.

"I guess I wasn't scared," boasted Brown Spider. "I just wanted a ride; that was all. I went part way downstairs on her back and then jumped off. It was great sport. Why don't you try it some day?"

It was no use; he would never own he had been beaten or scared; but one day something happened that the old spiders felt sure he would have to own he did not plan and was really frightened.

Puss came into the attic and after hunting around she fell asleep right under the shelf where Brown Spider had a web. He let himself down and touched the tip of her nose and before she could open her eyes he went to his web.

But after a while he grew careless. He touched her nose, and then instead of running home he swung back and forth in front of her face hanging to his thread.

Puss is very quick with her paw. She seldom misses anything she wishes to strike. She opened her eyes and looked at Brown Spider a second and then she lifted her paw and struck.

The next thing Brown Spider remembered he was on the top of a high old bureau.

He tried all of his legs and found they were safe and then he said, for he knew every spider in the attic was looking at him. "That is the finest way to travel, when you are in a hurry. I wanted to get up here and so I just dangled in front of Puss to get her to give me a lift."

No one said a word. They were too much surprised; but Brown Spider climbed over the edge of the bureau and made his web this time far above the floor by the window. He really had been frightened. "But I won't let those old fellows know it," he said.

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REPORT MADE ON ROAD WORK

State Highway Commission Makes Fourth Biennial Report to Governor.

DATA IS INTERESTING
Douglas County Claimed to Offer More Barriers to Road Construction Than Almost Any Other County in the State.

A very complete and interesting report has been made by the state highway commission to the governor, the report being printed in book form, a copy of which was received by the News-Review this morning.

Douglas county offers more barriers to road construction than any county in the state, except possibly the counties bordering on the Columbia river. Soil conditions varying from adobe to solid rock, with accompanying drainage problems, render road work both difficult and expensive.

The biennium covered by this report marks the completion of a passable winter road throughout the entire length of the Pacific highway. The last grading through Pass creek canyon has been completed and the section macadamized.

Roberts mountain, and with it seven grade crossings of the Southern Pacific are now no more, and a paved water grade highway replaces the old road. The heretofore impassable old road south of Canyonville and across Coos creek to the south line of the county is now graded and macadamized.

In addition to the work on the Pacific highway, a 14.17 mile section of the Roseburg-Coos Bay highway between Canas Valley and Roseburg, of which eight miles lies in Douglas county, is now almost completely graded.

Aside from forest road projects the construction of the Comstock overland crossing and approach, which has been accomplished in cooperation with the county and the sum of \$100,000 of county co-operation for grading between Leona and Myrtle Creek, all construction on the Pacific highway during the past biennium has been supervised and paid for by the state.

Advances for Rights-of-Way. During the past two years, the state highway commission has advanced payments to Douglas county for the purchase of rights-of-way on the Pacific highway as follows: Comstock-Pass Creek \$530.00 Leona-Drain 50.54 Drain-Yonahia 2,944.76 Oakland-Wilbur 400.00

MICKIE SAYS:



WILBUR-ROSEBURG 3,653.00
ROSEBURG-DILLARD 10,857.38
MYRTLE CREEK-CANYONVILLE 1,919.69
CANYONVILLE-JOHN PLACE 1,440.50
STAGE ROAD PASS SECTION 2,706.24

Total \$26,921.42
These advances are to be repaid to the state by Douglas county.

B. B. GAME.
Girls' basketball game tonight at high school at 7 o'clock, Grants Pass versus Roseburg. Boys' preliminary.

CHICKS FOR SALE.
Orders taken for day old chicks. O. A. C. Barred Rocks, Tanager strain White Leghorns and Buff Orpingtons. Phone 257-R.

Average Diner Is In a Hurry
(Cly Associated Press).
CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The desire on the part of the average patron of the public eating house to save time and money in procuring his meals, is assigned by C. A. Westberg, manager of a chain of Chicago cafeterias, as the reason for the rise of the cafeteria during recent years to a prominent place in public favor.

"People also like to see what kind of food they are getting before they order it," he says, asserting that the advantage of inspecting the various dishes is a possible third factor in the growth of the "self-service" plan.

Mr. Westberg says that whereas five and six years ago people hesitated to patronize a first-floor cafeteria for fear of being recognized by friends, and that establishment of such a place was then a precarious step on that account, now the "help yourself" idea is at the height of its popularity.

Few persons attempt to evade payment of their bills, and these are usually boys from 17 to 20 years of age, and occasionally women. Such attempts often are successful during busy periods. Other patrons, while willingly paying for their meals, carry away with them souvenirs in the form of cafeteria equipment, such as spoons and napkins.

Napkins are often taken away by customers through oversight and many of the returned. The manager, Mr. Westberg states, receives in the mail every week napkins from various parts of the middle west, apparently taken away unintentionally by Chicago visitors.

THE MANAGER says he hopes for further declines in the cost of meals but declares such reductions must be preceded by wage reductions. He says the cost of labor has increased more than 100 per cent in the past four years.

A decided preference for table linen rather than bare tables has been expressed by patrons, he says.

Revised Prices on SHOES

We have Men's Work Shoes from \$2.40 up
Our Barry dress shoes from \$8.50 up
Barry shoes that were \$12.50, now \$8.50
Duds for Men

AROUND THE TOWN
Mrs. L. Ross of Rice Creek who has been visiting in this city for several days returned to her home this morning.
Teaching at Oakland—
Miss Rosalie Radabaugh, who is teaching school at Oakland, arrived in this city yesterday to visit over the week end with relatives.

CLASSIFIED COLUMN
ALL NEW CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE UNDER HEADING "NEW TODAY."

WANTED—To rent small furnished house. Call Phone 72.
WANTED—Empty wooden barrels. Inquire Oregon Growers Assn. Phone 60.
WANTED—Single top buggy or buggy top. C. E. Stover, Gen. Del., Roseburg.

FOR RENT—Safety deposit boxes Roseburg National Bank.
FOR RENT—Three room bachelor apartment, 119 West Lane street.
FOR RENT—Furnished room with bath, 401 South Main St.

MISCELLANEOUS.
TAILORING, dressmaking of all kinds. Phone 157-R. Mrs. Guthridge.
LOCAL MONEY—For first mortgage loans on real property. I negotiate loans. M. F. Rice, of Rice & Rice.
FARM LOANS—Money to loan on improved real estate, etc. Low rate of interest. Rural Credit Farm Loans. See M. F. Rice of Rice & Rice.

LOST AND FOUND.
LOST—Blue and black hound. Finder will be glad to return to O.
FOR SALE—Stock of 3 year old, partly trained, stired from state breeders. Inquire two-cent state particulars. C. H. Brown, Roseburg, Oregon, North Fork.

FOR SALE—White Leghorn chickens, Tanager strain, 40 per cent red, O. A. C. Barred, Hatched March 25th and 28th. Phone 257-R. Write J. E. Reston, Roseburg, Oregon.
FOR SALE—Several good from one Jersey bull, red, two months old, with registry papers, also Jersey papers \$20; also a few Leghorn cockerels, partridge, etc. Inquire, Wilbur, Ore.

THE CLANCY KIDS
A Parvenu In The Making
By PERCY L. CROSBY

Install Exact Replica Fixtures
(PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 29.—Chandeliers have been installed in Independence Hall that are exact reproductions of the original fixtures put in when that historic building was first erected.

A LITTLE SERVICE HERE! AN' I WANT IT QUICK!
I TELL YA I WONT GO UNTIL I SEE THE MANAGER. DON'T MOVE A STEP, TIMMIE.