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The American conference on Infant Mortality which is scheduled for today, has attracted much interest among English sociologists and physicians. Investigators who have visited the United States assert that America is far behind Great Britain in this movement.

As an instance it is pointed out that in a few parts of the United States there kept an accurate record of births as such registration has not been considered necessary by the American health officers Great Britain has had such a law since 1838, and this alone it is admitted, has been highly useful in saving babies. Congestion of population, admittedly the cause of much infant mortality, is necessarily greater in this "tight little isle" than in the great expanses of America.

Six years ago Bruns investigated 2,701 infant deaths in Berlin. Of that number 1721 occurred in families occupying one room tenements, 754 in those living in two room tenements, 122 in those occupying three room tenements and 43 in those occupying larger establishments.

As a means of decreasing the overwhelming mortality in congested industrial districts, the "Garden City," like that at Bourneville, near Birmingham England, is being established in some parts of Great Britain.

The removal of the manufacturing plants which employs a very large number of individuals to some suburban district, and the erection of cottages with gardens attached, for the workers and their families; the establishment of schools and other features of city life, the development of property along the community lines, with the agreement that all interests shall be devoted to public improvements, are features of this plan.

Obvious difficulties make the application of the plan on a general scale impracticable, and the improved tenements offer a more feasible solution to the problem for the majority of the cities. The registration of slum property is advocated by some English investigators as a means of weeding out the undesirable and unsanitary tenement houses.

Owners of slum properties are not particularly sensitive, as a rule, to their responsibility as their brother's keeper. But no one can tell what the future has in store. It is not as reputable to amass a "Brylcreem" fortune

by the manipulations of great vested interests, as it was a few years ago.

Miss Etchen Wellington, the daughter of former United States Senator George L. Wellington, was married today at Cumberland to Boyd L. Reinhart, a prominent real estate broker and a son of the wealthy West Virginian Edward Hess Reinhart.

Opening addresses and a discussion marked the opening session this morning of the Women's State Federation of Clubs annual meeting. The delegates will be given a reception at the executive mansion in Harrisburg by Miss Cora Stuart, a sister of the governor.

New York Society women who live in Greenwich, Conn., a part of the year will hear Mrs. Parkhurst, the English suffragette, at the town hall of that village this evening. The invitation to Mrs. Parkhurst was extended only after much discussion among the members of the Greenwich Equal Suffrage League.

Not a few are beginning to wonder what their Thanksgiving turkey is going to cost them this year. It has been several years since the standard price of one dollar per fowl has been anything more than memory.

It may be news to a large majority of our readers to know that our markets hold the hoof and horns of the animals killed until a sufficient quantity is collected to make a shipment, and are sent to San Francisco where the greater portion is consigned to Japan where they are made into buttons and cutlery handles. The prices received by our dealers is between \$80 and \$90 per ton.

We will be compelled to apologize for the condition of our streets during another winter but his is the last. Another winter and we will see Adam avenue from the hospital to Gekeler lane paved and macadamized. La Grande has advanced this year. The completion of our new water system, which will be a reality within the next few weeks, will be of untold benefit directly and indirectly. Next year we will have paved streets, a new federal building and should have and undoubtedly will have a new high school building. This later necessity should be taken up and presented to the voters of this district within the next few months. It was defeated this year largely because the appropriation asked for would not have constructed and equipped a building that would have met the present requirements of La Grande to say nothing about our future growth.

Land Labor and Wealth.

"Land Labor and Wealth" is the subject of a lecture to be given next Monday evening at the Mormon Tabernacle and this is the second number of the La Grande lecture course that is being managed by Ford A. Ellis, minister of the Central Christian church.

Lybarger has the reputation of being an orator of unusual ability and from the point of view of real merit the second lecture will not be far behind the first. One week from last night is the date of the lecture.

Over 500 tickets have been sold for the lecture that will be given at the Mormon Tabernacle next Monday evening. Lybarger will speak on the subject of "Land Labor and Wealth."

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that William McBeth, executor of the estate of Duncan McBeth, deceased, has filed his final account in said estate in the county court of the State of Oregon for Union county and that the Hon. J. C. Henry, judge of said court, has appointed Thursday, November 18th, 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. at the court house in La Grande, Union county, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections thereto and the settlement thereof.

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