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50c to 60c Crest Covers 27c and 39c.	Bankrupt Sale, Fine Linens, Dollies Battenburg.		Satin finish table cloth, size 6x7 1-2 feet, Special \$1.25	WIDE PERCALES, Special 8c yd.		50c Summer Underwear for Men Special 37c	Men's Work Shirts, 39c
50c Men's Fancy and Plain Lisle Hose 37c	Laces, Embroideries, Plaxons Wash Goods, Silks.		\$1.50 Portieres and Roman Curtains 98c	Kayser Long Silk Gloves 79c		15c Zephyron 32 in. Dress Gingham 11c	25c Men's Hose 19c
	Reg. 25c Mercerized Sleeveless Vests, Special 15c		\$1.25 Ladies' Waists, all sizes 79c	\$3.00 Marseille Str. ads. \$2.19			15c Ladies' Hose 9c pair

Watch the counters every day. As soon as one line is closed out another takes its place. New offerings daily

A Great Opportunity Don't Miss It! **N. K. WEST** Assignee of the Morgan Department Store.

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"A MORE BEAUTIFUL LA GRANDE."

What does a more beautiful La Grande mean?

It means more people, better homes, more home pride, and a better feeling among the residents.

Yes, it means a great deal more, for the lessons taught the younger generation count for more than all other things mentioned. Raise a child in a community where everything is in place, where the streets are well cared for, the sidewalks kept in repair, and the lawns carefully nurtured and that child starts life with a system for he has seen nothing else. It is a part of him and it comes easy for him to follow the lead.

Last evening, under auspices of the Neighborhood club, Howard Everts Weed gave a lecture in which he put up to the people some things that La Grande can do to make this city a better place to live in. Unlike many lecturers on such subjects he did not attach enormous expense to his undertakings, but presented a practical plan of operation that would not crimp any

bank account.

It is to be hoped the ladies of the club will keep alive the work they have started and enlist every citizen of La Grande in the great work of beautification. We need several parks close in. We need parking along all residence streets and above everything else, there is a crying need for proper grading and drainage of the dirt roads of the city.

A cyclone has just visited Philadelphia and it snowed the other day in Pasadena. Who has the nerve to say the wind even blows hard in the Grande Ronde valley?

LAFFERTY'S OBITUARY.

Copy for the new congressional directory is being prepared and it is interesting to note what it will say of Congressman Lafferty, the new representative from Eastern Oregon. Proof sheets of the directory show that Mr. Lafferty's "sketch" will read thusly:

Counties—Baker, Clatsop, Columbia, Crook, Gilliam, Grant, Henry, Harney, Hood River, Malheur, Morrow, Multnomah, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco and Wheeler, 17 counties.

Population (1910) 382,605.

Abraham Walter Lafferty, republican, of Portland, Oregon, was born in Audrian county, Mo. June 10, 1875, attended the law department of the Missouri state university, 1895 and 1896; was admitted to the bar of the supreme court of Missouri on examination June 5, 1896; practiced law at Montgomery City, Mo., until December, 1904, during which time he served three years with the rank of captain in the Missouri national guard and one term as prosecuting attorney; in 1909 he was given the degree of LL.B. by the law department of the Missouri university; December, 1904, he was appointed special agent of the general land office and after brief preliminary instruction at Washington, D. C., was sent to Oregon, arriving at Portland the first of March 1905 where he has since resided; resigned as special agent of the land office on October 1 1906, and re-entered the private practice of law; instituted the litigation now pending in the federal court in Oregon to compel the Oregon and California Railroad company

to sell 2,300,000 acres of lands granted to it by act of congress in accordance with the terms of the grant which requires that the lands shall be sold by the railroad company to actual settlers only in quantities not greater than a quarter section to any one settler, and at prices not exceeding \$2.50 per acre; became a candidate for congress in 1910 as a progressive republican and favoring greater liberality to homesteaders and the giving to Oregon of the benefits of her own natural resources; was nominated in the primaries and was successful at the general election, receiving 30,642 votes; John Manning democrat, received 19,477 votes; Wm. A. Crawford, socialist, 5,583 votes, and George B. Pratt, prohibitionist, 3,464 votes.

CHINESE LEAVE SOUTH CLARK.

The prospective moving of Chinatown is giving real estate buyers of the west and south sides much concern, for as yet Frank Moy and the other magnates of South Clark street don't know where they will locate, or if they do know they are not telling. Their advent will make a big difference in any district. Rents have become too high for the Chinese merchants. The loop district has crept up and surrounded the Chinese shops and tenements where many curious mysteries have begun—and ended.

"Thirty-five years ago," said a leader of the merchant body, "we could rent a store and basement for \$40 a month. Now a store rents for \$250 a month and basement for about \$70."

The decision to migrate was taken at a meeting of the On Leong Tong, the great organization of the Celestial merchants, and, according to their plans, South Clark street will be deserted by its present inhabitants within a year. According to the Chinese calendar this momentous move will be made in the year 4608, or the 48th year of the 76th cycle of 60 years. It is a notable year in the calendar anyway, for it is a leap year with 384 days.

"THIS IS MY 64TH BIRTHDAY."

John D. Works.
John D. Works, the new United States senator from California, was

born in Indiana, March 29, 1847, and received his education in that state. He served through the civil war as a private in an Indiana regiment and at the close of the war he returned to his native state, studied law and was admitted to the bar. He practiced law in Indiana until 1883, when he removed to California. For several years he practiced law in San Diego. In 1888 Governor Waterman appointed Judge Works to the supreme court of California. After his retirement from the bench he returned to the practice of law, locating in Los Angeles. As president of the city council of Los Angeles he assisted materially in bringing about an honest municipal government. Judge Works made his campaign for the United States senatorship in the California primary of last year on a "progressive" republican platform. In national affairs he is an enthusiastic supporter of the Roosevelt policy of conservation and an advocate of anti-machine politics and the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

March 29.

- 1632—Canada and Acadia restored to France by the treaty of St. Germain-en-Laye.
- 1790—John Tyler, tenth president of the United States, born in Greenway, Va. Died in Richmond, Jan. 17, 1862.
- 1814—American frigate Essex captured by the British ships Phoebe and Cherub.
- 1815—Napoleon abolished the slave-trade in the French domains.
- 1824—Return Jonathan Meigs, United States senator and governor of Ohio, died in Marietta, O. Born in Connecticut, Nov. 16, 1764.
- 1848—John Jacob Astor, founder of the Astor family in America, died in New York city. Born in Waldorf, Germany, Nov. 16, 1763.
- 1849—Formal annexation of the Punjab to the British dominions.
- 1866—Gen Winfield Scott died at West Point, N. Y. Born near Petersburg, Va., June 17, 1786.
- 1879—British under Col. Evelyn Wood defeated the Sulus at Kambula.

1892—United States senate ratified the Bering Sea arbitration treaty.

1903—Gustavus F. Swift, a leader in the packing industry, died in Chicago. Born in Cape Cod, Mass., June 24, 1839.

1910—Both house of the French parliament approved the tariff agreement with the United States.

Lyle Tuesday Musical program next Friday night. Hill orchestra in addition. Many excellent numbers. Arrange to be present.

Coal operators who employ boys in their mines in West Virginia under the age limit of 14 years provided by law, are liable for damages to injuries to such boys, according to the opinion recently handed down by the supreme court of appeals, affirming a decision rendered by the circuit court of McDowell county.

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