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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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"BEHIND THE SCENES AT SALEM."

Two newspaper correspondents, namely, Carl Smith and Harry Edward, have struck on a novel plan to make a few dollars. They reported the last legislature for metropolitan papers and then decided that the people should have a chance to buy a pamphlet telling of the legislature—not as they reported wholly, but as they personally viewed it.

A review of the little pamphlet indicates the boys have done fairly well and there is little to indicate they are boosting friends or punishing enemies although a little of such sentiment is always bound to creep in when a correspondent for a metropolitan newspaper is given his own way. He works under a curbed bit so much of the time; accumulates opinions which he is never allowed to express, and finally when he does get a clear track he takes on a terrific ract of speed. In this case the brakes have been fairly well used, and there is a spirit of fairness prevalent.

Just what value the pamphlet is to

the public cannot be determined, but the sale will probably be sufficient to compensate the publishers. So long as chaos reigns in Oregon why not let some of the newspaper correspondents get in on the deal. Mr. U'Ren should not be the only pamphlet compiler; he should have competition. Edward and Smith seem to be that competitor, so, let the game go on.

MAKE PAVED STREETS NARROWER.

It is all wrong to anticipate paving a great deal of the residence district of a city the size of La Grande if wide pavement is to be exacted. And, too, wide pavement is an unnecessary expense. After the main part of the city has been hardsurfaced, a roadway 24 feet wide is sufficient. By making the paved section 24 feet in width the expense of paving is reduced and there is not nearly the hardship encountered by property owners in paying for it that would occur if twice that width were adopted. True, it will be cutting the paving company out of a great deal of yardage, but that is not the thing to consider. Make the paved portion narrow and then the area can be extended.

Besides, the parking which can be had with this kind of a street is very valuable and will add much to the city's appearance. It is well for every citizen to think this over carefully.

A PARASITE?

Are the women of today—speaking for the mass—economic burdens? Are they parasites living upon the earning capacity and endeavor of men. Professor Scott Nearing, who holds the chair of economics in the university of Pennsylvania, asks these questions and answers them in the affirmative. But what of the story that experience and observation tell in industrial life throughout the American nation? asks the Oregonian. What of the story that the census tells of hundreds of thousands of women engaged in gainful vocations? What of the story of every-day life that is repeated day after day and year after year in the homes of American farmers, mechan-

ics and tradesmen?

Truly, here we find no women who are parasites. On the contrary, we find women everywhere doing their full share in the industrial world—making and mending clothing, cooking and performing the various duties that pertain to home-making; gardening, poultry raising, fruit picking and packing in season, and doing such dairy work as they are physically able to do. Ring up the plumber, the doctor, the department store, the grocer, and a girl's or a woman's voice answers, taking your order; visit the schools and you will find nine-tenths of the teachers to be women; search the want column of the daily paper for help suited to your needs and you will find it under the classification "work wanted, female."

The loom has been banished from the kitchen, as has the sickle from the field, but it does not follow that the daughter of the woman who aforetime threw the shuttle all day long is a "parasite" because of this. The sphere of her activities has merely shifted. Nor yet would be say that the son of the man who thrust his sickle into the ripening grain and gathered it in by the handful are idlers. Progress has come to both men and women along all industrial lines, and, barring the "idle rich"—a mere fraction, after all, in the great multitude of Americans—the methods that are applied to their endeavor have changed, leaving them more busy, if possible, than before.

American women "parasites"? Truly, if we except a small percentage of the whole, whose husbands are money getters in the modern sense, who set and keep the pace in extravagance with their wives and daughters, they do not look it. On the contrary, the appearance that they present is that of energy, capability and applied industry as developed by human ingenuity, thrift and growth. The man who would attempt to garner his grain by the handful, the sickle his only implement, would be justly regarded as a simpleton by the farmer driving the great combined harvester through his grain; so also the woman who would continue to produce the wearing apparel by hand loom, the spinning-wheel purl for her household by means of and the dye-pot would be anything

but an "economic necessity."

Three more New York brokers have been grabbed for swindling the public on a worthless stock scheme. Will the public ever learn? No, look what a quantity of worthless junk in the way of stock and real estate schemes in foreign cities has been sold right here in our own little city. A good plan is to turn a deaf ear to everything the stranger has to sell. Understand, he is playing his own game and when you bite you have a thousand chances to lose where you have one to win.

Jay Bowerman, the Condon statesman, has removed his law offices to Portland and henceforth will mingle with the throng. Without mentioning the political fortunes or misfortunes of Jay, the fact remains that he is about as big an attorney as Portland possesses and there is no reason why he should not prosper there. At any rate, here's to his good health and future business.

In the burning of the state capital at Albany doubtless many skeletons were consumed and there are probably many public men breathing easier since the records were destroyed.

Added to the trout angler's happiness is the further announcement that the duck season is now open.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

March 30.

- 1814—Americans repulsed by the British in battle at La Colle Mills, in lower Canada.
- 1822—Territorial government established in Florida.
- 1833—United States concluded its first treaty with Siam.
- 1837—John Constable, famous landscape painter, died. Born June 11, 1776.
- 1838—Office of grand vizier abolished in Turkey.
- 1842—John Fiske, American historian, born. Died July 4, 1901.
- 1843—Sir Charles Metcalfe appointed governor of Canada.
- 1848—Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, born. Died July 18, 1909.
- 1858—De Wolf Hopper, well known comedian, born in New York city.

1873—Seven hundred lives lost in the wreck of the White Star steamship Atlantic, off Halifax.

1878—Gen. U. S. Grant visited Rome and was received by the pope.

1889—The Eiffel Tower, in Paris, opened.

1903—Beginning of the great strike of textile workers at Lowell, Mass.

1910—King George of Greece issued a royal decree for the revision of the constitution, ending the regime of the military league.

"THIS IS MY 48TH BIRTHDAY."

Joseph Callaux.

Joseph Callaux, who has accepted the post of minister of finance in the new Monis ministry in France, was born at Le Mans, March 30, 1863, the son of Eugene Callaux, a noted engineer and politician who was minister of public works from 1874 to 1876. The younger Callaux was educated in the best schools of France. He made a special study of political science and became a well known authority on

that subject. For some years he held a professorship in the school of politics the government service as an incal science, which he resigned to inspector of finance. From 1899 to 1902 he was minister of finance in the Waldeck-Rousseau cabinet and in 1906 he held the same portfolio in the Clemenceau cabinet. For a number of years M. Callaux has represented the Sarthe district in the chamber of deputies. He is the author of a number of books dealing with problems of finance and political science, including a work on the internal revenue duties in France

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