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FIRST LA GRANDE, THEN PENDLETON.

Every live hustling city should have a hobby just as each individual should have a hobby, a job and a bible—it was some such advice Dr. Sadler gave his chautauqua audience last year. Exactly so with towns. Each town should have a hobby.

La Grande has her hobby pretty well established. La Grande and chautauqua are synonymous; the one big event of the year in which interest swings out to a much larger area than any annual attraction can or does. The same thing is true of Pendleton. A month from yesterday the second annual Roundup starts and all Eastern Oregon is going to benefit. Consequently it is fitting that La Grande support Pendleton at the Roundup and next year Pendleton should come back across the mountains and support the chautauqua here. It is such policies that make for a better Eastern Oregon, bigger and better Pendleton and bigger and better La Grande.

TESTING THE GOVERNMENT COAL.

Uncle Sam spends nearly \$10,000,000 annually for coal, and through an intricate system of testing, the new bureau of mines sees to it that he receives a full dollar's worth for ever dollar expended, says L. William Thavis in the September Popular Mechanics Magazine.

It requires each year a mass of coal one mile square and over ten feet high, a veritable black sea, as fuel for all the government buildings from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the army posts and forts, the lighthouses and the navy's battleships. These last alone consume over a million tons a year.

The article describes the comprehensive system of fuel testing and valuation to determine the true value of coal for special purposes carried on by the new bureau of mines. The fuel testing station at the Washington bureau examines specimens of all the coal used by the government. By exact laboratory methods, the chemical and physical properties of the coal are determined, and from this knowledge its heat value is accurately computed.

so that the government gets exactly the character of coal it desires and fixes the price accordingly.

Each year the purchasing agents of the various governmental departments receive bids for contracts specifying the kind of coal to be supplied, its commercial name, the name of the mine from which the coal shall come, and even the coal. The heating value must also be shown on the estimate as well as the percentage of ash in it and the price per ton. Tests of coal are made before and during delivery.

THE HOUSE WITHOUT A BROOM OR A MATCH.

A house without a broom or a match, without coal or gas, would have been a wonder ten years ago but they are quite common now. But this is the decade of electricity and there are plenty of homes in this country where the broom and the match and the coal scuttle have been banished forever. The electric vacuum cleaner has ousted the old broom and the electric light and cigar lighter has done away with the match. Electric heat for the kitchen removes the last excuse for a dangerous match in the house and takes the place of the old coal and gas range.

There will be brooms for a good many years yet, just as the old-fashioned candle still survives in the back districts, but the modern home, apartments, stores, offices and all large buildings are fast adopting the more sanitary vacuum cleaning outfits. For the home the vacuum cleaner is made portable so that it can be removed from room to room. A long flexible cord is provided to connect it to the electric lighting socket and a small but powerful electric motor whirled a suction fan which sucks every particle of dust and dirt, thoroughly cleans the floors, walls and ceilings. The new cleaner does more than merely clean the surface of the rugs and carpets, it sucks every particle of dust out of the fabric and from the floor beneath. Extra nozzles are provided for cleaning curtains, pillows, bedding, etc. In large buildings the main vacuum cleaning apparatus is located in the basement and the building is piped with baseboard outlets for the attachment of the cleaning hose. In this way all the dirt is sucked up and carried downstairs in one operation.

GERMAN HEALTH RESORTS

The German spas, or watering places, are well known and popular resorts, not only for the people of Germany, but for practically all of Europe. As they are under the control of the state, and as careful records are kept, it is possible to secure accurate data regarding them. The Berlin correspondent of the Journal of the American Medical Association, in a recent letter, gives some interesting facts about these resorts. There are in Germany 312 sea and mineral bathing places, of which 194 are in Prussia, while 102 of the 215 mineral spas are in Prussia. There are 28 watering places on the East sea, and 28 on the North sea. The popularity and prosperity of these watering places is shown by the number of visitors. In 1870 the total number of visitors at all of the baths was 59,136, while in 1900 the total number amounted to 584,460, an increase of 360 per cent. The visitors at the mineral springs in 1900 numbered 345,999, while the visitors at

the seaside resorts the same year amounted to 230,403. The number of foreigners has also increased greatly in the last three decades. In 1870 only 461 Americans visited these resorts. In 1900 there were 2,611.

It is estimated that each patient spends an average of \$100 at the baths, \$52.50 at one of the North sea resorts, and \$50 at one of the East sea resorts. On this basis it is estimated that, in 1905, over \$63,000,000 were expended at the various health resorts of Prussia. In addition the exportation of medicinal and table waters brought in nearly \$4,000,000 more, making the entire financial returns for Prussian resorts in 1905 over \$67,000,000; while the receipts for all the German watering places in the same year amounted to \$100,000,000.

Regardless of what one's personal views of the judiciary recall are, there is no getting around the fact that President Taft's citation of heated intra state squabbles in Arizona is correct. When it comes to bitter local option fights, county and state capitol site fights, and a long list of other fight subjects, Arizonans are capable of producing a great deal of smoke and fire. If, during that state of affairs, the judiciary recall would injure and endanger the highest purpose of the courts is a question for political economists to elucidate further upon.

Many a La Grande man and woman, too, for that matter, trust yesterday's reports that oil is soon to be a paying product of Vale soil, has at least some element of truth in it. Quite a few kopecks were taken out of La Grande a few years since when the Vale wells were being boomed.

Tom Lawson, Boston financier, can be accused of plagiarism. His admonition to the Boston young man smacks a whole lot like Horace Greeley's. Anyway, Oregon has a warm booster in Tom.

A Vancouver, Wn., woman has escaped the pain and anguish of many a mother's experience by anchoring her boy in shallow water where it can splash and paddle and yet not be drowned. Some idea, that.

Loss of Time Means Loss of Pay.

Kidney trouble and the ills it breeds means lost time and lost pay to many a work man. M. Balent, 1214 Little Penna. St., Streator, Ill., was so bad from kidney and bladder trouble that he could not work, but he says: "I took Foley Kidney Pills for only a short time and got entirely well and was soon able to go back to work, and am feeling well and healthier than ever before." Foley Kidney Pills are tonic in action, quick in results—a good friend to the working man or woman who suffers from kidney ills. Foley Kidney Pills will check the progress of your kidney and bladder trouble and heal by removing the cause. Try them. Hill's Drug store. 8-16, 23, 30.

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