

West's Remodeling Sale Continued During July

Prices Drop Still Lower

The cost or former selling price will not be considered in this forced clearing of every department.

Contractors Start Tearing Down Back Walls Monday Morning

OUR SIXTEEN DAY REMODELING SALE HAS FAR EXCEEDED ALL EXPECTATIONS AND BROKEN ALL FORMER SELLING RECORDS DESPITE THE UNFAVORABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS. NOW WE FIND THAT THE LATEST PLANS FOR THE INTERIOR OF THE STORE WILL NECESSITATE THE TEARING UP OF EVERY DEPARTMENT AND MEAN MUCH LOSS BY HANDLING AND DIRT IF WE DO NOT MANAGE TO CLEAR OUR SHELVES OF OUR ENORMOUS STOCK.

Final Sacrifice Prices Go Into Effect Saturday, July 5th

You cannot afford to miss this great final sacrifice of Eastern Oregon's largest and highest grade merchandise stock.

Every Department Offers Exceptional Specials for Saturday--Read about them

100 Men's and Young Men's Suits

Values run from \$17.50 up to \$30.00. Sizes from 34 to 42. All up-to-date styles and highest grade materials and tailoring **\$7.90**

COME EARLY SATURDAY MORNING AND MAKE YOUR SELECTION.

25 Tailored Suits

for women and misses
Regular values \$20.00 to \$27.50. Saturday special

\$5.00

100 Pr Women's Oxfords & Shoes

Values from \$3.00 to \$4.00, Saturday special

98c Pr.

35 Women's and Misses' Dresses

That sold regularly up to \$15.00. Includes the popular Peter Thompson and sailor styles, Choice **\$5.00**

1500 Yards White Waistings

Plain stripes, figured, brocaded effects and checks. Regular prices from 25c to 30c. Saturday special, per yard **15c**

Our object is to open the new store with a complete new stock in every department. Take advantage of the wonderful savings offered in every article in the store

NEWEST STYLES IN "BENJAMIN," "SOCIETY," "FIDELITY" AND HIRSCH WICK-WIRE" SUITS

All Reduced 25 per cent

West
THE QUALITY STORE

EVERY GARMENT IN OUR EXCLUSIVE "READY-TO-WEAR" DEPARTMENT MUST GO.

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BRUCE DENNIS, Editor and Owner

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NEW GRAZING LAWS ISSUED.

Spring droughts in the section between the East and Middle West, have

made forage scarce in certain sections and the summer may prove serious for the grazing industry. As a means of relief unused grazing areas on some of the National forests have been put at the disposal of stockmen living at a distance, in cases where it will pay them to ship stock in by railroad for a summer grazing season. The district forester at Missoula, Montana has issued a prospectus outlining the grazing possibilities on the forests under his jurisdiction. According to this statement there are unused areas in the national forests of northern Idaho and western Montana which are capable of supporting a large number of sheep. The forage as a rule consists mainly of weeds and browse. Water is abundant.

These ranges are more or less inaccessible and are available only for the summer grazing season, which ex-

tends from June or July to October and November. There are no winter grazing areas nearby and the character of the land does not permit of raising feed in quantities sufficient to keep cattle through the winter.

The expense of shipping sheep in by rail and removing them before snow falls is not, according to the forest service, prohibitive, especially in cases where home ranges are barren and where a considerable number of a stockman's sheep might be expected to die of starvation during the summer. Sheep owners in eastern Washington have before now sent their flocks by rail into Idaho and Montana, sometimes having them returned home and at other times shipping them through to the East in the fall. One company shipped from Casco, Washington, to Cabinet, Idaho, securing a rate of \$40 a car in 10-carload lots, or a total shipment charge, coming and going of 25 cents a head. About 400 sheared sheep can be loaded into a car when going to the range, and 250 when returning.

INADEQUATE DAY FOR TEACHERS.

The report of the nation-wide investigation into the teaching industry has shown that the increased cost of living and the tendency of teachers salary to remain stationary compel many teachers to seek supplementary employment in order to make both ends meet. In some cases it was found that janitors receive more than teachers. One woman teacher writes that her brother, a plasterer, receives \$6 and she \$2 a day. In Atlanta, it is reported that the salary of an elevator boy at the city hall exceeds an established wage for one of the grades by nearly \$100 a year.

The investigation, which covered over a year, was made by a committee of the National Education association and information was received from 1,735 teachers. The report shows that the average salaries of women grade teachers are, for Atlanta \$564.83; for Hamilton, O., \$629.60; for New Haven, \$676.48; for Cincinnati, \$883.08; for Denver, \$893.32.

salaries today with teachers' salaries of a former period will not be completed until late in the summer, the committee presents some interesting information about the economic and social conditions in the five cities mentioned. In Atlanta, women grade teachers add to their salaries from other sources an average of \$31.45 a year, in Hamilton, \$28.74; in New Haven, \$45.24; in Cincinnati, \$51.18; and in Denver, \$94.40.

While outside employment does not seem very productive it is extremely varied. One teacher acts as umpire at football games, another writes plots for moving picture shows and a number do dressmaking. Others are serving as bookkeepers in small stores, cashiers in department stores and as waitresses in summer hotels. One is pastor of a small church, another is a chauffeur, a third raises chickens and one "gives expert advice to a manufacturing concern".

Figures compiled by the division of education of the Russell Sage Foundation shows that thousands of rural teachers throughout the southern states receive less than \$150 a year. Taking the country as a whole, the average annual wage of carpenters is declared to be \$802, of coal miners \$600, of factory workers \$550, of common laborers \$513, and of teachers \$485. One southern state rents its convicts to contractors at a little more than \$400 a year and pays its public school teachers slightly over \$300.

It may be said after a study of these figures that either an incompetent class of teachers is given charge of the rising generation or the competent teachers are receiving considerably less than their work entitles them to. In either case a rank injustice is being done. If the injustice is not toward the teachers it is toward the children. It is a state of affairs that should be remedied and the work of the national committee for the investigation of teachers' wage and the Russell Sage Foundation is very likely to bring this about.

When prison labor is let out by a state at a greater wage than that state is paying to its teachers it surely is high time that the question receives

more than passing attention.

A lock of George Washington's hair was sold recently at auction which seems to be about the limit in hair-locks.

At any rate the president is using words which make the old congressmen dig back into their dictionaries.

Moving pictures now talk and have the colors of reality. But the one obstacle they can't surmount. The actresses on the screen can neither lose their jewels or be divorced.

A substitute for gasoline has been placed on the market. But it is placed there by some company that controls the gasoline.

DAILY BRAIN RECORDS.

Some day a scientist is going to rig up a device that a man can attach inside of his hat and that will record just what he thinks of during the day. When he gets home at night he will be able to examine the ticker tape and thus can pass in review all the thousand and one thoughts he had during the day. With this device on the market new complications are sure to arrive in married life. Every wife will insist that her husband wear one and on his return home will demand that she be allowed to examine the record. It is not hard to see that many men will have to go bareheaded most of the time, putting on their hats only when they are able to hold their vagrant fancy down to a line of denatured thought that will pass the censor at home.

The dawn of the day when such a device is to be in common use is forecast by the fact that a late Harvard professor has willed his brains to the university authorities for the purpose of reading from them the thoughts he had when living. It was the professor's theory that every thought is recorded in some crinkle of the gray matter and that clever investigators by following all the lines could tell exactly what occupied the man's mind during life. Of course, he applied his theory only to brains that have ceased to work, but in view of the wonderful advances of science, there is

no reason to doubt that at a late date some genius is bound to patent a contrivance that will provide an automatic recording device for brains that are still on the job.

The device is not likely to be a commercial success. The average brain is a queer conglomerate of thoughts good and bad. It isn't at all a well behaved animal. It has no idea of law and order, discipline or propriety. Very often it couldn't be seen through the mails. In the end the good may conquer the bad, but before the victory is won the bad usually puts in a stiff fight. Nobody, not even pastors or vice commissioners, would want their daily brain records published in the newspapers.

A Milwaukee brewer is sixty-two inches around the waist, or perhaps it would be better to say around the waste.

The genius west who has invented a harmless rattlesnake should be very popular in local option districts.

Wanted Another Job.

Foley Kidney Pills have just gotten a man out of bed and able to work again. John Heath, Michigan, Calif., could not turn in bed without help, but "I commenced using Foley Kidney Pills and can truly say I was relieved at once." For kidney and bladder trouble, swollen joints and muscles, backache, rheumatism, get them a chance. Hills Drug Store.

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