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CLEANING UP.

La Grande is going to entertain the merchants of the Oregon the latter part of June. The visitors are going to judge the city largely by her appearance at that time, just as they judge individuals by their clothes.

It won't do any good to look to the city to make a clean-up campaign for the city has about all it can do with the present appropriation. Besides it would require a large force of men to do the work.

People have to think well of you before they patronize you, and they cannot think well of a city that cares nothing for its outward appearance. A trim neat looking appearance means thrift, thrift means business and business means money for everybody.

These are expressions of the inner man and indicate our thoughts and tendencies. Disorder about our homes won't make the right kind of impression to carry away and use when thoughts revert back to the meeting in La Grande.

CHOOSING A CALLING.

Managing towns is a new profes-

sion just beginning to open for young men, according to "Choosing a Calling," a booklet just issued by the University of Oregon at Eugene for high school students.

An ardent advocate of this new mode of running towns is Professor Don C. Sowers, the municipal expert secured by the state university from the New York Bureau of Municipal Research, whose business it is to give free counsel to Oregon communities in administrative matters.

"Within the last few years hundreds of American cities have altered their charters and placed their corporate interests in the hands of city managers, thus copying a system that has proved highly efficient in Germany. In Germany, a city manager who has shown special ability at the head of the government of a small city may reasonably expect a call to the executive chair of a large municipality, and if he has the qualities he will be promoted from city to city with increasing remuneration, both in money and in honor.

"Not only is the city manager himself a trained man, but he wishes to employ trained men in municipal positions. He cannot succeed if he expects political hucksters to do high-class work. A glance into the future reveals a calling here which the young man of the present day has still a chance to enter on the ground floor and which will lead to positions of dignity and honor."

Courses of training suggested for city managerships are economics, political science, sociology, history, commerce, English and journalism.

GAMBLING LID IS ON.

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sions, saying "Gambling is the worst thing that I can inflict on Mexico."

For many years open gambling and the sale of gambling concessions had been prohibited in Mexico and the correspondents were aware that it was with great reluctance that the sorely pressed Huerta finally turned to the sale of gambling concessions for funds.

As soon as the correspondents saw the gambling houses running full tilt under the American military rule, they took the matter up with Provost General Plummer.

"Yes," answered Plummer, "I have permitted the men who holds the gambling concession here to open up his houses again. He helped the marines greatly with information when they landed here and if we let him run he will see that gambling is confined only to his own places. In that way we can regulate gambling."

One correspondent, however, went to Captain Bamford, the military chief of police and said to him:

"How much are the gamblers pay-

ing for running their places in Vera Cruz?"

"Well," he answered, "We found that they were paying the city government four thousand pesos a month and the state government eight thousand pesos a month, the latter for military purposes. We're going to let the city government take its share and then we'll have the eight thousand pesos a month to spend for military purposes in Vera Cruz."

"But this is payday night in the fleet," suggested the correspondent, and the soldiers are losing their money at roulette and monte bank and craps."

"Better than spending it for booze," said the captain. "A soldier without money is the best soldier and the sooner they rid themselves of their money the better." The next move of the correspondent "uplifters" was to go to General Funston.

"What about the provost general taking money for military purposes from the gamblers?" asked a correspondent.

"What do you mean?" asked Funston.

The correspondent replied. "Blankety, blank, blank," shouted Funston, "I didn't know that was going on. I'll stop it right away."

No one knows, for publication, what Funston told the misled Colonel Plummer and the erring military chief of police, but gambling stopped immediately.

At that, Colonel Plummer now holds the record of having opened the gambling houses before he opened the public schools.

Vaudeville Proves Winner.

Advance information concerning the trio now at the Arcade under the name of Calliope Trio, stating that they are positively great, is correct information, for last night they got the best hand that has been given any set of men or women that has played the local boards this winter.

At the first performance the audience called them back three times, and when this occurs in La Grande it is proof enough that the bill is above the ordinary vaudeville. Besides this number which is alone worth twice the price, Mary Pickford appears tonight in "Hearts Adrift."

Read the advertisements too.

NEWS FOR MILADY

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Half Minute Talk

The West Store is like a Shady Nook, people seek it eagerly, find comfort in its coolness, learn of the styles by following the ever changing displays of new goods, roomy aisles, lots of fresh air, sanitary fixtures, courteous service makes shopping at this store a pleasure, not only this, but, this store sells the best goods and for less money than you pay elsewhere for inferior goods.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Attorney H. E. Dixon has moved his office from rooms 4 and 5 to rooms 20 and 21 in the La Grande National bank building.

Mrs. A. A. Wenzel leaves this evening for Grand Rapids, Wis., where her mother is ill.

Yeoman Elect Officers. The local homestead of Brotherhood of American Yeoman have elected their officers for the ensuing year.

Money to Loan. On improved real property in Union county, no delays, current rates. La Grande Investment Co.—Adv.

THOSE who would like 16 foot, black pine pole wood, leave name and address at this office. 6-1-6t.

Quick Shoe Repair. R. L. Duigan. Phone Black 81—1115 Adams Ave.—Adv. 4-2-tf.

Piano Tuning. Sidney Lyle the piano tuner is at the Foley this week. 6-1-tf.



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