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Ringling Brothers, as the concern controlling the cir cus trust of America is known, has absorbed all the large tent shows of the country and reduced circus masagement to a science, and the same results that have followed other commercial mergers have followed. Lack of competition has made possible a general reduction in salaries, the elimination of high-priced artists and the absorption and control of the many side grafts that go with the circus. Everything about the circus is now made to pay a revenue to the management, from the peanut, pink lemonade and toy balloon to the tatooed lady in the sideshow. Economy is possible to an extent heretofore undreamt of in the show busi ness and profits are correspondingly increased.
The all seeing eye of the monopolist watches every move of its small competitors, as was shown in Medford earlie in the season. When Norris \& Rowe and later the SellsFloto shows were billed here, Ringling Bros.' posters and banners appeared simultaneously and were plastered over the small shows' announcements. The same course was followed all over the country, and as a result of this arrogance and unfairness Ringling Bros. were refused a license to show in Denver.

The centralization of the business also has its beneficial effects. Many of the evils which formerly affected the circus have been abolished. The gangs of thieves and pickpockets that formerly traveled with the show have been largely cradicated. The system of short change and graft has been abolished. The pay of the employes is regularly forthcoming and there is no longer danger of the concerns becoming bankrupt. Habits of thrift and economy among circus hands are encouraged and a circus savings bank renders practical aid in this direction.

Ringling Brothers' receipts in Medford will approximate $\$ 10,000$, nine-tenths of which is taken out of the community. The license to show costs $\$ 75$, and a higher license is justified. However, it is of undonbted commercial advantage to Medford to be the only city in Southern Oregon that the big circuses show in, yet a license of at least $\$ 150$ is reasonable.

Central Point advertises "Population 1000; 98 per cen American." What is the other two per cent? In the dry town Klamath Falls "two per cent" stands for something a shade stronger than near-beer. Is it possible that the two per cent. has the same significance ivith our dry neighbor?
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