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## SITTING AND SETTING.

The Oregonian and the Walla Walla Bulletin are having a serious controversy as to whether or not it is proper to speak of a "setting" hen, and the Walla Walla paper seems to be absolutely "set" in its belief that the Oregonian is wrong in "sitting" on it in its lordly, holier-than-thou sort of a way.

Folks out in Walla Walla, as well as those in Cottage Grove, Portland and other important cities of the west, know what a "setting" hen is, but there are mighty few who would "get" you if you spoke of a "sitting" hen, but, nevertheless, the Bulletin uses poor judgment in tackling the Oregonian on any problem in grammar. If there is anything upon which the Oregonian "sets" its heart, it is in being grammatically correct and the Bulletin can "set" it down as a certainty that there is a bunch "sitting" around in the editorial office "laying" for grammatical errors.

Typographical errors you may find plenty, political errors are legion, errors of judgment are not infrequent, but errors in grammar, never. They can be easily avoided, for grammar is not a matter of judgment nor of the heart. If it were, the Oregonian might err.

The hens in Walla Walla may not "set," but their glory is likely to do so when their laying records are compared with the records "set" by Cottage Grove's biddies who are too busy producing eggs to concern themselves about the correctness of either "setting" or "sitting." It is not necessary to "set" any "sittings" for these layers.

## SUCCESSFUL FAILURE.

If there is anything more pitiful than to see folks go without things they need but are unable to buy, it is to see a person going without the things which would make him and his family comfortable when he possesses more of the world's goods than he and his family could possibly use if they provided every comfort they could reasonably wish for.

The Sentinel has heard it said that a certain person once set his mind to put away a certain sum of money for every year of his life and that in this he has been successful. The comforts that the board would provide him and members of his family will not be enjoyed until after he has left this world behind. He was the only one in a certain district who would not subscribe to patriotic drives during the war, but the government which others died to save, or gave their money to save, guarantees that this treasure will pass down to others of the family who felt their duty more keenly and who may after he is gone apply the money where it will do some good to others in the world.

The person referred to will never know of this criticism, for in putting away this certain sum each year it has been impossible to take the home paper that would tell about the doings of others of the community. It has not been possible to put away this stipulated sum each year and at the same time contribute anything to the welfare of his fellow beings or purchase those things which would improve the mind and bring bodily comfort.

Everything must be sacrificed to greed to accumulate a certain sum of money. What counted a wife who had a right to ask for the same comforts enjoyed by other women whose husbands had less means? What counted

the comfort of children brought into the world by his will? Why spend any money upon their education? Why couldn't they earn their way the same as he had?

When the time comes that this one must pass through the dark valley of the shadow of death, we are wondering if it will be any comfort to him to know that he is leaving a vast sum of money behind. We are wondering if there will be any to speak of a single good deed he has done to cause his memory to linger with his fellow man. We wonder how many mourners there will be to say that a good man is gone. We wonder how many there will be to speak of anything he has done to make the world better or the people therein happier. We are wondering how many there will be to say that his life was a complete failure and that at last his money will be put to some good use. We venture the prediction that the latter will be the more numerous.

Measured by his own yardstick, this man's life has been eminently successful. With probably but a meager education, with but small resources to commence his career, he has achieved the goal at which he aimed, to set aside a certain amount of money each year.

Measured as the world measures success, his life has been a more complete failure than that of the spendthrift who leaves not enough to pay his funeral expenses but who leaves behind many to remember his unwise prodigality.

Never before have we seen a more perfect example of successful failure.

## AN ANTIDOTE FOR SENTIMENTALISM.

Compelling the inmates of the Cook county (Illinois) penitentiary to witness the hanging of a murderer may seem a little severe, but the fact is that nothing is such a deterrent of wrong-doing as witnessing the downfall or punishment of others. Many a person has been halted in a heading career by the fate of a friend, many a person has been saved from sin by seeing what has happened to others who have sinned. This may not seem fair, but it is the fact, and the experiment of the Cook county sheriff may leave in the minds of his convicts memories that may in the future save them from doing something that would bring them to the noose.

We would not be hard-hearted to the unfortunate, but there is altogether too much maudlin sentiment expressed for those who go the way of the sinner and land in the penitentiary. Convicts still are human beings, which can not be said of their victims, if murdered. Their downfall may be the fault of others than themselves, but often those with false ideas of altruism make the lot of the felon more pleasant in jail than it was out in the world.

We have never yet seen an explanation of why women will tote flowers to the wife murderer and weep at the door of his cell. The sheriff of Cook county may be taking some of the sentiment out of incarceration but no great harm will come of his action and some good may be accomplished. He is at least original in his ideas.

## UNCLE SAM, BUSINESS MAN.

Uncle Sam, like so many merchants, has stuck to the theory that everyone knew him so well that he did not need to advertise, that everyone knew what his business was and where to find him. Like all near-sighted pennywise and pound-foolish tighwads of this kind, he has never been adverse to the kind of publicity that cost nothing and has been the champion press agent guy.

But now things have changed. Uncle has found that others make advertising pay and he proposes to attend to his business in the same way. Attorney-General Palmer has recommended that congress make an appropriation for advertising purposes and President Wilson has seconded the motion.

Uncle Sam will soon be moving out onto a front street and putting on extra clerks to attend to his business, or have work for those who are falling over one another trying to find something to keep themselves busy.

The government is sending the rods to Russia by the thousand at a crack. So far as we are concerned that may solve the problem, but how about poor Russia? What ought to be done is to put these anarchists on some island in mid-ocean and let them work out their

# JANUARY SALES

## of Men's and Boys' Heavy Work Shoes in High Top and Low Top Styles

The rising market does not justify this sale of men's and boys' work shoes and we are frank to say that we would not offer these low prices were it not for the fact that we find ourselves loaded with a double stock which arrived unexpectedly a few days ago. As soon as our stock has been lowered to a certain amount this sale will stop. These low prices are quoted to induce men and boys to anticipate their future wants:

MEN'S LOW TOP WORK SHOES	MEN'S HIGH TOP WORK SHOES	BOYS' HIGH TOP WORK SHOES
\$7.50 values now.....\$6.39	One lot \$11.00 shoes.....\$9.95	\$6.00 shoes now.....\$5.25
One lot \$4.50 to \$5 values at.....\$4.19	One lot \$14.50 shoes.....\$12.95	\$7.00 shoes now.....\$6.25
One lot \$4.50 values.....\$3.95	One lot \$16 to \$18 shoes now go at.....\$14.95	\$7.50 shoes now.....\$6.75
		\$8.50 shoes now.....\$7.25



## A Special Selling of Georgette and Crepe de Chine Blouses at

\$5.25 \$6.95 \$7.95 \$9.95

This collection of blouses offers a wonderful opportunity to choose from the best and newest styles at savings that have been made possible only by the most careful preparations. Included are blouses of georgette crepe and crepe de chine. Some are embroidered and beaded in pretty designs, others with tucks and hemstitching. Round, square or high neck models; new collar and cuff effects. At this remarkably moderate price they bring a buying opportunity exceedingly worth while.

All \$6.00 to \$7.00 waists now priced at.....	\$5.25
All \$8.00 to \$9.00 waists now priced at.....	\$6.95
All \$10.00 waists now priced at.....	\$7.95
All \$12.00 waists now priced at.....	\$9.95



## Sale of Women's Knit Winter Underwear

The women who know good underwear will appreciate these garments for the cold and chilly days of winter and spring. We will say, too, the time to exercise economy in buying for next season is right now! Look the prices over for yourself.

### WOMEN'S UNION SUITS

\$1.65 and \$1.75 grades priced now.....	\$1.39
\$2.00 and \$2.25 grades priced now.....	\$1.79
\$3.75 and \$4.00 grades priced now.....	\$3.19

## Sale of Children's Two-Piece Underwear

These are a big lot of broken sizes in wool or cotton shirts and drawers and are priced far below today's wholesale cost. The mothers who are looking ahead to next winter's needs or have been putting off the purchase of underwear for this winter will do well to invest in these real bargains. Come early, for the lot is limited.

Cotton shirts and drawers.....  
One-Third Off Regular Price  
Wool shirts and drawers.....  
One-Third Off Regular Price



## Sale of Men's Winter Underwear

including shirts and drawers in wool and cotton in broken sizes and union suits in cotton and wool mixtures—not damaged, but all perfect goods—while they last:

Men's \$1 to \$1.35 cotton shirts and drawers.....	89c	Men's \$2.25 to \$2.50 cotton unions.....	\$1.95
Men's \$2.25 wool mixed shirts and drawers.....	\$1.79	Men's \$4 wool unions.....	\$3.19
Men's \$2.75 wool mixed shirts and drawers.....	\$2.39	Men's \$4.50 and \$5 wool unions.....	\$3.95
Men's \$3.25 wool mixed shirts and drawers.....	\$2.79	Men's \$6 wool unions.....	\$4.95



## Sale of Rogue River Apples

BIG RED RIPE APPLES

\$2.50 a box

Every box is fancy pack and each red ripe apple wrapped in tissue paper. These apples are all large fancy size and delicious in flavor. Priced a box.....\$2.50

Last Offer of Olympic Flour at \$3.35 per Sack

The market has advanced, but we are giving all of our customers an opportunity to try the good quality of Olympic flour at the low price of \$3.35 a sack this week only

**Umphrey & Mackin**  
THE QUALITY STORE - GOOD SERVICE

BUY MILL FEED NOW

Try our extra grade mill run packed in 80-pound sacks and you will buy again. We are making a special price this week on twelve sacks or more at the sack.....\$2.00

# KANTLEEK

Rubber Goods

## Can't Leak

Because they are made in one piece.

No seams to open—no patches to come off.

Made of highest quality crude materials, with just the right amount of gum rubber, experience has taught makes the most durable rubber goods.

Every article is perfect and is guaranteed for two years.

KANTLEEK TWO-QUART HOT WATER BOTTLE.....\$2.75

Costs less because it wears longer

## The Modern Pharmacy

Cottage Grove

The Renall Store

Oregon

own salvation. Probably we should feel no sympathy for Russia, for that is the breeding place of the red, but as far as the world is concerned, deportation is bringing about no good result.

A Eugene man has been fined for allowing his wood to remain on the street while he was sick and unable to put it in. Eugene will be driving its citizens to Cottage Grove, where the huckster they are the longer they are permitted to leave their wood clutter-

ing up streets and sidewalks without the thought of fine or even a reprimand from the authorities.

An editorial in the Eugene Register is headed, "Hoover Spills the Beans." Such waste of food on the part of the original conservationist is absolutely inexcusable.

The Oregonian was able to take enough time from its pastime of straddling both sides of the peace treaty to get out what is probably the best

New Year's edition it has ever issued, if the information that those out of the state want about Oregon be the criterion. Even Oregonians could get a liberal education about their own state by careful perusal of this splendid edition.

The Sentinel is in receipt of volume II of the Farm Week News, a volume of which, consisting of about six copies, is issued each year during Farmers' Week at the O. A. C. The paper, which is a very creditable production

and contains all the news of interest to those attending Farmers' Week, has a formidable editorial force of eight members, who are emboldened before the world as follows: C. J. McIntosh, general manager; F. L. Snow, general rustler; Paul V. Maris, county agent chatter; Mrs. Jessie D. Newcomb, state leader home demonstration; S. Fine, dairy and everything else; A. W. McComb, eld-hopper chieftain; Zelta Feiko, home economics; W. B. Hayes, handling artist, proof reader, and general fixer.