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MEN OR WILD ANIMALS, WHICH?

Those people who ask congress to set aside a great park in the west as national playground or to preserve their scenic beauty or as a range for wild game without regard to the people who live there.

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DECLINING BIRTH RATE IN FRANCE CAUSES TAXING OF CELIBATES.

Made justifiably apprehensive by the declining birth rate in France, the government of that country is utilizing several devices, and contemplating others, to bring about a leveling of the situation in this respect.

THOSE WHO COME AND GO.

Secretary of the Lewistown, Mont., Chamber of Commerce, who is stopping at the Benson while visiting friends in Portland, is rated as one of the liveliest ever elected to the office of good roads slogan.

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More Truth Than Poetry.

By James J. Montague. THE TASK. Slim little maid with the grim little frown.

Always despairing of getting them right; Lay down the book till the morning is here.

Put on a dimple instead of a pout; Never groan and grovel by the door. Maybe tomorrow will figure them out.

Problems and problems, they come to us all. To vex us, perplex us and tangle our brains.

Hard ones and easy ones, great ones and small. And little reward do we get for our pains.

We solve one today and tomorrow we find A bigger one still that remains to be done.

And oh, but the world seems supremely unkind With plenty of trouble and little of fun.

But what can we do but keep peering? On all of the tasks that are set us to do.

And when for the time when there's leisure to play Before we must bend to our labors anew.

To play for a while, and to sleep and to rest. There's a break to the problems, the same same old same old.

For most of our answers are still to be guessed. And who of the future is still held in store.

And when the Great Problem at last shall appear, To call for the answer that men cannot find.

We'll wait for the task, and for year after year. We'll toil till our brows are all furrowed and lined.

Through doubt and through fear we'll keep peering away. Through oceans of solutions are scattered about.

But none of us ever will figure it out! But we'll never get one. What the country would like to see is a one-piece party platform.

Watch Him. If the Kaiser is permitted to go into the laboring trade, he'll soon have enough money to start another war.

Caution vs. Curiosity. Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford are going to visit the American battlegrounds in France.

In Other Days. Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of July 5, 1885.

Portland enjoyed a wonderful celebration last night when the fair weather and the stars were opened for free transportation.

The population of the city is estimated at 80,000 and at this figure the birth rate is 34.8 and the death rate 8.50 per cent.

DRIVERS' LICENSE LAW MUST BE OPERATED. SILVERTON, Or., July 3.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly permit me a few lines to call attention to this new automobile license law.

Here is about how it works out on the highway. It is about 15 years of age who has driven a light delivery car for us for a year and who has a full and complete record.