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A MENACE TO OREGON

Eugene Guard. A friend who has inside information tells us that one eastern mail order house has been paying an Oregon party \$1,500 a year to mail its catalogs throughout its Oregon territory. Until about a year ago when a new parcel post ruling was made these catalogs were mailed from a city south of us; but since that time they have been mailed from Portland, to which city they shipped by freight. The amount paid by the Chicago house is a revelation of the enormous business secured in this territory and of the vast sums of money that go out that should be kept at home.

The man or woman who does not believe that the money sent away from home hurts should consider this \$1,500 a year salary. It represents a very small part of one per cent of the money taken out of the state each year by this mail order house—to say nothing of the drain upon our finances by other similar institutions.

We talk of establishing industries in Oregon and steps to make better business here. Yet, year after year, as a community, we are undermining our own prosperity by patronizing mail order houses. To keep our money at home would in effect amount to the creation of a great industry here.

The dollar sent away to the mail order house is gone for good, never to return, while the dollar you spend with your home merchant travels around in this community, returning to you many times during the year. Just remember this the next time you have an idea that you will buy something outside of Eugene. At least give your home merchants the first chance at supplying your needs.

OLD MEN

A recent newspaper dispatch reports a movement to secure pensions for superannuated government employes. The graybeard of the department has always been one of Washington's most perplexing problems. In spite of all the red tape that interferes with government efficiency, the government clerk is apt to be a hard working man. He has at least done his best by Uncle Sam. It is a hard proposition to know what to do with him when he gets by the age of greatest efficiency.

In business it is much the same. There are a great many concerns that keep him long after the time when he really earns his pay. But in perhaps more he is coldly and curtly told that his place is needed by a stronger man. It is a bitter day when he is turned adrift. His heart and hands are as ready to work as ever, but the snap and vim of youth have gone. He absolutely is not worth a great deal of money, but the world seems to turn to dust and ashes when he is told of that fact.

The proposition in the movement referred to is to establish a government pension system for aged employes. It may be possible to work this out. But the taxpayers already regard the cost of government work as too high. If the departments could be systematized by the same kind of business ability that organizes a big factory, they ought to be able to pay their present wages, provide pensions and not increase the cost at all.—Ex.

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MISFITS

It now transpires that Chas. H. Wax, being tried in New York for swindling many women of their jewelry, is said to have stuck around Portland a few years ago, under a different name. His case shows what consummate fools some women are.

One would think to read the story of the case that all that is necessary to swindle women is to dress well and palaver.

Just as we expected the egg raiser is squirming because his market has been busted down at Portland; but it won't last. People are going to eat eggs, the most wholesome of foods. This is just a little spasm.

Water will always seek its level.

It was a fool thing to start on eggs anyway.

The farmer who sends off to Chicago for his stuff should take notice of what can be done in a city when an effort is made. If the products of the farmer should be boycotted there would be something doing.

England will now have a splendid opportunity to show what metal it is made of.

Doing very little towards the settlement of affairs by force of arms Great Britain should be good in the matter of peace negotiations.

The world has had enough of brute government.

Some big Eastern men have been telling the best safeguard against temptation, offering an interesting list. Here are some of them:

- "High aims," Andrew Carnegie. "Influence of a good mother," Dr. Lyman Abbott. "The will to resist," Oscar S. Straus. "Influence of a good home to those who have it and fear to those who haven't," Booth Tarkington. "Knowledge," Arthur Brisbane. "Will," Irvin Bacheller. "Healthy interest in good things," Sir Rabindranath Tagore.

If a person is an absolute follower of the Lowly Nazarene the temptation part is always taken care of.

Preparedness

Stayton Mail: Subscribers to The Squawker are urged to bring in a load of wood next week and have their time extended another year. It looks as if it might be a hard winter.

DANCING SCHOOL

I am opening a dancing school in the Moose Hall where I will teach all the new dances of the season. Among the new ones are the new fox trot, the one step, twinkle trot, canter waltz, Montrose Schottish. Come out and learn something worth while. Fees are 50 cents single; \$1.00 per couple. From 8 to 9 Friday evenings to the public. Dancing from 9 to 11, 25c. Grant Albire, of Salem, master of modern dances. D12 13.

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