

## Wide Variety Of Articles Returned In Library Books

By DAVE COHEN  
The average person, in the estimation of Evelyn Cooper, Klamath County librarian, would be amazed to discover the foreign matter and debris that are used

as bookmarks found prior to the books being reshelved in the Klamath County Library.

One of Miss Cooper's assistants, Mrs. Betty Cote, said "We once found a strip of raw bacon, and Mrs. Beulah Campbell, who repairs and mends our books, finds many other things." Mrs. Campbell sits alone most of the time on the second floor of the library building, mending, rebinding, erasing entries some thoughtless person has made, and leafing through the pages to see if anything has been left in the books.

"Oh, I find many things," Mrs. Campbell said. "Teen-agers have a tendency to write notes and leave them in books. One girl left lipstick marks all over a page. This wouldn't be done if it were known how many germs are on each page. There can't help but be, with so many people handling the same book."

Here Mrs. Cote interjected, "And while we're discussing teen-agers, you mustn't forget the report cards, test papers and pictures of their schoolmates. Older children have a tendency for writing obscene comments or expanding on some of the drawings. Among older readers we find such things as driver license applications not to mention the 56 cent refund check from the gas company."

Mrs. Campbell added "Of course we find such things as

nails, nail files, emery boards, paper clips, cigarette wrappers, gum wrappers, cereal box coupons, dimes and soap wrappers. We've even found cigarette stubs and a set of rules and regulations for the bartender's union."

Also found in books by the librarians are dress ravelings, embroidery silk, turkey pins, straight pins, bobby pins, match books, which are common, playing cards, membership cards and business cards.

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Mrs. Campbell said that a playing card firm offers to libraries free bookmarks with only this inscription, "Read for advancement, play cards for pleasure." They are probably seconds, but I think we'll order some, although I don't think it will help us any," she said.

Mrs. Cote said, "Fortunately, we flip most of the books that come back before reshelving them, so we find most of the articles."



**LEAFING THROUGH** a book to see if there are any miscellaneous articles between the pages is Betty Cote of the county library. Mrs. Cote said that librarians find anything from a slice of raw bacon to embroidery thread in many of the books.

## Wet Weather Covers Nation

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Snow and rain continued to bring dismal winter weather to a vast portion of the nation today and about the only thing absent from the weather map was a cold wave.

The Northeastern quarter of the country had snow in an area stretching from the Dakotas and the upper and mid Mississippi Valley eastward through the Great Lakes and northern Ohio Valley.

As the storm moved eastward, snow and rain were reported in the southern edge of the Ohio Valley.

To the east of this snow section, there was rain and drizzle with snow in higher elevations of New England.

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