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THE IRRIGATION CONGRESS

The Irrigation National Congress that will meet in Portland, Oregon, on August 21st for a four days session is called to discuss, "The problem of the age", that of how to secure a sufficiency of moisture, during the season of growth, for the food crops that the human family require, and must have or perish of starvation. The increase of people on earth, as a result of civilization, renders it necessary that enormous crops of bread making and forage crops be grown. To meet this demand it has become necessary to cultivate a large area on which the rainfall during the growing season is insufficient to furnish the requisite amount of water to insure a crop that gives remuneration to the cultivators.

As farming is now carried on in many, if not in all the states of this union, the sufficiency of rain during the season of growth is so precarious that farming partakes largely of a vocation dependent upon chance. The food producer plants with no certainty of being rewarded for his labor with a good crop, for if the rain fails when necessary, so will the crop fail. Few people, even farmers, have a very definite knowledge of how much water is necessary each day to insure the full growth and maturity of a stalk of wheat, stalk of corn, hill of potatoes, acre of meadow, or a fruit tree, or how much they actually lose by the ground getting too dry and thus arrest growth for a single day during the growing season. Botanists say that some plants require three times their weight in water each day, others less, but all require more than is generally supposed. The coming Congress will discuss such matters.

LOW WATER

The sequence of the mildness of last winter and light snowfall, about which we were all prone to brag, is now upon us with low water in all our streams, about which irrigators are very



There are many kinds of meat, but we sell only the best kind. A trial order will convince you of the truth of this statement. We kill only the best specimens and kill it correctly.
 Our prices are as low as consistent with the best quality.

Bock & Thomas

much tempted to grumble. The Columbia river at Celilo is reported lower than for many years. The Boise Statesman says: "The discharge of water in feet per second on July 29, 1903 was 1450 feet and on the same day of 1905 it was 835 feet per second a fall of 615 feet, and that the river is falling slowly." Grande Ronde river and the lesser creeks in this county have less water in them than usual at this time of year, but we have heard of no serious trouble from that cause.

CHINA BOYCOT

Last Saturday Louis Getz a large exporter from San Francisco to China, claims to have received from his agent in Shanghai the following telegram:

"Cancel all orders. Boycot of American trade effective among Chinese merchants. All business entirely suspended."

Mr Getz said on Saturday: "We will cancel many orders for flour, meat, hardware, provisions canned meats and many other things."

HOUSE FOR SALE, \$720.—Five rooms, two 30 ft corner lots, half cash. Inquire at this office.

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Seasonable Goods as well as Staples always on hand.

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BRICK BRICK

Brick furnished in any quantity or any style. No contract too small or too large. See samples of our pressed brick.

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 La Grande, Oregon.

Greatly in Demand

Nothing is more in demand than a medicine which meets modern requirements for a blood and system cleanser, such as Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are just what you need to cure stomach and liver troubles. Try them. At Newlin Drug Co. drug store, 25c guaranteed.

GOOD PASTURE

800 acres fine pasture, adjoining city. Abundantly watered. Cows in herd \$1.50, dry stock and horses 1.25, per month. Stock delivered on short notice at reasonable prices.

E. E. Jones,
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Good For Stomach Trouble and Constipation

"Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done me a great deal of good," says C. Towns, of Bat Portage, Ontario, Canada. "Being a mild physic the after effects are not unpleasant, and I can recommend them to all who suffer from stomach disorder." For sale by Newlin Drug Co.

LADIES' AND MISSES' LISLE GLOVES
 Worth up to 50c. Clean Sweep Price at 15c per pair.
 An offer which we can seldom present to our customers

INFANTS' AND MISSES' SLIPPERS 50c a pair
 Among these are many that sold at \$1.50 and \$2.00, in black, blue and red. Proper thing for warm weather

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This Store Closes at 6:30 p. m. except Saturday

SPECIAL NOTICE
 All Mail Orders Given Prompt Attention

Last Week of Our Great July Clean Sweep Sale
 You must get in line if you wish to take advantage of the greatest dollar saving opportunity La Grande has ever put before the public. Our CLEAN SWEEP SALE closes Monday evening, July 31, and unless all signs fail will go down as a record breaker.

EVERY ARTICLE IN THE HOUSE REDUCED
 EXCEPT SPOOL COTTON, BUTTERICK PATTERNS, E. & W. COLLARS, W. L. DOUGLASS SHOES.

Splendid Money Saving Specials in Ladie's Suit Department

You could hardly hope for such values in the windup sales of August. And here they are with all the wearing time ahead.

- \$2.75 LINEN SKIRTS, DAINTY, DURABLE, \$1.80**
 Summer skirts of pure white linen, cut in 9 gore flare. Splendidly adapted for wear these warm summer days. A \$2.75 value \$1.80
- SUMMER WASH SUITS**
 All the season's styles and in all colors. Chambray Gingham, in light blue, tucked, 7 gored and pleated skirt, full flare pleat. Regular \$4.00 value \$2.90
- Plain white dotted swiss suit, trimmed with insertion, full flare skirt. \$6.00 value \$4.00

A ROYAL BARGAIN IN THE MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

300 MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS

consisting of everything that is good and stylish, bearing the brands of the most reliable makes of our land.



- \$25 Values, now \$20.00**
- 2250 and**
- 20 values, now 17.00**
- 15 " " 9.50**
- 10 " " 7.00**

Women's Summer Underwear Sweepingly Reduced.



WOMEN'S 65c UNION SUITS 40c
 White cotton merode Union Suits, short sleeves, knee length, regular value 65c 40c

WOMEN'S \$5.00 PURE SILK VESTS \$3.75
 Fine light weight pure Italian silk vests, hand embroidered, silk trimming. Regular \$5 value, now \$3.75

WOMEN'S 25c VESTS, 20c
 Low neck, sleeveless, ribbed vests, plain, neat trimming. Regular 25c value 20c



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- \$.75 values, now \$.50**
- .85 " " .60**
- 1.00 " " .75**
- 1.25 " " 1.00**

150 PAIRS OF LADIES' AND MEN'S SHOES

That were regular \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50 values, now



\$1.95

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 8, 10, and 12 values for 5c

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 75c, 85c, \$1.00 values 50c