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- Ladies' Skirts, \$5.00 and \$6.00 values \$1.95
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REMEMBER!

Sale ends Thursday, Dec. 30

Scheme to Irrigate the Madras Country

A special dispatch from Madras to the Portland Journal says: "The irrigation project known to the government as the 'Crooked River' project is rapidly becoming more promising, is shown by the report of the Idaho capitalists, composed of Messrs. G. B. Rogers, R. E. Rogers and R. Rounds of Boise, Idaho, accompanied by D. O. Stevenson, chief engineer of the party, which has arrived in Madras from the head waters and lakes of the Deschutes river, where the party had been making investigations as to the quantity of water which might be available for storage for irrigation purposes.

This project should not be confused with the government's Crooked river scheme, which had its storage reservoirs at an entirely different location and greatly inferior source of water supply. The gentlemen are of the opinion that ample water can be found for the irrigation of 100,000 or more acres, which will be found north of Crooked river, composed of the Opal Prairie, Haystack and Agency Plains districts, and other small plains adjacent to the districts above mentioned.

The plan of procedure, as outlined by these gentlemen, is to make a storage reservoir of Crescent lake, which has an elevation of 8000 feet, and is fed by

numerous streams of the Cascade mountains, and if this lake should not furnish sufficient water for all irrigation requirements Odell lake might be taken into the scheme.

The water for this project will follow the channel of the Deschutes river until it reaches Cline falls, where it will be taken out into a ditch, whose approximate length will be 50 miles, crossing Crooked river near the surveys of the Harriman and Hill railway lines, following the contour of the country west of Juniper Butte, thence north through the Opal Prairie country to Madras, crossing Willow Creek canyon near the survey of the Deschutes railroad. From the crossing the waters will be distributed in laterals over Agency Plains and over a considerable portion of the rolling country east of these plains.

G. B. Rogers thinks the lands in this project can be irrigated at a cost of between \$40 and \$50 per acre. The farmers of this section have been striving long to interest the reclamation service in this irrigation scheme and there is every assurance that any reasonable offer by these gentlemen, should their preliminary investigations crystallize into fact, will be quickly taken up by the eager ranchers.

The project is to be financed by an issue of bonds which will be sold to furnish funds for the development of the scheme and as soon as the lien to be held on the irrigated lands is paid off by the settlers, the financiers of the project will turn the property over to a

water users' association, which will then take charge of the irrigation works. The Rogers' have been interested in several irrigation projects in Idaho which have been carried to successful completion and operation, among which are the Payette and Owyhee projects, and they are not in the least exercised about securing funds to develop this irrigation scheme.

The government has reserved the waters of Crescent, Odell and other lakes in that vicinity for irrigation purposes, including the surplus waters of the Deschutes, and these gentlemen have now in preparation a petition which will be circulated in this section asking the secretary of the interior to permit the usage of these lakes and streams for irrigation purposes under the Carey act. It is desired that these petitions be very generally signed by persons in the section north of Crooked river, so that the reclamation service may see that the undertaking of these gentlemen is entirely approved by the people to be served.

The preliminary investigations and other preparations incident to a scheme of this magnitude will have progressed far enough by the completion of the railroads into this section, it is thought by the members of the party, so that construction on the project and the shipping of materials for reservoirs, flumes and canals will be commenced in due season.

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FROM THE ACORN.

To an ancient, pious Brahman was a grandson born. Full of joy at the blessing which had again happened to his house, he said: "I will go out hence and thank the Great Spirit and Father of Nature, who has blessed us. Perhaps he may give me opportunity to honor him, even through one good deed."

So spoke the Brahman and went. The blossom of pure joy is gratitude and its fruit benevolence.

With the lively feeling of honoring the great and beneficent spirit the old man stepped into the fields, and in the shade of the trees each of his thoughts was a prayer. Still sparkled the drops of a freshly fallen shower on stalks, blossoms and leaves.

Although he had already seen the spring timely times, Nature seemed to him again made young and falter than ever, for she grows not old to him who reveres her Creator and recognizes in the figure the benevolent Sculptor.

The old man set on his way forward, and on the beaten path he found an acorn. The rain had already through its fertilizing power sent the germ forth, and the shell burst asunder, but it could not take root on the hard, bare path. He stooped, took it up and said: "How charming it is to be brought thus far on my way, for easily hadst thou been trodden in pieces by the foot of the wanderer or withered by the solar rays. Happy shall I be if I can here do a good work and by deed fulfill my inward sentiment and the aim of wise nature advance, who with each breath shows a benefit—even the smallest thankfulness is a sweet duty."

A youngster with stood behind the oak tree and who had caught up the words of the Brahman stepped forward and jeeringly smiled.

"Why smilest thou?" asked the old man.

The youngster answered, "At thy childish thought, my elder, that thou canst rejoice at having rescued the life of an acorn!"

"Youngster," said the Brahman, "how art thou able to know my thoughts, since today is the first time thou hast seen me? And why dost thou jeer at the small service which I intend to perform to Nature? To her is the acorn worth as much as the tree, and without that this were not. Even virtue, my son, begins with the little and from this mounts upward to the great, but the nearer she approaches to the completion of the original even so much the more she herself inclines to humility and simplicity, and then to her is worth the smallest as much as the highest. Sends not Brahman, too, his ray and dew on the blade of grass as well as on the palm tree?"

Thus spoke the old man with friendly seriousness. The youngster violently withdrew himself, full of veneration. He had seen the noble old man in his dignity, and he wished to be like him, for frivolity itself must in his heart reverse virtue.

The Brahman set forward on his way to a hill which was overgrown roundabout with thorns. He met a peddler, who asked: "Thinkest thou that out of an acorn thou canst rear a tree for thyself? Thou wilt indeed scarcely have the joy of its shade."

The old man answered: "Must one at the planting think only on the shade of the tree and on oneself? Does Nature so? My son, he who has not planted earlier than and before yesterday finds in the planting itself his motive and his joy."

He came to the hill, on the peak of which, among the thorns, he buried the acorn and covered it carefully over with earth and moss.

"Why plantest thou among thorns?" called out a herdman opposite to him.

"Thou carest badly for thy nursing."

"Friend," replied the Brahman, "so long as the little plant is tender and small the thorns will shelter it from raw winds and injury, and when it grows up it will work a way through for itself, for it is an oak. My son, I have obtained this of Nature. The good mother considers equally the tenderness and strength of her foster children."

After the old man had completed his work he trod gaily on the way back to his homestead. As he drew near to his hut his grandsons and great-grandsons sprang toward him and asked, "Where hast thou been so long?"

But he assembled them around him and recounted all which had happened to him, and the little children exclaimed, the old man who he spoke. The elder ones, however, hung on his lips and harkened to him.

"Oh," said the old man when he had finished, "there is certainly no place fairer than in the lap of Nature, when the father loves his offspring and in the quiet circle of his family is beloved by his children. Yes, love abounding Brahman," cried he and glanced upward to heaven, "in the quiet circle of Nature and of domestic peace stands thy holy temple!"

The new planted oak soon grew forth out of the germ and raised itself up above the thorns and became a spreading, shady tree. There died the old man, and his loved ones buried him on the hill, and whenever they saw the tree and heard its rustlings they were mindful of the life and wise sayings of the Brahman, even to the latest times, and recited from him and sought to become like him, for the word of a wise man is as a grain of corn in fruitful ground.—Boston Globe.

JUGGLERS OF INDIA.

One of the Wonderful Feats They Are Said to Perform.

Two men—one old and emaciated, carrying a native drum; the other young and well fed, fantastically gowned with an overskirt of colored handkerchiefs and a multitude of bells which jangle noisily at his slightest movement, long, ragged hair, altogether a hideous figure.

The drummer begins a weird tom-tomming and the other man an incantation. Then he extends a "supra," a bamboo tray used by all natives, on which any one who pleases places a large handful of rice and the same quantity of grain. The two ingredients are thoroughly amalgamated, so that it would in the ordinary way take hours to separate them.

Now the fantastic man with his tray begins. He turns round slowly, gradually quickening his pace (the drummer also keeping time), faster and faster in a giddy vortex, the tray at times almost out of his hands, yet so cleverly handled that not a grain falls out. It is very trying to watch, but in a couple of minutes both stop simultaneously, and the man shows to the wondering spectators two little heaps, one of rice and the other grain, at different ends of the tray, which in his sickening gyrations has been able to separate by some extraordinary manipulation.—Pearson's Weekly.

THE SWISS PENSION.

Peculiar Manners at the Boarding House Table d'Hotel.

The distinctive thing about a Swiss pension is the table d'hotel. The table d'hotel has its own set of conventions. You can always tell an old pensionnaire by the way he sputters when he cuts his soup, by the way he stabs a piece of bread from the bread basket with his knife and by the keen eye he has for picking out the best piece of meat. By some mysterious system, known only to the maid, she always offers you the platter with the fork seductively placed in the smallest, poorest portion. Your skilled pensionnaire is never caught by this trick. He always removes the fork from the place indicated and takes over everything till he finds the best. This is not impolite—in a pension. It is the conventional thing.

In order to prevent any undue advantage the maid has a system of rotation. First she begins at the head of the table and works down the right side. With the next course she begins at the foot and works up the left side. If she forgets where she stopped and begins wrong there is an immediate howl from those who are getting cheated. This causes many a bitter and stormy argument.—Albert Edwards in Outlook.

Equal to the Occasion.

Micholot, the famous comedian, suffered a great deal from the spite of his colleagues and found it necessary to be on the alert at every performance. On a certain occasion he had to seed a servant in one of Moller's plays, when the "claque" which had been bribed by his rivals, began to hiss.

Micholot was by no means disconcerted. Giving the servant a couple of blows on the ear, not included in the part, he extemporized as follows: "You vile scamp of a varlet, there is nothing you think of? There you stand quietly listening to the vermin squealing in the house and never trouble yourself to get the rat poison!"

The effect of this sally was striking. The audience broke out in loud applause, and no subsequent attempt was made to hiss the actor.

Helping Him On.

The somewhat elderly but still handsome and well preserved bachelor had long been an admirer of the young lady, but never had dared to tell her so. At last, however, he mustered courage to say: "Miss Jessie, I wish I were twenty years younger."

"Why so?" she asked.

"Because then I should be, bold enough perhaps to ask you to marry me."

With a charming smile she shook her head.

"If I should have to tell you no, Mr. Baxter," she said, "if you were twenty years younger you would be—er—a great deal too young for me."

He took the hint—and a little while later the young lady too.

Missed the Combination.

He is one of those gushing old beaux who think fattery the key to favor with the gentler sex. The other evening he was at a reception with his wife, and they met the handsome Miss Blank, at whom he fired a whole battery of compliments. Then, turning to his wife, he said, "It's a good thing I didn't meet her before I married you, my dear."

"Indeed it is," she smiled sweetly—"for her. I congratulate Miss Blank."

—Exchange.

Art of "Dressing."

The art of consummate dress is not the gift of all or even the majority of mankind. One who possesses this gift knows all the subtle effects on angles, from the style and tilt of his hat to the exact width of the point of his shoe.—Outfitter.

At the Foot.

Pater (sadly)—I don't know what to do with that boy of mine. He's been two years at the medical school and still keeps at the foot of his class. Perrins (promptly)—Make a chiropodist of him.

Out of the shadows of night the world rolls into light.—Lonzfeldt.

Gormley, The Tailor.

What about that winter suit? Of course you want it tailor-made. It doesn't cost any more than the hit-and-miss kind. My samples are the finest in town. Pressing, re-pressing and cleaning. Give me a trial, 85

Horse Strayed.

Sorel mare, white star in forehead saddled and bridled. Strayed from my camp in Fort Rock country. Return same to me and receive \$25 reward, or address

John Smith, Antelope, Or.

Sheriff's Sale.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Crook County, C. F. Smith, Plaintiff, vs. Will Percy, Defendant.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the above entitled court on the 19th day of November 1909, in favor of the above named plaintiff and against the above named defendant, in a judgment rendered in said court on the 21st day of October 1909, for the sum of \$400.00 with interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from Oct. 21st 1907, commanding me that out of the personal property belonging to said defendant, and if sufficient could not be found then out of the real property belonging to said defendant in Crook county, Oregon on or after the 21st day of October 1909.

In obedience to said execution I have levied upon the following described real property belonging to said defendant to-wit: W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 17, R. 16 E. S. 12 E. Sec. 18, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 19, T. 12 N. R. 11 East W. M. in Crook county Oregon, being unable to find any personal property out of which to satisfy same.

Notice is hereby given that I will on Monday the 27th day of December 1909, at the front door of the court house in the city of Prineville, Oregon, at 10 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the above described real property, to satisfy said judgment and interest and costs.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 1909. FRANK KILKINS, Sheriff, Crook County, Oregon.

First issue Nov. 25, last issue Dec. 23, 1909.

Notice for Publication.

Not Coal Land.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Or., November 2nd, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Arthur B. Minkler, of Prineville, Oregon, who, on July 18th, 1904, made Homestead, (Serial No. 00226) No. 12679, for E 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 Sec. 28, township 14 S., R. 10 East, Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Warren Brown, county clerk, at his office at Prineville, Oregon, on the 14th day of December, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses, Sidney Minkler, Frank Ray, R. A. Poe, LaPollette, William Gunn, of Prineville, Oregon.

11-11 C. W. MOORE, Register.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the estate of C. L. Salomon, deceased, by the undersigned, the executor of said estate, that she has made and filed with the county clerk her final accounting of her administration of said estate, and that the county court has named Monday, the 6th day of Dec. at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the county court room in Prineville, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing and settling said final accounting. At which time and place any persons interested in said estate may appear and object to said final accounting.

Dated this 4th day of Nov. 1909. NAOMI SALOMON, Administratrix of the Estate of C. L. Salomon, deceased.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of Samuel H. Ritchey, deceased, to all persons interested in said estate that she has made and filed with the county clerk her final accounting of her administration of said estate, and that the county court has named Monday, the 6th day of Dec. at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the county court room in Prineville, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing and settling said final accounting. At which time and place any persons interested in said estate may appear and object to said final accounting.

Dated this 4th day of Nov. 1909. J. H. BAKER, Administrator of the estate of Samuel H. Ritchey, deceased.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the estate of Mary McMeekin, deceased, and all persons having claims against said deceased, to present the same to the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at the time and place named herein, to-wit: Monday, the 6th day of Dec. at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the county court room in Prineville, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this notice.

Dated this 4th day of Nov. 1909. WILLIAM MEMBEKIN, Executor of the Estate of Mary McMeekin, deceased.

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M. E. Brink Lawyer At street, Prineville, Oregon.

M. R. Elliott, Attorney-at-Law Prineville, Oregon.

Notice for Publication. Isolated Tract, Public Land Sale, Serial No. 04790, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, November 9th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906, Public Law No. 203, we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., on the 21st day of December, 1909, next, at this office, the following tract of land, to-wit: NE 1/4 NW 1/4, N 1/2 E 1/4, SW 1/4, Sec. 31, T. 18 S., R. 20 E., W. M.

Any persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the day above designated for sale.

11-19 C. W. MOORE, Register.

Call for Warrants. Notice is hereby given that all Crook County General Fund Registered Warrants up to and including registered No. 540, will be paid on presentation to the Treasurer of said county. Interest on them from this date. W. F. King, Co. Treas. Prineville, Ore., Nov. 4, 1909.

Contest Notice. Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, Oct. 22, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Hannah M. McClun, contestant, against Homestead Entry, No. 0881, made Sept. 2, 1908, for NW 1/4, NE 1/4, E 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4, section 20, township 14 S., range 10 E., Willamette meridian, by John A. Seabury, Prineville, Or., Contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past; that said tract has not been settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; that there are no improvements thereon except an unfinished house that is unoccupied; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on Dec. 10, 1909, before the County Clerk at Prineville, Or., and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m., on Dec. 16, 1909, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in The Dalles, Or.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed Oct. 8, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

11-4 C. W. MOORE, Register.

Notice of Final Settlement. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the executrix of the last will and testament of Charles Wilson, deceased, that she has made and filed with the clerk of the county court her final accounting of her administration of said estate, and that the county court has named Monday, the 6th day of Dec. 1909, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the county court room in Prineville, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing and settling said final accounting and settling the same. At which time and place all persons interested in said estate may appear and object to said final accounting.

Dated this 4th day of Nov. 1909. MARIA GRAIN, Executrix of the estate of Charles Wilson, deceased.

Notice for Publication. Not Coal Land. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, November 8th, 1909.

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Dated this 4th day of Nov. 1909. M. R. ELLIOTT, Administrator of the estate of Hensley Vineyard, deceased.