

MAGIC OF IRRIGATION.

Story of the Rice Fields of Southern Louisiana.

In 1883 lowlands in southern Louisiana near the bayous suitable for growing sugar cane, corn and cotton could be purchased for \$3.50 an acre, and the prairie lands back from the bayous could be bought for \$1 an acre.

The first people to plant rice in southern Louisiana, according to the United States geological survey, were the Acadians, who, after their expulsion from Nova Scotia by the English in 1755, settled in considerable numbers in Louisiana.

Little advance was made over the Acadian methods until recent years. Experiments in unusually wet years had shown that the soils of the prairies were adapted to the growth of rice if sufficient water was at hand.

OUR UNRULY SUN.

It Seems to Be Trying to Dilate to the Bursting Point.

The French astronomer Pulsenx has been busy himself with the constitution of the sun. He finds that, instead of condensing and shrinking little by little, as was formerly supposed, the sun is constantly dilating more and more and reaching the point of bursting.

Big suns every while as important in their own constellations as ours are frequently victims of an explosion.

Observation has shown long since that the great orb which is our all in all is a most uncertain character.

Argentina there is a natural bridge that is one of the most wonderful in the world. It spans the Rio Mendoza and is known as the Inca bridge.

Two natural objects seem to have furnished the model for the spoon to primitive man—the river or sea shell and the leaf of plants in southern China shell spoons are still used that are closely reproduced in the familiar porcelain spoon of that country.

Doctor (cuttingly)—Are you to be allowed to drink beer, eh? Didn't I tell you just a week ago to let the stuff alone? Patient—I know, doctor; but, you see, I thought there might have been some progress in medical science since—New York Post.

Mean Fellow. "Your wife has a muscular affection which renders her speechless. I can cure her, but it will take time."

Too Fond of Them. "Is he fond of outdoor sports?" "Yes. His wife complains that he even invites them home to dinner."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Handicapped. "Jinks is a born poet." "That's no reason why he shouldn't try to make something of himself."—Boston Transcript.

Of all poverty that of the mind is the most deplorable.—Gregory.

New Tract Platter "Dunthorpe" is the name of a residence tract lying above Elk Rock, partly in Clackamas and partly in Multnomah county, which was placed and filed in the recorder's office last week.

Do you care to know about the happenings, etc., in the county? Do you like to read the news of the different towns and suburbs? Then subscribe for the Courier.

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MILLER & OBST, Inc.

First Annual JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE!

ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

WE HAVE BEEN IN OREGON CITY JUST ONE YEAR TODAY. To celebrate this, our First Anniversary, we are going to give each customer buying a suit or overcoat from \$11.85 up, for the next three days, FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, his choice of ANY HAT of our own make, all styles! REMEMBER—Friday, Saturday and Monday we celebrate our First Anniversary.

Shoes

We still have a good stock of good shoes, in English and staple lasts.

- \$5.00 Walkover Shoes.....\$4.15
\$4.50 Walkover Shoes.....\$3.85
\$4.00 Walkover Shoes.....\$3.35
\$3.50 Walkover Shoes.....\$3.15
\$5.00 Regal Shoes.....\$3.85
\$4.50 Regal Shoes.....\$3.65
\$4.00 Regal Shoes.....\$3.15
\$3.50 Dress & Work Shoes.....\$2.65
\$3.00 Dress & Work Shoes.....\$2.35
\$2.50 Dress & Work Shoes.....\$1.85

Men's Underwear

- \$1.00 Union Suits.....85c
\$2.00 Union Suits.....\$1.65
\$1.25 Garments, wool.....95c
95c Garment, merino.....59c
50c flesh colored Und'wear.....29c

- \$3 Boys' Hi-Sample lot Flan- Top Shoes on nel Shirts. Val sale.....\$1.85 \$2 to \$4.....\$1.45

Men's Suits

We still have a large line of high grade men's suits to choose from. Remember—we give a HAT FREE with each suit or overcoat purchased FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY.

- \$25.00 Suits and Overcoats - - \$18.85
\$22.50 Suits and Overcoats - - 16.85
\$20.00 Suits and Overcoats - - 14.85
\$18.00 Suits and Overcoats - - 12.85
\$15.00 Suits and Overcoats - - 11.85

We have an excellent line of blue any black serges which are included in these prices.

- A few of our odd Suits left—Values to \$20 \$7.85
Men's \$10 to \$12.50 Overcoats, Sale 17.85
Boys' Double Breasted Suits Reg. \$5 to \$2.85 \$10 values

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Men's Shirts

These Shirts include Manhattan, Arrow, Monarch and Triangle brands.

- \$3.00 Dress Shirts.....\$2.35
\$2.50 Dress Shirts.....\$1.85
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\$1.50 Dress Shirts.....\$1.15
1.00 Dress Shirts.....85c
75c Dress Shirts.....59c
\$1.00 Black Sateen Shirts.....65c
50c Work Shirts.....35c

- Wool Mixed Sox for 9c
Pad Garters 9c
\$5 & \$6 Florsheim Shoes \$3.45

- \$1.50 Flannel Shirts 95c
\$5 to \$7 Sweater Coats \$3.95
All Gordon Hats \$2.35

- Men's extra heavy Wool Pants. Sale Price.....\$1.95
Sample line Men's Logging Shirts.....\$2.35
Boys' Storm Rubbers.....35c

DISTRICT NO. 4—C. W. Schuld & Sons, \$69.30; P. R. L. & P. Co., \$69.30; Bert H. Finch, \$1.96; Estacada Tel. & Tel. Co., \$0.73; J. A. Kitching, \$31.25; R. L. Githens, \$13.50; W. M. Wade, \$5.50; C. A. Looney, \$3.50; George Walters, \$6.00; H. S. Jones, \$9.50; E. E. Sailing, \$16.00; J. A. Kitching, \$8.00; L. Hale, \$11.00; H. Githens, \$5.50; E. H. Erickson, \$11.00; W. M. Wade, \$21.00.

DISTRICT NO. 5—J. A. Imel, \$7.00; W. R. Telford, \$5.00; M. H. Wheeler, \$16.25; P. Stone, \$8.00; W. E. Wheeler, \$16.00; J. A. Imel, \$3.00; G. Herz, \$4.00.

DISTRICT NO. 6—Jarl & Eri, \$19.00; Jonsrud Lumber Co., \$4.00; Sandy Ridge Lumber Co., \$7.30; Ed Suckow, \$60.00; F. Lohrman, \$18.00; Max Wunchl, \$30.00; H. Haselwander, \$20.50; Chas. Krebs, Jr., \$6.00; Alex. Fredeen, \$4.50; Frank Langersand, \$25.00; Nick Schmitz, \$2.00; Theo. H. Fischer, \$1.50; Gust. Finger, \$36.50; M. Lindberg, \$34.50; Ed Sitz, \$28.00; Chas. Krebs, \$52.50.

DISTRICT NO. 7—Paul R. Meinig, \$3.75; Sandy Mercantile Co., \$5.70; T. Hagas, \$7.85; Wm. Ganger, \$4.50; A. H. Klingler, \$2.25; D. W. Douglas, \$15.00; R. Shipley, \$18.00.

DISTRICT NO. 8—The Sandy News, \$5.00; John Buchholz, \$2.25; John Freil \$1.00; Paul Borman, \$1.00.

DISTRICT NO. 9—Fred Lins, \$17.50; Gus Zwirna n\$10.00; Carl Lins, \$9.00; Ed. Grafenhan, \$6.00; Ed. Guber, \$12.00; John Marshall, \$4.00; Will Lins, \$2.00; Frank Thomas, \$50.00.

DISTRICT NO. 10—C. H. Duncan, \$13.79.

DISTRICT NO. 11—Mattoon Lumber Co., \$11.61; Mack Rivers, \$12.00; E. L. Pope, \$8.25; F. E. Lucas, \$9.50; Eli Rivers, \$16.25; F. A. Vallet, \$3.00.

DISTRICT NO. 12—Gustav Fischer \$5.80; H. Swales, \$5.00.

DISTRICT NO. 13—Pope & Co., \$2.85; Scripture & May, \$4.50; Frank Busch, \$15.70; E. E. Kellogg, \$62.90.

DISTRICT NO. 14—C. H. Blanchard, \$2.00; T. Blanchard, \$1.00; H. Engel, \$6.25; E. Vetotie, \$1.50; E. Reed, \$3.00; F. Huiras \$4.00; W. Randall, \$4.00; D. Rutherford, \$4.00; A. Rutherford, \$1.00.

DISTRICT NO. 15—W. F. Lucke, \$1.80; Wm. Raddatz, \$17.30; Emil Gelbrich, \$2.00; G. W. Simonds, \$2.00; H. Thiel, \$1.50; J. Melody, \$0.75; Adam Bany, \$5.00; E. Courand, \$2.00; F. B. Needham, \$2.00; J. E. Wells, \$2.00; J. M. Ross, \$2.00; George Kohler, \$2.50.

DISTRICT NO. 16—Hoff Bros., \$13.00.

DISTRICT NO. 17—Edwin Faust, \$2.00; Henry Mueller, \$2.00; Rudolph Mueller, \$2.00; R. Schuebel, \$4.50; J. C. Anderson, \$3.00; Chas. Livesay, \$23.46; Fred Marshall, \$2.00; Theo-

dore Marshall, \$2.00; Wilfred Marshall \$2.00; Charles Marshall, \$2.00; Fred Lindau, \$2.00; John Gard, \$2.00; L. Wallace, \$6.00; P. Berdine, \$2.50.

DISTRICT NO. 20—Larkins & Jones, \$36.00.

DISTRICT NO. 21—Molalla Pioneer, \$10.00.

DISTRICT NO. 22—Frank Vaughn, \$6.00; Clay Engle, \$11.00; C. E. Ramsby, \$3.00; Walter Painter, \$12.00; Albert Engle, \$6.00; H. J. Rastall, \$4.00; S. A. D. Hungate, \$8.00; Graham Hungate, \$5.00; George Gurnsey, \$8.00; R. E. Stone, \$6.00; H. S. Ramsby, \$2.00; Robbins Bros., \$6.70; I. L. Boyer, \$7.00; David Graham, \$6.00; Bert Ball, \$4.00; C. C. Edwards, \$12.00.

DISTRICT NO. 23—J. W. Berkeley, \$22.10; Aurora Lumber Co., \$5.80; Canby Concrete Works, \$5.70; Bates & Patch, \$8.75; R. W. Zimmerman, \$7.00; G. F. Ziegler, \$4.00; J. C. Mark, \$12.50; D. Hepler, \$12.50; S. Hoover, \$2.00; C. Oglesby, \$3.00; W. Gabert, \$2.00; O. H. Oak, \$10.00; V. Skinner, \$2.00; J. Bonn, \$4.00.

DISTRICT NO. 24—L. P. Spagle, \$6.80; D. D. Hostetler, \$9.96; Canby Concrete Works, \$1.20; L. P. Spagle, \$28.75; John Gahler, \$21.00; Ernest Werner, \$0.75; A. L. Weaver, \$4.00; C. Johnson, \$4.00; O. Hartzler, \$2.00; Simon Yoder, \$2.00; Ole H. Sather, \$2.00; John Roge, \$4.00; D. F. Ackerson, \$7.00; John Casto, \$3.00; Asa Callister, \$1.00; Geo. Brockalt, \$4.00.

DISTRICT NO. 27—J. C. Marquam, \$0.35; Henry Ashoe, \$2.50.

DISTRICT NO. 28—F. M. Henriksen, \$25.95; J. F. Jones, \$4.50; G. E. Gault, \$2.00; A. B. Hibbard, \$7.00; W. L. Freeman, \$18.00; V. E. Pittman, \$10.00; Omer Williams, \$10.00; L. D. Shank, \$4.00; Al. Wyland, \$5.50; Tony Olsen, \$3.50; Ben Sherman, \$5.00; John Coover, \$7.00; Ed. Coover, \$9.50; Leslie Shank, \$27.00; Claud Marsh, \$2.00; Frank Ferlan, \$4.00; Frank Sherman, \$4.00; Ellis Nicholson, \$2.00; John Bagby, \$4.50; Ernest Russell, \$9.00; Jason Jones, \$2.50; F. A. Davis, \$3.00; W. N. Chilcote, \$2.00; W. L. Freeman, \$14.00; A. Sacket, \$7.00; Frank Bagby, \$21.50; Owen Kimball, \$10.00; L. D. Shank, \$24.50; Frank Koke, \$5.00; T. Olsen, \$19.00; Leslie Shank, \$37.75; George Explin, \$4.00; Andy Mazingo, \$6.00; V. E. Pittman, \$6.00; Robbins Bros., \$2.35; N. B. Wade, \$2.45; Ben Sherman, \$5.00; Frank Sherman, \$5.00; John Coover, \$6.00; Ed Coover, \$5.00; Frank Ferlan, \$2.00; E. L. Trimble, \$5.00; E. Clester, \$4.00; Zeb. Bowman, \$2.00; Arthur Carter, \$2.00; J. M. Greshing, \$6.00; C. K. Leitzel, \$6.00; G. E. Gault, \$3.00; C. K. Thomas, \$3.00; D. B. Gray, \$3.00; C. K. Thomas, \$3.00; D. B. Gray, \$3.00; A. B. Hibbard, \$2.50; John Miller, \$1.50; John Bagby, \$8.00; Omer Williams, \$4.00; Claud Marsh

\$13.00; C. W. Hardy, \$5.00; Jacob Kline, \$3.00.

DISTRICT NO. 29—Canby Hardware & Implement Co., \$0.60; John F. Ohlert, \$3.00; G. H. Gray, \$6.40; G. H. Gray, \$3.75; H. Calvin, \$2.00; A. Gray, \$7.00.

DISTRICT NO. 30—C. W. Kruse, \$34.00; Glemmorrie Quarry Co., \$2.00; J. Bickner & Sons, \$1.65; Winfield Baker, \$4.00; Frank Whitten, \$2.00; Ed. Wanker, \$2.50.

DISTRICT NO. 32—Carlson and Sherk, \$21.05; G. Durst, \$4.00; J. Snider, \$3.00; W. C. Heater, \$16.00; D. Baker, \$20.00; G. Baker, \$10.50; B. Brown, \$2.00; F. Dewey, \$2.00; H. Voss, \$2.00; R. Heater, \$4.00; S. S. Parrott, \$6.00.

DISTRICT NO. 33—Frank Millard, \$7.00.

DISTRICT NO. 36—John McKenzie & \$6.75; G. W. Zimmerle, \$3.00; J. F. Zimmerle, \$3.00.

DISTRICT NO. 37—C. W. Kruse, \$30.16; E. M. Locker, \$2.00; C. W. Kruse, \$36.68; C. W. Kruse, \$58.25; E. M. Locker, \$14.00; R. E. Moffitt, \$1.00.

DISTRICT NO. 40—Jonsrud Lumber Co., \$15.03; Jarl & Eri, \$6.10; D. L. Erdman, \$10.25; D. Fosberg, \$2.00; H. Brommer, \$6.00; H. Ackerson, \$2.00; H. Anderson, \$6.00; F. Carlson, \$6.00; H. Henriksen, \$2.00; C. Bartlemay, \$2.00; I. Brown, \$4.00; H. Gibson, \$2.00.

DISTRICT NO. 41—S. A. Cooper, \$1.27; Wm. Updegrave, \$16.57; H. H. Udell, \$22.80; G. R. Woodie, \$8.00; Web. Roberts, \$14.00; Geo. Kitzmiller, \$7.50; R. C. Frace, \$6.75; O. M. May, \$9.00; H. H. Udell, \$7.50; A. Shirley, \$3.20; Chas. Oja, \$2.00; R. C. Frace, \$2.00; G. R. Woodie, \$2.00; Web. Roberts, \$2.00; Geo. Kitzmiller, \$2.00; Wm. Updegrave, \$2.00; O. M. May, \$4.50.

DISTRICT NO. 42—Canby Concrete Works, \$24.00; J. W. Watson, \$10.25; John Schumacher, \$16.00; Austin Taylor, \$9.00; Arent Lee, \$2.00; Alexander, \$2.00; L. B. Yoder, \$0.50.

DISTRICT NO. 43—Alex Baker, \$4.00.

DISTRICT NO. 45—L. P. Elliott, \$1.00.

DISTRICT NO. 46—S. Lillie, \$4.25; R. Dunham, \$4.25; J. J. Hattan, \$10.00.

DISTRICT NO. 49—Bert H. Finch, \$9.38; J. F. Snyder, \$6.00; R. F. Snyder, \$3.00; A. G. Burd, \$3.00; G. T. Hunt, \$25.25; H. H. Hunt, \$12.00; Bert H. Finch, \$6.00; J. F. Snyder, \$4.00; E. T. Davis, \$4.00; J. F. Davis, \$4.00; R. E. Davis, \$4.00; J. J. Davis, \$4.00; W. B. Lemon, \$2.00; R. W. Lemon, \$4.00; A. G. Burd, \$2.00; F. L. Bundy, \$2.00; H. H. Hunt, \$2.00; G. T. Hunt, \$3.75; E. Amacher, \$4.00; Albert Hayes, \$1.75.

DISTRICT NO. 51—A. L. Heacock, \$0.25; Jonsrud Lumber Co., \$6.75.

DISTRICT NO. 52—C. W. Schuld & Sons, \$8.40; C. A. Betz, \$6.75; Sam Apfin, \$12.50; C. C. Henderson, \$1.50; H. W. Kanne, \$5.30; Taylor Bros., \$40.80; Royal Zinsler, \$10.00; Ben Becker, \$20.25; G. S. Lenon, \$12.00; H. W. Kanne, \$17.50; W. A. Ulrich, \$12.00; C. C. Henderson, \$4.00; Paul Paulson, \$20.00; Aug. Geppert, \$9.00.

DISTRICT NO. 53—C. A. Bengli, \$2.00; Ernest Conrad, \$2.50.

DISTRICT NO. 54—D. D. Hostetler, \$4.00; W. W. Long, \$60.75; V. G. Calvin, \$29.25; Percy Graham, \$38.75; Wm. Owings, \$33.00; Geo. Owings, \$29.00; Bert Kent, \$14.50; B. L. Kent, \$27.50; O. Mahler, \$6.00; Wm. Fleege, \$4.00; Ben Burket, \$17.00; Roy Kropf, \$2.00; C. Yoder, \$6.00.

DISTRICT NO. 55—Creason Mill Co., \$20.88; T. Eaden, \$3.80; Geo. M. Hively, \$20.00; C. E. Hively, \$18.00; Wm. Gibbs, \$3.50; T. Jubb, \$2.00; Jubb, \$6.00; Joe Youngferrder, \$4.00.

DISTRICT NO. 56—Martin Bros., \$3.15.

DISTRICT NO. 57—J. S. Fisher, \$3.25; Lewis Mitts, \$4.00; C. E. Mitts, \$2.00; J. S. Fisher, \$4.00; O. Killo, \$11.00; H. Killo, \$10.00; A. F. Eymann, \$17.72.

DISTRICT NO. 58—H. F. Gibson, \$7.70; J. C. Miller, \$24.35; J. M. Turner, \$4.00; C. Whitehead, \$2.00; J. Blust, \$2.00; J. Reiter, \$2.00; M. Johnston, \$12.50; G. Gieseck, \$1.00; T. E. Brown, \$1.00.

DISTRICT NO. 59—Geo. A. Brown, \$4.50.

DISTRICT NO. 60—Molalla Pioneer, \$10.00; J. L. Tubbs, \$1.00; G. V. Adams, \$4.00.

GENERAL ROADS—City of Oregon City, \$423.50; W. H. Mattoon, \$17.00; Buffalo Steam Roller Co., \$8.00; W. Kaiser, \$12.50; W. Dutcher, \$4.00; W. S. Thomas, \$2.50; Fred Baker, \$6.25; M. Alagich, \$3.00; H. Gehardt, \$7.00; J. Scholl & Son, \$7.37; J. W. Berkeley, \$36.73; T. C. Raynolds, \$2.65; William Isensee Co., \$6.93; Milwaukee Build. Mat. Co., \$1.90; Meese & Gottfried Co., \$9.25; J. K. Morrow, \$1.50; Hodson-Feenaghty Co., \$4.85; E. C. Warren, \$7.92; O. C. Foundry, \$1.68; O. C. Mach. Works, \$5.55; Coast Culvert & Flume Co., \$30.00; Chase & Linton, \$15.00; Oswego Lumber Co., \$1.44; W. J. Wilson & Co., \$2.60; J. W. Clark, \$14.73; E. C. Warren, \$13.25; G. K. Hall, \$36.00; C. Harpole, \$32.00; I. Julian, \$2.00; E. D. Olds, \$81.95; Wm. Stone, \$1.50; J. W. Berkeley, \$11.68; A. H. Averill Mach. Co., \$1.30; W. H. Lucke, \$2.50; Chas. Morris, \$2.00; Adolph Kraxberger, \$3.00; J. Lemour, \$8.00; C. Walch, \$2.00; L. Walch, \$2.00; R. Kraxberger, \$3.00; T. Weninger, \$2.00; Rudolph Klaus, \$13.75; W. B. Caffee, \$4.00; A. Butterfield, \$1.50; W. B. Caffee, \$2.00; G. A. Schuebel, \$8.25; V. Bohlender, \$3.50; E. O. Hughes, \$4.00; A. Bab-

cock, \$1.00; Fred Bohlender, \$1.00; Wm. Dolbow, \$1.00; Wm. Parry, \$1.00; John Moehne, \$1.00; Grif Roberts, \$0.50; Howard-Cooper Corp., \$81.65; R. Richardson, \$14.90; R. Johnston, \$7.50; P. Arnold, \$2.50; T. A. Rootz, \$7.50; Larkins & Jones, \$102.34; Hogr Bros., \$2.75; C. N. Larkins, \$0.75; J. C. Nelson, \$1.00; W. H. Wettlauffer, \$62.62; W. H. Bottmiller, \$13.75; Ed Buol, \$9.50; C. H. Bergman, \$25.07; Ed Grace, \$5.50; George Gasser, \$3.00; Albert Gasser, \$2.00; Clyde Ringo, \$3.00; Samuel Elmer, \$2.00; John Leichtweis, \$2.00; Otto Buol, \$6.50; Dewey LaFollette, \$3.75; G. Klang, \$5.50; W. W. Irvin, \$573.00; R. W. Zimmerman, \$90.00; C. F. Ziegler, \$62.00; W. L. Bauer, \$58.00; W. D. Fish, \$23.00; C. Potwin, \$26.00; G. Plantz, \$32.00; B. Adams, \$13.00; A. J. Zimmerman, \$35.00; J. H. Hartman, \$10.00; S. Hoover, \$42.20; M. King, \$35.20; E. Zimmerman, \$22.35; J. Anderson, \$31.90; V. Berg, \$40.00; A. Snyder, \$60.60; E. Hurst, \$9.75; F. Norton, \$62.50; V. Skinner, \$43.60; D. Sheppard, \$44.60; C. C. Gibson, \$6.80; H. H. Deetz, \$54.00; A. Bolland, \$3.15; D. Miller, \$44.40; F. Bachert, \$20.35; John Affolter, \$8.80; H. H. Udell, \$5.40; R. C. Frace, \$3.00; S. Nash, \$96.00; W. Rainey, \$62.50; Grossenblader, \$50.00; L. Mattoon, \$63.75; C. Axford, \$47.00; L. Vierhus, \$24.00; E. Graves, \$19.00; E. Bentley, \$44.00; J. W. Hylton, \$4.00; T. C. Thomas, \$44.00; Rob. Mattoon, \$52.50; H. Fisher, \$54.25; W. S. Stewart, \$16.00; John Bass, \$24.00; Albert Scheer, \$14.00; Holt Bros., \$10.13; P. O. Chindgren, \$3.50; Ben Chindgren, \$8.00; R. W. Davidson, \$8.00; Ruben Chindgren, \$7.50; Herman Chindgren, \$8.00; H. J. Rastall, \$16.00; H. C. Bonaker, \$2.00; Roy Sullivan, \$4.00; Hub Bowman, \$2.00; Straight & Salisbury, \$3.15; Gotlieb Amacher, \$14.00; J. T. Fullam, \$7.50; Edward Carlson, \$3.00; J. W. Townsend, \$4.00; P. M. Townsend, \$5.00.

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