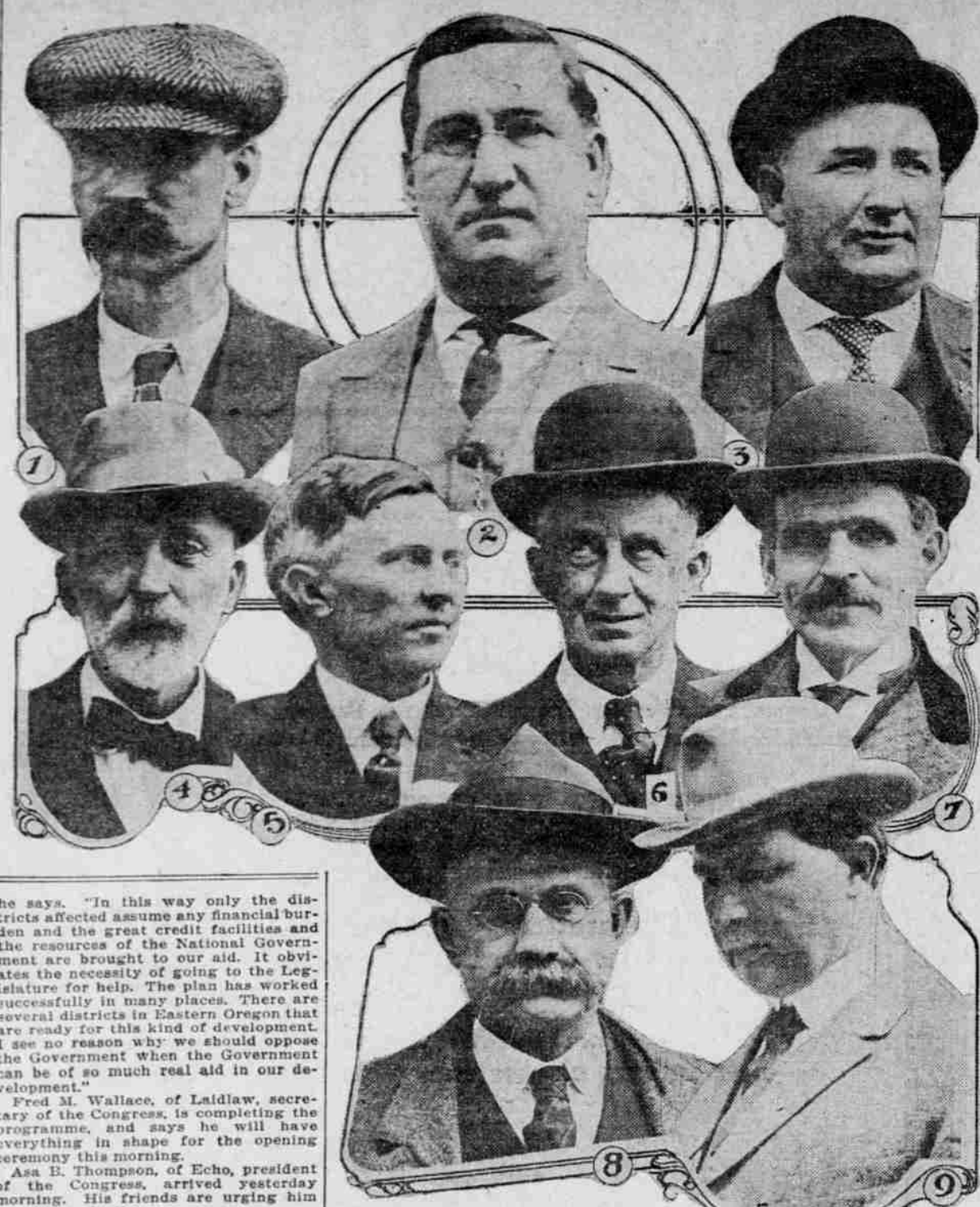


OFFICIALS AND PROMINENT MEMBERS OF OREGON IRRIGATION CONGRESS HERE FOR ANNUAL SESSION, WHICH OPENS AT IMPERIAL HOTEL TODAY.



1, J. P. Dockett, Seters; 2, A. B. Thompson, Echo, President; 3, James M. Kyle, Mayor of Safford; 4, C. E. Prigmore, Lower Bridge; 5, Joseph T. Hinkle, Hermiston; 6, H. W. Clement, Ontario; 7, M. C. Baugman, Stanfield; 8, E. W. Brown, Justus; 9, A. O. Walker, Alfalfa.

2 PLANS PROPOSED FOR IRRIGATION AID

Flat Appropriation or State Levy Suggested — Ferris Bill May Be Indorsed.

DISTRICT RIVALRY INTENSE

Secretary Lane Said to Favor Projects Co-operating and Pooled Resources Being Pledged as Security for Federal Bonds.

PROGRAMME FOR OREGON IRRIGATION CONGRESS TODAY.

10:30 A. M.—Congress called to order by President, A. B. Thompson; address of welcome on behalf of city, H. R. Albee, Mayor; address of welcome on behalf of Portland Commercial Club, C. C. Chapman; response, A. O. Walker, Alfalfa, Or.; president's address and report; committee appointments.

Two definite plans for state aid for irrigation will be presented to the Irrigation Congress which will open its annual meeting at the Imperial Hotel today.

One provides for a flat appropriation of \$450,000 from the Legislature, and the other for a state tax levy of 1 mill for irrigation purposes.

Both ideas will be submitted to the committee on resolutions and doubtless will come before the general body for action.

The movement for the tax levy is general among delegates from all parts of the state, but the plan for the flat appropriation is original with irrigators from Central Oregon, who adopted a resolution to that effect last night.

Opinion is Divided. In view of the economy programme announced by members of the Legislature some delegates yesterday discouraged both plans. There is a decided division of opinion among the early arrivals on this subject.

It is pointed out that the 1-mill levy will raise approximately \$1,000,000, which would be expended under direction of the Desert Land Board or other officials designed by the Legislature for that purpose.

Revolving Fund Desired. The Crook County delegates who proposed the \$450,000 appropriation want the money spent in that county, and will consent to have it placed in a revolving fund, which would be applied to other districts as fast as it is returned to the State Treasury from the farmers who buy land redeemed through its original expenditure.

Delegates from other Oregon are opposed to the flat appropriation. They are unwilling to ask the Legislature for the money in the first place, and don't want it to go to Central Oregon in the second place.

In this connection a question has arisen over the status of the \$450,000 appropriated by the Legislature for the Tumalo irrigation project.

Some members are of the opinion that this money is to be turned into a revolving fund for further irrigation development. This, it is understood, is the view of Governor West.

Other delegates, however, assert that the Legislature never intended the money to be used for irrigation again, and that it should be returned to the State Treasury as fast as repaid by the farmers.

It is probable that the courts finally will be called upon to decide just what is to become of the \$450,000 due from the Tumalo farmers. If it should be decided that the money is to be turned into a revolving fund it is probable that the Central Oregon people would not ask for additional appropriations, but as the question has not been brought to the attention of the courts yet the exact status of this money cannot be known in advance of the meeting.

Compromise is Suggested. It has been suggested, therefore, that the delegates who are demanding another state appropriation should be asked by the Legislature to turn the Tumalo money into a revolving fund.

Another question that is agitating a good many delegates is the attitude that is to be taken on the Ferris bill now pending in Congress. This bill is intended to give the Federal Government further control of the water powers of the states, and is understood to be the pet plan of Secretary Lane, of the Interior Department.

Ferris Bill is Puzzle. While many delegates are not favorable to the provisions of the Ferris bill, they think it would be profitable to go on record against it, in view of the fact that they are about to ask the Federal Government for additional aid in their local districts. It is probable, therefore, that the Ferris bill will be indorsed, although a recommendation for modifications may be included in the resolution.

The question of Federal aid in district irrigation projects also will receive much attention. It is intended, according to this plan, to pool the resources of separate irrigation districts as security for Federal bonds. In this way, it is pointed out, the irrigation people would get the advantage of a low rate of interest.

Many Umatilla County delegates intimate that they have "underground information" to the effect that Secretary Lane, of the Interior Department, and other Federal officials are favorable to such a plan of co-operation.

One of the most active advocates of the district and Federal co-operative scheme is James M. Kyle, Mayor of Stanfield.

"It is the most practicable and the most sensible way of doing our work,"

he says. "In this way only the districts affected assume any financial burden and the great credit facilities and the resources of the National Government are brought to our aid. It obviates the necessity of going to the Legislature for help. The plan has worked successfully in many places. There are several districts in Eastern Oregon that are ready for this kind of development. I see no reason why we should oppose the Government when the Government can be of so much real aid in our development."

Prof. M. Wallace, of Laidlaw, secretary of the Congress, is completing the programme, and says he will have everything in shape for the opening ceremony this morning.

Asa B. Thompson, of Echo, president of the Congress, arrived yesterday morning. His friends are urging him to seek reelection.

Friends of J. W. Brewer, of Redmond, have started a presidential boom on his behalf. Mr. Brewer has been active in irrigation affairs in this state, but the vice-presidents of the Congress, has arrived. He says that Malheur County will send a big delegation.

The Ontario people are seeking aid for the Malheur irrigation project, which is intended to reclaim more than 10,000 acres contiguous to Ontario. It is probable that they will seek state aid.

Tumalo Promoter to Speak. J. N. B. Gerking, generally known as the "father of the Tumalo project," is here and proposes to make a speech at one of the early sessions.

He says that the cost of the state only \$250,000 to complete the Tumalo work, and that an additional cost of \$5 was charged for the reclamation fund, but that the cost to the farmers is \$40 an acre.

"If the state is making a profit of \$2.50 on that land it isn't right," he protested yesterday. "The farmers ought to get the land at actual cost."

Mr. Gerking also reports that the Tumalo farmers will insist that the \$450,000 that Secretary Lane has promised be used as a match to the state's expenditure on the Tumalo project be expended in that same district.

He is certain to meet with opposition in Oregon, however, as every other irrigation district in Oregon has its hands out for this money, in view of the conflicting demands for Secretary Lane's money the Congress doubtless will not recognize any demand, but permit the Government to decide for itself.

Following are the delegates who had registered last night: Lower Bridge—A. Kottman, Laurence A. Hunt, J. W. Howard, C. E. Prigmore, Albert Warrick.

Laidlaw—J. M. Griffin, O. Laurgaard, E. W. Gillet, W. D. Barnes, E. E. Dayton, E. E. Smith, L. A. Young, C. P. U'ren, H. P. Blaise, O. A. Pearce, O. V. Stanton, N. W. Gardner, J. E. Clark, E. L. V. Jenkins.

Ontario—Mrs. Ella Sprawl, H. W. Clement, Grand View—Albert Webber, N. J. Lambert, Robert E. Jordan.

Redmond—Peter Albert Hansen, J. H. Mandershead, J. W. Brown.

Upper—Frank Mann, W. F. Harner, Robert F. Skaglund, J. B. Bingham, J. O. Youngman, W. H. Peck, N. C. Christensen, O. C. Young.

Prineville—H. H. Cotford, George Brewster, Robert A. Baxter, Will Wurgessler, E. T. Stanton, G. H. Russell, C. W. Elkins, Lynn Nichols, R. H. Allen.

Umatilla—George Gard, Mabel Phillips, Metolius—T. H. Maddron, A. L. Williams, L. E. Smith, W. E. Smith, B. Y. Kintner, M. A. Phillips, George A. Johnston, J. C. Cockerham.

Wendouville—W. D. Coble, A. J. Kronert, Anton Anne, W. G. Waugh, D. V. Mackintosh, E. P. Bresterhouse, Hugh O'Kane, C. E. Johnson, H. C. Bonall, H. C. Elkins, E. J. A. Easton, Mrs. Easton, George S. Young, Charles W. Skakine, H. H. DeArment.

Sisters—J. P. Dockett, R. J. Skelton, Carl Woods, Arthur Warrick.

Stanfield—J. L. White, D. E. White, Salem—J. L. McAllister, Tygh Valley—K. L. Hansen, Alfalfa—A. O. Walker.

PROJECTS ASK MILLION

CENTRAL OREGON IRRIGATIONISTS WANT \$1,250,000 FOR WORK.

Conference Over Plans Serves to Unite Factions Before Session of Congress Opens.

Central Oregon irrigationists want not only the \$450,000 that the Federal Government intends to expend for reclamation purposes in this state, but an additional appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Legislature, to be matched by a like amount from the Federal Treasury.

Altogether, Central Oregon wants \$1,250,000 for immediate development work. Resolutions to this effect were adopted at a caucus of delegates from the interior counties at the Imperial Hotel last night.

While the resolutions suggest that the money be appropriated for work in "Central Oregon," it is apparent that this term is intended to apply only to Crook County and its immediate environs, including Jefferson County, which recently was carved out of Crook County.

More than 150 delegates were represented at the Central Oregon caucus at the Imperial Hotel last night. All but a few of them, however, were representatives of Crook and Jefferson counties.

The meeting also went on record in favor of Federal guarantees for bonds issued by separate irrigation districts. This plan also has been suggested by the Umatilla County delegates and is supported generally by the Eastern Oregon irrigationists.

The Metolius Irrigation & Power Company's project, more generally known as the lower desert project, also was recommended and efforts will be made to have the general state congress, which convenes today, adopt a resolution to that effect.

Yesterday's caucus was somewhat in the nature of a harmony meeting and served to unite the Crook County delegates for their appearance before the regular session of the congress. Wade Siler, of Madras, was elected chairman, and Guy E. Dobson, of Redmond, secretary.

CROWN POINT GIFT TO CITY

Four Are Donors to City of Beautiful Strip of Slightly Land.

Crown Point, an attractive strip of ground coursed by the Columbia River Highway near Chanticleer, overlooking a vast stretch of beautiful country along the Columbia River, is to be given the city as a park. A deed for the ground, comprising 78-100 of one acre, was sent to the City Council by County Roadmaster Yeon. He received it from Mr. and Mrs. Loren Lund, Gerson Royal and George B. Van Waters, the donors.

At the meeting of the City Council an ordinance will be presented accepting the property and appropriating \$1 as payment for the gift, the \$1 being a consideration necessary to clinch the deal legally. The ground stands on the top of the steep hill pitching down from Chanticleer to the bank of the Columbia. It is possible to stand on the point and see for many miles along the Columbia. The donors have given the land with the understanding that it never be used for any purpose other than a park.

LITERACY ACT PROTESTED

Association for Advancement of Colored Folk Urges Veto.

Holding that the clause of the immigration bill passed by the Senate last Saturday and now up for Presidential action, which would exclude from the United States immigrants of African nativity and of negro blood is unfair, Portland members of the National As-

ONLY ONE FIRM GIVES BID

Sewer Work Will Cost City \$23,969 if Contract is Let.

Gleibisch & Joplin, contractors, was the only firm to put in a bid for the reconstruction of the East Alder street or Sunnyside trunk sewer from near Grand avenue to the river. The sewer in this section partially has been destroyed. The bid of Gleibisch & Joplin is \$23,969.

Bids for paving and for the construction of sidewalks and the grading of streets were opened as follows: Improvement of East Market street from East Forty-ninth street to East Fifth street, \$125 square yard, \$82.20; Gleibisch & Joplin, asphaltic concrete, \$1.30 square yard, \$72.20; Warren Construction Company, asphaltic concrete, \$1.30 square yard, \$82.20; Gleibisch & Joplin, asphaltic concrete, \$1.30 square yard, \$82.20; Gleibisch & Joplin, asphaltic concrete, \$1.30 square yard, \$82.20.

Grading and sidewalks in Sutton street, from Bryant street to Lombard street, Arthur D. Kern, gravel and sidewalks, \$2180.22; Cochran-Nutting & Company, \$4,043.00; Andrew & Harter, \$3201.04; Manning & Company, \$4910.00; W. F. Ryan, \$141.00; O. Paulson, \$3128.26; Miller & Bauer, \$3086.15.

MAYOR'S PLAN IS DELAYED

Public Defender Measure Meets With Opposition in Council.

Mayor Albee's proposed ordinance creating the position of public defender in the Municipal Court met opposition yesterday at the hands of Commissioner Bigelow. The measure was up for first consideration. Commissioner Bigelow said he believes it is not a necessary position and would involve an unnecessary expenditure.

Mayor Albee said it is his opinion that persons unable to pay for legal advice should not be deprived of such advice. He said it is in the interest of justice to furnish them such assistance and in many cases would prevent the ends of justice being defeated.

The Council deferred action on the ordinance until a conference can be had with Municipal Judge Stevenson.

PERJURY TRIAL IS TODAY

A. Wolfman, Acquitted of Arson, Faces New Charge.

The trial of A. Wolfman on an indictment for perjury, growing out of his recent trial and acquittal on charges of arson, will begin today in Circuit Court Davis' court. Wolfman was accused jointly with Phillip Davis in the first trial.

The perjury charge is the result of Wolfman's testimony in his first trial that District Attorney Walter H. Evans had not asked him a certain question during the grand jury investigation of the charges of arson, which today in the court records, said he was not promised immunity from the arson charge if he would tell what he knew about the fire.

New Yorker Accepts Call Here.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—Rev. G. H. Young, of Hamilton, N. Y., has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Albany, to succeed Rev. Ebert H. Hicks, who resigned several weeks ago and who has just returned to Oregon after a tour of the world with Dr. J. L. Hill, of this city. For the past two years Mr. Young has been instructor in English and oratory at Colgate Seminary at Hamilton, N. Y.

Ladies' Home Journal Patterns for February Ready for Distribution Stamps Given on Charge Accounts if Paid in Full by 10th of Each Month

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37th Annual Clearance Most Important Merchandising Event of Year

Women's \$40 Suits at \$9.98 \$18.50 Coats at \$7.49

Second Floor—Smart new Suits for women and misses at half price and less. Many effective models, including short box styles, also belted and Norfolk effects. A splendid range of the most desirable colors and black. Cheviots, serges, diagonals, Bedford, matelasse, etc. Suits worth up to \$40.00. Priced for immediate clearance \$9.98

House Dresses Special \$1.19 Silk Petticoats at \$2.29

Center Circle, First Floor—Clearance of 200 Women's House Dresses. Several attractive styles, with low necks and long or short sleeves. Round or square-cut collars. Gingham, percales, chambray and rippettes in dainty patterns. Neatly trimmed with pipings and tucks. Clearance \$1.19

Center Circle, First Floor—These Petticoats are exceptional bargains at the price. They are made of excellent quality messaline, also jersey tops with messaline flounces and all-silk jersey. Styled with deep and narrow plaid flounces and tape bands. Shown in all colors. Clearance \$2.29

Clearance of Undermuslins Bargain Circle, 1st Floor Radical price reductions on odd lines high-grade Undermuslins—some are a trifle soiled from handling. Note the following prices: Women's \$1.50 Gowns, at 89c 35c Muslin Drawers 23c

Gowns and Combinations of good quality longcloth, trimmed with bands of embroidery and lace. Regular \$1.50, at 89c. Excellent quality Muslin Drawers in plain and embroidery-trim'd effects. Standard 35c kinds. On special sale at 23c. 65c Corset Covers, slightly soiled, now 39c. 1.00 Corset Covers, slightly soiled, now 69c. 1.25 Corset Covers, slightly soiled, now 79c. \$1.75 Outing Flannel Pajamas, special, 98c.

Clearance Sale of English China Plates

\$18.00 Doz. Allerton's Dinner Plates, 10-in., at \$12.00. \$29.00 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 10-in., Doz., \$19.35. \$30.00 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 10-in., Doz., \$20.00. \$22.00 Doz. Crescent China Plates, 10-in., Doz., \$14.65. \$75.00 Doz. Allerton's Dinner Plates, 10-in., at \$18.65. \$76.00 Doz. Copeland Dinner Plates, 10-in., at \$24.65. \$37.00 Doz. Cauldon Dinner Plates, 10-in., at \$24.65. \$57.50 Doz. Minton China Plates, 10-in., Doz., \$38.65. \$61.25 Doz. Minton China Plates, 10-in., Doz., \$40.80. \$26.60 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$17.35. \$26.00 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$17.35. \$18.00 Doz. Crescent China Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$12.00. \$54.00 Doz. Minton China Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$35.00. \$67.00 Doz. Minton China Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$44.95. \$11.00 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$7.95. \$18.00 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$12.00. \$15.00 Doz. Royal Doulton Plates, 8-in., Doz., \$10.00. \$42.00 Doz. Copeland Bread and Butter Plates, \$28.80.

Thursday—"Coffee Day" 40c OWK Imperial Roast Coffee, the pound, 29c. 50c OWK Uncolored Japan, Ceylon Tea, lb., 39c. Delivered only with other grocery purchases.

TIME FOR REPORT BRIEF

COLLECTOR CALLS ATTENTION TO LIMIT ON INCOME STATEMENTS.

Failure to Cite Revenues Entails Fine of \$1000 and Lack of Blank Not Accepted as Excuse.

In view of the rapid approach of the time limit for the receipt of income tax reports, Milton A. Miller, collector of internal revenue, yesterday issued an informal statement for the benefit of persons affected by the new Federal act. According to the provisions of the law, it is the duty of every person whose income is \$3000 or more to file a report with the collector of internal revenue. This report must be in hand by March 1, 1915. The penalty for failure to comply with the law may be as high as a \$1000 fine.

Mr. Miller points out that the failure of any person to obtain an income tax blank cannot be accepted as an excuse to file the report within the time prescribed by law. He urges that all persons who have not complied with the law to procure report blanks and file statements of their incomes as quickly as possible. The blanks will be mailed to persons who are unable to receive them in person at the Custom-House.

Reports made by corporations must contain the names of all officers and

employees whose annual income is \$2000 or more. Unless the report covering this feature is properly made out, it will not be accepted as complying with the act.

Collector Miller announces that he has taken steps to supply postmasters with revenue stamps, and it is possible now to get these stamps anywhere in the state.

CITY ASKS FEDERAL SEEDS Senators Asked to Help in Plans for Beautification.

To obtain the co-operation of the United States Department of Agriculture in the matter of contributions of flower seeds to be used in beautifying parkways and public playgrounds, a telegram signed by the Rose Festival Association, Portland Ad Club, Rose Society of Portland, executive committee of the Commercial Club and the Chamber of Commerce yesterday was sent to United States Senator Chamberlain urging his help in this matter.

The Rose Festival Association city beautiful committee already has formulated a plan for the districting of the city and the work of beautification will

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New kind of Self-Reducing Straps, inside of corset—out of sight. Great figure-reduction, firm support, ease and comfort.

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72x90 heavy quality Bleached Sheets on special sale now at 50c. \$1x90 heavy quality Bleached Sheets on special sale now at 55c.

Clearance of Dinner Sets

Third Floor—Semi-Porcelain Dinner Sets—gold band, with gold vine border inside band—very neat. \$7.55 Semi-Porcelain Dinner Sets, 50 pieces, \$5.28. \$10.10 Semi-Porcelain Dinner Sets, 60 pieces, \$7.05. White Semi-Porcelain Dinner Sets, fancy shapes. 36-pc. Sets \$1.87, 60-pc. Sets \$2.95, 60-pc. Sets \$4.12. Austrian China Dinner Sets in Ranson shapes, with attractive gold band decoration. You should see these. \$22.75 Austrian China Dinner Sets, 50 pieces, \$17.95. \$26.75 Austrian China Dinner Sets, 60 pieces, \$21.25. Haviland & Co.'s world-famous China Dinner Sets Haviland & Co. in very dainty green and pink spray decoration. \$22.75 Haviland Dinner Sets, 60 pieces, now \$17.00. \$33.25 Haviland Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, now \$24.75. Libbey Cut Glass—the world's standard—20% off. All Electric Portables, Reading Lamps, 20% off.

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