

# PORTLAND'S GREATEST SACRIFICE JEWELRY SALE

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This is a **GENUINE SACRIFICE SALE**—not a so-called sale of cheap jewelry. In our whole stock we have not a solitary article of the cheap, trashy stuff generally palmed off at pre-arranged and premeditated sales. **WE DID NOT THINK OF THIS SALE UNTIL THURSDAY NIGHT.** We required **NO TIME TO FIX PRICES.** Every article bears our **REGULAR** price, and it is **YOURS** at that price—**LESS A DISCOUNT OF 25 TO 50 PER CENT.** We are in business to **STAY**, and to carry **ONLY THE BETTER CLASS JEWELRY STOCK.** Too large a stock of **HIGH-CLASS** goods has tied up more capital than we can afford to invest; hence, this **UNPRECEDENTED SACRIFICE SALE.**

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 Assorted sizes Elgin and Waltham, open and hunting cases, 20 to 25-year cases, up to 17 jewels.....Reg. price \$20.00, NOW \$ **15.00**  
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Beth Thomas 8-day Clocks, 1/2-hour gong.....Reg. price \$10.00, NOW \$ **3.75**  
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**MESH BAGS**

German Silver Mesh Bags.....Reg. price \$ 8.50, NOW \$ **5.67**  
 German Silver Mesh Bags.....Reg. price \$10.00, NOW \$ **6.66**  
 German Silver Mesh Bags.....Reg. price \$12.50, NOW \$ **8.33**

**STERLING SILVER SOUVENIR SPOONS**

Sterling Silver Souvenir Spoons.....Reg. price \$ .75, NOW \$ **.40**  
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### LICENSE LAW DISCUSSED

PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS FAVORED BY W. J. WALL.

Correspondent Urges Realty Dealers to Support Measure—Opposite Views Also Given.

PORTLAND, Dec. 11.—(To the Editor.)—Nothing in The Oregonian of the 11th inst., the stand taken by C. K. Henry for a higher standard of integrity in and looking toward the weeding out of the unscrupulous now engaged in the real estate business in the City of Portland, I wish to cite an actual case in point. A widowed lady came to our office (the Portland Abstract & Trust Company) and requested that we find a purchaser for 10 acres of land which she owned, and stated that she had a perfect title together with an abstract of the same; whereupon we secured a purchaser and requested her to bring her abstract for examination. To our surprise, she had only what purported to be a copy of a certain abstract, and further, her deed gave her property one-half mile distant from that which she was supposed to have bought. She then requested that we make an abstract of title, also try to correct the clerical error in her title. Upon search of the records we found a mortgage of several thousand dollars covering a large tract of land of which this 10 acres was a part. Her deed cited: "Free from all incumbrances except a certain mortgage for \$48,000" which amount would have been the proportionate amount per acre, and this in face of the fact that there existed no agreement whatever from the mortgagee that he would release from the lien of his mortgage this particular tract upon the payment of this proportionate amount. We further found this mortgage foreclosed, the lady having been served with an alias summons, and therefore, unknown to her, was foreclosed of every shade of title. And the owner of this particular tract of 10 acres was a member, or at least doing business with the firm through which this transaction passed.

Therefore, in the face of such unscrupulous methods that are continually being brought to our notice, it certainly is high time that the real estate firms in Portland who enjoy a reputation above reproach (and fortunately we have many) shall rid itself of such parasites, which not only prey upon the good name of all reputable real estate firms, but on the fair name of the State of Oregon, and upon the lives that have been lived and spent to make her what she is.

Let all reputable firms rise up in arms and demand action that will rid it of a pest that makes possible to exist in the East the slogan "Look out for the Real Estate Sharks of Portland, Oregon." This shadow counteracts in effect thousands of dollars that each year is being spent by the people of Oregon to induce settlers to come to this Coast.

W. J. WALL.

**License Is Opposed.**

St. Johns, Or., Dec. 12.—(To the Editor.)—In reference to the proposed license ordinance supported by the Portland Realty Board, I wish to say: A license means a monopoly, a special privilege from which all others are excluded—a trust. It seems from the above that the Portland Realty Board are bent on getting themselves up as a board of special examiners, a board of censors, to have the exclusive right to say who should have the privilege of negotiating a real estate deal, fix his compensation and regulate his man-

ner of doing it. And they are about to ask the city and state to lend them their entire police power to enforce their edict. Right here is where the taxpayer that supports the courts, pays the witness fees, feeds the convict after he has been sent to jail for selling a lot without a license, comes in.

Now, as a taxpayer in this county I would like to ask the Portland Realty Board a few questions.

As long as the organization was content to run along on their own time and at their own expense, the taxpayers could afford to be neutral, but when they ask for the assistance of the law-making power to assist them, then the taxpayer wants to know and has a right to know, why the Portland Realty Board? What excuse has the organization for existing?

What is a "questionable method" in a real estate deal?

Is taking an inexperienced youth in

an automobile, with a capper or two along, breaking all speed ordinances for nine miles, to annihilate space, and using all the arts and wiles, tricks and turns known to the past-master salesman to succeed in selling the youth for \$1200 a lot that your banker would not accept as security for a loan of \$300—is that a questionable method?

If a curbstone operator goes say 50 miles from Portland and buys a farm for \$50 per acre—gets it so cheap because the owner has not been able in a series of years to make enough money off it to build a decent house and barn—plants the land in five-acre tracts, advertises it as superb garden land, organizes an excursion with brass band, free refreshments, solid and liquid, and sells the land to a lot of lambs at \$300 an acre—is that a questionable method?

What has the Realty Board done to-

ward easing the burden of the taxpayer?

What do you propose to do to remunerate the taxpayer for the use of the courts which he maintains for your use; when are you going to do it, and what bonds will you furnish that you will do as you agree to do?

Will taxes be raised or lowered, or will we get any nearer "value received" for the taxes we pay?

Do you believe that a realty dealers' trust, which your proposed license system would unavoidably create, be of any benefit to the taxpayer?

In these days of anti-trust, anti-special privilege, anti-monopoly, people coming forward and asking for any of these things must expect to be questioned. Speak up, gentlemen. You have the floor.

A TAXPAYER.

Heights Aroused Over School. Portland Heights residents have

called a mass meeting to demand a new school building to replace the old Almsworth School. The meeting will be held next Tuesday evening at the

Portland Heights Club. Among the speakers already announced are: Dan J. Maharkey, Isador Lang, Henry Hew-

Schnabel. The School Board will be asked to make provisions for the new building in their forthcoming annual budget.

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Now, if you will make your wife a Christmas present of a contract for a Laurelhurst lot we will help you build a home on it, and we will do it now. You will not be required to have very much ready money, only about as much as you pay for one year's rent of the house you now live in.

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