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Colorado Springs	55.00	Montreal	105.00	Toronto	91.50
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DATES OF SALE: JULY 23, 26, 29, 30, 31, 1912. AUGUST 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 12, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, 31, 1912. SEPTEMBER 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 30, 1912.

Stopovers and choice of routes allowed in each direction. Final return limit October 31st, 1912. Train leaving Madras, 8:40 A. M. connects directly at Fallbridge with

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## RAILROAD PROMOTER BAD CHECK ARTIST

H. H. Skewes, Has Made a Record  
Since Making His Appearance in  
Central Oregon

With large ideas and small methods, a man who called himself H. H. Skewes arrived at Metolius, in Crook County early in June, and announced himself a railroad promoter. He said, with mysterious winks, that he represented St. Louis capital to build a railroad from Metolius to Prineville, and to extend it to Bend. To make his credit good he deposited a few dollars in the Bank at Metolius, and then went to Prineville. He engaged a party of surveyors to lay out the line.

As a side issue, while he was giving the glad hand to the farmers and telling them of the value of the stock in his company, Mr Skewes made love to his landlady, Mrs Sparks, proprietress of the Sparks Hotel, and won her heart and hand. It is rumored that he also absorbed her bank account of several hundred dollars. Mrs Sparks-Skewes is now hunting for her husband, not so much to have her former name returned as to get her money back. She will not confess the exact amount she gave her husband.

Addressing the members of the Chamber of Commerce of Prineville, for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions to the stock of the Central Oregon & Eastern Railroad, which had no legal substance, he is alleged to have said the steel for the construction work had been ordered for delivery, not later than October 15, and that as soon as the surveyors had completed their work the grading would be commenced. The Prineville Chamber of Commerce insisted on knowing who was really back of the enterprise, and Mr Skewes confidentially told that body he was representing the O. W. R. & N. Co. This caused the bubble to burst, for R. B. Miller, traffic manager of that company, pronounced Skewes an imposter and warned the Prineville citizens to beware of him.

When this information was circulated Skewes disappeared from that section. His surveyors quit at the same time and are still doubtful if they will lose pay for their work.

Amusing as it now appears, Skewes said that work on the road would be through such a dense farming district, he did not want to interfere with the farmers by grading, until they had harvested their crops.

Leaving Metolius with his bride to await his return, Skewes came to Portland and bought an automobile, giving a check on the Metolius Bank in payment. The check was returned as no good in three days, but in the meantime the machine was used day and night, lubricated it with a trail of bad checks.

Skewes was next heard from in Seattle, where he was attempting to make a contract with the Union Oil Company to furnish oil for his engines, in the Central Oregon & Eastern Railroad. On the strength of this, he circulated a few more bad checks there, and then removed his operations to Vancouver, B. C. There he took the Board of trade into his confidence and interested that body in securing 4,000,000 railroad ties for his road in Central Oregon.

About this time he learned that some of his creditors were on his trail, his wife being one of them, and he disappeared before he had made much of a clean up. Information from Vancouver is to the effect that he is

## DRY LAND ALFALFA GOOD FERTILIZER

Humus and Nitrogen Returned to  
the Soil, by Plowing Under  
Alfalfa

If dry farming is to become a permanent system of agriculture it is absolutely essential that humus and nitrogen be put into the soil. There are hundreds of thousands of acres in the inter-mountain West where no other system of agriculture will ever prevail. The constant growing of wheat on summer fallowed land must cease, for such a system is sure to deplete the soil of its plant food. At the present, our wheat farming methods large ly consists of robbing the soil of its temporarily accumulated fertility and then letting it lie idle until such time as enough plant food has been made available and enough water has been stored to insure another crop. Humus and nitrogen are essential to successful wheat farming and in order to secure these the dry farmer must make use of green manure crops that will supply these necessary plant foods. By doing this he is improving the soil texture as well as the water-holding capacity, and in dry farming that is the greatest essential. Beneficial effects from plowing under alfalfa previously grown in rows for seed production have been noticed on succeeding wheat crops for as long as ten years.

At the present time alfalfa is conceded to be our best legume for the dry lands, its deep rooting system fitting it admirably to seek stored water at great depths. Deep-rooted plants are decidedly preferable to shallow-rooted ones because they penetrate into the sub-soil. In this way air and water find entrance, especially after the roots decay. It is supposed that alfalfa when plowed under enriches the soil with potash and phosphorus from the sub-soil, thus bringing these substances within reach of the succeeding shallow-rooted crops. The summer fallow simply prolongs the time when smaller crops and consequently smaller returns must inevitably come from constant soil depletion. It is easier to keep a soil up to its fertility if soil building is started when the first crop is taken off, than if it is prolonged until the farmer is forced to it due to small returns.

Thus far alfalfa planted in rows both seed and forage production; has proven more successful than the broadcast stand or closely-drilled rows, in regions where the moisture is not plentiful. While it will most probably resolve itself into a problem of seed production due to this lack of sufficient moisture for forage production, nevertheless it can be made paying crop both financially and as a soil improver.—Aberdeen Experiment Station.

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wanted there, so it is evident that he placed in circulation some more of the Metolius bank checks.

He was a free spender and of convivial habits. His fraudulent operations have netted him an opportunity to spend a period in the penitentiary.—Oreron.

## Blacksmithing

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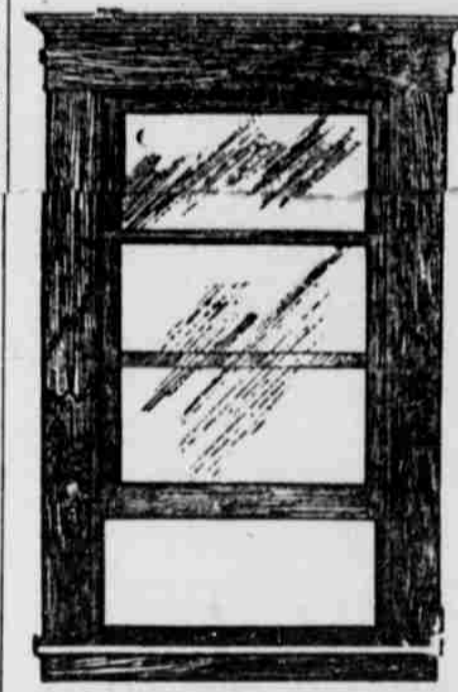
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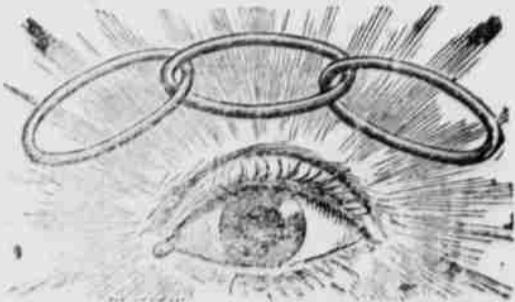
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