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# Free! A Pair of Shoes or A Hat... Free!

WITH A SUIT OR A RAIN COAT BOUGHT ON SATURDAY OR MONDAY.

WE WANT TO SELL AS MANY SUITS AND RAINCOATS ON THESE TWO DAYS AS WE DID LAST WEEK WHEN WE MADE THIS OFFER.

THEREFORE, WE ARE GOING TO REPEAT IT. DOES'T MONEY TALK?

## 8 More Shopping Days to Christmas

WHY NOT, WHEN MAKING YOUR CHRISTMAS PURCHASES, MAKE EACH DOLLAR RECEIVE ITS FULL VALUE? YOU KNOW HOW THIS IS DONE—BY PAYING CASH THEN TRADE AT A CASH STORE. "MONEY TALKS."

IT IS OUR PURPOSE TO FAITHFULLY OBSERVE AND PERFORM OUR EVERY CLAIM. COMPARISON IS THE FAIREST TEST TO YOU—TO OURSELVES AND WE HEARTILY INVITE IT.

THE ENTIRE STORE IS FILLED WITH USEFUL SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING. WE INVITE YOU TO SEE THEM.

## Hub Clothing & Shoe Co.

MARSHFIELD AND BANDON

### North Bend News

C. M. Byler and wife were Marshfield visitors yesterday.

W. S. Simpson and wife were Marshfield visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Gebhardt is reported quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Kaiser.

Alva Grout, who is attending the Oregon State University at Eugene, will spend the holidays at home here.

Miss Stella Wicklund, who has been visiting friends here, has returned to her home in Empire City.

Mrs. Sig Hansen and children of Allegany, are in the city to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Kruse and Banks have been awarded the contract for building a

snag boat 30x70, equipped with a derrick, for removing the snags and obstructions in the Coquille river channel.

Mrs. J. Carleton, who spent a few days with relatives and friends, has returned to her home on Catching Inlet.

Miss May Peterson, who has been attending business college in Portland, is reported ill at the home of her brother in Oregon City.

Lincoln Reynolds, who has been here on a visit with his family, has left for Florence. He expects to spend the winter on the Siuslaw.

E. W. Bennett of Marshfield, is a North Bend business visitor.

G. Peterson and wife of North Inlet, were Marshfield shoppers yesterday.

Geo. Seelig of Marshfield, has charge of the Breakwater office while Agent McCollum and his wife are

enjoying a short visit in San Francisco.

August Hoelling has just received word of the death of a brother at Calipella, Cal.

Mrs. Henry Moody, who died in Coquille the other day, was a sister of Mrs. Hazer of North Bend.

E. B. Michaels and wife of North Bend Heights are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter.

Chas. Dingman has bought the G. Galloway forty-acre tract on Kentuck Inlet and proposes to convert it into a fine orchard.

Miss Eva Thom has returned from Portland where she is attending school to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thom.

Marion Reynolds has resigned his position at Myers' store and will return to Berkeley after the holidays, to attend the university for the coming year.

L. Balsinger of Portland, is figuring on taking over the Coos Bay Mercantile Company's store which has been in the hands of a receiver for some time.

Miss Bertine Hicking, who has been in the Children's hospital in San Francisco, is again able to walk for the first time in a year. It will be pleasing news to many friends of the family.

Dr. and Mrs. Ira Bartle and Miss Lillian McCann attended the concert at Marshfield last night. Mrs. J. W. Gardiner, Miss Heath, Mrs. McKay and Mrs. L. E. Reynolds were among other North Bend people in attendance.

The North Bend school tax levy for the ensuing year has been fixed at fifteen mills. This with the state apportionment will furnish about \$18,680 which, according to estimates, will just meet the school expenses. There is talk of declaring the seat of M. M. Straw of the board of directors who has been absent from the city six months vacant and electing a new member.

DUXBAK waterproof HATS at THE GUNNERY.

### KINNEY DEALS TOLD IN COURT

Portland Paper Tells How J. Thorburn Ross Became Interested in Projects.

The Portland Oregonian prints the following story of the Kinney bankruptcy case hearing there:

"In an alleged attempt to prevent the entry of railroad belonging to the Southern Pacific system into the Coos Bay district, it was alleged that companies financed by J. Thorburn Ross and manipulated by L. D. Kinney had 'sewed up' the waterfront of that district as railroad rights of way and are now attempting to promote real estate bargains.

"An injunction was issued by the United States court prohibiting the foreclosure of a mortgage on all the property by L. D. Kinney to F. B. Waite, of Roseburg, and demanding an accounting on behalf of creditors of the Coos Bay district who represent \$700,000 of indebtedness.

Attorneys Robert Tucker, Charles B. Selby, of Marshfield, and A. S. Hammond of Coquille, have entered their appearance in behalf of the creditors and are attempting to have the various companies organized by Kinney declared involuntary bankrupts.

**Narrow Escape Alleged.**  
"The mortgage was to have been foreclosed Monday in the circuit court of Coquille, and it is alleged that by so doing the creditors of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company would have been defrauded of approximately \$60,000, bank funds and interest, representing the alleged investment which Ross made in the scheme.

"After receiving the money from Ross, it is alleged that Kinney's project was a belt-line railroad encircling the harbor of Coos Bay and which gave him control of a great area of waterfront. He is said to have received cordial support from residents of the district and to have obtained deeds of concessions covering the entire distance. Kinney is then charged with having platted the

waterfront into lots and wharves and to have sold it at a handsome profit, Waite having helped to finance and promote the deal.

**"Blind Investment" Alleged.**  
"It is charged by representatives of Ross that he never received any return from the money he invested and that neither he nor the receiver for the Title Guarantee & Trust Company knew of the value of the investment made with the bank funds until time came for foreclosure of the mortgage.

"It is charged that Kinney, a well-known promoter, realized the value of the wharfage front on Coos Bay and inspired Ross to supply the funds.

"Kinney first organized the Belt Line Railroad, surrounding the bay, and followed it with the Grand Central Railroad connecting Marshfield with North Bend. He next organized the Rapid Transit Company.

"Instead of building railroads, Kinney is charged with establishing sawmilling industries and operating general stores for the sale of merchandise, hardware, buggies, harness, lumber and machinery.

**Bank Trustee Holds Title?**  
"The real estate, which is the only valuable asset acquired by these different parties, has been sold to various people. It is claimed that John K. Kollock, an attorney of this city, holds title as trustee for the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, or the receiver of that institution, and other parties who advanced money.

"Kinney and Waite have been in litigation in Coos county over their respective rights, and out of the various controversies creditors of these different corporations and of L. D. Kinney have obtained sufficient facts, it is alleged, to warrant them in seeking to have the various corporations, including Kinney, declared bankrupt, and petitions in bankruptcy have been filed against the Belt Line Railroad Company, Rapid Transit Company and L. D. Kinney. The petitioners allege the insolvency of the corporations and of L. D. Kinney, and that they have committed acts of bankruptcy by preferring certain creditors.

"On November 21 the Rapid Transit Company was adjudicated a bankrupt and an order of reference made. It is said the debts of these various concerns aggregate upwards of \$700,000.

"Waite began several suits to fore-

close mortgages taken from Kinney upon real estate in and about Marshfield.

**Fraud Is Alleged.**  
"W. P. Evans, a creditor, alleges the mortgages seeking to be foreclosed amount to about \$130,000, and that the mortgages are fraudulent, that they were executed without any consideration and for the purpose of defrauding the general creditors of Kinney and the two railway companies. It is alleged Kinney and Waite were partners, and incurred large indebtedness as such, and that the pretended consideration for the mortgages was the transfer by Waite to Kinney of the real estate, that the transfer was entirely fictitious and fraudulent, and that at the time of making the transfer, Waite had no title whatever to any of the property.  
"Affiant further says that Waite and Kinney and J. N. Shaban are acting in collusion in the matter of foreclosing the mortgages for the purpose of converting to their own use the valuable assets of the alleged bankrupts."

**FOOTBALLS at THE GUNNERY—**

22-calibre RIFLES at the GUNNERY

Nine Days to Xmas

DEC. 16

Join the Early Shopping League RIGHT AWAY

Sparks PLUGS at THE GUNNERY

### Santa Claus Proclamation

Whereas, It has come to my knowledge that the finest line of

Imported Candy Baskets and Boxes ever seen in Coos county are now on display at Stafford's, I hereby appoint this store as the place to get your CHRISTMAS CANDIES, and Candy Baskets and Boxes. Don't delay placing your orders or you may be disappointed. You will also find there,

Christmas Candies of all kinds—Pop Corn for Christmas tree chains.

Always something new at

**Stafford's**

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