

LACK OF DITCHES IN UMPQUA MAKES FISH PLENTIFUL

"That the shortage of fish in the upper Rogue is due more to lack of screens in irrigation ditches than to commercial fishing is proved by conditions in the Umpqua," states J. C. Aitken, inventor of the Aitken screen. "Although commercial fishing for steelhead is permitted in the Umpqua and steelhead are taken both by seine and net, there is no scarcity of them—and the reason is because there are few irrigation ditches. The reports of the game warden show only sixteen irrigation ditches along the Umpqua, while there are 950 on the Rogue and its tributaries—475 in Jackson county alone. These un-screened ditches wasting young fish is the real cause of fish shortage."

"Some twenty years ago, when both steelhead and salmon were taken in seines and nets without restriction as far up the river as Trail, there were plenty of fish, because there were few irrigation ditches to kill the young fish. Nowadays, however, most of the young fish meet an untimely end on alfalfa fields."

The waste of fish in his own ditch out of Evans creek caused Mr. Aitken to exercise his ingenuity in the invention of the rotary screen, now adopted by the state game and fish commission. That the screen is still working satisfactorily is shown by the following testimony received by Mr. Aitken today:

"Rogue River, Or., Jan. 30, 1917.

"We, the undersigned, stockholders of the Old Mill Ditch & Irrigation Co., hereby certify that said corporation is the owner of a community irrigation canal through which waters are diverted from Evans creek on to the lands of the stockholders in said corporations by various laterals and small ditches. That since the year 1911 said corporation has had installed at the head of its main canal an Aitken fish screen, which has given entire satisfaction. That since the installation of said screen we have not observed any fish in any portion of the canal or in any of the laterals. Prior to that time, although we had made various efforts to keep the fish out of said canal, there were numerous fish at all times in the canal and laterals. (Signed.)

"J. C. WILLIAMS.

"W. H. LAWS.

"LEE STEERS.

"MARY BURCHELL.

"D. P. MAGERLE."

"Rogue River, Or., June 20, 1916.

"To All Whom It May Concern:

"After a number of years of experience with the fish screen built by J. C. Aitken for the Old Mill Ditch & Irrigation Co., situated on Evans creek, in Jackson county, Oregon, as one of the board of directors of said company, I can most cheerfully recommend the same to any and all who may require anything of the kind. (Signed.)

"JOEL MILTON."

NEW FICTION AT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Some titles of fiction just added to the public library are:

- Beef, Iron and Wine (Latt); Border Legion (Grey); Country Chronicle (Showerman); Golden Hope (Mason and Hilliard); Hatchways (Sedgwick); Johnstone of the Border (Bridgess); Leatherstocking (Howells); Lion's Share (Bennett); Mary (Gusta (Lincoln); Penrod and Sam (Tarkington); Seven Miles to Arden (Sawyer); These Lynelers (Hoppsford); The Trufflers (Merwin); Witte Arrives (Tobenkin); Wonderful Year (Locke); World for Sale (Parker); Xingu (Wharton).

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NO FOUNDATION FOR WOLF STORY ASSERTS HUNTER

GOLD HILL, Jan. 31.—John Hammersley, government hunter, reported slain by wolves on Evans Creek, arrived in Gold Hill for supplies Tuesday night, having met his wife on her way to search for his remains. He pronounces the entire story a fake without foundation, and says that no bones were found by any body at Willow Flat, for no one has been in there this winter, other than himself, and is anxious to ascertain the origin of the story sent out Monday by the Associated Press under a Gold Hill date line. No one in Gold Hill will admit authorship, and it remains a mystery.

At first excitement was rife in Gold Hill when the report was circulated, but when those who personally knew Hammersley began to consider the matter, they did not for a minute give the idea credence, for all knew he was too well versed in the life of the country and its necessary

adventures and perils to be taken so unawares, or rather, unprepared.

Mr. Hammersley, on coming out to send his monthly report and get his mail, met his wife, who had sent a party ahead to investigate, a little above Wimer, coming by auto. However, he missed the party, as he came around by the road while they took a short cut over the mountains.

How the story ever was started he cannot figure out, as he says there has not been a timber cruiser, or anyone, for that matter, besides himself in that territory since the first of the year, as he has seen no tracks, or bones, as reported. A person, he is certain, would be sure to leave tracks, for there is from six inches to a foot of snow at Willow Flat (his station) and from two to three feet on up.

Further, he says, there are no wolves in the district he covers, which is about thirty miles square, for it is for the slaying of wolves and the like he is employed by the government, and his look-out for them has, so far, been unsuccessful.

As further evidence that the informant was unfamiliar with Mr. Hammersley and his life, some of the articles said he was married about a year ago to a widow at Grants Pass, when as a matter of fact, Mr. and Mrs. Hammersley have

been married about 14 years, and have a son, Dale Hammersley, about ten years of age.

Mr. Hammersley returned to his Willow Flat station Wednesday morning and Mrs. Hammersley to her home at Grants Pass.

FOUR SUSPECTS ARRESTED

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daughter Ann, aged 27, who is a school teacher here. Mason, who is 24, is a chemist at Southampton.

On being arrested the defendants denied any knowledge of the charge. They declined to make any statement.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—A conspiracy to murder Premier Lloyd George is reported by the Daily Sketch which says arrests have been made in this connection. The persons arrested are described as "three suffragettes and a man, a conscientious objector to military service."

The Sketch says the persons charged with the conspiracy are the three women and the man whose arrest "on a remarkable conspiracy charge" was reported in the newspapers this morning.

The Daily Sketch says: "The police have unearthed what is believed to be a plot to murder

the premier, with the result that Mrs. Wheelton of Derby, Miss Hetty Wheelton, her daughter, Mrs. Mason another daughter, and Alf Mason, the latter's husband, have been arrested. They were taken to the police station and formally charged with conspiring to murder Mr. Lloyd George. They will be taken before a magistrate at Derby on Wednesday. It is understood only formal evidence will be given then but later in the week the charges will be thoroughly investigated.

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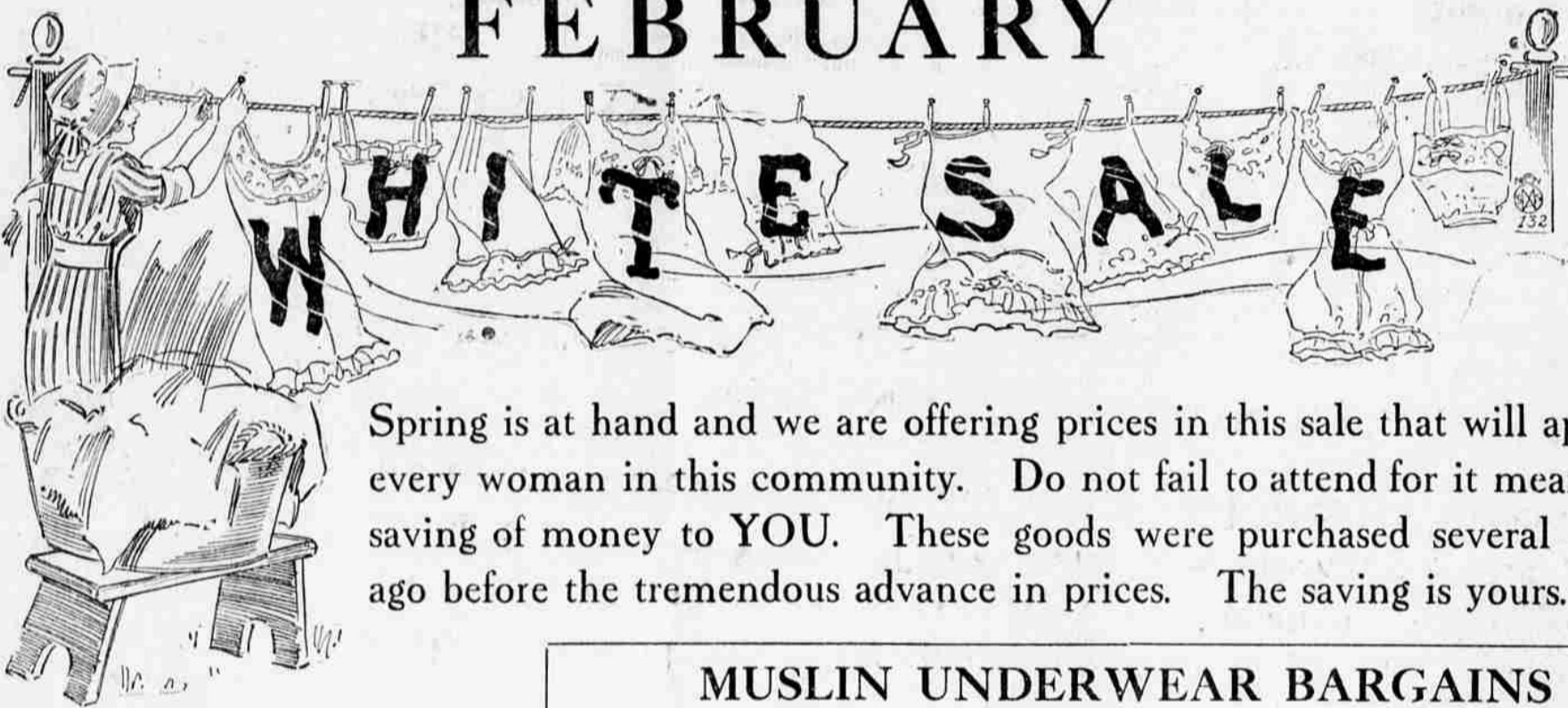
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Ladies' Waist Sale

- 1 lot \$4.50 Crepe de Chene Waists \$3.49
- 1 lot \$3.75 Crepe de Chene Waists \$2.98
- 1 lot \$3.50 Crepe de Chene Waists \$2.69
- 1 lot \$1.25 White Lingerie Waists 98c
- 1 lot \$2.75 Fancy Lingerie Waists \$1.98
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- 50 dozen Towels 15c
- 50 dozen Towels 25c
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- 12 1/2c and 15c Embroidery Edge 10c
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- 50 Bed Spreads, special \$1.89
- These are values fully worth \$2.25 to \$2.50, full sized, heavy weight.

