

# CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

## For Sweetheart, Lover, Husband, Wife and Children

### JEWELRY FOR LADIES

Rings, Watches, Guard Chains, Ribbon Fobs, Necklaces, Bracelets, Gold Beads, Lockets, Stick-pins, Collar-pins, Collar and Cuff Buttons, Emblem pins, Ear rings, Brooches, Chatelaine pins and lots of other pretty things.

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## GOVERNMENT IRRIGATION COMMITTEE RECEIVES ASSURANCES OF SUPPORT FROM HIGH OFFICIALS

### SENATOR MITCHELL AND GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN ARE ENLISTED.

Letters Pouring in From Representatives of Both Oregon and California--- Active Work Promised This Winter.

The committee appointed at the recent meeting of citizens of Klamath county to organize for the promotion of government irrigation in the county has been actively at work. It has addressed letters to the United States Senators and Congressmen from Oregon and California, and the Governors and legislators of the two states, explaining to them the situation and enclosing a copy of the resolutions recently passed at the National Irrigation Congress at El Paso, Texas, by the delegates from Oregon and California.

As will be remembered, the committee is composed of N. S. Merrill, who is chairman, W. F. Hill, H. H. Burnham, Jacob Rueck, P. L. Fountain, O. A. Stearns and Elmer I. Applegate, all of Klamath county; and W. C. Dalton, C. T. Silvers and T. D. Pryor, representing California, with J. Scott Taylor, of this city, as secretary.

Letters have been pouring in to the secretary almost daily from the dignitaries of the two states, the tone of which indicates that Klamath's irrigation project is to receive the aid of all persons in a position to assist her in a public capacity.

#### COMMITTEE'S LETTER.

Following is a copy of the letter sent out to the officers of the two states, which was duly signed by every member of the committee:

"Dear Sir:—The engineers of the Reclamation Service have spent the summer investigating the irrigation possibilities of the Klamath Basin. Extensive preliminary surveys have been made and the chief engineer, Mr. Newell, and staff have said to us that, if existing rights can be adjudicated, there can probably be 300,000 acres of land irrigated in Klamath county, Oregon, and in Modoc and Siskiyou counties in California.

The waters of the Klamath lakes are inter-state and navigable. This fact, taken with the existing water laws, complicates matters somewhat, and there will be need for new legislation, both in California and Oregon, before the government can begin construction in this vicinity.

"A Water Users' Association will be organized by the committee soon to deal with the government, and in this connection you will be asked to enact a code of laws at the coming session, which has been prepared by Mr. Bien, attorney for the Reclamation Service.

"We take this opportunity of sending you a set of resolutions recently adopted at the Irrigation Congress at El Paso by the delegates from Oregon and California, and to express our desire that when this matter is called to your attention you will give it your serious consideration."

#### EL PASO RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions passed by the Oregon and California delegates to the National Irrigation Congress at El Paso, Texas:

"Whereas, unusual opportunities exist for the reclamation of large areas in both the states of California and Oregon in the basin of the Klamath river, and

"Whereas, the public interest and sentiment of the citizens and land owners of said section is solicited of having these works built in an extended and comprehensive way by the United States

Reclamation Service and not partially constructed by water-selling corporations, and

"Whereas, The irrigable lands and their water supply are to a marked degree divided by the California and Oregon state line, and

"Whereas, The engineers of the Reclamation Service are now making investigations of the extent and cost of said reclamation, including the drainage of certain large inter-state lakes, which work may call for special legislation from congress and both state legislatures, therefore be it

"Resolved, By the California and Oregon delegations to the National Irrigation Congress in joint session assembled that the Chief Engineer of the Reclamation Service is hereby respectfully requested to diligently prosecute said surveys and, if the said Klamath project is found feasible, to build the same as an inter-state enterprise, and be it further

"Resolved, That the representatives in both congressional and state legislative bodies be and hereby are respectfully requested to lend their aid and assistance to the Reclamation Service in providing such legislation as may be required."

FROM GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN.

"Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 2d inst., containing a copy of the resolution adopted by the California and Oregon delegates to the Irrigation Congress recently held at El Paso, Texas. I note the purpose of the resolution and shall be glad to do anything in my power to further the project referred to therein. I have the honor to remain

Yours very respectfully,

GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN.

FROM SENATOR MITCHELL.

"I beg respectfully to acknowledge receipt of yours of Dec. 2, enclosing copy of a set of resolutions recently adopted by the delegates of Oregon and California to the 12th Irrigation Congress recently held at El Paso, Texas, all of which shall have my careful consideration and the scheme for the Klamath irrigation project shall have my earnest and cordial support.

"I will confer at once with the Secretary of the Interior.

"I am, yours respectfully,

JOHN H. MITCHELL."

FROM DR. R. E. LEE STEINER.

"Your circular letter from the Irrigation Committee at hand. I suppose it is needless for me to state that I will do all I can for the purpose of meeting the government's wishes in the matter that the Klamath and other enterprises may come to an issue.

"On my recent trip to Klamath county I conferred with the government board in regard to their wishes in Oregon legislation in which I find no reasonable objection and every reason why it should be granted.

"I expect to be in Klamath county for a few days during latter part of this month and hope to meet your people and discuss any legislation in which we are interested.

"Yours truly,

"R. E. LEE STEINER."

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### WANTON SLAUGHTER OF WATER FOWL ON LAKES

WAGON LOADS GO TO MARKET

The wholesale slaughter of water-fowl on the lower lakes is bringing out just indignation on the part of the people living in that portion of the country. At the rate this wanton slaying has been going on the past fall, it will only be a few seasons until the true sportsman will have to seek other waters to enjoy a true hunt and bag good game.

Hunters, or rather "butchers" from San Francisco, who hunt for money instead of sport are completely depopulating the lower waters of the beautiful stately birds that have so long fed and reared their broods upon the shallow waters and among the tules of that section.

Hired by the month or week, these merciless marksmen have come from the city and by use of pits and decoys are having a success that is appalling to the humane citizen and true sportsman. Two wagons are kept running daily from the rendezvous of the lawless gang to the railroad and hundreds of the dearest and best flavored fowls on earth are being shipped to San Francisco every week like so much rubbish.

The hired hunters scout back and forth across the line between California and Oregon and carry on their wanton slaughter unobscured by the officers of the law.

It may be that there is no law, or that they are taking advantage of a generous open season to carry on their nefarious work.

But if there is a law it should be enforced at once, and if there is not, it should be seen that the next legislature of the two States provide laws against such killing at any and all seasons. True sportsmanship should always be encouraged but criminal abuse of the right should immediately be checked.

### ATTORNEY STONE IS AFTER AGENT SCOTT

Intimated That Government Official Instigated Homestead Contest.

The evidence in the homestead contest case before the United States land office at Lakeview, in which James D. Seaton attempts to set aside the filing of of Daisy Ralston on property near Bonanza, was taken before County Judge George T. Baldwin at the courthouse in Klamath Falls last week.

Oscar C. Stone represented Miss Ralston and F. H. Mills represented Mr. Seaton.

The only sensational features of the case were the open charges made by Attorney Stone outside that Special Agent W. W. Scott was the real instigator of the contest, which were indirectly repeated before the referee when the attorney objected to Mrs. Scott, wife of the agent acting as stenographer in the case. And to show his lack of faith in the disinterestedness of the government's agent Mr. Stone had Attorney Ralston present who also took the evidence. The testimony, however, was taken through the slow process of type-writing under the direction of the court and there is but little chance to dispute over it in future.

The contestant's contention was that Miss Ralston had not complied with the homestead law either in improving or living upon the property: that the doors to the improvement were left open and it presented an abandoned appearance, being the abode of stock on the range.

Miss Ralston, whose evidence was corroborated by her mother testified to a full compliance with the law, and stated that during her absence some one would always break into the house which resulted in the stock entering the place.

The evidence covers over 30 pages of legal cap paper closely type written. This has been forwarded to the Lakeview land officials whose duty it will be to decide the case.

#### Payment of Tuition.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Ackerman writes County Superintendent Willits of Lake County, as follows: "I agree with you that the provision concerning the payment of tuition fee applies to those pupils who go to another district than that where they were enumerated for the sole purpose of attending school."

#### Congestion of Freight.

Over 3,000 cars of freight are tied up between Reno and Tonopah, billed for the goldfields of Nevada, on account of the incapacity of the railroads. Suffering is threatened throughout that mining region this winter.

Read the announcement to-day of the Republican's cash distribution to its subscribers.

#### OVER THE STATE.

Hood River fruit drew two first prizes at the St. Louis Fair.

Portland church auxiliaries are organizing anti-cigarette bodies.

The Pacific Coast Baseball League has abolished the limit to salaries to be paid players the coming season.

The attorney general of Oregon has decided that the law permitting two-thirds of the jury finding a verdict is unconstitutional. It requires the unit vote of 12 men to comply with the constitution.

The Oregon National Guard has been invited to attend the inauguration of President Roosevelt. Unless the men pay their own way they will not go as the state has made no provision for such expenses.

Exhibitors are packing their exhibits at St. Louis to ship them to Portland for the 1905 fair. Over \$300,000 worth will be brought to the coast show. They come the first of the year in order to be ready for the opening in June.

Bert Oakman, the notorious Hillboro murderer, has changed his plea to guilty and will get a life sentence. He had killed Frank Bennett for breaking his bicycle and was chased over two counties before captured. His sister's tears moved him to plead guilty. She foresaw the gallows for him should he have fought the case.

The State Board of Health has just concluded its annual meeting at Salem and made a long report covering many valuable suggestions in regard to contagious diseases. It is the purpose of the board to secure the passage of uniform laws by the next Oregon legislature governing the health proceedings in the different cities and towns of the state.

The Grand Jury at Portland is after slot machines in dead earnest. Four of the most prominent men in that city have been indicted and the work is being pursued. Among the number already indicted for keeping slot machines are State Senator Sig Siebel, a cigar dealer, City Counselman Matt Feeller, E. B. Rich and J. T. O'Neill. These are among the most prominent business men in the metropolis.

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