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HUGE SALE OF
FURS BEGINS
AT ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Sept. 11.—More than 12,000,000 pelts valued at \$15,000,000, will be auctioned at the annual fall sale of the International Fur Exchange here. More than 500 buyers from all parts of the world are expected to attend.

Nine thousand Alaskan seal and 667 blue fox will be sold for the account of the United States, and are expected to bring approximately \$1,000,000. A unique feature will be the sale of 30,000 Russian pony pelts. This is the first time in the exchange's history the have been on sale.

The largest lot catalogued is one containing 1,500,000 Russian squirrel skins. Among the expensive pelts are 8,000 sable, 7,000 Russian sable and 700 silver fox. The Russian sable alone, it is believed, will bring \$2,000,000, the auctioneer said.

Large lots to be sold include 565,000 muskrat, 230,000 marmot, 310,000 white hare, 150,000 civet cat, 200,000 Australian opossum, 280,000 American opossum, 190,000 ermine, 110,000 Japanese fox and 600,000 pounds of rabbit skins. The sale will continue until September 20th.

NINE GAMES IN
WORLD'S SERIES

Cincinnati, O., Sept. 11.—Nine games will be played in the world's series baseball games this year, as against seven last year, August Herrmann, chairman of the National Commission, announced today. Herrmann said a majority of the clubs of both the National and American Leagues had ratified the recommendation that nine games be played.

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NOT MUCH TO
PARIS DRESSES
BUT THE PRICE

New York, Sept. 11.—Charles Kurzman, 5th-av. milliner and dressmaker who has just returned from Paris, said this afternoon that the prices for clothing have never been so high in Paris as this summer, but that the wardrobe of parisian women of fashion were never more elaborate.

"The prices are at least three times what they were in normal times," he said. "Very ordinary serge dresses marked at 3000 to 7000 francs are not an uncommon sight in the shops. A Parisienne of the well dressed type, however, would turn up her nose at such clothing. You cannot find anything half-way decent, she would say for less than 12,000 or 15,000 francs. I saw one very beautiful evening gown of the best materials for 28,000."

"The high cost of labor and the shortage of employees are partially responsible for the high prices. The French say that the American soldiers have married most of the little French girls who used to make dresses and taken them to America."

Rather Scanty

"If the dresses are so scant as has been said," the reporter interrupted, "the Parisiennes don't get very much for their money."

"There is some truth in that," Mr. Kurzman said, "but they get the satisfaction of knowing they are in the height of fashion, even if they haven't much protection against the weather. There has been no exaggeration about the nudity of the summer styles. When I said that the Parisiennes of fashion went practically nude I meant it literally. Their clothes are cut short at both ends and are so transparent they are barely noticeable. At an evening affair the women are clothed in a smile and a string of pearls."

No Dimension

"Dimensions? There isn't enough of these dresses to have any dimension. They only reach to the knees and are so filmy you could roll one up into a ball to fit into your hand. With dresses to the knee, with no stockings and with bare backs, the Parisienne seems to have no fear of catching cold but she will have to change her styles before winter. If she dressed that way in the winter she would freeze to death."

"There is little likelihood that the present Parisian styles will ever be seen on New York streets," said Mr. Kurzman. "Seen here, out of their Parisian setting, they would only be vulgar."

CHANGE IS NEAR,
SAYS SOCIETY
PROPHETESS

Paris, Sept. 11.—Madame Fraya, the famous society prophetess, who has superseded Madame de Thebes, the celebrated horoscope priestess, believes that women will revolutionize the world, according to her latest prophecy.

"Women have acquired a taste for work," she declares, "and they have acquired a taste for independence as a result of the conditions existing during the recent war. They will never lose either again, and will take a more and more active part in social responsibility. This will entail a complete transformation of love, marriage and the relation between the sexes."

Madame Fraya also predicts that the relations between capital and labor will be completely overthrown followed by a few chaotic years, after which there will be a "return to tradition, courtesy in manners and to everything that makes the charm of civilized life."

CLOTHING TO
BE LOWER IN
PRICE SOON

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Delegates to the convention of the National Association of Retail Clothiers here today predicted a reduction in the price of clothing in the near future.

"It has got to come," said Fred Levy of Louisville. "Lower prices are on the way, and we fellows will sing the loudest when the change comes. Men can't be induced to part with \$75 or \$80 for a business suit. The principal reason for the present high prices is the cost of labor."

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