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Only 15 days more

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The Chicago Store

We sell GILBERT'S CELEBRATED DRESSINGS

Annual Clearance Sale

Only 15 days of our great annual clearance sale gone by, during which time we simply surprised our selves at the wonderful patronage the prices we are selling merchandise brought to us, and there are still

15 DAYS LEFT

For the public to secure the greatest values ever offered in Union County—at prices so extremely low that competition is not a comparison

WE DON'T THINK YOU'RE FOOLISH

If you trade elsewhere. We simply think you are misguided or have not investigated. Take an hour off and let us show you some of the advantages to be gained by trading here. Within the last twelve-month cotton has advanced 55 per cent. You'd hardly think it to see our present prices on cotton goods.

GOOD TIME TO BUY NOW

During this sale up to date, we have sold 4 more mens suits than we anticipated and we can candidly state that every department in our store has moved likewise. If the people who have not seen the bargains offered by us during this sale were to call at the store and compare prices and values, they would go away with their arms full. We are positive of this from our sales during the past 15 days. Remember you have 15 more days to get in on these

SLASHING PRICES

Every article in our store reduced except thread, Patterns, Douglass and Reed shoes. See our

\$5 Mens Suits \$5

\$1 Shoe counter \$1

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The Chicago Store,

MURPHY BROS., Props.

1209 Adams Ave.

La Grande, Oregon

LEADERS IN LOW PRICES.

J. M. BERRY

Annual Inventory Sale lasts until
JANUARY 25th.

Heavy cuts on goods you want more and also on goods you will need after awhile.

We have quoted no prices yet but the bargains we have already turned out in our Men's Furnishings and Suit department, and our Ladies' Suit Department speak for themselves.

Men's Wear

Any Suit in the house " " " \$10.00
\$16.00 and \$18.00 Overcoats " " \$12.00
Everything in Men's Furnishings reduced.

Ladies' Wear.

Ladies' Tailor Suits One-half price. All Silk Waists at COST. Ladies' Jackets One-half price. All Dress Goods at one-fourth off. All Ladies' Furnishings reduced in prices.

BOYS WEAR—\$10 Suits for \$7.50; \$8.50 Suits \$7.00 \$5.00 Suits at \$3.00 and up.

CHILDRENS WEAR—Reduced one-half, and many reduced to cost.

SHOES.—A lively reduction on Men's, Ladies' and Children's SHOES.

We defy competition on this sale. Prices talk everything marked in plain figures. Avail yourself of the many bargains offered.

J. M. BERRY

FIFTY CARS WHEAT

Are Now Enroute From Omaha To San Francisco Purchased For The Russian Army—A Rush Order.

Omaha, Jan. 20.—Three trains numbering 51 cars of extra beef are on their way to the Pacific coast from the Omaha packing plants in Omaha, Sioux City and Kansas City. Twenty five of these cars started this afternoon from Omaha, 24 from Kansas City and two from Sioux City. The meat is intended for the Russian soldiers in Manchuria and was of the "rush" order. The meat was packed in especially built cars which arrived in South Omaha last week. The work of packing the meat was hurried with all possible speed. The 51 cars will roll into San Francisco on January 27 and will be loaded on a ship which will leave for the Orient on February 2. The meat will be taken to Port Arthur instead of Vladivostok, as the harbor at the latter port is now ice-bound. From Port Arthur the meat will be transported overland to various points in Manchuria and Siberia.

Gov. Wells Home

Governor Heber M. Wells has returned from Portland where he delivered an address before the National Livestock convention on last Thursday. The governor had a very enjoyable trip and states that the convention was very successful. The attendance was large but not as large as the Utah convention. He says that the discussions had and papers read before the convention were very interesting and instructive and will no doubt ultimately result in much good being done to the livestock interests of this and other western states.—Deseret News.

Local Option

Petitions are being circulated throughout the state, through the initiative act to secure the passage of a bill permitting the voters of any county or precinct to vote on the question whether or not the sale of alcoholic beverages may be prohibited. This is the first attempt under the new law since the initiative and referendum act has been declared constitutional by the supreme court. The movement must secure 8,000 petitioners and have them in the offices of the county clerks by next Monday. If successful the question will be voted on at the next June election and if the proposition of Local Option secures a majority of the votes will become a law. The time is so limited that it will require a concerted action to secure the required number of voters who were registered and entitled to vote at the June election in 1902.

CONVICTS FOUND

Escapes From Folsom Are Located In Mexico Said To Be Armed And To Have Money

San Bernardino, Jan. 20.—R. M. Gordon, John Wood, Edward Davis, Fred Howard, Folsom escapes, are located at Guaymas, Mexico. Sheriff Turner, of Nogales, is taking steps for their immediate capture. They are said to have money and arms.

Still Buying

Pendleton, Jan. 20.—Senator Walter Pierce today purchased 640 acres of land of A. B. Conley near Col. Springs. Mr. Pierce owns thousands of acres in Umatilla and Union counties.

Radium in Utah

The Desert News says, "Large deposits of pitchblende, from which radium is obtained have been discovered in the southern part of Utah." This is the most valuable of all metals, a piece of it the size of a gold dollar is worth a young fortune, our prospectors will do well to post themselves up on pitchblende so as to know when they see it. Chamber's Encyclopedia describes it as a mineral which is essentially oxide of Uranium with slight mixture of other substances. Its color is grayish black or brownish black. It is insoluble before the blow pipe, without the addition of borax, with which it fuses into a dull yellowish glass."

Cowardly Act

While we all know that the world is gradually growing better each year every now and then some malicious act is committed that causes us to stop and wonder. Tuesday evening Dunn Bros. the laundrymen delivered two baskets full of clothes to ship to Pendleton, to the express office. The baskets were on the platform scales in front of the office and when express agent Claud Hamilton went to place them on the trucks prior to the arrival of the train, he noticed a large black spot on one of the baskets. At first he thought it was ink but a close inspection revealed the fact that some one had poured sulphuric acid on them and that a number of the clothes were ruined. Dunn Bros. were busy yesterday paying various owners for the damaged clothing. They were seen yesterday at their new building but could offer no clue as to who perpetrated the cowardly act.

Prohibition Alliance

The Prohibition Alliance met last Monday at the home of Dr. Reavie. A new member was received and after the business was transacted the following program was rendered. Song, "The Temperance Battle Hymn." Address, "True Patriotism" By State Sec. Callenderwood of Minn. Given by Mrs. Lillian T. Omason. Res., "Show through the dark" By Paul Laurence Dunbar, the famous negro poet. Given by Mrs. Reavis. Address, "The Greatest Problem" By National Chairman O. W. Stewart. Given by Rev. Compton. Announcements of Nat. Chairman Stewart. Given by local Pres. Worstell.

A SERIOUS CHARGE

A Warrant Out For The Arrest Of Ada Thompson Charged With Threatening To Kill.

There must have been something doing out of the ordinary in the vicinity of Hilgard a few days ago, judging from the complaint of Mrs. Violet Butler who swears out a complaint against Ada Thompson, in Justice Grants court on a charge of threatening to kill. The information sworn to by Mrs. Butler is not very specific as to the manner as to how the threat was to be carried out, or the weapon to be used. The following is a copy of the information and is naturally the statement of facts which the prosecution must prove when the case comes to trial, which at present is indefinite as the officers have not as yet been able to serve the warrant of arrest for the reason that the present abode of the defendant is not known, in other words for the time being at least she has apparently disappeared.

"The Herald Ada Thompson on or about the 14th of January 1904 in the county of Union, did willfully and feloniously threaten to do bodily harm to said Violet Butler by threatening to cut the guts out of the said Violet Butler."

The officers here know nothing beyond the statement made in the information, but it is intimated that the parties are related and it is the outcome of a family quarrel.

C. B. Wade Improving

Pendleton, Jan. 20.—C. B. Wade is improving slowly and is now able to sit up some today.

THIS LOOKS LIKE PEACE IN THE EAST

The London Press Says Russia is to Withdraw From Manchuria. German Press Says that Peace is Decided.

London, Jan. 20.—The press here today with the exception of the Times is optimistic in tone regarding the far eastern question. The Manchester Guardian quotes a British official just returned who says Russia is preparing to withdraw from Manchuria. Russia Decides For Peace
London, Jan. 20.—The Berlin correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette writes that he is assured from absolutely trustworthy authority that Russia has positively decided for peace and will answer Japan's latest note by complying with all of Japan's important demands. Russia is now hesitating whether she should notify Japan exclusively, or send a general notification to the powers.

UNION-CORNUCOPIA ROUTE ABANDONED

Union, Ore., Jan. 20.—Postmaster M. F. Davis has been notified of the discontinuance of the Union and Cornucopia mail route to take effect February 1. The mail from that date will have to go by way of Baker City. The mail route will however be continued to Sanger and Medford Springs on the Cornucopia route. W. McCordie owner of the stage has sold his interest to Hans Hanson, who will continue the run to Sanger.

FORT WALLA WALLA TO BE ABANDONED

Walla Walla Jan. 20.—News was communicated to the walla walla Commercial club today from Washington that the abandonment of Ft walla walla had been definitely decided upon by the Secretary of war as soon as the Boise barracks were sufficiently enlarged to accommodate headquarters and four troops of cavalry. The news is received with bitter chagrin here, as the city had enlisted the assistance of the entire Washington and Oregon delegations for the posts retention. Fort walla was established about 1850.

NEW YORK IS FOR ROOSEVELT

Washington, Jan. 20.—Senator Platt in an interview today, says that if instructions are necessary for the New York delegates they will be made. Asked if it were true that there was considerable sentiment in New York for Hanna, he replied: "I will answer that by saying that Senator Hanna is not a candidate for the Presidency. I have just had a long talk with him. He will not allow the use of his name. In addition to that, he is for the nomination of President Roosevelt. There need be no doubt as to that score."

Statehood Bill

Washington, Jan. 20.—Senator Quay introduced a bill today providing for the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state.

Ladies Attention

You are cautioned to remember that Smith the repair man can make that sewing machine of yours run just as good as it did when it was new. He will call at your house and have

it running in first class shape before it leaves. Leave orders at the La Grande Pawn Brokers or phone No. 1581.

BURNS ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM

Annual meeting and Entertainment will be held at Elk's Hall at 8 p.m. La Grande Ore January 25 1904.

Call to order Invocation Rev W. L. Van Noy
Coronet solo Scottish airs Miss Tait
President's Address Turner Oliver
Music Orchestra
Memorial Address F. S. Ivanhoe
Song and chorus "Nae luck About the House"
Mrs Forrest, Miss Tait and Misses Noble.
Address The Burns Character J. P. Barrin
Song Annie Laurie Ladies Quartette
Address, The Scotch Irish Judge Eakin
Piano Duet, National Scottish Overture
O. K. Cochran and Robt Eakin Jr.
Recitation Miss Naomi Williamson
Trio Thome Van Noy and Ralston
Recitation Richard McCann
Music Orchestra
Business meeting (Enrollment of new members, payment of dues and election of officers)
Banquet Toasts by Dr. McNaughton, John Toshack, T. A. Rinehart, Wm. Muir, Song and Chorus The Star Spangled Banner Miss Aldrich
(Audience to join in chorus)
Music Orchestra
"Auld Lang Syne" Everybody
In rendering the foregoing program Prof. R. F. Tait will be Musical Director and M. A. Lyle, Pianist.

MARRIED

SNOLGRASS-BURROUGHS.—In this city at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Burroughs, Mr. James G. Snodgrass and Miss Lola Burroughs, at 4:30 o'clock P.M., the Rev. Father Rende officiating. The brides sisters, the Misses Lillie and Bessie Burroughs acted as bridesmaids and Messrs. Gay McCully and Lot Snodgrass acted as best men. From eight till eleven the happy couple held a reception, where they met a number of their friends. They were the recipients of many handsome presents from their admiring friends and relatives.

The young people are both well and favorably known and have a host of friends who join with the Observer in extending congratulations and wishing them a long and happy matrimonial voyage.

BORN

Steward.—At Perry on Wednesday January 20th 1904 a son to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Steward.

For Mothers Sake will be here Thursday the 28th instead of the 29 as was formerly arranged for.

BUYING OPPORTUNITIES

Of the greatest importance to you in all departments.

We dare say you have never been offered strictly NEW and SEASONABLE GOODS at such PRICES. Why not make your selections now. It does not require a long stretch of imagination to know that there will not be as good choosing next week

ALL LADIES' JACKETS FOR Just Half Regular Price

About 20 of the seasons most fashionable garments, all at HALF PRICE

All Ladies Suits at HALF PRICE

All Boys Suits and Overcoats Reduced

\$3.48 for \$4 to 5.50 Suits -3 yrs \$3.15 for 3.75 to 4 suits-3 to 8
\$2.48 for 3 to \$5 suits-3 yrs \$2.15 for 3 to 4 suits-3 to 8

\$3.75 FOR ANY \$5 OVERCOAT

The Fair

THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY