

TEN PER CENT OFF

Untill Febuary 1st I will give ten per cent off on cut glass fancy china silver ware carvers and heating stoves.

MRS. T. N. MURPHY

Headquarter for Holiday Goods.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. H. E. Savage left this morning for Portland, where she will make her future home.

Night operators have been laid off at Hugard, Meacham, Duncan and Echo and the office at Lime Spur has been discontinued for the time being.

J. B. Gilham, county clerk for Union county, came over from La Grande yesterday to give expert testimony on handwriting in the Warner trial.—Pendleton Tribune.

Mrs. L. Ferguson has returned from Pleasant Valley, where she was called to be with her daughter, Mrs. Homer Denny, during the illness of the latter's baby.

Miss Bertha Young returned this morning to Walla Walla, where she will resume her position as instructor on the violin in Fisher's School of Music, also at the Adventists' college in Milton, Ore.

Walter Pierce arrived this morning from Portland.

Dan Sommer was up from Elgin yesterday.

O. J. Roe is in the city from Enterprise.

Mrs. H. C. Montgomery left this morning for Walla Walla, where she will remain during the rest of the winter.

H. S. Massee returned last evening from Walla Walla, where he went on business connected with the Blue Mountain Creamery company.

J. W. Rush, of the Blue Mountain Creamery company, who is in Portland, is expected to return the latter part of the week.

Mrs. D. L. Standley, who has been in the city the past week transacting business, returned to her home at The Dales this morning.

Petitions are being circulated today to be presented to the council this evening to secure the placing on the ballot at the city election, the submission of the proposed new charter. With a few exceptions it is practically the same as the charter which was published.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Foley arrived in the city yesterday from Lostine.

The little baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. George Auld is on the sick list.

Mr. Utterback was in from Summerville today.

John Peach is in from his ranch at Lower Cove.

Jess McMasters is in from Ladd Canyon today.

William Miller of Alice, is transacting business in La Grande today.

Miss Jennie Sherwood is in from Ladd Canyon today.

Norman Stoddard of Perry, made proof on a timber and stone claim today.

Sam Ruckman brought in a drove of cattle this morning, which he sold to the Grande Ronde Meat company.

John McCauley of Ladd Canyon, is transacting business at the land office today.

The county court did not complete its labors yesterday evening as expected, and continued until this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gulling left for Summerville this morning to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rinehart for a few days.

Ray Norville of Summerville, received a driving mare from Portland this morning. The mare is a Del Norte breed.

Dr. P. A. Charlton states that the stock that is out on the range this winter is in exceedingly fine condition for this time in the year. The open winter prevailing this year keeps the grass in good condition.

The Current Topic club will be entertained at the F. B. Currey residence at the corner of P and Second streets, with Mesdames F. B. Currey and George H. Currey as hostesses. The topic for discussion will be "Future Americans." All members please take notice.

Barney Sparrow, formerly of this city, but now located near Prosser, Wash., is in the city today arranging for his final removal to that place. Mr. Sparrow has purchased a farm there and has decided to make his future home there. Mr. Sparrow has a "little" patch of 3200 acres. Barney has many friends in La Grande, who will be pleased to learn that he is even more than successful.

E. D. Trumbull, deputy state food inspector, who has been in the city on official business, left last night for Baker City.

HALL-DAMON INSOLVENT.

Will Not Protest Against Bankruptcy Petition That Has Been Filed.

On January 2 M. J. Duffey of Cove, J. E. Hall of Union, and A. G. Conkling of Cove, filed a petition to have the firm of Hall-Damon of this city, declared bankrupt. The papers were not served until January 7, and the petition will be granted without protest.

This failure is directly due to the recent panic and was so far reaching in its effects on the character of the perishable goods handled by this firm that they were practically put out of business. Early in the season the members of the firm thought themselves very fortunate in securing contracts that held out every inducement of netting nice profits. To illustrate, they contracted for a large tonnage of potatoes at 90 cents and were holding for \$1.10; they paid for this stock at the rate of 60 to 75 cents per 100. They also held contracts for the sale of apples on a basis of \$1.60 per box for stock that they were to pay and did pay for a great deal of, from \$1 to \$1.30, but when the crash came they could not secure cars to move their stock and in some instances could not collect for what they had shipped. Now the markets are demoralized, in fact there is no market.

The liabilities are about \$33,000, with assets of about \$28,000, the latter consisting of much perishable produce that under present conditions is difficult to market.

BASKETBALL GAME.

Score 7 to 0 in Favor of the Girls' Commercial Team.

The basketball game at the Commercial club last night between the local high school and the Girls' Commercial team resulted in a victory for the Commercial team, the score being 7 to 0 in their favor. The high school team put up a very good game, but

the other team was a little too much for them. George S. Birnie acted as referee and C. H. Seemann as umpire, to the satisfaction of every one present. Good lights were furnished and a good sized audience witnessed the game. The gobblers were the principal rooters for the Commercial team and the high school students for the high school girls. The Girls' Commercial team has arranged a game with Pendleton, to be played here as soon as the lights are on.

At the Electric.

Patrons of the Electric theater will find that Manager Hartwell is still at the old stand and making pictures just as usual, regardless of the fact that the light and power situation is rather mixed. The pictures last evening were up to the usual high standard, and there will be no interruption this evening. The only point of difference between the regular performance will be that only one show will be given. Therefore it behooves the patrons of the Electric to come early. The pictures will begin promptly at 7:15 and the entertainment will be over by 8 o'clock. The pictures tonight are good. The Pickers' Dream will make young and old laugh. It is useless to attempt to describe this number, but it is sufficient to say that this number alone is worth the price of admission. The other numbers are above the average, but the pictorial drama, "Riviera," is perhaps the strongest. Remember that the entertainment will begin promptly at 7:15, and that there will be but one show.

"The Man of the Hour."

Playgoers will no doubt view with great favor "The Man of the Hour," which will be seen at Steward's opera house Tuesday night, January 21, being presented here with a special selected company under the management of William A. Brady and Joseph R. Grismer. "The Man of the Hour" from all reports, easily ranks as one of the most substantial hits of the past season of the new one. It is said to contain more generous laughs than many a farce, and the love interest is absorbing. The play is said to be

strong, convincing and uncommonly interesting and proves particularly effective as a dramatic vehicle, because it deals with a familiar subject in a most virile manner.

EARLY CLOSING.

Following Stores Will Close at 5 Until Further Notice.

La Grande, Ore., Jan. 7, 25.
We the undersigned, agree to close our stores at five o'clock p. m., during the time the electric lights are off, or until further notice. Any one desiring to open later may do so by notifying the other stores one day in advance:

- GOLDEN RULE CO.,
- THE FAIR,
- C. W. PRESTON,
- H. BLOCH,
- THE VAN DUYNE CO.,
- W. H. BOHNENKAMP CO.,
- THE PEOPLES STORE,
- MRS. T. N. MURPHY,
- J. M. BERRY,
- F. M. WELLMAN & CO.,
- ANDREWS & BERRY,
- ADCOCK & FRITTS,
- N. K. WEST,
- ASH BROS.,
- HENRY & CARR.

Bargain Tables.

The Van Duyne store has placed a line of 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c bargain tables, which are fairly grossing under their weight of bargains. A call at the store will convince you that you were never before offered so many useful and really worthy articles of wear and utility at such unheard of bargains. A call will convince you that not only can you save money here, but get exactly what you have been looking for.

THE VAN DUYNE CO.

FOR RENT—Five-room house on Adams avenue, opposite Mrs. Mason's orchard. Inquire of Mrs. W. C. Gibbs, adjoining property, \$8 per month. 1-8-151

FOR RENT—Seven-room cottage with bath, good barn, on N. Fir. Inquire R. E. Smith, at West's store. 1-817

STOCK GIGANTIC REDUCTION SALE

The Gigantic Stock Reduction Sale opened Saturday with a mighty throng of eager people who have waited days since the announcement of our sale to secure some of the bargains we offer.

A CARNIVAL OF MERCHANDISE

OUR EFFORTS ARE GETTING STRONGER, OUR WORK IS GETTING GREATER, BARGAINS ARE GETTING MORE. We must and will cut this enormous stock down. There is nothing in our immense stock but what you can buy for less. Come and get your share. The first shake of the tree brings down the ripest fruit. Come before the assortment is broken—now complete in every department

O. N. T. Spool Cotton 3 1/2c	9-4 Bleached Sheeting 9-4 Unbleached Sheeting 36-in Cotton, A. A. Grade Good grade Bleached Muslin Hope Bleached Muslin	27c 25c 7c 6 3-4c 11c	Darning Cotton #5 for 1c	Table Damask Table Damask Embroidery Silk, per skein Canvas Gloves, per pair Mens Cotton Gloves, per pair	28c 37c 21-2c 6 1-4c 5c	SAFETY PINS per paper 1c
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All Ladies', Misses; and Children's Cloaks, Suits and Jackets, Reduction Sale—One-half Price

Men's suits, 12.00 values, Men's suits, 10.00 values, Men's shoes, 48c to Men's gloves, 60 to 75c, Men's winter caps, 1.00 values,	4.79 3.87 3.98 38c 67c	ODD DISHES 1-2 PRICE	Bargains, Nothing but Bargains Never before have we been in a better position to serve you, or make better prices on merchandise. In this case, our needs are mutual—you need the goods; we need to sell them, and in order to do so we have made the price absolutely the lowest that can be made.	Common Clothes Pins, per doz 1c	Common Water Glasses, per doz. 38c Decorated Water Sets, Complete with Tray, 2.25 to 2.50 values \$1.49 Jap China Tea Pots 9c Tooth Picks 04 8 Bars Diamond C Soap 25
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Men's and Boys' Linen Collars, standard makes, E. & W. & C. Gigantic Reduction Sale, 3 for 10c.

THE GOLDEN RULE CO.

LA GRANDE, OREGON