



NEW SHOES

An Excellent Gift for Folks in the Family

Just because mother has been too busy choosing gifts for others to even think of new slippers for herself is no sign she wouldn't be delighted with a pair. You know her preferences well enough to choose for her, and of course for dad it is easy. He probably wants about the same style he had before. But more than anyone else, new Shoes are a gift to delight the children. Nothing gives them a more dressed up, Christmasy feeling.

You Can Get What You Want at

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The Effect?

We've never seen a ladies' man who didn't have trouble keeping his hands off the "out of home" Gibson-Thompson.

Articles for Writing Table.

A thermometer and personal calendar all in one. Finished in green or rose color. It is a welcome addition to the writing table.

Gulbransen The Player-Piano

A Pledge

Ranking first by a wide margin in the production of player-pianos, it is fitting that Gulbransen give a pledge to our public—

A PLEDGE to foster the restless desire for improvement which has made possible the exceptional music of the Gulbransen.

A PLEDGE to adhere strictly to the Golden Rule principles that have governed all our business relations; this includes our organization, the people from whom we buy—the people to whom we sell.

A PLEDGE to continue branding the price of each Gulbransen in the back, at the factory, for the protection of our customers.

A PLEDGE never to make a Gulbransen and send it out under any other name, thus preserving Gulbransen quality for Gulbransen buyers.

A PLEDGE always to keep bright our ideal of providing exceptional music for all classes of homes, at modest prices.

A PLEDGE that the ease of playing and instant control you enjoy in the Gulbransen, will ever be the standard of excellence among all player-pianos.

These principles affect the price and the happiness of every family buying a player-piano. The phenomenal sales Gulbransen enjoys show the public's approval of its fairness, sincerity and dependability of its goods.

Christmas morning countless Gulbransens will delight families everywhere. Will your family be any of these? Put a Gulbransen of your choice in your list, and you will understand fully these things which have brought about the great success of Gulbransen pianos.

GULBRANSEN-DICKENSON COMPANY, CHICAGO



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LUMBER MARKET MUCH STRONGER

Strength continues to feature the lumber market in all its branches. Some building items have declined slightly in price, but much less than could be expected at this time of year, when building operations generally have dropped off to an insignificant volume. This year has been featured by an unusually late building season, and operations are still being carried forward more or less actively throughout the country, especially on the west and east coasts and in the South. This is one factor in the present remarkable strength of all building lumbers, but the exceedingly low mill stocks and the continued poor transportation facilities afforded the manufacturers have also been influential.

The lumber industry in the meanwhile is looking forward to a great volume of building next year, and consequently to a heavy lumber consumption. Retail stocks as a whole are depleted literally to rock bottom, and dealers will have to buy considerable quantities of lumber in order to meet spring needs. As manufacturers' stocks also are very light and the mills in many cases have their production booked far ahead, it does not appear possible for them to accumulate any large stocks for the spring trade during the few remaining months. Distributors are therefore urging their customers to buy early in order to avoid a coming great rush for lumber and the consequent intensified

stock shortage and higher prices. Many of them are heeding this warning, but the majority of retailers are still slow in coming to the market, chiefly because they desire to complete their annual inventories first. Some authorities claim that orders booked now can not be delivered before spring.

Industrial demand meanwhile remains very heavy, with the railroads the leading purchasers. Many large orders have been placed by them for new rolling stock and other equipment of all kinds, and the lumber requirements run into very large quantities. Timbers are among the items which have a very strong call, and these hold firm in price with a pronounced upward tendency. The furniture, automobile, and other hardwood consuming manufacturers are actively on the market, buying everything suitable to their requirements. The box and crating manufacturers, who are enjoying a big business at this time, are consuming much of the lower grades, which are not in burdensome surplus quantities, in contrast with the usual situation. Export demand is very fair, that for hardwoods being much above what it has been at any other time during the last two years.

SPORT GOSSIP

The White high school football eleven of Toledo has defeated champion school eleven of six states.

Princeton hockey players now have a rink of their own and will no longer have to travel elsewhere for practice.

Pittsburgh had eight and New York seven players who hit in the 200 class of the National league last season.

National league batting averages show that Hoopsey, the champion batter, led Russell, the runner-up, by 25 points.

The Harrison, N. J., soccer team is putting up a fine game for the championship of the American league.

Gene Tunney will most likely meet Tom Gilbois before he gets a return match with Harry Greg for the light heavyweight title.

Memphis has lost its pennant winning manager, Spencer Abbott, who has signed with the Reading club of the International league.

Tummy Murphy is gathering the stars of the half-mile tracks. The Grand Circuit pilot has purchased Jekander 1922, Dixie Direct 2141, and Lambert 1921.

The Western Conference will have another business deal for its football warfare, last year, when the University of Illinois dedicated its new \$2,000,000 stadium.

Boxing experts declare that Jess Willard should try himself out in a bout with some good heavyweight before he tackles Jack Dempsey in another championship fight.

New York boxing fans were keenly disappointed in the Mike O'Dowd-Dave Rosenberg bout, in which O'Dowd was declared to have won the middleweight championship.

The 15,000th club of the American association plans to hold a five up-to-date baseball game in place of the one recently played.

Have You Been to Our Store Yet?

Do you remember how we used to give away Holly covered with red berries, and bunches of Oregon Grape Root? Well, we're going to do the same thing again this year, sometime before Christmas. So watch our store and the Observer for the announcement. Come in now any day and look over our new stock of almost everything that men, women and children want for Christmas. Men and women who are traveling—Say, we have one, if not the best and nicest displays of Christmas goods and candies in the country. Now call once anyway, will you? Just take a peep and see 500 boxes of the choicest candy made and the largest display of fresh and pure bulk chocolate creams, bonbons and fruit and nut candies. You know men want useful things. We have them—Smoking Supplies, Shaving Sets, Watches, Fountain Pens, Cameras, Gold and Silver Pencils. Girls want fine boxes of Candy, Stationery, Cameras, Perfumes, Toilet or Manicure Sets, Perfume Atomizers, Kodak Albums, Hand Bags—and women practically the same things. Then we have Flashlights, all sizes; Christmas Tree Ornaments, Rubber Toys, Rubber Balls, Juvenile Books, Vacuum Bottles, Purses, Lunch Set, Kits and Cases.

WATCH OUR WINDOWS EVERY DAY

Newlin Drug Company

Prize Winner



The Junior exhibit at the White Plains N. Y. Hatch Show brought forth a fine display of rabbits and guinea pigs when they reached younger exhibitors. Doubtless they were very nice near the hatch show.

American Indians Astorica? The American Indians are probably descended from immigrants from Asia by way of Alaska and the Aleutian Islands.

Chest Taxes. From a recent literature "My Heart at the Sweet Village" Christ also by Margaret Gordon—Boston Transcript.

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Too Much Meat Hurts Kidneys

Take a glass of Salts to Flush Kidneys if Bladder bothers you.

Eating too much meat may produce kidney trouble in some forms or other, says a well-known authority, because the urea acid excreted by the kidneys, they become overloaded, get sluggish, they will cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region, chronic headache, severe headache, and stomach, constipation, rapid liver, sleeplessness, bad eye and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys seem to be acting right, or if bladder bothers you, get about four ounces of salt pills from any good pharmacy take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act like a well-oiled machine. This famous salt is made from the seed of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush slotted kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity; also to neutralize the acids in the urine so that it no longer irritates, thus often ending bladder disorders.

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