

## The Nation's Merriest Christmas

WILL BE CELEBRATED THIS YEAR. WE HAVE LEARNED MANY LESSONS FROM THE WAR, ONE OF WHICH WAS TO BE PRACTICAL IN SPENDING MONEY. APPLY THIS THOUGHT IN GIFT BUYING—PRACTICAL PRESENTS PLEASE

### THERMOS BOTTLES AND LUNCH KITS

For the man who carries his lunch or lunching autoists—practical and necessary.

### FOUNTAIN PENS

Self Fillers—A gift that any one would like.

### CUT GLASS

Beautiful gifts with a large assortment to select from in cut glass and the new Japanese hand carved woods.

### DOLLS

It won't be a Christmas to the kiddies without a doll. We have just what will please.

### CAMERAS

A joy the year 'round. Come in and let us show you our Ansco's—you'll want to go Anscoing.

### MUSIC

Come in and choose your Christmas Grafanola today. Popular sheet music.

### CIGARS

Ladies—We have a complete stock of cigars that make a nice Christmas package. All popular brands. You can get just what your friend or relative smokes.

Pipes—Many, many kinds and dandy smokers.

### FRENCH IVORY

The favorite gift of the Nation. It brings real pleasure because its service is lasting.

Combs—Each price a good value. Bonnet Mirrors—Extra heavy plate with beveled edge. Large and small sizes.

Hair Brushes—Various styles and sizes. Fine quality bristles.

Clocks in Ivory Cases—An ornament as well as a necessity.

### OTHER IVORY FEATURES

Jewel Boxes	Soap Boxes
Pin Cushions	Bonnet Brushes
Pin Boxes	Military Brushes
Trinket Boxes	Nail Files
Cream Jars	Buffers
Salve Jars	Hair Receivers
Perfume Bottles	Cuticle Knives
Puff Boxes	Infant Brushes

### HOT WATER BOTTLES

(Metal and Rubber)

First Aid—A gift that will be the source of comfort in health or sickness.

### GIFT STATIONERY

(Handsomely Boxed)

High Grade Stationery—Combination note paper and correspondence cards in white and dainty tints.

### Sharp People Use

### EVERSHARP PENCILS

Something that will please the office man, the student, in fact, any one who uses a lead pencil.

## WILLIAMS DRUG CO.

PERFECT SERVICE

PURE DRUGS

**LEATHER GOODS**  
Splendid Gifts for Men  
Bill Books  
Letter Books  
Card Cases  
Bill and Coin Purses  
Hip Books  
**WILLIAMS DRUG COMPANY**

### FLU BAN ON AGAIN IN INDEPENDENCE

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a reasonable time from the arrival of the mail at the postoffice, persons can enter, get their mail and quickly go out again. In the present emergency no one should stand around in there unless they have business to transact with the postal department. Independence is certainly fortunate in escaping as well as it has. Dallas has had several hundred cases and fourteen deaths within the past two weeks.

### POLK COUNTY POST Twice A Week Phone M. 621

News items of public interest are gladly received and much appreciated. Bring them, send them, phone them or mail them. We thank you.

### CITY AND COUNTRY

Books for everybody at Craven & Walker's.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bingman are now residents of Independence.

Our children's rockers will please the little folks. Moore & Walker.

Mrs. C. E. Ireland of Grants Pass is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cooper.

Who has a modern home to rent to a couple who will take the best of care of everything. No children. Call Main 621.

### WHERE WOUNDED MEN YIELD TO DAY DREAMS

Restored to Health and Vigor in  
Red Cross Convalescent  
Homes.

The surgeon has extracted the partially distributed bits of shrapnel from your works. The wounds have healed. The wheels go 'round again, and the clock ticks.

But it doesn't keep correct time. This business of calling "Time!" on the Boche means so many broken clocks nowadays that the master-menders can't keep them on their tables after they're mended. So the question where they shall sit around while they're being regulated looms large.

The Red Cross answers that question with its convalescent homes. It has six of these in operation. A suitable place is found—sometimes donated—and management and equipment are provided by the Red Cross, while the Army has furnished discipline and a never-failing supply of convalescents.

These homes mean that men who are scarcely hospital subjects, yet who can by no means go back to their duties, have a place that does what "home" does for the French or English soldier, what "home" does for any one, in fact, when the doctor gets through.

You know. He says: "You're all right now. It's only a matter of nursing and food."

But you know he's only looking at the works he's tinkered, and that the soul within you is grousing as it never did when the body was down and out. It wants something, and it doesn't know what it is. But if it doesn't get it pretty quick the works are going to get gummed again. You know your mother could find out what that dog-gone thing is right away and hand it to you on a plate. But General Pershing won't let you go to her. . . . And the War Department won't let her come to you.

Then you're taken to a Red Cross convalescent home—and there is the very thing you wanted! But you couldn't describe it even then to save your life.

It is a bit of coddling, and pretty surroundings, and women's faces, and light laughter and time to play and all that sort of thing. It is forgetting the crash of war and remembering that there are pleasant, soft voices. It's even such things as gaily-flowered sofa pillows to jam into a corner and make a nice lolling place while you read and smoke and talk. It's slippers instead of trench boots, or day-dreams in place of the nightmare of killing.

Put one of the NEW DAY  
PHONOGRAPHS

**THE CLAXTONOLA**  
in your Home now

PAY FOR IT AT YOUR  
CONVENIENCE

While you are Enjoying  
Its Exquisite Music

**CRAVEN & MOORE**  
Independence, Ore.

### CITY AND COUNTRY

Verd Hill has been in Portland this week.

All kinds of games at Craven & Walker's.

Buy all the little ones something at Quartier's.

Gifts that will be appreciated at Craven & Huff's.

John G. Braden of Rickreall is reported killed in action.

Fill up the Christmas stocking at the Williams Drug Co.

L. A. Cary, former resident, is in Independence this week.

The Willamette river has gone up considerably the past week.

Buy your Christmas candies, nuts and fruit at McIntosh's grocery.

A large assortment of dolls and doll buggies at Craven & Walker's.

H. J. Rowe was here from Corvallis today looking as well and happy as ever.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a cooked food sale on Saturday, Dec. 21.

The Eastman camera makes the best Christmas present. For sale by Craven & Walker.

H. R. Patterson of Portland was in Independence this week visiting his parents and friends.

Miss Gretchen Kreamer, teacher in the Ashland schools, is home while Ashland is "fluing."

A new rug for the living room makes a suitable present for every member of the household. See them at Moore & Walker's.

A program, cards, dancing and refreshments featured a joint meeting of the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters Monday night.

Wm. Cockle Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cockle returned this week from Washington where they attended the funeral of a son and brother.

Edison and Claxtonola phonographs and records. The Claxtonola plays any record. Make fine Christmas presents. See and hear them at Craven & Walker's.

Mrs. O. D. Butler had as her guest this week, Mrs. Mabel Settlemier of Woodburn, Grand Worthy Matron of the O. E. S. Mrs. Settlemier's husband is Grand Master of Oregon Masons.

Miss Eva Robertson arrived from Seattle today and will make Independence her home. Her mother will arrive in a few days. They have purchased the Elliott bungalow on Seventh street.

The Civic Club will appreciate any garments for babies and children that you may have and are not needing. The Club can use them where they will serve a good cause and be very much appreciated. Look over your clothing today and if you have anything of this kind leave it at the Library. An early response will be appreciated.

Mrs. Susan Jones for many years a prominent and highly respected citizen of Independence celebrated her birthday very pleasantly at her comfortable home in Corvallis last Wednesday. She gets a full measure of enjoyment from life and radiates the same happiness to those around her. Out of a large family Mrs. Jones is the only one left.

The pretty yuletide windows at Craven & Huff's are attracting much attention and as one stops and looks at them, this thought at once occurs: That everything displayed in the windows is nice, is useful, is practical and will last for several years. Is it any wonder that the enterprising firm of Craven & Huff are favored with a good holiday patronage when their stock is so well selected, so well displayed, so well advertised and so moderately priced.

Don't wait until the last day  
Do your Xmas shopping now

A COMPLETE LINE OF

## TOYS

FROM 5 TO 15 CENTS FOR

boys and girls

Picture BOOKS  
STORY BOOKS  
GAMES For  
Young and Old

10-15c

A BIG DISPLAY OF

BABY DOLLS BOY DOLLS **DOLLS** CHARACTER DOLLS

DOLLS TO SUIT EVERY PURSE

BEAUTIFUL LINE OF

**HANKERCHIEFS**

FROM 5c. UP

JAPANESE FANCY

China & Wooden  
Ware

AT POPULAR PRICES

AFTER THE FIRST OF THE  
YEAR, WE WILL MOVE INTO  
THE OPERA HOUSE BUILDING  
NEXT DOOR TO THE NEW  
FARMERS' STATE BANK.

5-10-15c. **QUARTIER'S** 5-10-15c.  
STORE STORE

10x17 CALENDARS GOING AT FIVE CENTS  
SIX PRETTY DESIGNS TO SELECT FROM

## Big Millinery Sale!

Must dispose of the  
stock by Dec. 20.

IF YOU ARE AT ALL INTERESTED  
IN HATS IT WILL PAY YOU  
TO SEE MY STOCK

**ALPHA BASCUE**

MAIN STREET MILLINER



THIS picture shows a  
woman of Salvador,  
Central America, making  
tortillas. She would not be  
wasting her time doing this  
if she had access to the good things in our bakery where we produce the

Many Good Things to Eat

upon which this community is feasting every day—bread, cakes, pies, doughnuts, cookies and other good things with the tasty flavor of the home kitchen. They look as good as they taste.

Quality and cleanliness are the twin mottoes  
of this bakery at all times.

**C. A. Lochridge**

### J. G. McINTOSH SUCCESSOR TO JOHNSON & COLLINS GREETINGS TO ALL

Having combined the stock of the Bungalow Store with that of Johnson & Collins, I offer

THE ENTIRE STOCK AT  
GREATLY REDUCED PRICES  
FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY

We will not change from the usual cash system so we can afford to give you

BETTER GOODS FOR LESS MONEY  
than any other place in the state.

GET OUR PRICES BEFORE GOING ELSE-  
WHERE. HIGHEST PRICES FOR  
PRODUCE IN EXCHANGE

WE ARE GIVING TO EVERY PURCHASER  
A BEAUTIFUL NEW YEAR'S  
CALENDAR FREE

All outstanding accounts at the Bungalow Store are now due and prompt payment is expected.