

ROYAL Baking Powder Absolutely Pure

Where the finest biscuit, cake, hot-breads, crusts or puddings are required Royal is indispensable.

Royal is equally valuable in the preparation of plain, substantial, every-day foods, for all occasions.

The only baking powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar

No Alum—No Lime Phosphates

gressive tendency now prevailing. The doctrine that the public utility business is of itself a monopoly is becoming more recognized by competent and impartial authorities, and is a natural outgrowth of changed economic conditions. In the average community it is absolutely impossible for two public utility companies to realize even a reasonable profit on their investment, for the reason that the initial investment is large and the market for the service is naturally limited. The result inevitably is that one company must absorb the other. When this condition is brought about it is only natural that the consolidation means higher rates for two reasons: The competitive rates cannot be maintained without making it impossible for the company to realize a reasonable return on their investment. The result of consolidation is a duplication of equipment on which there must be a return, even though such duplication be unnecessary in order to properly and adequately serve the public. It is a condition fostered by the municipality itself in conferring upon a competitive company the privilege of doing business. At the utmost such competition can only be of a temporary nature. In the end the people must pay the freight, as it is unreasonable to assume that the consolidated company will not demand a reasonable return on its investment. The consistency of such a demand cannot be denied, for what person, firm or corporation would undertake to engage in any business unless a reasonable return on the capital invested could be realized.

In the competition on Wageners the Moscow car won first prize, with a score of 970 1/2 out of a possible 10,000. The prize was \$300 cash and a gold medal banner.

The car entered by Geo. S. Stowe, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, ran the Moscow car a close race in this event, scoring 947 1/2 points and taking second prize of \$100 cash and a silver medal banner.

The International Apple Shippers Association offered a special prize of a silver loving cup "for the best commercially packed and graded carload of all entered in the competition." The association had its own schedule of counts for deciding this competition, the grading being different than under the apple show rules. The Moscow Wageners took this prize.

All carloads were graded on a basis of 10,000 points, divided as follows: Quality, 2000; color, 2000; size, 1000; uniformity, 1000; condition, 2000; pack, 2000.

The other carload awards were as follows: For the best carload of Home Beauties, first prize \$300 cash and the National Apple Show gold medal banner—First, score 9464 1/2, R. P. Wright, Chelan, Wash.

For the best carload of Spitzenburgs, first prize, \$300 cash and the National Apple Show gold medal banner—First, Keystone Fruit Company, Entiat, Wash.

For the best carload of Staymen Winesaps, first prize, \$300 cash and National Apple Show gold medal banner—First, score 9080 1/2, Keystone Fruit Company, Entiat, Wash.

For the best carload of Yellow Newtowns, first prize, \$300 cash and National Apple Show gold medal banner—First (not competing in pack), Houston Brothers, Talent, Or.

For the best carload of any standard winter varieties not mentioned in the foregoing carload contests, first prize, \$300 and National Apple Show gold medal banner—First, Keystone Fruit Company, Entiat, Wash., on a car of Janos.

For the best mixed carload of any standard winter varieties, each variety to consist of at least 50 boxes, first prize, \$300 cash and National Apple Show Gold medal banner; second prize, \$100 cash and National Apple Show silver medal banner—First (9585 1/2 score), H. S. Simmons, Wenatchee, Wash.; second, (8157 score), J. Rosenbaupt & Sons, Spokane.

Silver Suda for sale at Clarke's jewelry store.*

Tightness in the Chest, Irritation in the Throat and a Dry Hacking Cough means a miserable night for the whole family.

BALLARD'S Horehound Syrup

Is An Effective Remedy for the Throat and Lungs.

It relieves tickling in the throat, tightness in the chest, inflamed lungs, difficult breathing and wheezing in the bronchial tubes. Conveys a soothing, healing influence to the sore lungs, promotes easy expectoration and contributes to the enjoyment of a quiet night and restful sleep.

Put Up in Three Sizes, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per Bottle.

Buy the Dollar size. It contains five times as much as the 25c size, and you get with each bottle a Dr. Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest.

JAMES F. BALLARD PROPRIETOR ST. LOUIS, MO.

For Sore Eyes, Granulated Lids, Redness of the Eyeball, Weak Sight, Smarting Sensations in the Eyes, use Stephens Eye Salve. It is a remedy of proven merit.

SOLE AND RECOMMENDED BY CHAS. N. CLARKE

The Big 4 Comedy Co. is advertised to give a performance at Pine Grove hall Friday, Dec. 22.

Silver Suda for sale at Clarke's drug store.*

Real Estate Bulletin

\$5,000—Thirty-two acres in Willow Flat Section, close to railroad, church and store, on the main road, red shot soil. Two pieces of this description are on the market at the present time. Terms \$3,000 down.

\$1,750—Five acres 4 miles out; house and barn, part in trees, balance cleared—on the main road on West Side. Mortgage \$600. Want cash for equity.

\$2,000—New bungalow and barn, lot 100x100 on corner, near High School. This price for quick sale.

...Insurance...
G. Y. EDWARDS & CO.
Office Hotel Oregon Bldg.
Phone No. 228K

Hurrah! Toyland Is Open

Dolls	Games
Mechanical Toys	Blocks
Children's Books	Christmas Cards
Handkerchiefs	Gift Boxes
Pictures	Bells
China	Tea Sets

Everything imaginable to make a Merry Christmas. COME ON—Point your shoes toward the

Christmas Store of Hood River

The 5, 10, 15 Cent Store

FOR MONOPOLY

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he urged on congress for immediate action:

"Federal government to retain the right to grant permits for power development enterprises.

"The right to adjust the basis of rates at certain intervals to be reserved.

"Provision be made in the grants for regulation of enterprise by the state or its municipal divisions.

"Revenues collected by the government for the use of water power to be expended on the stream where the power is developed.

"Revenue and taxes to be made as low as possible."

Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester, advocated that all power licenses be made for a limited term, approxi-

mately 50 years. Secretary Fisher expressed the opinion that such a limitation was not necessary if the government reserved the right to adjust the companies' prices at intervals of approximately 10 years.

Walter L. Fish, secretary of the Interior, in an address before the national waterways commission recognizes the doctrine that the development of the water powers of the country and their subsequent use in the generation and distribution of electrical energy constitutes a monopoly, but that the public should be protected by means of regulation in order that the privileges conferred upon power production companies may not be abused by excessive rates and inadequate service in order to build up unreasonable profits.

The statement of Secretary Fisher is of considerable importance, coming as it does from a man recognized as being in sympathy with the pro-

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try to the entire country."

The following is a complete list of the award of prizes at the show:

In the sweepstakes competition for the best packed carload exhibit, the Moscow car scored 1846 1/2 points out of a possible 2000. The prize for this was \$500 and a gold medal banner.

You'll Find It at Franz's

Don't Let the X-mas Problem Worry You For a Minute

FRANZ has appropriate gifts for all! Just run in and let us suggest and show you the very thing for Father, Mother, Husband, Wife, Son or Daughter. Gift things of beauty and utility, the kind that outlives the season and is a perpetual reminder of the giver. Can you imagine a more delightful gift for a man than a safety razor, a rifle, or a big easy chair to enjoy during the long winter evenings, and what housewife would not be overjoyed to find a set of silverware or a new rug or davenport in her X-mas stocking. Come to the store that is brim full of such good things, where "helpfulness and good cheer" are the watchwords and where you'll feel perfectly free to just "browse" around, taking your time for making selections. But *please come early*; don't run the risk of sore disappointment in finding the piece you "intended" having laid aside, sold to some one else.

O! The Joys in Toy Land

Santa's Headquarters for Me!

Why! you'd never dream that such a world of toys existed. Engines that run, tin tops that hum, trumpets that blow—and dollies? Goodness yes! The whole dolly family. Teeny, tiny ones and middlin' sized ones and great big 'uns. Mr. Franz says he is bound Santa Claus shall not run short of dolls so he is offering 25 dozen. Just think! That's 300 specially fine big dollies over a foot high with eyes that open and shut, beautiful hair, all dressed up

At Only **15 Cents Each**

Trains	Ten Pins	Sleds
Wagons	Doll Furniture	Coasters
Blocks	Magik Lanterns	Skates
Games	Toy Telephones	Campbell Kids
Tea Sets	Riding Horses	I wee Deedle
Drums	Horns	Character Dolls

SAMPLE LINE

Imported Decorated China At Half Price

This is the finest lot ever opened in Hood River. Decorations are all hand colored. There are 400 pieces and we will certainly never again be able to offer a value equal to it. It would look very reasonable if priced at double. But if you come early we will reserve your selections at these prices.

Chocolate Sets, twelve designs... **\$3.50 UP**
Dainty Sugars and Creamers, set... **90c UP**

Plates, Cups, Saucers, Spoon Trays, Salad Dishes, Etc.

Fifty Year Guaranteed

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Community Silver

Serviceable as Sterling

Have just received a shipment which includes all of the newest creations in this famous ware. Some of the choicest designs are

The Wildwood
The Sheraton
The Fleur de Lis

No more enduring gift could be bestowed than a piece or a set of **Community Silver**.

IS IT HERE?

FOR HER	FOR HIM
Decorated China	A Shaving Cabinet
Silverware	Foot Ball
Coffee Percolater	Morris Chair
Brass Jardeniere	Safety Razor
Carving Set	Some Good Tools
Rocking Chair	A Watch
Kitchen Cabinet	
Vacuum Cleaner	

At the 5c-10c-15c Counters

Worlds of Dainty Little Gift Things for Everybody

Vases	Horns	Puzzles	Banks
Blocks	Balls	Dominoes	Fire Engines
Picture Blocks	Animals	Checkers	Sweepers
Roly Polys	Tram. Slates	Loto	Tin Dishes
Dolls	Boats	Games	Nodding Figures
Tubs	Baskets	Furniture	Tops

FRANZ'S PRICES ARE ALL "SPECIAL"

\$2.95 Fine Rattan Rocker Full size, roll edge; Portland stores are advertising same rocker as Special \$4.50 value	\$15.75 Brass Bed 2 inch posts, satin finish. Only a few to sell at this low price.
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\$22.00 Less Than Portland Price. Think of that. This beautiful piece would make a mighty fine present for the family.	Leather Bed Davenport
Nothing nicer for young or old. Complete sets and odd pieces...35c, 50c, \$1, \$1.25 and up	Give Brasscraft