

# Royal Baking Powder Absolutely Pure

## The Woman Makes the Home

She makes it best who, looking after the culinary department, turns her back resolutely upon unhealthful, or even suspicious, food accessories. She is economical; she knows that true economy does not consist in the use of inferior meat, flour, or baking powder. She is an earnest advocate of home made, home baked food, and has proved the truth of the statements of the experts that the best cooking in the world today is done with Royal Baking Powder.



**American Railroads Are Trying to Do What Is Right For the Public**

By HOWARD ELLIOTT, President of the Northern Pacific Railway Company

THE so called "railway question" is no longer one to be treated by press and public with indifference on the theory that any damage to the business is hurtful only to a few rich people.

IT IS A GREAT NATIONAL QUESTION THAT MUST BE DISCUSSED FULLY AND WITHOUT PREJUDICE, AND WHEN THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC UNDERSTAND THE REAL FACTS IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT THEY WILL REALIZE THAT THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE WHOLE COUNTRY DEPENDS UPON HAVING SAFE, COMFORTABLE, REGULAR AND ADEQUATE TRANSPORTATION, AND TO HAVE IT THE NECESSARY PRICE MUST BE PAID.

The press can do much to correct the impression that railways are "making" great sums of money, for the statement is not true. The railways are having a large volume of business and show gross earnings of very large figures, but the public mind is CONFUSED ON THE SUBJECT OF "GROSS EARNINGS" of the railways and the "making of money" by the railways.

Too often the impression remains in the mind of the individual that because a railway has gross earnings of fifty or sixty or seventy millions of dollars this enormous sum of money has gone to a LIMITED NUMBER OF RICH OWNERS of the property. As a matter of fact, after paying for wages, materials, taxes, rentals and a very modest return on the fair value of the property there is little or nothing left for those improvements which must be made day by day to keep the transportation machine in good order for today's business, let alone the very large investment that must be made to care for the GROWING BUSINESS and demands of this country.

## Your Holiday Buying GROCERIES

- NEW NUTS--
- No. 1, soft shell, very best, per lb. .... 20c
  - No. 2, soft shell, very best, per lb. .... 15c
  - Brazil's Best, per lb. .... 15c
  - Almonds, best, per lb. .... 20c
  - Mixed Nuts, per lb. .... 17c
- RAISINS AND CURRANTS--
- Raisins, best 16 oz. package ..... 3 for 25c
  - Best 12 oz. package ..... 4 for 25c
- We have all other ingredients for your MINCEMEAT Package Mince meat ..... 10c and 2 for 25c
- OTHER SUGGESTIONS--
- Dates, Figs, Bulk Raisins, Citrus, Lemon and Orange Peel, Canned Mince meat, Pickles, (Heinz) Cranberries, Horse Radish, Bananas, Oranges, Pumpkins and Squash

See our Fancy Soaps and Cigars put up for Christmas Presents

Remember We Deliver Orders of a Reasonable Size

**E. E. KAESSER'S CASH STORE**

The NEWS For Printing.

## RATES OF PARCELS POST ANNOUNCED

After January 1st special stamps will be required on all fourth class mail matter, the new stamps being known as "Parcels Post" stamps. Postmaster General Hitchcock gives the following series of rules which will govern the parcels post:

The rules which will apply January 1, when it will be possible to send packages up to 11 pounds through the mails follow:

Parcels post stamps must be put on all fourth class matter beginning January 1, and that matter bearing ordinary postage stamps will be treated as "held for postage."

Parcels will be mailable only at postoffices, branch offices, lettered and local named stations and such numbered station as may be designated by the postmaster.

All parcels must bear the return card of the sender; otherwise they will not be accepted for mailing.

The parcel post rates are:

	Each pound	Additional pound	Eleven pound pounds
Rural route and city delivery	\$.05	\$.01	\$.15
50-mile zone	.05	.03	.35
150-mile zone	.06	.04	.46
300-mile zone	.07	.05	.57
600-mile zone	.08	.06	.68
1,000-mile zone	.09	.07	.79
1,400-mile zone	.10	.09	1.00
1,800-mile zone	.11	.10	1.11
Over 1,800 miles	.12	.12	1.32

The Postoffice Department will indemnify shippers for all goods damaged or lost in the parcel post.

**Grace U. B. Church**  
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Sermon, "The Wrestling That Wrought," at 11 a. m. Junior at 3 p. m. C. E. at 6:30. Special music and discourse on "Why the New Structure Became an Old Shack." Let us not forget that we resolved to do better work for the homeland in the days that are just ahead. J. B. Parsons, Minister.

## KEPT AN EYE ON THE HOUSE.

A Neighborly Act That Resulted in a Comedy of Errors.

A gentleman and his wife occupying a villa in a London suburb asked a neighbor to "keep an eye on the place" while they were away on their annual holiday. The neighbor consented and on the first night of his caretaking noticed a light in the bedroom of the presumably unoccupied house and saw the light extinguished.

Accompanied by a policeman, the neighbor made a forcible entrance through the scullery window, and quietly the two men made their way to the bedroom. The light of the constable's bullseye disclosed the head of a man in bed, and the policeman promptly drew his truncheon.

As promptly the occupant of the bed sprang out, and a desperate struggle began. Simultaneously a lady dashed across the room shrieking, threw open the window and at considerable peril clambered out. A second constable, passing at the moment, concluded that the lady was bent on suicide and, entering the front garden, held himself in readiness to catch the woman, who appeared to be about to fling herself to the ground.

The neighbor, however, dragged the lady back into the room, and then the truth began to assert itself. The captured invader of the empty house and the escaping lady were the occupant and his wife, who had suddenly changed their holiday arrangements without informing their too vigilant neighbor.—London Globe.

**Congregational Church**  
Hans Hoerlein will give his third monthly organ recital next Sunday evening at 7:30. He will be assisted by Culver Osgood and Wm. Chandler in a popular program.

The pastor's third annual message to the church will be given at the morning service.

The annual meeting of the church will be held Thursday evening, Dec. 5.

**Methodist Church**  
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. Theme, "Broken Vows." Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend these services. W. B. Young, Pastor.

## FRENCH ZOUAVES.

These Fighters Won Their Greatest Fame in the Crimea.

One of the most interesting class of soldiers of modern times has been the French corps called the zouaves. This body of daring and picturesquely attired fighters reached the heights of its reputation during the Crimean war. The zouave corps at that time was supposed to consist of Frenchmen. It was, however, quite international, since many daring young foreigners had joined it, and it was known to include in its ranks men from Oxford, Göttingen and other universities. It is probable that a majority of its members were in it more for love of fighting than for any love of country.

It is not strange, therefore, that its fame as a fighting body should have spread throughout the world. When our war between the states broke out several corps of zouaves, wearing the glittering oriental uniforms of the French corps or a modification of them, were formed on both sides. On the Union side the best known was that corps commanded by Elmer Ellsworth, a young officer from New York and the first killed on the Union side. In the Confederacy the most famous corps of zouaves was that called the "Louisiana Tigers."

While in American military life the zouave uniform has practically disappeared, in France the zouave name and uniform still survive.—Harper's Weekly.

**Unitarian Church**  
The services at the Unitarian church next Sunday are as follows: Sunday School at 10 o'clock, subject, "Self and Social Self;" young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m.; lecture on Religion and Science at 7:30. The subject of this fourth lecture is "The Faith Basis of Science," and is designed to show that both science and religion depend on faith and faiths, that the unseen figures in both, and that the fundamentals in each are transcendental.

How many times have you mistaken "Burglars" in the headlines for "Burglars?"

The News can give you the best in printing.

## A BATTLE IN THE SEA.

Wanton Slaughter When Bluefish and Menhaden Meet.

Did you ever see bluefish charge a school of menhaden at sea? That is something worth seeing. The bluefish throw their lines forward until they almost surround the menhaden, and they attack them flank and rear. The menhaden fairly make the water boil in their efforts to escape, while all around the enemy is at them tearing relentlessly.

Into all this commotion comes a great shark. It's a picnic for the shark, a school of menhaden all herded up for his benefit. It swims leisurely into the midst of them, opens its mouth and takes in half a dozen menhaden at a gulp. It swims around and bites out half a dozen more from the school. It gorges itself without effort.

But the menhaden are not nearly as much disturbed by the presence of the monster swimming about among them as they are by the charging bluefish. The shark takes half a dozen fish or more at a bite, while the bluefish only bites a piece out of a single fish, but there is only one shark, while there may be thousands of bluefish plunging and tearing incessantly and killing and maiming at every stroke.

The shark's a brute, but under such circumstances the menhaden have less of fear than they have of contempt for him.

## WONDERS OF BAALBEC.

A Building Problem That Has Puzzled Modern Engineers.

Baalbec, or Baalbek, is the name given a ruined city lying in ancient Coele Syria, forty-five miles northwest of Damascus.

There is nothing particularly remarkable about a ruined city being found in the locality mentioned, but the size of the blocks of stone used by the ancient builders of this particular city is something that has puzzled the modern engineers since the day when Baalbec was first made the Mecca of the oriental traveler.

There are immense stones on every side of the visitor to this ancient pile of ruins, but the three most remarkable blocks—said to be the largest ever used in the construction of a building—are in a wall back of the temple of Baal.

These immense stones are respectively sixty-four, sixty-three and sixty-two feet in length and each is thirteen feet in thickness, but the most wonderful thing in connection with them is the fact they are at a place in the wall twenty-five feet from the ground. How these immense blocks of granite were ever raised to such a height is a question that has never yet been answered.

## Tiger and Lion.

"One time, in order to test the courage of a Bengal tiger and a lion," said a well known showman, "we placed Chinese crackers in the respective cages and fired the fuses. As soon as the fuses began to burn they attracted the attention of both animals, but in a widely different manner. The lion drew into a corner and watched the proceedings with a distrustful and uneasy eye. The tiger, on the contrary, advanced to the burning fuse with a firm step and unflinching gaze. On reaching the cracker he began to roll it over the floor with his paw, and when it exploded beneath his nose he did not flinch, but continued his examination until perfectly satisfied. The lion betrayed great fear when he heard the report of the explosion and for quite a time could not be coaxed out of his den."—London Tit-Bits.

## Victoria and the Future.

Queen Victoria's childlike faith in the future life is touchingly revealed in her published letters to Dr. Boyd Carpenter. The only fear that troubled her was lest those she loved who had left this world before her might have outgrown her companionship. "I feel only this doubt," she wrote to Carpenter, "on account of my dear husband, whose tastes were of a higher and different order from mine and who had different interests perhaps from mine. I am far more fit now to be his companion than I used to be, but still I know that he must have soared higher than me."

## Raiment of the Coster.

The English costermonger must be fearfully and wonderfully clothed, judging from the following coster tailor's advertisement in a London paper:

"A slap-up togs and kicksties buldier, with upper Benjamins snipped on a downy plan, with moleskins of hanky-panky design, with a double fakement down the sides and artful buttons at bottom, with kicksties cut pegtop, half tight, or to drop loose over the trotters, with fancy vests made to flash the dickey, or to fit tight round the scrag."

## Domestic Joys.

"Rosa, my mother-in-law is coming for a long visit tomorrow. Here is a list of her favorite dishes."

"Yes, sir."

"Well, the first time you give us one of these you'll get a week's notice."—Fliegende Blätter.

## Not Abel.

In a county court recently an inquiry was made as to why a defendant named Cain was not present. "Because he isn't able!" cried a voice from the back of the court.—London Mail.

## The Builder's Lament.

His Friend (ignoring at new house)—So this is your last house? Builder (sadly)—Yes, last, but not leased.—London Answers.

## Oh, Girls! Looky!

You little misses, future housewives, how many times have you played housekeeping and had dinner parties—only you had to use cold water for soup and for tea and most everything else because you had no stove to cook with. Now suppose you had a real and for sure **Steel Range** just your size, one that will cook and bake same as mammas, and with all the pots and skillets and pans to fit? Wouldn't that be dandy?

Well, here's your chance to own one. **MR. FRANZ is going to give one to the best little cook** in Hood River County, and to find out who is the best cook!!—Oh, what a task!!! Well, Mr. Franz is going to ask every little girl under 12 years of age to come to the store on...

**Saturday, Dec. 7, at One o'clock** and mix up a pan of BAKING POWDER BISCUITS that will be baked in a **Quick Meal Range** in the store. He will furnish everything to do it with—just bring two deft little hands, a happy face, an apron and a good recipe for baking powder biscuit. There will be three judges and to the winner of the contest will be GIVEN...

**A Genuine Quick Meal Steel Range** and UTENSILS. It is worth about \$15.00, so you see some little lady is going to earn a mighty fine Christmas present of her own; and there'll be bushels of fun too.

Just one thing you must do—come in before the day of the contest and tell Mr. Franz that you would like to enter it. He will give you your number which will be put in your pan of biscuit. If you live out of town telephone to him. Do this as soon as you have decided you want to try for the Range.

**See the Range in the Window Now**  
Remember the date, Saturday, Dec. 7th. Bring your mammas and papas along to enjoy the fun.

**E. A. FRANZ CO.**  
HOOD RIVER, OREGON

Christian and Missionary Alliance Sunday School at 9:45, H. C. Dietz, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. Young People's Meeting at 7:15 p. m. Evangelistic service at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:45. These are all gospel meetings. Our motto: "Jesus Only." All are cordially invited. W. P. KIRK, pastor.

Lost—A Laprobe Finder of laprobe with name of Fashion Stables inscribed on it please return. 47-48c

The Daily Californian states that a fossil skull 100,000 years old has been uncovered by the University of California excavators at La Brea.

Union services at the Christian church tomorrow.

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## NEW SCHEDULE Mount Hood Railroad

No. 3	No. 1	Effective 12:01 A. M. Sunday, Sept. 30, 1912		No. 2	No. 4
		A. M.	P. M.		
8:00	8:00	Lv. Hood River Ar.	8:55	5:00	
8:05	8:05	Powderdale	8:50	4:55	
8:15	8:15	Switchback	8:40	4:50	
8:30	8:35	Van Horn	8:30	4:40	
8:35	8:40	Mohr	8:20	4:35	
8:50	8:55	Odel	8:10	4:30	
9:00	9:15	Summit	8:00	4:20	
9:05	9:20	Boncher	7:50	4:15	
9:15	9:45	Winans	7:40	4:10	
9:35	10:10	Dee	7:30	4:00	
9:40	10:15	Trout Creek	7:20	3:55	
9:55	10:40	Woodworth	7:10	3:50	
10:00	10:45	Ar. Parkdale Lv.	7:00	3:00	

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