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TODAY'S SPECIAL BARGAINS

Afford broad range for economical Christmas buying. You all know the value of early shopping. Take advantage of every pleasant day.

STORE CLOSSES AT 6 P. M. AS USUAL

TODAY ONLY—
Men's Handkerchiefs
 Choice 35c grade
 Today only at **24c**
 All fine linen cambric, hemstitched, 1-4 inch hems. Richardson's famous make. Economical, and always acceptable holiday gift.

50 All-Wool Smyrna Rugs
 Today only **\$1.38**
 Each
 Double faced; attractive rich colorings; size 30x60 inches. Fourth floor.

Flannelette Knee Skirts, Ladies' and Misses' Sizes
 Of tasty light striped flannelette, today only **23c**
 Of finer flannelette, with Spanish flounce, today **39c**
 Second-Floor Annex.

THIS BARGAIN GROUP SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED

Extra chance for **Ladies' Street Shoes**
 At **\$1.98 pair**
 Seven late styles—Worth to \$3.00 a pair. Materials—vici kid or box calf, with mannish welt, heavy soles and newest toes. Thoroughly worthy in every respect.

Sale of—**Silk Waists**
 At **\$5.56 each**
 Regular \$12.50 values, in smartest Autumn styles, with tucks, hemstitchings, silk gimp or lace insertion trimmings. A wide range of colorings.

TODAY ONLY—
Jardinieres
 With Patent Folding Stands
 Much under price.
\$1.25 For 18-inch black iron stand, with 8-inch jardiniere.
\$1.49 For stand and 9-inch jardiniere.
\$1.59 For 18-inch oxidized stand with 8-inch jardiniere.
\$1.79 For same stand with 10-inch jardiniere.
\$2.04 For 24-inch black, iron stand with 10-inch jardiniere.

Flannelette Wrappers
 Well made, tastefully trimmed, generously made of heavy flannelette, **\$1.45**

LAST DAY—
 For Latest Novelty Colored Silks at 98c yard Worth \$1.25 yard.
 For New, Colored Dress Goods at 84c yard Diagonals and chevots, \$1 values.
 For Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits At \$14.98 each
 Latest shapes; black and colors. Regular prices reach \$25.00.
 For Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs at 2 for 25c
 Richardson's linen cambric, or sheer linen lawn, hemstitched. Best 17c and 20c grades.

Lipman Walker & Co.

ATTRACTIONS

For Saturday Shoppers are always most plentiful in this busy store. Below are a few of the many

Saturday Offerings

Battenberg Doilies
 Bargains arranged for quick choosing in three lots
 7 and 9-inch round Battenberg doilies, special, each **25c**
 9 and 12-inch round and square Battenberg doilies, each, special **50c**
 9, 12 and 14-inch Battenberg doilies, special, each **75c**

Handkerchiefs
 Also Brussels and Venice point lace handkerchiefs
 1/3 AND 1/2
 Less than regular prices.

Umbrellas
 For men and ladies
 Black, blue, red, green, brown, silk umbrellas, with princess, Dresden, pearl, imported wood and horn handles, special **\$2.65**
 Regular price, \$3.50 and \$4.00.

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The Oregon Calendar

A handsome calendar showing views of Mount Hood and Portland. **One dollar and twenty-five cents.** The prettiest calendar ever offered of Oregon.

Games
 1000 board games, large size, regular price 25c, special **10c**
 500 child's toy wringers, regular price \$1.00, special **65c**
 100 children's ice-cream freezers, useful as well as a toy, special **98c**

Children's
 Children's all-linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, in pretty boxes, per box **29c, 39c, 49c**
 Children's printed-border handkerchiefs, per box **19c**

Ladies'
 Ladies' handkerchiefs in unique boxes **50c, 79c, 98c**
 Ladies' finer-quality handkerchiefs, in pretty boxes, **\$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 to \$15 box.**

Men's
 Pure linen unlaundered hemstitched hand-embroidered initial handkerchiefs, 3 for 50c and 25c.

Pure linen hemstitched laundered hand-embroidered initial handkerchiefs, each 25c and 50c.

Pure linen hemstitched unlaundered, 3 for 50c.

Pure linen hemstitched, 25c to \$1.25 each.

Leather Goods

Seal and alligator leather combination pocket books, plain or mounted with sterling silver **95c**
 Grain leather music rolls, brown or black **75c**

Genuine leather collar and cuff boxes, lined with satin **\$1.95**

Framed Gibson Pictures, special **99c**

Dolls
 See the beautiful display of dolls at Third-street entrance. Dolls at special low prices.

Meier & Frank Co. Meier & Frank Co. Meier & Frank Co.

Umbrellas for Holiday Gifts—A Very Extensive Stock to Select From. The Handsomest Array of Solid Silver and Cut Glass in Portland. (Basement)

Santa Claus' Headquarters

Santa Claus is ready to greet you on the third floor with the grandest array of merry-making toys Portland has ever known. A world of holiday gifts up there. Bring the children today and spend an hour looking over the many things—you'll enjoy it all. We begin to realize that there are but two short weeks for all preparations. The store is taking on the busy bustle of holiday activity. All the standard toys in endless variety—hundreds and thousands of them—many new ones that you have never seen—many of the old favorites in new guise.

Today's Bargain News

Shoe Bargains
 Little Gent's Shoes, in sizes 11 to 2, best satin calf. Big value at **\$1.33**
 Misses' Shoes, lace or button, sizes 11 to 2, kid or grain. Big value at **\$1.33**

Leather Goods
 Three exceptional values to interest Saturday shoppers. (Main Floor.)
 Mexican leather hand carved Cinch Belts **43c**
 Music Rolls, in a variety of leathers, **43c**
 Line of Morocco, Seal and Alligator Chatelaine Bags, big value **43c**

Six Bargains in Toy Land
 (Third Floor.)
 For today, six special bargains in Toy Land, sort of an inducement to have you visit our Santa Claus headquarters.

= Groceries =
 Crosse & Blackwell's Lucoa Oil, 65c bottle.
 Dunbar's Barataria Shrimps, large size, 18c box.
 Hickmot's Asparagus, large size, 21c package.
 Eagle Brand Condensed Milk, 15c can.
 Hunt Hayward's Tomatoes, 3-lb. can, solid pack, 11c.

3 Bargains
 Perfumes, all odors, 1 oz. bottles, glass stoppers, handsomely boxed, per box **38c**
 High-grade linen note paper, put up in neat box, 1 quire paper, envelopes to match, new tints, per box **38c**
 Whisk Brooms, sterling silver handles, best quality, each **39c**

Kid doll, 12 in. long, jointed hip and knee, shoes and stockings, closing eyes, Bisque head, curly hair, covered bust **33c**
 Parlor table croquet, 6 ball. Special, **30c**
 Easel and blackboard, easel 29 in. high, board 13x 19 1-2 **17c**
 Christmas tree fence, can be set up in shape without use of nails **18c**
 Miniature Medallions, large variety **15c**
 Children's sewing machines, Children's ice cream freezers, Children's wingers, all practical. Lowest prices.

\$6 Lamps \$4.98

Special lot of handsomely decorated Lamps, base and globe to match, variety of styles, brass trimmings. Regular \$6 values at \$4.98.

Men's Clothing Bargains

\$15 Suits \$11.98

\$22.50 SUITS \$18.85

Boys' Suits \$2.98

Men's pure wool through and through—fancy worsted, well tailored, neat dark patterns, single or double-breasted vests—the best fall styles and regular \$15 values. For one week, your choice **\$11.98**
 (Second Floor)

Men's unfinished vicuna worsted suits in the gray effects, neat stripes, single or double-breasted vests, well tailored, you cannot tell them from the custom-made styles. Regular \$22.50 values for one week, **\$18.85**
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Boys' all-wool 2-piece suits, double-breasted, chevots and cassimeres in neat patterns, ages 8 to 15 years, the regular \$3.50 values at **\$2.98**.
 Present given with all boys' suits—stem-winding and stem-setting watch, rifles, sleds, books, games, etc. (Second Floor.)
 Just Received a new line of Raglan Coats for young men, sizes 32 to 36. \$15 and \$16.50.
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IN THE HANDS OF RECEIVERS

Wolf & Zwicker Iron Works Temporarily Embarrassed.

An attachment suit for \$50,000 due for pipe material was brought against the Wolf & Zwicker Iron Works, in the United States Court, yesterday morning, by Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, of Chicago, and two mortgages against the concern were filed—one for \$25,000, in favor of Henry Weinhard, and one for \$15,000 in favor of Wells, Fargo & Co. At the same time a suit in equity was brought for the appointment of a receiver, and Judge Bellinger placed C. J. Reed and F. Wolf, president of the firm, in charge of the business. It is believed that the arrangement will be only temporary, as the plant is valued at \$25,000, and there are outstanding accounts to the amount of \$15,000 due the concern, so that even a forced sale, which is not contemplated, would more than pay off all the indebtedness.

The primary cause of the present trouble is a loss of about \$125,000 sustained by the firm in the construction of the two torpedo-boats Davis and Fox, and the lightships 67 and 70, for which the firm contracted in an effort to make Portland a shipbuilding center. Although all these boats were entirely successful and satisfactory to the Government, they proved far from profitable for their builders, and paying off the indebtedness contracted while building them has led to the present inability to meet the bill of Ryerson & Son.

The major portion of the \$50,000 is for material furnished for the Butte pipe line, which the firm is now building under contract. There are also a number of small accounts against the concern, which, however, do not amount to a great deal in the aggregate. The firm is now carrying on its books large amounts in contracts, and has made extensive improvements to its plant in the last three years, putting in machinery, consisting chiefly of special ship-building tools to the amount of \$50,000. It is in better condition than it was a few months ago, and it is expected that in a short time it will be taken from the hands of the receivers and continue to increase its business, which has been growing rapidly of late, in spite of the heavy losses sustained on Government contracts. Meanwhile, the receivers will conduct the business as heretofore, and they have been assured every assistance on the part of the three principal creditors. John Hanford, financial agent of Ryerson & Son, who is representing them in the suit, said that it was not the intention of his company to break up the business, as the dismemberment of the plant would be less to their interest than assisting in building it up. He says plenty of time will be given for the payment of the claim, and that everything in his power will be done to assist the concern to get on its feet again.

F. L. Zimmerman, secretary of the iron works, in speaking of the matter yesterday, said: "The company takes no exceptions whatever to the action of Ryerson & Son, Mr. Weinhard or the Wells, Fargo & Co. Bank. They have all been most friendly and extended every favor, making every effort possible toward helping the firm along for some time past. This course has been greatly appreciated by us."

"It has not been decided definitely what course is to be pursued in getting the accounts together, but we fully expect that, with expectation of time, all claims will be paid after the completion of existing contracts, and after we realize on our outstanding accounts."

All of the creditors who were seen yesterday seemed inclined to do everything possible to relieve the firm from its embarrassment, expressing the belief that the interests of the city demand that the business continue. The firm has, for a number of years, kept up a struggle to establish ship-building on a firm footing in Portland, and, while building Government vessels, has distributed as much as \$25,000 monthly among its employees, all of whom, of course, reside and trade in Portland. The torpedo-boats Davis and Fox were, without exception, the finest boats of their class ever built, and made

the name of Portland known all over the country. The Goldborough, a 20-knot torpedo-boat, although she has met with several minor accidents during builders' trials, is expected to do as well as her smaller predecessors. A number of other boats and ships have been built on the ways of the firm, which have seldom been vacant in the past three years. A meeting of the creditors will be held in a few days, and it is expected that at that time some plan will be adopted to help the firm out of its difficulty.

IN THE SEVERAL COURTS.

Third Trial of Fay Severe for Murder Result as Did the Others.

The jury in the Fay Severe third murder trial were once more unable to agree, and were discharged last night. It is understood that they were nine for acquittal and three for conviction.

Court Notes.

Charles W. Houston, of Peoria, Linn County, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court. His liabilities amount to some \$100, and his assets to \$227.

In the case of the Eagle Bicycle Company vs. Mitchell, Lewis & Staver, in the United States Court, Judge Bellinger made an order allowing the complainant to attach an affidavit to the bill of complaint.

F. W. Brown was acquitted yesterday in Judge Fraser's Court of a charge of highway robbery, of which M. O. Boyle was the victim. The case went to the jury before noon, and the verdict was reached after a few minutes' deliberation. Judge Bellinger, in the United States Circuit Court, yesterday sentenced Stahlander, of Canby, convicted of opening and destroying a letter belonging to his wife, to pay a fine of \$50. Stahlander paid his wife \$100 toward the support of herself and children, which probably had something to do with his getting off with such a light fine.

Judge Fraser dismissed the charges against James Burns and Harry Hayes, who were charged with being accomplices of Timothy Fagan and Harry Arnold in breaking into a Southern Pacific freight car. The charges were acquitted in a jury trial, which is the reason for the dismissal, as the evidence was the same in both cases.

A PRACTICABLE SCHEME.

Mr. Reid Thinks Doubling Thomases Should Now Be Convicted.

PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—(To the Editor.)—It is with pleasure I notice your article in this morning's Oregonian saying the Scientific American recites that the plan advocated for carrying coal in barges from Nehalem Bay to Portland was so eminently successful in Boston that \$8 per cent per year of all the coal consumed in that city for 10 years past has been carried thereto in seacoast barges with tugboats. Surely this fact will at last satisfy the doubting Thomases of Portland how practicable and economical was the plan I suggested in that respect by sea and river combined.

If Portland is in earnest to have coal of the very finest quality produced on the Pacific Slope carried to her doors cheaper than from Seattle, all that is necessary is to send coal experts to Nehalem Bay to examine the measures and question of water transportation to Portland.

Pardon me saying I note what I suppose must be an error in your article of today. You therein say 150 tons of coal in rough, and 800 or more tons in smooth weather, on barges drawing 9 to 24 feet, between Nehalem Bay and Portland, via the Columbia River and Astoria.

WILLIAM REID.

The Boys Will Eat Green Apples. Mother gives Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

Hood's Sarsaparilla has proved a sure cure for rheumatism. Be sure to get Hood's.

WANT TO BE CLASSIFIED.

Postoffice Clerks Hope for Congressional Action This Winter.

Postoffice clerks throughout the country are in hope that they will succeed in having a law passed by Congress this Winter classifying them as letter carriers, as postal clerks have been classified for some time. They say that as the law stands now they have almost no legal status. The postmaster receives a specific sum each year with which to meet the expense of his office. He apportions this money as he sees fit. Under the existing conditions length of service and merit do not necessarily weigh in a post-office clerk's favor, but a comparatively new man, if he has sufficient pull, may be advanced over a veteran in the service whose competence is unquestioned.

A man begins work at \$50 a year as an auxiliary clerk, and no law says when he shall receive an increase. He must, however, be promoted to \$60 a year when he is advanced to a regular clerkship, and after that again the law is silent regarding further promotion, and it may be years before he is recognized.

The question of classifying the postal clerks was taken up about 10 years ago, and the struggle has been kept up from time to time ever since, and a bill which failed some time ago is to be introduced at the present session of Congress. This bill applies to all the clerks in the first and second-class offices in the country, but does not affect auditors, division superintendents, cashiers and assistant cashiers. The clause relating to the salaries of clerks provides that a clerk shall receive \$60 the first year, \$70 the second year, and so on with an increase of \$10 per year until he shall receive \$120 per annum.

There is a second salary class called the \$100 and the \$140 class. Candidates for positions paying either of these sums must pass an examination or be eligible under conditions to be prescribed by the Postmaster-General.

The passage of this act would be merely giving to the postal clerks the same protection and assurance of increased salary now enjoyed by the letter carriers and railway mail clerks. The National organizations of railway mail clerks, post-office clerks and carriers have appointed committees to work together in securing legislation for the relief of employees of all branches of the mail service.

THROUGH TO CHICAGO WITHOUT CHANGE.

The Chicago-Portland special runs through to Chicago without change in 20 hours. Palace and ordinary sleepers, dining cars (meals a la carte), chair cars and buffet library cars on all trains. Choice of many different routes to all Eastern points via the O. R. & N.

The favorite for restoring life and color to the hair is Parber's Hair Balsam.

Greve's Ointment makes a healthy skin, 50c.

MANY CLAMS DESTROYED.

Why the Razor Bivalves Are Scarce Along the Coast.

For some time there has been a great scarcity of razor clams in this market, and about the only kind of clams procurable were the hardshell or little neck clams from Puget Sound. A few shipments of the New York clams were received a short time ago from Yaguina, and more were ordered, but for some reason no more came. George Ellifer, who lives near Clatsop beach, and has for a number of years shipped razor clams to this market, was in the city yesterday. He says there has been so much continuous stormy weather of late along the coast that it has been practically impossible to get any clams to land from market from any part of the coast, and as for Clatsop beach he thinks the supply there has been about exhausted. So many people resort to the beach all Summer long that scarcely a clam escapes them and on two occasions there has been a great destruction of the young clams.

On one occasion some time ago he saw a perfect winnow of little razor clams along the Clatsop beach. There were not only millions of them but fifty millions of them, and he could shovel them up by the bushel. They were from three-quarters of an inch to an inch and a half in length and were piled along the beach for miles and the gulls and other birds were feeding on them. What convulsion of nature had thrown these young clams out to perish he has no idea, but if half of them had lived to grow to their full size, the whole beach would have been full of them. Since the storm is over a few boxes of razor clams are coming to market, but although all the boys along the coast are well stocked with the New York clams, no one seems to have energy enough to dig them and send them to market.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Shenandoah" at the Marquam.

"Shenandoah," Bronson Howard's famous war drama, came again to the Marquam Theater last night and thrilled a wellfilled house. It is the same "Shenandoah" made familiar by frequent visits—the same graphic pictures of war and its glories, rushing cavalry, fighting soldiers, and the same succession of episodes and incidents that go to make up a complete story of real human interest. The great battle scene at the climax of the third act was exceptionally well done, and they were admirably disciplined and arranged so as to portray most effectively the fierce conflict at Cedar Creek, with the Union repulse turned at last into a rushing triumph by the arrival of General Sheridan. The stage settings, too, were very good. From the spectacular standpoint, nothing was wanting, and the

patriotic enthusiasm of the audience was given frequent opportunity to burst forth.

The company is a large one, and is adequate. It has no stars, but each player conscientiously does his or her part to make up a complete whole. Sergeant Barkett was just as amusing as ever, and the various Generals and other officers looked well as acted well. The women were all well dressed and otherwise satisfactory. The entire production is in no sense disappointing, and is worth seeing again, even if one has seen "Shenandoah" once, which most people have. The company gives its final performance tonight. There is a matinee this afternoon.

Lucelle D'Alberti.

Mr. C. A. Whale extends elsewhere an invitation to the general public to attend the musicale given this evening in his piano parlors, 128 Sixth street. On this occasion Miss Lucelle D'Alberti, the celebrated soprano, will make her first appearance in Portland. Among other selections, Miss D'Alberti will sing Verdi's masterpiece, "Ermioni," in "Volani," and the "Estasy" concert waltz song, by Ardit.

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