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Twenty-Third Annual Clearance Sale.....

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COME EARLY THIS MORNING....

There's chance for much economical buying before 6 p. m.

LOTTERY TICKET BUSINESS

OBSERVERS REPORT INCREASED ACTIVITY.

Amount Which Portland Invests Vigorously Estimated From \$2000 to \$10,000 a Month.

Lottery business is reported as flourishing among the agencies representing San Francisco and Honolulu companies. This is attributed by some observers to the fact that the gambling-houses, Chinese fan tan games and lotteries, and slot machines have been closed. The aggregate amount of tickets sold in Portland is said to amount to \$10,000 a month, but this is held by the men who are agents for the companies to be a gross exaggeration. The latter places the true amount at between \$1500 and \$2000. There are regular devotees of lottery ticket-buying, whose infatuation is a mania. Every week they buy new tickets, and every week they pore over the drawings with the green tickets in hand, comparing their numbers with those drawing the capital and minor prizes. Some play systems, and demand certain fanciful combinations of numbers, and are grievously disappointed if the desired tickets are gone. Others close their eyes blindly and draw out tickets from a bunch, believing firmly that since the game is one of chance, the more they rely on fickle fortune the more hope they have of reward.

The fascination of buying tickets seems to be in the sensation of imagining what the holders would make of the money in case their castles rise, and they spend good money with the hope of having it returned several thousand dollars. Chinamen are by nature devoted to the lottery habit, and they will patronize them in any form. Many of the Mongolians prefer the lotteries run on the American plan, as they are not conducted with a limit, as are the Chinese. In the latter the most that can be won is \$2000. In the American lotteries, as the price of the ticket doubles, the amount of money the purchaser stands to win. As the Chinese also say, their lotteries "too much eat 'em up money fast," although that is a characteristic of all gambling devices.

An agent said yesterday: "So far as draining this community of money goes, I can show that I have paid back more in prizes than I have sent away from the sale of tickets. And the winners have all been deserving people. The amount of money spent monthly for tickets is a small matter. The buyers look at the proposition something like this: 'Here I drink and smoke, or spend so much money foolishly. I'll curtail my expenses to a certain extent, and buy a lottery ticket with the saving. I'm not out anything, and I stand to win.' The report that tickets are sold to children or minors is not true. We sell none to such classes."

MRS. HOLLENBECK'S RECITAL

Enjoyable Concert, in Which Miss Dearborne Assisted.

The piano recital of Mrs. Rose Hollenbeck, at Ellers piano rooms, last night, delighted a critical audience, which occupied every seat in the house and taxed the standing room to its utmost capacity. The programme embraced the work of a number of composers, and the pianist's admirable interpretations of them, and her easy mastery of the difficulties which only a finished artist could overcome, won for her a most flattering reception. In the opening number, the ballade by Beethoven, she won her way to the favor of her audience, and the applause which greeted each succeeding number showed that their evening's enjoyment was complete. Perhaps the performance which made the greatest impression was "The Erl King," whose tragic grandeur was interpreted in a manner nothing short of thrilling. Her artistic temperament found fitting expression in her masterly rendering

of Chopin's exquisite "Nocturne," while her delicate playing of Schubert's "Nachtstuck" was considered by many of her hearers the triumph of the evening. The programme, while short, was sufficiently varied to show thorough familiarity with the works of such composers as Beethoven, Schumann, Mendelssohn, Chopin, Schumann and Diemer, and was thoroughly enjoyable from first to last. Mrs. Hollenbeck was assisted by Miss May Dearborne, Portland's talented young soprano, whose sweet, clear voice was heard to excellent advantage in a carefully chosen song programme, embracing numbers by Burmeister, Foote and Jensen. Her singing of Foote's "Love Me If I Live" was a particularly artistic bit of execution, while the "Persian Song" and "Murmuring Zephyrs" were given in a fashion that added new laurels to the many Miss Dearborne has won since her debut, a little more than a year ago. Miss Dearborne's most excellent number, however, was "Still Wie Die Nacht," given for an encore, and sung with a dignity and grace and expression that will live long in their memories.

ORCHARDISTS TO MEET.

Annual Convention of Northwest Fruitgrowers' Association.

The annual convention of the Northwest Fruitgrowers' Association will begin this morning in the A. O. U. W. Hall. Elaborate preparations have been made for the meetings, which will be held today, tomorrow and Thursday, and quite a number of prominent fruitmen are already in the city to take part. The hall has been appropriately decorated, under the supervision of Secretary Douch, and the programme prepared is expected to keep the interest alive through to the closing hours of the convention. The growing importance of the fruit industry in the Northwest is being recognized all over the United States and Canada, and prominent men whose interests are identified with the culture are arriving from distant states, as well as those of the Northwest and British Columbia. Following is the programme beginning with this morning at 10 o'clock.

Call order—President N. G. Bialock. Prayer—Rev. A. A. Morrison. Officers' reports—President, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. W. S. Officer, chairman; Oriental market, J. E. Mulroney, chairman; shipping associations, P. L. Wheeler, chairman. "Random Thoughts on the Apple," E. L. Smith. "Horrorful Thoughts," Professor H. E. Van Deman. Discussion. Appointment of committees. Selection from "The Traveller" (Verdi), Wilder harp and string quartet. Address of welcome, Mayor H. S. Rowe. "Il Solitario" (Koshat), Wilder harp and string quartet. Responses, President N. G. Bialock. "The Way Not So to Be," (Nealley), Mrs. Walter Reed. "Dear School," Dr. J. R. Cardwell. Disposal. "Meditation sul Preludio di" (S. Bach), Wilder harp and string quartet.

Fruit Dealers Coming.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 4.—The following commission men and wholesale fruit dealers will reach Portland tomorrow morning over the Northern Pacific:

S. J. Vidger, of Vidger & Co., Fargo; J. J. Grove, of Porter Bros. & Co.; D. W. Longfellow, of Longfellow Bros.; E. E. Conroy, of Conroy Fruit Company; John V. Branzan, of E. P. Stacy & Sons; A. N. Biennan, of Grinnell & Collins, Minneapolis; C. C. Emerson, of C. C. Emerson & Co.; W. A. Murphy, of B. Presley Company; J. E. Mulroney, of J. E. Mulroney & Co.; C. T. Fitzsimmons, of Fitzsimmons-Derrig Company, Duluth; T. F. Ryan, of Ryan & Newton, Spokane. The following will arrive Wednesday:

R. R. Scott, of McPherson Fruit Company; A. Bright, of Bright & Johnson, Winnipeg; W. J. Moulton, of Stacey Fruit Company, Fargo; C. W. Surie, of De Camp Fruit Company, Grand Forks; J. E. Oppenheimer, Butte.

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New Couch Covers	New Embroideries
New Oriental Draperies	New Laces
New Silk Curtaining	New Silks
New Shirt Waist Materials	New Dress Goods
New Flannels	New Wash Goods
New Colored Shirts	New Hosiery
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2500 yards New designs and Dress 15c yd Spring Shirting Choice colorings Percales

SHORT-WEIGHT BUTTER

NEW RULE BY WHOLESALERS NOT LIKELY TO WORK REFORM. Many Retailers Insist on 28 and 30-Ounce Rolls for Customers Who Want "Bargains."

People who buy butter by the roll in Portland may obtain a full two-pound roll for their money or may be served with a roll that is two to five ounces short, according to several butter dealers who were interviewed yesterday on the subject. A roll of butter is a roll of butter, and the retailer of the 28-ounce roll does not sell by the pound, although the general impression prevails among the purchasing public that a roll is 32 ounces, which it used to be years ago, before the consumers can do away with the light-roll business very quickly if they insist on full-weight when they buy butter.

Another retail grocer said: "If the people want full-weight butter, they should demand it and keep scales at home to see that they get it. They might have to pay more for it, but they would be sure of getting just what they bought. The consumers can do away with the light-roll business very quickly if they insist on full-weight when they buy butter."

OREGON SHEEP WINS.
Hay Creek Ram's Triumph at Salt Lake City.

Oregon's triumph as a sheep-breeding state, which was so well established at the National Stockbreeders' Association, at Salt Lake City, has given the state some very valuable advertising, as the following report of the sheep contests in the American Sheep Breeder will show: "Of the most interesting features of the convention week at Salt Lake City was the sheep and cattle show at the state fair grounds and stock yards. The Baldwin Sheep Land company, of Hay Creek, Or., came down with 100 sheep and lambs fairly representative of its great stud flock—the largest of the kind in the United States—among them a pair of magnificent stock rams, one a big, massive, heavily quartered Rambouillet, and the other a big Delaine of superb form and fleece. With these were 50 very fine ram heads, some of them of the Delaine type and of unusual size, capital form and strong fleeces. There were also in this fine collection a grand lot of yearling rams of both breeds.

"Our friends—Colonel J. B. Van Houten, former manager at Hay Creek, and J. D. Holdiday—had them in charge, and all of them except the two leading stock rams were sold on the spot for distribution in half a dozen states.

"Vice-President John H. Seeley, the well-known Rambouillet breeder of Mount Pleasant, Utah, brought over 22 representatives of his fine stud flock, the cream of the A. A. Bates stud purchased in Ohio last year. Heading this contingent were the great Von Homeyer-Gilbert ram, a good deal of difference to the cream of the A. A. Bates stud, and a pair of recently imported very fine German rams.

"W. S. Hansen, the well-known proprietor of the Collinston, Utah, Garner flock of Rambouillets, brought down 25 handsome beautiful Von Homeyer-Gilbert rams, ewes and lambs, headed by the big 300-pound polled ram, Sampson, the whole in capital form.

"Mr. Ellison, of Layton, Utah, had an exhibition of Lincoln of Cotswolds and Canadian-bred Lincolns, most of them grade ram lambs of good quality.

"A. E. Dyer, of Layton, Utah, had a capital carload of Cotswolds, newly imported by Frank Harding from the best Canadian flocks, a typical heavy-fleeced lot, mostly ram lambs, and sold a good number on the ground.

"Frank Harding, of Waukesha, Wis., brought out a pen of seven or eight handsome imported-German Rambouillet rams and with them a small pen of pure-bred and really fine Cotswold rams.

"Eugene Patrick, of Idleron, Ont., brought forward a lone imported Wilder-harp ram of massive build, back quarters and fleece—first prize winner in his class at Toronto and London.

"There were several other lots of different breeds, mostly grade, field stock, shown by Utah breeders. While the sheep exhibits were chiefly made up of Rambouillets, Delaines and long wools, and were not so imposing in point of numbers as the leading Eastern shows, there was so large a percentage of strikingly good sheep and so fine a representation of really high-class rams and ewes, as to give distinguished character to the shows. It was a fact that reflects very high credit upon Utah as a progressive breeding state, quite likely to become a formidable competitor with the older sheep-breeding centers of the East. The ram contests for silver cups were decidedly interesting, not to say exciting. In the fine wool class were home-bred Rambouillets and Delaines from the Hay Creek contingent, imported and home-bred from the Collinston "Box Elder" stud, and a large number of the best rams bred at Waukesha, Wis., of Montana, passed rather hurriedly upon the long columns of contestants—certainly a very formidable and commanding company—and gave the honors to the Hay Creek ram. Holdiday, a big, massive, deep-fleeced, heavy-muscle and strongly covered sheep of very masculine mould, and one of the great breeders ever in service at Hay Creek. Following the contest came a \$750 offer for the winner, which was respectfully declined. The 300-pound Collinston polled ram Sampson was placed second."

EXPERT ON THE MANDOLIN

Samuel Siegel's Charming Recital at Arion Hall.

Samuel Siegel, of New York, gave an artistic mandolin recital last night in the Arion Hall, and was well received by a large audience of admirers. He has been over the resources of his chosen instrument, and played with charming delicacy and grace. Several of the selections were chosen from his own compositions, which were marked with a distinct and pleasing originality. The most ambitious

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The new 1901 embroideries now being shown for the first time. 2000 pairs of ladies', men's and children's shoes at very low prices. The latest—gold braid shoe laces for ladies' shoes—we have them.

About the "Food Fair"

Watch the daily papers for the announcements of our Pure Food Show which opens next Saturday morning and continues for two weeks. It will be of unusual interest to every housekeeper in Portland and vicinity. Among the exhibits will be shredded wheat, granola food, canned meats, Ralston food, fig-prune, White House coffee, Postum cereal, Ghirardella chocolate, Knox gelatine, peanut brittle, Columbia ketchup, coffees, flours, syrups, canned fruits, etc. Thousands of sample packages will also be given away. Extraordinary values in groceries will be offered during the two weeks of the "Food Fair" which alone will repay a store visit many times.

Rummage Sale

There are a great many opportunities presented here during the rummage sale, to pick up short lengths, broken sizes, odds and ends of desirable merchandise at wonderfully low prices. The department heads have been rummaging through their different stocks and brought forward all mused goods, remnants, and broken lines and marked them at prices that will start them moving double quick.

Remnants of laces, ribbons, embroideries, silks, dress goods, cottons, flannels, curtain materials, crases and trimmings.	Broken lines of corsets, suits, jackets, waists, gloves, hosiery, underwear, men's and boys' clothing, wrappers, etc., etc.
2000 pairs of ladies', men's and children's shoes at very low prices.	Solled and mused pieces of muslin underwear at greatly reduced prices.
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of these was a reverie, unaccompanied, including harmonics, duo, and duo with left-hand pizzicato accompaniment. Another striking number was "The Witcher's Dance," played with characteristic dash and abandon.

J. Adrain Epling sang several enjoyable ballads, among them being a new composition of Story's, entitled, "Albino Sweet Dream." The Wilder quartet, consisting of a harp, violin and two mandolins, added to the pleasure of the occasion. The reason for this under the direction of Wright's music store.

COUNTY TAX LEVY.

How It Will Be Distributed Among Various Departments.

The County Commissioners yesterday completed the estimated distribution of the revenue for 1901. Their levy of 5 1/2 mills—4 for general expenses and 1 1/2 for roads—on the assessed valuation of \$2,485,877 will yield \$13,138. This will be absorbed as follows:

Current expenses	\$ 8,000
County Court	4,700
Commissioners' office	1,500
Circuit Court	13,000
Justice Courts	5,000
Municipal Court	1,500
County Jail, including board of prisoners	7,900
Assessor's office	8,000
Treasurer's office	3,500
County Auditor's office	4,900
Superintendent of Schools	2,900
Coroner's office	1,000
Poor farm	12,000
Insane	900
Indigent soldiers	2,500
Hospitals and charity	3,000
Railroad	70
Telephone	20,000
City bridges and ferries	20,000
Road district	18,000
Roads and bridges	10,000
Total	\$178,700

The Ladies Will Appreciate Them.

Commodious dressing-rooms, with plate glass mirror and elegant dresser are features of our new fur department. Details for the asking. Address H. R. Dering, A. G. P. Agent, 248 South Clark street, Chicago.

CAN FOOD DO IT?

Importance of the Food Cure.

To discover a food that will cure a nervous wreck is indeed a Godsend. Mrs. Stella Penel, 127 West Thirty-first street, Los Angeles, Cal., had a very remarkable experience. She says: "About 12 years ago I was run over by a carriage and my spine injured. My left arm was partially paralyzed, walking was difficult and I had continual pains and aches in my whole body.

"To induce a movement of the bowels, I invariably had to resort to mechanical means. I would sit up in bed for hours, suffering severe colicky pains, caused by the non-digestion of the starch of the food. My heart was so weak that at times no pulse could be felt, and it seemed at times as if I must die. I fainted very often, sometimes lying in a half fainting condition for hours, unable to move or speak, though conscious.

"Shortly after Christmas Providence directed me to buy a box of Grape-Nuts food, which I have since eaten twice a day.

"The improvement in health has been wonderful; now I can eat and digest food, my bowels act naturally and regularly, circulation is better, catarrh moderated, and I have gained much in weight and am better every way. I can read and think, while before, my eyes and brain felt too weak to do either. I can walk long ways and have not used my air cushion for some time, and I have no further need of it.

"This is a direct demonstration of the fact that Grape-Nuts food surely does rebuild the soft, gray matter in the brain and nerve centers, and any depleted person can prove this by use. One can not get well of nervous troubles without the right sort of food to rebuild this curiously substance which is found in the brain, and this must be rebuilt from the food. Grape-Nuts food is made especially for the purpose.

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A FEW GREAT SPECIALS

Broken lines of silk petticoats, made of fine taffeta silk, made with tucks, ruffles, cords and accordion pleating.

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Broken line—Odd sizes in striped homespun suits, made with double-breasted blouse, with velvet collar and belt, flare skirt. Good value, \$15.00;

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