

FIGHT TO THE END

Russia and Japan Scoff at Peace Rumors.

BOTH ARE CONFIDENT

Each Nation Ready for Bloody Campaign.

NEITHER MADE PEACE MOVE

Diplomats Agree in Discrediting Talk of Proposals—Russian and Japanese Ministers Talk in Same Vein.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—At the White House and at the State Department, at the Russian, French, German, British and Italian Embassies and the Japanese Legation today, where inquiries were made regarding the rumors of peace between Russia and Japan, the most positive statements were made that, if either of the belligerents was thinking of proposing peace, it was a secret securely locked in the Foreign Office at St. Petersburg or at Tokio. The President has heard absolutely nothing of an avowed intention on the part of Russia or Japan to sue for peace at this time, much less of an actual proposal. Secretary Hay today assured three Ambassadors that, while the Government continued ever hopeful for peace and watchful for the opportunity to be of assistance whenever assistance might be asked by the belligerents there were no indications here that the time for peace was near.

No Truth in Rumors, Says Durand. Sir Mortimer Durand, the British Ambassador, is the close personal friend of Lord Lansdowne, and is in close touch with the British Foreign Office. The Ambassador had a long talk with Secretary Hay, calling at the State Department soon after his return from Philadelphia. He placed not the slightest confidence in the rumors of peace; that Japan had asked anybody to propose peace he said he did not believe, and the London government had not called him concerning the reports.

Baron von Stenberg, the German Ambassador, has heard nothing from his Foreign Office on the subject and neither he nor the President in their conversation yesterday could find a favorable sign of peace at this time. This much can be stated on the best authority, that the President, Emperor William and King Edward will scrupulously avoid intervening until it is certain their services are desired by the belligerents.

Russia Will Fight Till Victorious.

In a long talk with a correspondent of the Associated Press today Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, said talk of peace was never more absurd than now. The Ambassador had had positive information from the very highest officials in St. Petersburg that the war will be prosecuted with increased vigor. It is expected that General Kuropatkin, with the opening of the Spring campaign, will accomplish much, in view of the reinforcements he has received. The Emperor has every confidence in his military ability.

The peace talk can have but one object," said Ambassador Cassini today, "the assistance of a Japanese loan. It is about time for Japan to raise another loan and these rumors of peace generally begin at such a time. I can reiterate, in the light of recent advances I have received, in the most emphatic manner that the war in the Far East will end when Russia is victorious and not a moment before. The recent disturbances in Russia, while annoying, cannot in the slightest affect the government's foreign policy. The war will go on to the end, as I have been saying since it began. The talk of peace is ridiculous, as will be proven by the activities of General Kuropatkin when the Spring campaign opens in earnest."

Equally positive statements are made at the Japanese Legation that Japan, while, of course, ready for peace on her terms, sees no outlook for a cessation of hostilities yet and is preparing to follow up the victories of last Autumn generally, now more decisive battles in the Spring, now that the fall of Port Arthur has released the besieging army there and it is available for operations in the North.

Sir Chenlung Liang Cheng, the Chinese Minister, was another diplomat who called at the State Department, but could hear nothing of peace.

PEACE MOVEMENT "A-BORNING"

Rumors Started for Effect—No Mediation is Wanted.

SPECIAL CABLE. PARIS, Feb. 24.—There is apparently good authority for the statement that, while the recent peace rumors from St. Petersburg were set on foot by members of the Russian official party, who desired to force the hand of the Czar, there is back of it all a feeling at the Russian capital that a genuine movement for peace is at present "a-borning," and that, when the movement is made, all classes throughout Russia will be found upholding their sovereign.

Russia, when the time comes, will make her proposals through the Japanese court and will not use any intermediary, and all reports to the contrary, or that Germany will be asked to mediate, are apparently not founded on fact.

RUMORS OF GREAT EVENTS

Though Russian War Office Denies Any New Developments.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 24 (3:30 A. M.).—A second day has passed without dispatches having been given out from General Kuropatkin, which is interpreted to support the rumors that great events are in progress in Manchuria. The War Office, however, steadfastly maintains that there is no important news and that there have been no developments since the last dispatches made public. In which the Commander-in-Chief reported all quiet, with the exception of minor operations toward the eastward.

THE QUALITY SHOP
Portland's Largest Foremost Store

Public Tea Room
Second Floor.

Assesses Portland Y. W. C. A.

MENU

For Today, February 24.

Tea, Coffee, Chocolate.

Milk Served in Bottles.

Clam Chowder.

Crab Salad.

Pati de Fois Gras Sandwiches.

Hot Rolls.

Bread and Butter.

Tea Cakes.

The "Different Store"

Olds, Wortman and King

5th, 6th & Washington Sts.

95th Grand Friday Economy Sale Today

THE "DIFFERENT STORE'S" FEBRUARY SALES

The February sales as conducted here are a glorious advertisement. This month stands like a guidepost at the cross-roads—pointing back across the dimly outlined path that leads over Winter's moors, and ahead towards Springtime's flower-strewn court. Advance openings of newest merchandise are held daily, while the money sacrifice on seasonal and staple goods is very great. Those who come here to purchase are finding wonderful every-day advantages in the beauties, richness, exclusiveness and low prices of the big Olds, Wortman & King store. We name many very tempting bargains in this announcement, but couldn't begin to tell of them all in a space a hundred times as large. Frankly, there would not be so many reductions on staple lines in February if everybody preferred to buy during this month. But buying is naturally slow, and the special sales are the whip and spur we apply to quicken the February nag's gait. No other investment pays dividends so great as the money you spend here now for goods. We create a busy month of it by the gathering of surplus lots offered by foremost manufacturers at tremendous sacrifice, and turning 'em over to you at a trifling profit for brokerage, and by reducing prices on the major part of our regular stock. Everything is of the same high standard of quality sold here all the year 'round. While the point is to concentrate the heaviest possible selling in February, on request we will hold any goods you may buy now, for later delivery. This especially applies to goods bought by the Spring homemakers. We print below the extra special bargain offerings that Friday brings.

Result of I. C. School Scholarship Vote at 6 P. M. Yesterday

Arthur Taylor, M. & A. Shogren	8,922
Reginald Carter, Bell Boy, The Norton	8,903
Mae Hughes, Knight Shoe Co.	8,901
Guy De Pur, Portland Delivery Co.	8,900
Charles Adler, Woodard & Clark & Co.	8,899
Ether Carlson, Masco & Ehrman	8,898
Fred Murphy, Western Electric Co.	8,897
Ralph Holman, Lord & Titus Bank	8,896
Raymond Smith, Columbia Ice Co.	8,895
P. H. Battin, Wadsworth & Kerr Bros.	8,894
Scattering	40,221
Total	8,851

Economy in the Wardrobe Salons

Second Floor Annex.

PETTICOATS WORTH \$5.50 AND \$5.75 FOR \$3.95

Ladies' Petticoats of fine Italian cloth and Gloria Silk, black with small white dots; made with circular and Spanish flounces; trimmed with small ruffles and knife-plaiting; the newest of Spring styles and extra values at the regular prices of \$5.50 and \$5.75—Special Economy Sale Price, each.....\$3.95

COATS FOR THE SMALL TOTS—ONLY \$1.95 FOR COATS WORTH \$4.50

Children's Colored Coats of fine all-wool material, made with box or pleated backs and with round or square capes; some trimmed with fine braids, others with brass buttons; in sizes from 2 to 5 years—good \$4.50 value; Special Economy Sale Price at.....\$1.95

For the Woman With Spring Sewing in Mind

A Household Helper at a Bargain

Olds, Wortman & King Sewing Machine

Fourth Floor.

Three-drawer, box-top, high-arm, ball-bearing, oak cabinet; guaranteed for ten years—regular value \$21.00; special, each.....\$16.85
Same as above; five drawers, box-top—regular value \$22.45; special, each.....\$18.25

\$4.00 Couch Covers \$2.95

Heavy Tapestry Couch Covers; fringed all around; Oriental pattern—regular value \$4.00; special, each.....\$2.95

NEEDFUL NOTIONS BARGAINS

First Floor.

A small ware sale to be held by those mindful of little economies that grow to big savings, like a little snowball rolled down over a hill covered with fluff, freely, freshly-fallen flakes.

25c ALUMINUM COMBS 15c.

Aluminum Dressing Combs; will not tarnish or break—regular value 25c; special, each.....15c

25c HAIR BRUSHES 15c.

Large size, extra long bristle Hair Brushes, black backs—regular value \$1.85; special, each.....\$1.00

10c HAIR BRUSHES 5c.

Bristle Hair Brushes; extra quality; hard rubber backs; warranted not to warp or split—regular value \$1.00; special, each.....5c

10c CURLING IRONS 5c.

Folding Curling Irons; set on lamp without burning handles—regular value 10c; special, each.....5c

6c LEATHER SHOE LACES 3c.

Men's and Boys' Leather Shoe Laces—regular value 6c; special, pair.....3c

12c SKIRT BINDING 6c YARD.

Skirt Binding, combination braid and velvet—taller finish; black only—regular value 12c; special, yd.....6c

10c TOILET PINS 5c.

Dull Head Toilet Pins on cubes—regular value 10c; special, cube.....5c

SAFETY PINS 3c DOZEN.

Small size nickel-plated Safety Pins; one dozen on card; special, card.....3c

25c BELT BUCKLES 15c.

Fancy Gift and French Gray Belt Buckles; giraffe effect; large size—regular value 25c; special, ea.....15c

25c BEAUTY PINS 15c.

Gold and Silver Beauty Pins—regular value 25c; special, pair.....15c

MEN'S \$2.00 WATCH CHAINS 1.50.

Men's Gold-Filled Watch Chains; best quality; warranted—regular value \$2.00; special, each.....\$1.50

6c SHELL, SIDE COMBS 3c.

Shell Side Combs, mounted with gold band—regular value 6c; special, each.....3c

CHILDREN'S 15c PURSES 10c.

Children's Purses with chains; small size; all colors—regular value 15c; special, each.....10c

10c Plain Cedar Pen Holders—regular value 20c; special, each.....10c

3c MEMORANDUM BOOKS 2c.

Vest pocket Memorandum Books; red leatherette covers—regular value 3c; special, each.....2c

3c ENVELOPES 2c.

Cream wave, square Envelopes; smooth finish; large size—regular value 3c; special, package.....2c

3c WRITING PAPER 2c.

1-pound package white Writing Paper, containing 120 sheets; parchment finish—regular value 3c; special, package.....2c

25c WRITING PAPER 15c BOX.

Box Writing Paper, white linen finish; plain or ruled—regular value 25c; special, box.....15c

10c TOOTH BRUSHES 5c.

Tooth Brushes; extra quality bristles; large size—regular value 10c; special, each.....5c

10c POCKET COMBS 5c.

Hard Rubber Pocket Combs, in alldus—regular value 10c; special, each.....5c

A Rousing Friday Special in the Art Shop

Second Floor.

CUSHION TOPS WORTH TO 50c FOR 15c.

Cushion Tops made of art denim, linen and canvas, with plain backs; stamped and lined in floral and conventional designs—regular values to 50c; Special Economy Sale Price, each.....15c

The Great Final Millinery Sale of the Season Continues Today!

Second-Floor Annex.

Throngs are buying. Are you sharing the wonderful values?

All Ready-to-Wear Hats at Merciless Sacrifice to Close

Cost and Values Lost Sight Of!

Prettily trimmed Turbans and French Sailors, splendidly made and in all the newest colorings, embracing brown, ecru, navy and black, smartly trimmed with gold buckles, quilts and velvet ribbons, etc. The product of leading designers—some from our own splendid workrooms. Regular \$3.50 and \$3.75 values—choice for 2 more days only, for.....52c

Every Trimmed Hat in the House Must Go!

\$1.49 for Hats worth up to \$9.00. A perfect bargain! A big, generous assortment in the choosing, embracing velvets, camelhair, felt and feather Turbans, handsomely and elaborately trimmed in latest effects and newest materials, fancy braids, pompons of silk ribbon, flowers and plumes, etc. In colors to match any gown, and every value from \$5.00 to \$9.00 included, at the ridiculously out-of-proportion price—take your choice for.....\$1.49

A Sale Without a Parallel in the Annals of Millinery Selling in the West—Second-Floor Annex Salons.

EXTRA SALESLADIES AND WRAPPERS ON HAND.

The Most Sensational of All the Suit Sales Ever Held in Portland!

The Most Unprecedented Values Every Offered by Any House in America!

Actual \$28.50 Values in Women's Street Suits—

Friday and Satur- \$4.87

day Only for . . . \$4.87

A Last, Decisive Cleanup—The Absolutely Final Sale of the Season!

SUITS FOR NOW—SUITS FOR SPRING AT LESS THAN THE PRICE OF THE SKIRTS

Wonderful—Sensational—Almost Unbelievable Bargains and Real Values. See 'Em in Large Display Window.

We lose about three what you pay on every suit, but it's our way of cleaning up for the season. The loss now—in a lump—ALL NEW SUITS NEXT SEASON—that's our way—the modern way.

Each season must stand its own loss—and these suits are good for all Spring wear—yes, for vacation wear—for wear next Fall and Winter—but today and Saturday we clear them out—

positively last chance for.....\$4.87

Think of Buying a \$28.50 Tailored Street Suit at the Olds, Wortman & King Store for \$4.87

Then come here today and tomorrow and realize your anticipations. Extra salespeople and fitters on hand. Three elevators. Second Floor.

Women's Street Suits Worth \$28.50 for \$4.87

Women's finely Tailored Suits, in homespun, serges, chevots and fancy mixed goods; colors blue, brown, black and gray. Stylish Suits, and all good values up to \$28.50—the greatest Economy Special ever offered at, the suit.....\$4.87

A Monster Season Opening Sale of the New Spring Silks and Suitings

In the Dress Goods and Silk Stores—South Annex—First Floor.

Remarkable and Matchless Values in Spic-Span New Fabrics for 2 Days' Selling—Friday and Saturday.

BLACK TAFFETAS RADICALLY REDUCED FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW—10,000 YARDS IN DIFFERENT WIDTHS TO CHOOSE FROM.

19-inch all pure silk Black Taffeta, the best dye and finish made in America; good, dependable silk; our regular 75c grade—special for two days only, per yard.....58c

19-inch all pure silk Black Taffeta, absolutely fast dye, and the best-wearing silk made in America. Our regular 85c grade—special for two days only, per yard.....69c

"Compare this with other 85c Taffeta advertised by small-fry silk stores."

21-inch all pure silk Black Taffeta; splendid color and finish, excellent grade for shirtwaist suits, skirts and linings. Our regular \$1.00 grade—special for two days only, per yard.....79c

24-inch all pure silk Black Taffeta, our regular \$1.10 quality—special for two days only, per yard.....89c

27-inch all pure silk Black Taffeta, our regular \$1.25 quality—special for two days only, per yard.....98c

36-inch all pure silk Black Taffeta, our regular \$1.50 quality—special for two days only, per yard.....\$1.21

36-inch all pure silk Waterette or Showerproof Black Taffeta; will not spot and sheds rain; just the thing for coats, wraps and dropskirts. Our regular \$1.75 per yard quality—special for two days only, per yard.....\$1.48

\$1.25 Black Taffeta 98c—Yard-wide black all pure silk Taffeta, with deep, rich, lustrous color; an excellent-wearing grade for skirts, suits and linings; the very same quality called cheap by one of the would-be silk stores at \$1.50 per yard—but our regular \$1.25 value, special for two days only, yard.....98c

DRESS GOODS SECTION

Special Bargains for Today and Saturday.

THREE GRAND SPECIALS

New 45-inch silk and wool Crepe de Paris; very dressy, with rich, silky finish, in following color assortments: Cream, pink, eel, mile, reseda, hunters' and myrtle green, tans, biscuits, champagne, modes, browns, tans, fox, copper, cardinal, mole, royal, parsifal and navy. Unequaled value at our regular price \$1.50—special for two days only, per yard.....\$1.16

Tailor Suiting \$1.09

New 54-inch all-wool Tailor Suiting, in a grand assortment of colors, and all in neat mannish effects; splendid fabric for street wear. Special for two days only, per yard.....\$1.09

50c Tailor Suiting 41c

New hard-twisted Tailor Suiting, in neat striped and checked effects; all the swell street colors in the assortment. Splendid values at our regular low price of 50c per yard—special for two days, only, per yard.....41c

THE "FLEISHER" YARNS

Art Shop—2d-Floor Annex. Are even, lofty and elastic. This makes knitting and crocheting easy—on your fingers, on your patience. This too, is the reason why the Fleisher garment always holds its shape. The colors are bright and matchable. The texture of the genuine bears the Fleisher trade-mark ticket.

The Great Sale of Corset Cover Embroideries Continues

First Floor.

THE MOST SENSATIONAL SELLING OF NEW AND FASHIONABLE EMBROIDERIES EVER ATTEMPTED IN THE CITY.

A fortunate purchase at a way-under price by our buyers was just home from New York. A lot of Embroideries found on an importer who was "long" on the goods and "short" of cash. We filled his "cash" want and he turned over nearly twice the Embroideries to us in exchange that we could have bought in a regular way for the same amount of Uncle Sam's gold. As is our custom, we share good fortune with the store's patrons and turn over the bargains to you Friday this way. The greatest Embroidery values Portland ever knew! Cambrics, Nainsooks and Swisses; all spick, snarl and new as the morning. Beautiful, dainty patterns in the blind or open English Embroidery now so popular. Startlingly reduced—

40c Embroideries for the yard.....25c

60c Embroideries for the yard.....37½c

75c to \$1.25 Embroideries for the yard.....48c

Rare Values Today AMONG THE Women's Furnishings Stocks

First Floor.

LADIES' NECKWEAR.

A new lot just received by express. Embroidered Buster Brown on butcher linen; white and colors; special, each.....65c

Hemstitched White Turnover Linen Collars, special, each.....50c

50c

Embroidered Lawn Buster Brown Collars; special, ea.....65c

60c COLLARS 35c.

Silk Embroidered Turnover Collars, with English embroidery, assorted colors—regular value 40c; special, each.....35c

35c

CORSET COVER EMBROIDERIES.

1000 yards fine Nainsook, Swiss and Cambric Corset Cover Embroideries, divided into three lots—

Lot 1—values to 40c; special, yard.....25c

Lot 2—values to 60c; special, yard.....37½c

Lot 3—values to \$1.25; special, yard.....48c

VALENCIENNES LACE AND INSERTIONS, 25c FOR ONE DOZEN YARDS.

500 dozen yards white Valenciennes Lace and Insertions; a lot of pretty patterns, ½ to 3½ inches wide; some round and square meshes, others dotted patterns; very popular this season for trimming undergarments and ladies' and children's dresses; every piece is new—regular values 25c, 40c, 50c and 60c; special.....25c FOR ONE DOZEN YARDS

Great Friday Bargains in the Big Third Floor Housefittings Shops

FRENCH CHINA DINNER SETS.

60-piece set—regular value \$22.75; special, set.....\$24.50

Table Spoons—regular value \$15.75; special, set.....\$24.50

Water Bottle—regular value \$6.40; special, set.....\$7.50

LIBBY CUT GLASS.

Sugar and Creamer—regular value \$5.00; special, pair.....\$4.50

Water Bottle—regular value \$5.00; special, ea.....\$4.50

PLATED SILVERWARE.

Tea Spoon—regular value 60c; special, set.....45c

Dessert Spoon—regular value \$1.13; special, set.....85c

Table Spoons—regular value \$1.25; special, set.....95c

Forks—regular value \$1.25; special, set.....95c

Quadruple-plate Salt and Peppers—regular value \$1.10; special, set.....85c

Quadruple-plate Tooth Pick Holders—regular value 50c; special, each.....35c

Genuine Blotch "Coco" Bearing Carpet Sweepers; special, each.....\$2.25

Brooms—regular value 35c; special, each.....25c

Water Pails—regular value 15c; special, each.....10c

Scrub Brushes—regular value 10c; special, ea.....7c

6-foot Step Ladder—reg. value \$1.20; special, ea.....85c

\$2.12 Mirror—regular value 25c; special, each.....15c

Repair Knives; special, set.....\$1.00

Hatchets—regular value 35c; special, each.....20c

Ironing Wax; special, package.....1c

Wire Soap Holders—regular value 5c; special, ea.....3c

Carpet Tacks; special, package.....1c

Patent Smoothing Irons (set of 3)—regular value \$1.00; special, dozen.....75c

Picture Hooks; special, dozen.....50c

Picture Cord; special, package.....4c

Women's and Children's Knitwear and Hosiery Reduced Today

First Floor