

JOYOUS MAGNATE ECITES MARKET

Christmas Enthusiasm Sets Him to Buying Rock Island Lavishly.

BROKERS KEPT GUESSING

Imbibing of Large Amounts of Enthusiasm at House Parties Causes Orders Mystifying to All Financierdom.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Private wire advices to a local house say the sensational rise and fall of Rock Island common today was due to the over-indulgence of a certain magnate at a Christmas house party near New York.

Inspired by Xmas Enthusiasm. Private messages then began to tick off the news that a well-known man of wealth had been giving an exceedingly jolly house party in the city.

Moore Still Have Control. The report that Edwin Hawley had acquired the Rock Island brought an emphatic denial from Mr. Hawley.

CouP MISSES ITS MARK. (Continued from First Page.) was extremely weak, with grave apprehension of other "corners."

Movement Starts in Europe. An officer of the First National Bank of this city, which has intimate relations with the Rock Island, expressed the belief tonight that the whole matter had its inception in buying for European interests who are supposed to have been short in the stock.

STRIKERS MAKE AN APPEAL. (Continued from First Page.) settlement, and we thought that the matter would be fixed up today.

Perham Off for Washington. "I am leaving tonight for Washington. I have business in Chicago and Cincinnati first, but will arrive at the capital on Thursday.

Eberhart Postpones Action. Later in the afternoon President Hawley and Mr. Perham called on Governor Eberhart and asked him to invite the Interstate Commerce Commission to be the referee.

THREE HOLDUPS REPORTED. Description of Footpad Trio Tallies in Each Instance. Highwaymen renewed their recent activities again last night.

SWITCHMEN GIVEN ONE DAY. Railroads Hold Open Offer of Settlement Till Wednesday. CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—O. L. Dickson, speaking for the General Managers' Association, gave out the following statement today.

As possible without displacing men now at work. Mr. Hawley would not agree to anything but complete reinstatement of strikers. As a consequence further negotiations were at an end.

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All Goods Purchased on Credit This Week Charged on January Account Olds, Wortman & King

As the year-end approaches, we begin to realize the tremendous inroad that has been made upon our stock of merchandise. In taking account of the Christmas trade and picking up the odds and ends that were on display

Very material reductions on everything carried in our

Suit Department---prices are now marked way down

400 Tailored Suits Values to \$65.00, at \$21.98 250 Tailored Suits Values to \$45.00, at \$12.98

A splendid lot of suits. To see them is to appreciate the values that are offered in this annual sale. Plain and diagonal serges, homespun, broadcloths, chevots, fancy mixtures and worsteds. Great variety of colors. Values to \$65.00. On special sale at the remarkably low price of, each \$21.98

200 Women's Coats Values to \$35.00 at, each \$13.98 100 Extra Spec'l Coats Values to \$25.00 at, Each \$9.98

Exceptional cold-weather bargain. An excellent line of broadcloth, serge and mixtures in warm coats. Very wide range of colors, sizes and styles. Regular \$35. Special \$13.98

100 One-Piece Dresses, Values as High as \$38.50 Each, \$8.98 Eclipsing Every Other Sale of the Present Season---Take One at \$8.98

50 Skirts, Values Running Up to \$28.50, on Special Sale Now at \$4.98 200 WAISTS Values to \$8.50 Reduced to 98c 250 WAISTS Values to \$12.50 Reduced to \$1.99

The finest line of waists ever offered at anywhere near the price. All stylish, tailored or lingerie, lace or embroidered, trimmed or plain. Stock enough to suit any taste. Regular values up to \$8.50. Special at this remarkably low price 98c

Women's and Children's Muffs, Scarfs and Sets Are Reduced One-Half

Baby Week Bargains

INFANTS' SLIPS AND DRESSES---Short, with either long or short skirts. Plain or trimmed with lace or embroidery---on sale at these prices: Reg. 85c values, sp'l. 59c Reg. \$1.00 values, sp'l. 78c Reg. \$1.50 values, sp'l. \$1.13 Reg. \$2.00 values, sp'l. \$1.49 Reg. \$2.75 values, sp'l. \$1.98

FLANNEL PINNING BLANKETS. All wool, well made and splendid values. Reg. 40c val., SP'CIAL 29c Reg. 55c val., SP'CIAL 45c Reg. 85c val., SP'CIAL 67c

Continued Sale of Silks & Dress Goods

Colored and Black Dress Goods Lot No. 1. This fine assortment of dress goods, 2400 yards in all, comprises checks, stripes and plain wool usually sold for as much as \$1.75. Special, per yard 59c

Lot No. 2. A great many of the choicest selections of the season's most popular materials will be found in this lot. The values here run as high as \$2.00 per yard. Special 79c

Lot No. 3. In this collection are many of the very best and most desirable of the latest effects. Early Spring material will attract you. Values up to \$2.50 Special 98c

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and remain unsold, we are persuaded that rather than put much of this material back into stock, 'twould be better to make a low price and give the public the benefit. Hence, the prices that are listed below.

Taken from our regular stock. For this lot, the sale price is unprecedented. Fine line of broadcloths, serges, worsteds, homespun, chevots and mixtures. All wanted colors. Great range of styles. Values not to be duplicated. Regular prices up to \$45. Special price \$12.98

This line is put on extra for this week. One hundred of the best values ever heard of in Portland. All wanted materials, styles and colors. Regular values to \$25.00. Special \$9.98

Lingerie and tailored waists, richly trimmed in lace and embroidery. Some are all-over embroidered and tuckered. All are unusual values at the price. The values run as high as \$12.50 and they are all made Special at \$1.99

We have just received three new styles of shoes from James A. Bannister and two new styles from Edwin Clapp & Son. (See them if the very latest in style and finish appeal to you. We are now showing, also, a very complete assortment of women's cravenette, black suede and stage last specialties.

The officers of Webfoot Camp, No. 65, authorize us to state that their camp organizer will present one of our \$3.50 Gift Certificates, good in any department of our store, to each Woodman who gives to him the names or applications for two new members before January 20, 1910, and has them initiated later into Webfoot Camp. Certificates issued as soon as candidates are initiated.

Attention! Woodmen of the World

This is undoubtedly the biggest sale event of the Winter. Silks and Dress Goods of excellent merit have been priced so low that anybody could make a selection blindfold and secure a bargain---Take advantage.

3215 Yards Reg. Stock Silks at 69c These fabrics are taken right out of our regular stock. They are not patterns bought for special sale purposes, but have the usual merit that goes with silks sold by this house. This is the place to buy silks, and buy them right. 20 an 24-inch; endless assortment of colors and styles. Special, yard 69c

3000 Yds. Black Dress Goods, 69c This includes the best of black dress fabrics in Panamas, striped serges, voiles, silk and wool novelty effects. Make up beautifully in street suit or evening gown. Regular values up to \$2.50. Special, yard 69c

1/2 Off Chinchilla 85c Bedspr's 69c and such cold-weather cloth as bear cloth, caracul, black lynx and plush. Prices cut right in half this week: Reg. \$7.00 per yard, special, \$3.50 Reg. \$6.50 per yard, special, \$3.25 Reg. \$5.00 per yard, special, \$2.50 Reg. \$3.00 per yard, special, \$1.50

Reg. 75c Sheets 59c There are 150 dozen of these sheets in this sale, the famous Wearwell kind. They are all full size and very special at the price 59c

Challies at 4c a Yard Another large shipment received and on sale at this special price; 500 pieces in all, light and dark colors. Persian and floral designs; special only, per yard 4c

DAYS OF HASKELL FEW FAMOUS INDIAN SCHOOL TO BE GIVEN TO KANSAS.

Plan is to Use Site for a Trade School, Open to Whites, With State Appropriation. LAWRENCE, Kan., Dec. 27.—Haskell Institute, valued at \$750,000, the second largest Indian school in the United States, is to be offered to the State of Kansas as a site for the establishment of a day trade school, according to an announcement made by the Superintendent, H. B. Peairs, today.

PERPETUAL RIGHTS GIVEN Seattle Presents Northern Pacific With Lake Basin Franchises.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 27.—The City Council tonight passed over the Mayor's veto three bills giving the Northern Pacific Railway permanent franchises around the Lake Union basin.

Three Alarms Are Simultaneous.

Three simultaneous alarms were responded to by the fire department at 12:30 o'clock last evening. Twelve pieces of apparatus were sent scurrying to the site of supposed blazes which in the aggregate amounted to less than \$25 damage. Burning fires excited the occupants of 234 1/2 Hall street and 360 Stanton street. The department extinguished the blazes with trifling losses. A false alarm was sent in from Twenty-second and Lovejoy streets.

WEDDING AND CALLING CARDS W.G. SMITH & CO. WASHINGTON BLDG. 7TH & WASHINGTON.

Seattle, Dec. 27.—Arrived—Steamer Hyades, from Tacoma; steamer Portland, from Valdez. Sailed—Steamer Blackhawk, for Tacoma; steamer Umstilla, for Tacoma; steamer Buckman, for San Francisco; steamer Cottage City, for Stagsay.