

GADDY-HEED GARB IS PASSING AWAY

Quiet Gray Will Be Fanciest Cloth Obtainable Soon in United States.

DYESTUFF IS EXHAUSTED

Somber Black and White Will Predominate in Clothing, Says Portland Woolen Man, Who Says Entire Industry Affected.

Parasol gaudy hues, good-by crimson, reds, brilliant blues, alluring tracings or stunning ballroom creations in color. Enter the somber black and the quiet gray. Men and women whose complexions demand striking colors are facing trials and tribulations.

Put the blue serge away, or best watch the January clearance sales for browns or mixtures. If you find them—buy them quick.

Such is the advice of Portland woolens and cloth manufacturers, for dyestuffs are no longer nearly "scarce."

Government Orders Begging. Even the United States Government will have to change the color of its Army uniforms, and orders for hundreds of thousands of khaki uniforms are going begging.

Protection is sought. A protection on chemical products, to foster American industry, is now being sought by the fabric manufacturers, including those in Portland.

Woolen Industry Affected. "The whole woolen industry is seriously up against it," he says. "The same is true of the cotton business and the industry using dyes."

"We've had to resort to our own means of developing and blending colors. Factories have sprung up, and American dye houses have sought to supply the demand. But it takes months and years to develop just one color."

"The upshot is that dyestuffs have advanced more than 18 times in price. So far out of the market, blues are nearly off the market, and blue serge have gone out entirely. In the next 30 days will be out entirely."

'JOHN DOE' REMEMBERED

WOUNDED HIGHWAYMAN GETS UNEXPECTED CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Sheriff Declines to Speak of Sender, and Says Prisoner Wants to Live Now.

"John Doe," the unidentified highwayman prisoner at the Good Samaritan Hospital, whom Station Agent J. D. Stewart, at Multnomah shot Wednesday morning, had his Christmas, too, when Sheriff T. M. Hurlbert delivered to him a letter and box with Yuletide messages.

TWAS THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS—SCENES ON ALMOST ANY RESIDENCE STREET YESTERDAY.



(1) Little Goldie Winsteln With Her New Baby Doll, Quinault Davis and Little Rosalind Winsteln With Her "Baby Buggy." (2) Alfred Heldford With a Brand New Drum and His Brother, Bob, with a Kewpie. (3) Master Wallace Howe Learned to Run His New Auto Yesterday. (4) Royal Earle Neshba Took His New Movable Man-in-Cart on Parade. (5) Suggestive of summer is the Fleas Baseball outfit given to Merle Garretson. (6) A Skovel and Toole and a Duol Gladdened Little Jimmie Allenworth and His Sister, Yveta.

TOY DAY IS OBSERVED

Christmas Presents Are Very Much in Evidence. CHILDREN FILL STREETS Little Boys and Girls Play With Wheeled Vehicles, Guns, Dolls, Roller Skates, Footballs and Mechanical Contrivances.

"So Santa's come and gone, and tomorrow I kin play," mused little Billy Roberts last night as he fell asleep after an exciting day. Little Bill had made a good prophecy. Santa had come to thousands of children and yesterday the Portland streets were gay with little folks testing their new toys.

MAN HIT WITH FIST DIES

TACOMA City Employee Says He Was Defending Woman When He Felled Laborer to Sidewalk. TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—After learning over the telephone that the man he had knocked to the pavement in a fight last night had died in the hospital, John McCormick, Jr., a young man employed in the public works department of the city, sat down in a saloon and played solo all evening.

TILLAMOOK PARTY HERE

Railway Washout Causes Journey by Way of Willamina. What is believed to be the first party to come from Tillamook since the floods of the past few days closed the road of the Pacific Railroad & Navigation Company, operating from Hillsboro, arrived yesterday in Portland.

CLASSIC DANCES ARE PRESENTED.

An unusual act is offered by Eva Gauthier, a prima donna with a lovely dramatic soprano, and Nita Devi, a prima ballerina, who dances on her pretty toes in interpretation of Miss Gauthier's songs.

BERNIANS DANCE TONIGHT.

There will be a Christmas tree and dancing party at Bernians Hall, Russell street and Rodney avenue, tonight by way of Willamina, and declare that that is the only route by which travelers are able to get to Portland from the Tillamook coast.

According to officials of the railroad company trains were run on schedule time yesterday through to Tillamook, the line having been cleared sufficiently for travel.

IRRIGATORS ARE GATHERING IN CITY

150 Delegates Expected to Be Present When Congress Opens Tomorrow.

DEVELOPMENT TO BE TOPIC

Several Resolutions and Suggestions Are to Be Prepared at Meeting and Will Be Delivered to Oregon Legislature.

Delegates to the annual Oregon Irrigation Congress began to arrive from the Eastern and Southern Oregon districts yesterday and by tomorrow, when the congress opens, there probably will be more than 150 representatives from all parts of Oregon attending.

The majority of the delegates are expected to arrive today and will be registered at the headquarters and meeting place of the congress at the Imperial Hotel.

The principal question to be considered at the coming meeting will be the plan of handling development through a system of irrigation districts.

A number of laws now in effect which bear on the irrigation work and the betterment of irrigation conditions have been enacted through the activities of this congress and committee of its appointment.

The annual meeting of the Oregon Development League will be held December 31, and a large majority of the delegates to the Irrigation Congress will remain to participate in this meeting.

The programme for the first day of the Irrigation Congress, beginning tomorrow at 10 o'clock, follows:

Morning, 10 A. M. Call to order by ASA R. Thompson, of Echo, president of the Congress.

Address of appreciation on behalf of the city by Mayor Albee, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce by C. C. Colby, on behalf of Porter J. Neff, of Medford, and C. S. Hudson, of Bend.

Address by President Thompson and his annual report, appointment of committees.

Afternoon, 2 P. M. E. N. Wallace, of Tumalo, secretary's report. Governor Withycombe, address on "Irrigation in Oregon."

E. L. Hopson, consulting engineer U. S. Reclamation Service, on "The Reclamation Service."

Ten-minute talks by delegates, announcements and discussion.

Evening, 8 P. M. State Engineer John H. Lewis on "Meritorious Irrigation Projects as Shown by Co-operative State and Federal Surveys."

Professor F. O. Johnson, department of economics, University of Oregon, on "Oregon Irrigation."

Ten-minute talks by delegates, discussion.

Christmas Aid Needed by Owner of \$50,000 Estate.

Property-Poor Family Almost Missed by Santa, When City Official's Wife Finds Them.

THERE is a family in the city that owns some \$50,000 worth of Portland property, yet was that poor in cash that the children would have had no Santa Claus at their house, but for the accidental discovery of conditions there Christmas eve by the wife of a prominent public official.

This philanthropic woman was making her rounds Friday afternoon, carrying good cheer to a number of families in a quiet and unostentatious way. She learned of the "property poor" family, where there are several little children, the head of the house almost blind and the wife struggling for bare necessities.

"In response to a knock at the front door of the cottage, in which the family lives," said the wife of the prominent official, "a boy about five rushed to and opened the door, followed by the other little tots, all shabby."

"Mother, mother, here is the laundry; the little chap cried out to his mother. He saw the bundles I had in my arms and evidently thought it was the laundry. There was a delivery wagon outside, too."

"The mother came to the door. I gave her the wink. She sent the little ones away. Then I put the things away there in the house for the children and left. I just told her it was Santa Claus. That little woman and mother—well, I must draw the curtains. Just imagine what happened there. That family was property poor and proud. All had a merry Christmas, though, after all, I will wager."

PERSONAL MENTION.

L. A. Estele, of Echo, is at the Seward. T. W. Noble, of Boise, is at the Oregon. L. Stiller, of New York, is at the Oregon.

W. C. Bryant, of Moro, is at the Perkins. D. A. Smith, of Gates, is at the Perkins. Edwin Holland, of Scio, is at the Perkins.

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After Christmas Cleanup SALES

—As announced in Sunday's papers, begin today all over the store. Our immense holiday business has left in practically every department some lines that are incomplete, slightly broken assortments, odd lots of worth-while, wanted, every-day merchandise.

—These After-Christmas Cleanup Sales have been inaugurated to assure rapid, thorough outcleaning of all such incomplete or broken lines and prices have been regulated by this one object alone. Look up our Sunday ads, check off what things you now require or anticipate being in need of and SAVE GENEROUSLY HERE TODAY!

Men's Suits and Overcoats—Boys' Two-Pants Suits—Women's Suits, Coats, Dresses, Waists, Millinery, Etc. Are Radically Underpriced.

Grocery Bulletin

—Special offerings for Monday. Highest standard qualities at prices that show the wise economy of supplying your needs liberally from Meier & Frank's today.

Sugar Cured Hams, lb. 17 1/2c

—Eastern sugar-cured quality. Well smoked and closely trimmed. Special today, pound 17 1/2c.

Victor Flour, high-grade brand, sack \$1.39. Large Brides, new fruit, 30 to 40 size, lb. 10c.

Imported Marmalade, Kill-er's Scotch, jar 20c. Chow Chow, Cross & Black-well's, bot., 35c and 20c.

Fancy Brooms, best 60c grade, each 49c. Blue Ribbon Lye, 10c cans at 3 for 20c.

White Soap, Cotton Boll, six bars 25c. Gloss Starch, Kingsford's 6-lb. wooden boxes 59c.

Cleaning Helps

Fancy Brooms, best 60c grade, each 49c. Blue Ribbon Lye, 10c cans at 3 for 20c.

White Soap, Cotton Boll, six bars 25c. Gloss Starch, Kingsford's 6-lb. wooden boxes 59c.

BEAVER HIDES ARE SEIZED

Game Wardens Find Pelts in Home in Clackamas County. Several good beaver hides were confiscated yesterday by Deputy Game Wardens E. H. Clark and Thomas Craig, who visited the home of S. F. White, at Ames, Or., in Clackamas County, and found the hides.

Beavers are protected under the law, and the game wardens had a hint of alleged violations on the farm of Mr. White. They brought back with them six or eight hides, each of which, it is said, is valued at \$18 to \$20 in the rough.

Mr. White will have a trial at Oregon City some time during the week.

WALTER ACCUSES WILSON.

Theodore Feell, a waiter, was arrested as insane last night because he accused President Wilson of coming to Portland and putting "dope" in a glass of whisky Feell was about to drink.

The police could not believe that the President had been in the city recently. Feell told Assistant City Physician Harding last night that the President also had hypnotized him and that Feell and the President were in constant telepathic conversation. The man has another delusion, which causes him to write letters to himself, which he signs Mrs. Theodore Feell.

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