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Main Floor—Splendid heavy quality Eiderdown for bath robes, carriage robes, etc. This is an extra good quality. Medium gray shade, yd. \$1.00

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\$2.25 Satins \$1.69 Yd.

Main Floor—Fancy print satins in good range of designs and colorings. Grades selling heretofore at from \$2.00 up to \$2.25. Special, yard \$1.69

5 DAYS' CLEAN-UP SALES

—All Remnants, Odd Lots, Broken Lines and Odds and Ends priced for Quick Disposal—the savings in some instances being a full half. Hundreds of Unadvertised Bargains are on display in all departments. Visit the store every day—it will be well worth your while.

\$2 Velvets At 98c

Main Floor—Beautiful Velvets for waists, dresses, coats, etc. Novelty patterns in various good colors. Regular \$1.50 and \$2.00 grades, at the yard 98c

Clean-up Sale of Dresses 4 Great Specials



Second Floor—Friday the Garment Store will feature a Clean-up Sale of Women's and Misses' Dresses at prices that command the attention of every economical woman in Portland.

\$12.50 Dresses \$8.95

Second Floor—Attractive styles for street and school wear, made up in messalines and soft taffetas in green, brown, taupe, navy and black. High and medium waistline effect with fancy belts, collars \$8.95 and cuffs. Dresses formerly priced up to \$12.50—Clean-up

\$17.50 Dresses \$11.00

Second Floor—Serge Dresses, in smart styles for general wear; also Satin Frocks made up in combination with Georgette Crepe. New models in straight-line styles and others with wide belts, fancy collars, cuffs and pockets. Some are trimmed with fancy colored stitching. Dresses in this lot formerly priced up to \$17.50

\$20.00 Dresses \$13.45

Second Floor—This assortment is made up of several different lines—some of wool serge, others in combination of serge and satin or in silks and satins. Mostly in neat tailored styles, such as \$13.45 are serviceable for any occasion. Dresses worth to \$20

\$22.50 Dresses \$17.45

Second Floor—Several attractive "Betty Wales" Frocks are included in this offering. Smart, straight-line effects with plaits, wide belts, etc. Also Dresses with draped skirts and collars of \$17.45 Georgette crepe or satin. Dresses worth to \$22.50, at

\$1.25 Punch Mop and Polish \$1

Third Floor—Punch Mop in the new triangular shape, worth \$1.25, with one 50c bottle of Cedar Oil—\$1.75 combination for only \$1.00

Friday Grocery Specials

Glenwood Creamery \$1.10 Butter, 2 pounds for \$1.10. No delivery of butter except with other purchases made in the Grocery Department, 4th Floor. —PREFERRED STOCK 19c Catsup, 25c size. Special \$1.10 COFFEE—Choice of Golden West, M. J. B., or Royal Club. Friday, 3-lb. can, \$1.00 Double Stamps With Charge or Cash Purchases

Clean-up Sale of Beautiful Metal Laces

\$1 For Bands and Flouncings. \$1 Formerly Priced to \$2.50 \$1 Flouncings in Widths From 17 to 34 Inches Bands in Widths 4 to 6 Inches

Main Floor—Exquisite laces for trimming and making of party frocks, evening gowns and waists. Beautiful designs in silver, gold, steel and colored Lamma effects, on good quality silk nets. Dressmakers and women who do their own sewing will find this a splendid opportunity to save. The assortment is made up of odd pieces from our regular stock, selling heretofore up to \$2.50 a yard. Priced for Clean-up Sale at the extremely low price of the yard only \$1.00

Georgette Crepe \$1.75 Yd. 42-Inch Chiffon Cloth \$1.00 Yard

Main Floor—Excellent quality Georgette Silk Crepe for waists and dresses. Good assortment of wanted colors. Priced \$1.75 very special at, the yard \$1.75

Main Floor—42-Inch Silk Chiffon Cloth, in over 35 different shades. None put aside and no telephone orders accepted for this special. Priced, the yard \$1.00

Dress Nets, Special 59c Yard

Main Floor—Good quality Dress Nets in white or cream. Especially desirable for waists and linings. Priced for Clean-up Sale, 59c yard.

Women's Boots \$8.00 to \$10 Models \$6.98

Main Floor—Sacrifice Sale of 300 pairs Women's Novelty Boots. Fashionable new models with 8 or 9-inch tops. Black kid with ivory, white or gray kid or cloth tops; all-gray kid; champagne with white tops, and numerous other patterns. Popular laced styles with newest heels and toes. Footwear of standard \$8.00 and \$10.00 grades—the pair \$6.98 Women's \$4.50 to \$6.50 Shoes \$3.79



Great 1/2 Price Clean-up Children's Coats

Girls' Shop, Second Floor—Practically our entire stock of Children's Coats to go at just half regular prices. Only one or two of a style and color—good assortment to select from. Double Stamps with purchases.

AGES 2 TO 6 AGES 6 to 14 \$ 5.00 Coats now \$2.50 \$ 7.50 Coats now \$3.75 \$10.50 Coats now \$5.25 \$12.50 Coats now \$6.25 \$14.50 Coats now \$ 7.25 \$17.50 Coats now \$ 8.75 \$22.50 Coats now \$11.25 \$26.50 Coats now \$13.25

Girls' Tailored Suits Now at 1/3 Off

Girls' Shop, Second Floor—Only one or two of style and color. Odd lines high-grade Suits for girls of intermediate ages. Serges and various other materials to choose from. Many of these Suits are fur-trimmed. —Girls' \$20.50 Suits at \$13.67 —Girls' \$28.50 Suits at \$19.00 —Girls' \$27.50 Suits at \$16.32 —Girls' \$31.50 Suits at \$21.00

TAX LEVY MAY DROP

County Commissioners Can Fix 4.5 Mills as Rate.

BUDGET NEEDS \$1,797,098

Balance on Hand at First of Year Includes \$100,000 of Hospital Fund, Which if Held Out Will Increase Levy to 4.75 Mills.

Despite the general increased cost in the maintenance of the county government, and despite the general salary rises granted in practically every department of county service, the tax levy for 1918 will be the same if not lower than for 1917.

This was assured yesterday when County Auditor Martin made a careful estimate of the proposed tax levy preparatory to the meeting of the County Commissioners today, at which time the levy for 1918 will be fixed. The levy, probably, will remain at 4.75 mills, which was the levy fixed for 1917. However, if they so desire, the Commissioners can lower the levy to 4.5 mills, it was declared by Board members yesterday.

Assessed Valuation \$305,612,030. The assessed valuation of all property in Multnomah County has been officially fixed at \$305,612,030 by County Assessor Reed. The 1918 budget for all county purposes as fixed by the Citizens' Advisory Board and adopted by the County Board calls for an expenditure of \$1,797,098 for the ensuing year.

In a careful estimate which has been prepared, the county will collect from other sources during 1918 the sum of \$451,000, of which \$125,000 will be the amount of cash on hand at the beginning of the new year. It is estimated that \$180,000 will be received from general sources other than taxes and that \$96,000 will be received in delinquent taxes for 1917 and former years. The road fund will be enriched from such sources to the amount of \$50,000, according to the estimate.

Tax Levy About 4.5 Mills. Deducting the \$451,000 to be received from other sources, from the \$1,797,098, which it will cost to operate the county government, leaves a balance of \$1,346,098, which must be received through taxation. On this basis, a tax levy of 4.5 mills would bring the county \$1,375,258, or more than is needed through taxation.

However, the \$125,000 which the county will have in cash on hand at the first of the year includes \$100,000, which was set aside in 1916 for the construction of a new hospital. The

Board has not yet decided whether or not this fund will remain intact or whether it will be diverted into the general fund. If the latter method is adopted, the levy will be fixed at 4.5 mills, but if it is retained in the hospital fund it will be necessary to raise \$1,446,098 in taxes, which would necessitate the larger levy of 4.75 mills.

Hospital Fund May Be Held. Members of the Board yesterday would not indicate whether or not this \$100,000 hospital fund would be diverted into the general fund. It is said that the members favor retaining this special fund to be prepared for any hospital emergency which might arise during the coming year, and the belief was expressed that the levy of 4.75 mills would be ordered instead of the 4.5 mills levy which members admit is in every way feasible.

The school levy for 1918 for the schools of Multnomah County probably will be placed at 1.6 mills, it was stated. According to estimates furnished the Board by County School Superintendent Alderson, it will require \$472,895 to maintain the county schools during the coming year. This is on the basis of \$4.88 per capita for the 53,344 children of school age.

WATCH NIGHT IS PUBLIC

COMMUNITY PARTY TO BE AT MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM.

Arrangements Completed by Mayor Baker for Enthusiastic Patriotic Gathering on New Year's Eve.

Patriotism of the most enthusiastic type will greet the New Year in Portland. Arrangements were completed yesterday by Mayor Baker for a community watch party at the Public Auditorium, commencing at 10:30 o'clock New Year's eve (Monday) and continuing until the new year is ushered in. The meeting will be open to the general public without admission charge.

The programme as announced yesterday includes all kind of patriotic music. The programme follows: "America," led by glee club of Chinese girls. Songs of the South, "My Old Kentucky Home," "Old Folks at Home," "Dixie." "My Own United States," sung by Luis Dahl Miller. Songs of the Civil War, "We Are Tenting Tonight on the Old Camp Ground," "Before the Battle, Mother," "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Songs of the Army and Navy, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," sung by George Hotchkiss. Street and audience: "Over There," "There's a Long, Long Trail," "Songs of sentiment," "Long, Long Ago," "Annie Laurie," sung by Jane Burns Albert. "Auld Lang Syne." "Marcelline," sung by Madame Lucie Valair. "God Save the King," led by British-American citizens. "Old Hundred." Organists: William R. Boon, Frederick Goodrich, Lucien Becker. Director, John Boyer.

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U.S. GUARDS WANTED

Men From 31 to 40 Sought for New Organization.

HOME SERVICE IS OBJECT

Pay Same as Regular Army—Division Will Be Used Mainly to Enforce Provisions of Proclamation Regarding Aliens.

Men of ages ranging from 31 to 40 years who wish to serve their country in a military capacity yet are reluctant to go as fighters to Europe now have opportunity to join the United States Guards. While definitely connected with the Army, drawing the same pay as regular soldiers and performing the same functions in this country, they will not be sent overseas.

Army officials say this is the first time since the days of Washington that the United States has had a Federal militia of this status. It is planned to raise but 25,000 of these troops at the present time, the officers state. Members of the new military organization generally will be assigned to duties having to do with enforcement of the alien enemy act, according to a letter received yesterday from the War Department by the Adjutant-General of Oregon.

Provisions for enlistment and general information are given in the letter, parts of which follow: This force is designated for immediate use and not for training, hence the preferred members will be beyond the draft age and men of former service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, well-organized militia, police and fire departments. Application for enlistment may be made to any United States recruiting officer. The officers will receive commissions. Applications for commissions should be made direct to the chief militia bureau, Washington, D. C., and note age, address, service, military and civil, and highest rank attained. The following classes should be considered: (a) Those civilians within draft age, unless rejected for physical defect at place of a training camp, where they had qualified for a commission in other respects. (b) Those civilians without previous training as mentioned above. (c) Candidates from training camps who were not recommended by their company instructors for commissions. The pay and allowances of this force are the same as prescribed for the regular Army. Infantry branches. The services of the members of this organization will be used as far as possible in the vicinity of their homes, but there is no assurance that such use will continue through the war. It is, however, possible to furnish information to the effect that men in this force will not be used on the battlefields of Europe. For first enlistments, the age should be between 31 and 40 years; special permission

may be obtained for men beyond 40 years who are especially well preserved. There is no limit to the age for re-enlistment other than physical fitness. This force will be used in carrying out the provisions of the President's proclamation pertaining to alien enemies and may be used for the purpose of preserving and protecting major utilities essential to the conduct of the war in Europe.

It is not intended that these troops take over the duties of private watchman or local and municipal departments in lieu of the present agencies. The standard of physical fitness is the same as that required for entrance in the Army. Minor physical defects may be waived upon special application in each case. Dependency is not a bar to enlistment.

German Is Arrested. NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 27.—Fred Nichols, an employe of the Toppensh Meat Company, has been arrested for pro-German utterances, according to advices received here today. Nichols is a native of Germany and took out his first naturalization papers here last August.

BULLET WOUND BAFFLES

WALLA WALLA GIRL, 17, SAYS SHE WAS ATTACKED.

Daughter of Prison Chaplain Found Dying in Home With Pistol Near —Previous Assault Alleged.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Bertha Cannon, 17-year-old daughter of Chaplain E. J. Cannon, of the State Penitentiary, was seriously but not fatally wounded by a bullet from a revolver this afternoon. The young woman claims that a man was the assailant but the officers have been unable to find trace of anyone. Thanksgiving day the police were called to the Cannon home, 915 North

Elighth, to investigate an alleged attack on the girl, but no trace could be found then. Miss Cannon was home alone today and claims that the man called with and said: "We might as well settle our troubles right away, for I am going away in a few hours."

She said she ran in a room, got her mother's pistol and pointed it at the man. In a struggle which, she said, followed, the gun was turned on her and discharged, the bullet entering her left breast. Neighbors found the girl lying on a sofa, wounded, the pistol by her side containing only one cartridge that discharged. No man had been seen near. Whether the girl is suffering from a nervous ailment or was attacked of officers have not yet decided.

The exiled Czar of Russia is a great whist player. He formerly used more than 1200 packs of cards a year at \$7 a pack.

Crescent Double Acting Baking Powder (B-98) Permits the mixing of breakfast biscuits the night before. 25c a pound.

A Sale of Slightly Used Pianos. Taken in exchange on Bush & Lane Grand Pianos and Player Pianos. We have three or four that are almost new at extremely interesting prices and terms. See these at once if interested in a good used Piano. Bush & Lane Piano Co. Victrola Columbia Phonographs Cor. 12th and Washington Sts Home of the Famous Sonora Phonograph

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