



This Store Is Ready for Any Test You May Give It—We Offer You a Variety of Holiday Goods, the Equal of Which Cannot Be Found in Any Other Portland Store

There never was a better time to put this store to the gift test than now. It never looked better. Stocks never were more attractively displayed or conveniently arranged to select from. Every department is showing an endless variety of good gift things. Salespeople are alert, courteous and eager to help you make your selections. Prices are nowhere lower; variety is nowhere broader; while quality is of that high merit that gives to our merchandise a character peculiarly its own. A gift thing from Gill's is a gift that will be highly appreciated by the recipient for many, many reasons. A glance through this partial list may offer some suggestion to you, and the hundreds of other thoroughly appreciative gift things of merit we are showing, makes ours PORTLAND'S IDEAL GIFT STORE. For your own pleasure, satisfaction, economy. COME AND SEE; the result will be more fitting presents for all whom you remember and a big SAVING for you!

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

NOTHING pleases the Children so much as bright and snappy Picture and Story Books; and in order to make it ever more convenient than usual to select an appropriate volume, we have arranged special counters on our SECOND FLOOR (connected by new elevator), where just such Books are displayed in endless variety. To appreciate the extent of the display, you must come and see from 10c to several dollars the volume.

Correspondence Papers Specially Boxed for Christmas Gifts

Prices from 25c to \$7.00 the Box

Quality, variety of latest shapes and sizes, the best of writing surfaces, not forgetting the beautiful Christmas boxes artistically decorated, all go toward making ours the store to come to for the selection of fancy writing papers that are eminently proper and up to date.

It is superfluous to tell you that the selection of writing papers is a reflection of your individuality, good taste and culture. A vast assortment of correspondence papers specially boxed for Christmas gifts can be found here by discriminating shoppers, and courteous salespeople will cheerfully assist you in selecting an attractively designed box with paper of the finest quality.

Fountain Pens Are Splendid Gifts

Prices from \$2.50 to \$30.00

We carry all the leading brands, and recommend in particular the well and favorably known WATERMAN'S IDEAL, which may be had at a price to fit any purse and to suit any taste.

Awaiting your examination are larger pens and small pens; pens perfectly plain and beautifully ornamented pens; pens that fill and clean themselves; ladies' small pens; pens to hang on a chateau, Secretary, Check Book and Safety Pens, etc., ad infinitum. There is a WATERMAN'S IDEAL for every demand in the world.

The price of the most inexpensive kind is so low that it makes the cheapest good Christmas present you can give, while in the finer and more ornamented kinds, you can pay almost anything that you would pay for a Christmas gift.

Call and inspect ours, the largest stock in Portland. Courteous attendants will help you choose an appropriate style.

Handsome Calendars for Xmas Gifts

Prices from 10c to \$3.00

We have Calendars in hundreds of styles and sizes—the products of the most noted artists.

If you have a friend to remember, who you think has everything under the sun, and you are at a loss to know what to give, take our suggestion—“Give a Calendar.”

Come in and see the artistic and unique designs we are showing. You will surely be delighted with the variety we now offer.

XMAS Cards, Booklets, Bells, Garland, Stickers, Wrapping Paper, Boxes, etc.

Splendid Gifts for Architects, Engineers

If you are looking for a fitting present for an architect, draughtsman, engineer or student, these few suggestions from our big stock of practical gifts will help you in your selection: Adjustable Tables, all sizes, at \$8.50 to \$15; Slide Rules, \$3 to \$12.50; Magnifiers, protractors, Steel Edges, T Squares, High-Grade Drawing Instruments, etc., at prices ranging from \$1 to \$25.00.

The man of any of these professions will appreciate a gift that may be used from day to day—they're all constant reminders of the donor.

Post Card Albums

POSTCARD Albums make excellent Yuletide gifts, and are appropriate for either sex at any age. They encourage the collecting of interesting souvenir postals, and, coming, as they do, in endless variety, they may be had at all prices, from 15c to \$12. Our buyers have selected the very latest things in novelties and staples, including designs of exceptional merit, and many magnificent Albums splendidly adapted for holiday presents are displayed here awaiting your inspection.

Portland's Oldest, Largest and Best Book Store

We are amply ready to supply Gift-Seekers with Boo's that will make the most suitable Gifts at prices considerably below those you are usually asked. We have Books of history; the works of famous authors; spirited novels of today; rich Gift Books in elaborate and beautiful bindings; Bibles and Testaments; children's story and picture Books; unquestionably the best selection to choose from in Portland. There is a Book for you to give to any relative or friend; nothing is so much appreciated, nothing gives as great and as lasting a pleasure. Here are just a few suggestions selected at random from Portland's largest and best stock.

- | Latest Fiction Novels | For Young Ladies | For Men and Women |
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| <i>The Riverman</i>\$1.15
By Stewart Edward White | <i>Bachelor Belles</i>\$3.00
Beautifully illustrated by Harrison Fisher | <i>Out of Doors in the Holy Land</i>\$1.50
By Van Dyke. An excellent gift book. Handsome color illustrations |
| <i>The Testing of Diana Mallory</i>\$1.15
By Mrs. Humphrey Ward | <i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>\$5.00
Profusely and beautifully illustrated | <i>Sun and shadow in Spain</i>\$3.00
By Maud Howe. Beautifully illustrated |
| <i>The One and I</i>\$1.15
By Elizabeth Freeman | <i>My Lady of the Fog</i>\$2.00
By Raoul Henry Barbour. Illustrated | <i>Italy, the Magic Land</i>\$2.50
By Lillian Whiting. Illustrated |
| <i>The Red City</i>\$1.15
By S. Weir Mitchell | <i>A Book of Sweethearts</i>\$2.25
Illustrated by Christy Fisher and others. One of the finest books of the year. Cleverly bound and boxed | <i>Untrodden English Ways</i>\$3.00
A splendid gift book, by Henry C. Shelley. Illustrated |
| <i>Peter</i>\$1.15
By F. Hopkinson Smith | <i>The Henry Hunt Picture Book</i>\$3.00
Beautifully illustrated by this popular artist. | <i>The Flowers and Gardens of Japan</i>\$6.00
By Yu Kane. Handsomely illustrated |
| <i>The Long Arm of Manuater</i>\$1.15
By E. Philip Oppenheim | <i>Our Home and Country</i>\$3.00
Elaborately illustrated with heliotype and halftones from W. L. Taylor's celebrated painting. Each picture accompanied by the text. | <i>Children's Gift Stories</i> |
| <i>Lewis Rand</i>\$1.15
By Mary Johnston | <i>The Christy Book for '08</i>\$3.50
Drawings in white and black and color | <i>Little Women</i> , Special.....95c
Elaborately illustrated. Splendid gift books for children. |
| <i>The Wayfarers</i>\$1.15
By Mary Stewart Cutting | | <i>The Alcott Books</i>\$1.18 |
| <i>The Chaperone</i>\$1.15
By the Williamsons | | <i>The Pepper Books</i>60c |
| <i>The Binding of the Strong</i>\$1.15
By Caroline A. Mason | | <i>The Little Colonel Books</i>\$1.18 |

An Unmatchable Showing of Attractive Holiday Gift Pieces in Metal and Leather Goods

QUALITY that satisfies, variety that pleases, and best value-giving are features that have made this SPECIAL METAL AND LEATHER GOODS FLOOR popular with Portland holiday shoppers.

In the showing we have exhibited all the latest and exclusive novelties from European markets, as well as those from our own popular American manufacturers. At no other Portland store will you find as varied an assortment to choose from.

The SIXTH FLOOR of our stock has been set aside for this line exclusively, with a view to the convenience of Portland shoppers, and to facilitate the handling of the enormous demand for these popular gift pieces.

A glance through this partial list may offer some suggestions to you:

- Brass Candle Sticks, pair.....\$3.00 to \$5.00
- Jewel Boxes.....\$1.00 to \$5.00
- Puff and Powder Jars.....\$.75 to \$2.00
- Toilet Sets, 3 pieces, Brush, Comb and Mirror, both in metal, celluloid and ebony finish.....\$1.00 to 10.00
- Hand Mirrors, in black rosewood and metal finish.....\$.75 to \$4.00

FOREST CRAFT METAL ART GOODS.

- Blotters, Book Ends, Ash Trays, Paper Cutters, Desk Sets, etc., at prices ranging from 50c to \$15.00 the piece.
- Statuary.....\$2.00 to \$20.00
- Ladies' Hand Bags.....\$1.00 to \$30.00
- Visiting Lists.....\$.90 to \$1.50
- Bill, Letter and Card Cases.....\$.50 to \$ 5.00
- Music Rolls.....\$.50 to \$ 3.00

All Leather Goods Stamped One Line Free. Take New Elevator

VIEW BOOKS Columbia River, Portland, etc. 50c

Gifts for the Man At the Desk

JUST a glimpse at the hundreds of appropriate articles for "The Man at the Desk," now being shown in our Commercial Stationery Department, reveals: Inkstands, 25c to \$6.00; Postal Scales, 75c to \$3.50. Desk Shears, 25c to \$2.00; Diaries, 25c to \$2.50; Paper Weights, 25c up; Loose Leaf Memos., 65c up. Let us help you make a selection for "him"—something that he will appreciate because of its utility and daily use.



Holiday books exposed on the table are susceptible to damage because of their delicate binding. Dust proof protection is afforded by a Globe-Wernicke "Elastic" Book-case.

See Our Big Display SECOND FLOOR

THE J. K. GILL COMPANY BOOKSELLERS "The Ideal Gift Store" STATIONERS CORNER THIRD AND ALDER STREETS

EXHIBIT OF CALENDARS MADE BY THE PUPILS OF PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON DISPLAY HERE MONDAY AND TUESDAY

WILL ASK FOR REPEAL

Business Men Want Insurance Deposit Law Rescinded.

BAR TO FOREIGN CONCERNS

Property-owners Unable to Place All Risks With Companies Doing Business in State—Local Agents May Fight.

Leading business interests of the city, through the Portland Chamber of Commerce, will ask the repeal by the Legislature this Winter of the law requiring foreign insurance companies to deposit \$50,000 in bonds with the Secretary of State before being permitted to do business in this state. Another bill will be presented creating the office of State Insurance Commissioner and proposing a strict regulation of the life, fire and accident insurance business of the state.

In asking for the repeal of the insurance deposit law, business men will represent that some such legislation is necessary if it is to be possible for them to place all of their insurance with companies operating in the state. This is impossible at the present time. Only 27 foreign insurance companies—companies organized in other states or countries—are now doing business in Oregon, having complied with the deposit law. Through them the business interests of the city and even throughout the state, complain that they cannot obtain the insurance protection they desire, and, although they would prefer patronizing companies doing business within the state, they are obliged to place a part of their insurance with nonresident companies in addition to those qualifying to do business in Oregon.

Practically every insurance company has established a limit of the amount of insurance it will carry either on a building or on the property within a block. Others place a limit to the amount of their insurance with nonresident companies in addition to those qualifying to do business in Oregon. Leading insurance men of the city,

however, are not convinced that the repeal of this law would be advisable. They are unselfish enough to admit that more companies are needed to handle the business of the state. This is particularly true, say they, in view of the remarkable growth of the city, which shows no signs of abating, and the increasing demand for fire insurance.

"I am not satisfied that the deposit law should be repealed entirely," said W. J. Clemens yesterday, "for there is no question but that the business interests of the state demand more companies that their insurance may be kept at home. But it still seems to me that some reasonable restrictions should be placed on these outside companies which surely would come into the state and engage in business the minute this barrier would be removed. I believe it would be a better plan to amend the present deposit law to the extent that all foreign companies coming into this state for business should deposit bonds in inverse ratio to their responsibility as shown by their assets. This would continue to give the assured protection from unreliable companies. All companies doing a legitimate business are perfectly willing to comply with any reasonable deposit law."

CRIME'S SHADOW ON HIM

Promoter Who Wrecked Bank Years Ago Commits Suicide.

JOPLIN, Mo., Dec. 18.—Standing before a mirror in the bathroom of his apartments here today, Colonel Henry B. Marchbank, 43 years of age, a prominent stockbroker, sent a bullet through his brain. He died in his sister's arms 20 minutes later. Marchbank left a note to his sister ascribing his action to ill-health.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 18.—Henry B. Marchbank, who shot and killed himself in Joplin, Mo., last night, was the confidential clerk who, with Cashier Oscar Baldwin, was concerned in the loss of the funds of the Mechanics National Bank of New York in 1883. Both were convicted and were sentenced to five years each in prison. More than \$2,500,000 of the bank's money, it was charged, was lost in speculation. After serving his term, Marchbank returned to Newark, but could make a success of nothing and went to Missouri, where he promoted various corporations in the zinc mineral district. Take your family to the Perkins Hotel Grill for Christmas dinner.

WOOL MEN TO POOL

Scheme to Beat Buyers Chief Topic at Pocatello.

PLAN MARKET IN CHICAGO

Members of National Association Signing Pledge—Action of Few Growers Who See Chance at Big Prices May Spoil Scheme.

POCATELLO, Idaho, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—If the plans of the National Woolgrowers' Association, the 48th annual convention of which will be held in this city January 14 to 16, do not miscarry, the name of Boston as the wool center of the world will suffer a fatal blow. Western woolmen, who compose a majority of the membership of the National Association, are pledging themselves to support a movement for the establishment at Chicago of a great central wool market of their very own.

To consummate this plan requires a pledge of 25,000,000 pounds of wool. Already in the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Washington and Oregon 18,000,000 pounds of next season's clip have been signed up. By the time the Pocatello convention adjourns it is predicted by those in touch with the movement, 30,000,000 pounds of wool will have been placed in a gigantic pool, and thereby the Boston commission men, who heretofore have been dictating prices to Western flock-masters will, like Othello, find their occupation gone. This National wool storage movement, which is being vigorously promoted not only by a majority of the members of the National association, but by the Chicago Association of Commerce as well, will be the piece de resistance on the programme of topics to be discussed at the Pocatello convention, which therefore bids fair to be the most important in the entire history of the sheep industry in America. Already there are rumors that scattering members of the National Association are preparing to lay sentiment aside and contract their 1909 clips for the highest price offered, whether this price be paid by Chicago or Boston.

"Perfect Ladies" Must Stop Beer Trips.

Unkind Police Prohibit "Rushing the Growler" at Side Doors by Thirsty Dames.

NO MORE "rushing the can" in Portland, and the growler must cease growling. Such was an order issued by Captains of Police at headquarters yesterday to the various referees on instruction from the Chief.

Numerous reports have come to this department," announced Captain Moore, "in instructing his detail that went on duty at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, that women with pitchers, cans and various other receptacles, go to the rear entrances of saloons and give these cans to the bartender, who fills them with beer. It is also reported that in some instances the women merely leave the cans in the rear door of the saloon, returning later to get them after they have been filled by the bartender.

"This must stop. Arrest all saloonmen or bartenders who do this, and bring them to the station. Also take the names of the women for witnesses."

So the pitcher has gone to the well once too often, and the can will no more bear the foaming "suds" in Portland. The order became effective at once, and will be rigidly enforced.

TESTIFY AGAINST SELVES

Gompers and Morrison in Queer Position in Boycott Case.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The unique spectacle of labor officials appearing as witnesses against a labor union was presented at a hearing before Referee and Secretary Morrison of the Amer-

ican Federation of Labor testified that the federation had approved a boycott of the Danbury branch of the United Hatters of America against a manufacturing firm.

The two labor officials were summoned by the plaintiff, the manufacturing company, to establish the boycott, and they identified reports of the petitions of the federation and other papers. The testimony will be presented before the United States District Court in Connecticut.

Simon Announces Cabinet.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 18.—General Antoine Simon, the newly elected President of Hayti, today announced his Cabinet as follows: Interior, General Hippolyte; Foreign Affairs, M. Claude; Finance, M. Herraux; War Department,

General Septimus Marquis; Public Works, M. Canal; Justice, M. Magny.

TOUCH THE HEARTS

Of the ladies this Christmas by presenting them beautiful flowers and plants from the "up-to-date" floral shop of Clarke Bros., 237 Morrison street, opposite Corbett building.

We have stated that HASSAM is not a slippery pavement or injurious to horses under any condition. Did you notice on the frosty pavements of yesterday morning that horses trotted as easily on Hassam as any other day, without slipping, struggling or falling? Why?

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