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\$30.00 Raincoats Half-Price	\$15.00

\$20.00 Suits Half-Price	\$10.00
\$25.00 Suits Half-Price	\$12.50
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\$22.50 Misses' Coats	\$14.85
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\$30.00 Misses' Coats	\$19.85
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\$15.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	\$11.85
\$20.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	\$14.85
\$25.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	\$18.75
\$30.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	\$22.50
\$35.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	\$26.50
\$40.00 Men's Suits and Overcoats	\$29.85

Boys' Suits and Overcoats Reduced

\$ 5.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 3.95
\$ 6.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 4.85
\$ 6.50 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 5.10
\$ 8.50 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 6.95
\$10.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 7.85
\$12.50 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 9.85
\$15.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$12.35
\$20.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$14.85

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\$ 3.00 Trousers now	\$2.35
\$ 3.50 Trousers now	\$2.85
\$ 4.00 Trousers now	\$3.35
\$ 5.00 Trousers now	\$3.95
\$ 6.00 Trousers now	\$4.85
\$ 7.50 Trousers now	\$5.95
\$10.00 Trousers now	\$7.85

Sweaters Reduced	
\$5.00 Ruff Necks	\$3.95
\$6.50 Ruff Necks	\$4.95
\$7.50 Ruff Necks	\$5.95
\$7, \$7.50 and \$8 Norfolk Sweater Coats	\$6.75
\$3 All-Wool Turtle-Neck Jerseys, all shades	\$2.25

Gloves Reduced	
\$1.50 Gloves only	\$1.15
\$2.00 Gloves only	\$1.45
\$2.50 Gloves only	\$1.95

Neckwear Reduced	
50c Ties now only	25c
\$1.00 Ties now only	50c
\$1.50 Ties now only	75c
\$2.50 Ties now only	\$1.25

Suspenders Reduced	
50c Suspenders now	39c
\$1.00 Suspenders now	79c

Umbrellas Reduced	
\$1.50 Umbrellas now	\$1.15
\$2.50 Umbrellas now	\$1.85
\$5.00 Umbrellas now	\$3.95

Fancy Vests at Half Price	
\$2.50 Vests now	\$1.25
\$3.00 Vests now	\$1.50
\$3.50 Vests now	\$1.75
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\$1.50 Shirts now	\$1.15
\$2.00 Shirts now	\$1.35

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\$1.00 Garments now	79c
\$1.50 Garments now	\$1.15
\$2.00 Garments now	\$1.65
\$2.50 Garments now	\$1.95
\$3.00 Garments now	\$2.35
\$3.50 Garments now	\$2.85
\$4.00 Garments now	\$3.35
\$5.00 Garments now	\$3.95

Union Suits Reduced	
\$1.50 Suits now	\$1.15
\$2.00 Suits now	\$1.45
\$2.50 Suits now	\$1.95
\$3.00 Suits now	\$2.45
\$3.50 Suits now	\$2.85
\$5.00 Suits now	\$3.95
\$6.00 Suits now	\$4.95
\$8.50 Suits now	\$6.50

Men's Hosiery Reduced	
25c Hose now only	19c
50c Hose now only	39c

Night Robes, Pajamas Red'd	
\$1.00 Garments now	85c
\$1.50 Garments now	\$1.15
\$2.00 Garments now	\$1.65
\$2.25 Garments now	\$1.75

GIRLS' COATS REDUCED	
\$ 8.50 Girls' Coats	\$ 6.35
\$10.00 Girls' Coats	\$ 6.85
\$20.00 Girls' Coats	\$12.35
\$12.50 Girls' Coats	\$ 8.35
\$15.00 Girls' Coats	\$ 9.85

Our reductions are REAL; we do not use that much-abused word, "value," in order to increase a price and then make an APPARENT reduction. Our regular prices are moderate; our special prices are generously low.

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LEADING CLOTHIER MORRISON STREET AT FOURTH

TURK'S PROPOSAL ASTOUNDS ALLIES

Balkan Delegates With Point-Blank Question Catch Ottoman Off Guard.

DIRECT ANSWER IS EVADED

Rechad Pasha Not Authorized to Say Whether His Government's Last Word Is Spoken—Breath Is Perhaps Desired.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The brief session of the peace conference today brought the Balkan delegates to their feet in protest against the counter proposals put forward by Rechad Pasha in behalf of the Ottoman government. Turkey's maximum demands are considered exceedingly sweeping and when adjournment was taken to Monday afternoon it was evident that the Turks must lower their demands greatly or consent to negotiate on a basis of terms proposed by the allies.

If they attempt to stand by their guns or resort to strategy the allies may break the negotiations. It is considered improbable that Turkey desires this, with the hope of intervention by the powers which would lead to a European conference of mediation. The plenipotentiaries then could say to the Mussulman world that they yielded to the pressure of all Europe.

Mediation Would Be Conditional. The allies do not object to the acceptance of mediation, if it is understood that the mediators must respect the territorial acquisition resulting from the war. Americans who followed the Russo-Japanese negotiations at Portsmouth, when the difficulty of inducing Russia to renounce Corea, Port Arthur and Dalmia divide Saghalin seemed insurmountable, will not be surprised at what is occurring in London. Although the territories under dispute are smaller, the interests affected and involved are greater and more complicated, having relation to practically the whole of Eastern, Central and Southern Europe, besides Great Britain.

It was Turkey's turn today to furnish the presiding officer and Rechad Pasha took the chair. General Guicard, the former Serbian Minister of War, who was chosen secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting.

Turkish Terms Presented. Rechad Pasha then arose and calmly unfolded a document, saying that he had the honor to notify the delegates of the proposals of his imperial government for concluding peace. He read the terms, which were as follows: "First—The province of Adrianople remain under the direct administration of Turkey.

"Second—Macedonia to be converted into a principality, with Saloniki as its capital. The principality to be under the suzerainty of the Sultan of Turkey, but governed by a Prince chosen by the Balkan allies and nominated by the

Sultan of Turkey. This Prince to be a Protestant and from a neutral state.

"Third—Albania to be autonomous under the sovereignty of the Sultan and governed by a Prince of the Imperial Ottoman family, who is to be chosen for a term of five years, with the possibility of a renewal of his appointment.

"Fourth—All the islands in the Aegean Sea to remain Turkish. "Fifth—The Cretan question not to be one for the discussion of the conference, as it is a matter between Turkey and the great European powers."

Delegates Grow Excited. The chief of the Turkish delegation could hardly control the excitement which followed. The first speaker was the Greek Premier, M. Venizelos. The Turkish conditions were so astounding, he said, that he could scarcely believe they were meant seriously, although in so saying he did not intend to offend the Ottoman representatives.

Rechad Pasha replied, defending the claims of his government. He pressed the opinion that the work of the delegates would be smoother and mutual relations better, if the press would not chronicle all details of the conference.

Dr. Daneff, head of the Bulgarian plenipotentiaries, said that all the hopes of concealing the proceedings from the press being lost, he proposed a special tribune for the journalists in the Hall of St. James. He dilated on the impossibility of dealing with the Turkish demands.

Envoys Accuse Turkey. Rechad Pasha interrupted to ask why Dr. Daneff answered that he would not enter into the merits of the question that the Ottoman claims being preposterous and beyond any expectation. M. Miyuskovitch, the Montenegrin delegate, remarked that Turkey had not even respected the decision of the powers. It had been agreed that the plenipotentiaries conference that Albania should be autonomous under only the suzerainty of the Sultan, with a ruling prince from the Sultan's family.

M. Madjaroff, the Bulgarian Minister at London, declared that the whole procedure was wrong. He pointed out that as the allies had presented terms, Turkey should have offered a counter proposal, that is, real changes, alterations or refusals, and should not have ignored them to present a totally different scheme.

Premier Venizelos asked, for the sake of historic curiosity, that copies of the document which Rechad Pasha had read be given to the delegates, and the sitting was suspended while the secretaries made copies. When the sitting was resumed the Turkish delegates delivered a copy to each delegation.

Turkish Argument Presented. Rechad, in reopening the sitting, expounded what evidently was the main argument of Turkey in support of her claim.

He said the powers since the beginning of the troubles with the Balkan states had declared that in case of a conflict, whatever its results, nobody would gain from it, the powers being determined to maintain the status quo. Dr. Daneff retorted: "But you forget that after the war all the plenipotentiaries of the powers recognized that the status quo was ended, and that it was impossible to continue a policy based on its maintenance."

Rechad Pasha made fresh attempts to induce the allies to declare what they objected to in his propositions, trying to make them discuss the different clauses, but unsuccessfully, all repeating that it was impossible to take them as a point of departure, as they seemed to be drafted by a person unacquainted with events of the last three months.

M. Venizelos pointed out that Turkey had refused to apply to Macedonia the reforms proposed by Count von Berchtold, which it is ready to grant, now that Macedonia is entirely in the hands of the allies.

M. Novakovich asked the Turks to

say openly whether the proposal represented their last word.

Rechad Pasha was evidently disconcerted by this point blank question. He eluded a direct answer, saying that his instructions did not authorize a reply either way.

M. Venizelos wished to add an interpretation of the desire of the allies. He declared that they never would accept a discussion of reforms, especially at this stage, when it was not a question of reforms but a question of ceding territories won by force of arms and thus rightly belonging to the victors.

Rechad Pasha, in view of the turn taken by the discussion, declared he would transmit to Constantinople the observations made by the allies, in the hope that he would receive by Monday the reply of his government, which he would hasten to submit to the conference.

ALBANIA'S RETENTION DESIRED Garrison May Refuse to Evacuate Port of Durazzo.

VIENNA, Dec. 28.—General Popovitch, the commander of the Serbian garrison at the port of Durazzo, is credited here with the declaration that neither he nor his troops will recognize any orders to evacuate Albania.

They say they will defend the positions they occupy even against the decisions of the London conference or orders from Belgrade.

WALLA WALLA MAN DIES One of First Real Estate Dealers in Washington City Passes.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—T. G. Davies, aged 57, one of the first real estate men here, died today, after a long illness, of heart trouble. He was born in Wales. He came here in 1881 and after 10 years in a store engaged in selling property, which he continued for 21 years, giving up his business last fall because of ill-health.

Mr. Davies went to California in hope of bettering his health. He was in the Byron Hot Springs Hotel when that burned and barely escaped with his life. The exposure aggravated his case and he was under care of a specialist for two months. He leaves a wife and stepson, J. W. Marum.

Camp Phillips Elects. ALBANY, Or., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Camp Phillips, No. 4, Spanish-American.

ANNUAL FOR MAILING. In purchasing the New Year's Oregonian, wrapped for mailing, the public is cautioned that green wrappers have been used exclusively. Wrapped copies of the annual are on sale at The Oregonian-Business Office, at all news stands and by newboys at 5c each. Postage in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Insular possessions is 5 cents. Foreign postage, 10 cents.

can War Veterans, of this city, which is one of the most active camps of this organization in the state, chose the following officers in the annual election last night: Commander, R. C. Churchill; vice-commander, Alvin C. Baker; junior vice-commander, W. A. Miller; officer of the day, Titus Biersley; officer of the guard, Frank B. Stuart; surgeon, Dr. M. H. Ellis; adjutant, Fred H. Westbrook; quartermaster, William V. Merrill; chaplain, Joseph E. Torbet.

PILGRIMS FINISH "HIKE" TO ALBANY

Footsore Suffragettes Glory in Attention They Have Drawn to Cause.

MESSAGE STILL SECRET

Contents Not to Be Divulged Until Sulzer Has Read Document. Of Six Who Started, All but One Stay to End.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Tired and footsore, but still enthusiastic and glorying in the fact that they reached their destination two days ahead of schedule, the little band of suffragette pilgrims, who walked 174 miles from New York to present a message to Governor-elect Sulzer advocating votes for women, arrived in Albany shortly after 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The 174 miles which "General" Jones walked was the record shown by the official registers, although railroad maps show some 25 miles less. The distance was covered in 12 days of walking, an average of 14½ miles a day.

All But One at Albany. Of the six "pilgrims" who started from New York on December 18, five, "General" Jones, "Surgeon-General" Livingston Dock, "Colonel" Ida Craft, "Corporal" M. N. Stiles and "Private" Sibyl Wilbur, completed the long hike. Mrs. Inez Craven dropped out en route.

The "message," the contents of which will not be known until Governor-elect Sulzer reads it, will be placed in his hands as soon after arrival as possible. The Governor-elect is expected here Monday.

The marchers were none the worse for their long trip with the exception of "Sulzer" Dock. She is suffering slightly from rheumatism and limped noticeably.

"General" Jones Satisfied. "General" Jones said tonight: "We feel that we have touched the people along the line of march in a way that would have been effective by no other methods. A pilgrimage has always stood for the highest ideal of the cause it represented and we are sure from the receptions we have been accorded that our march has not been in vain."

Today's journey was from Niverville, a distance of 15 miles.

SUFFRAGISTS MEET SULZER Governor Quoted as Saying He Will Recognize Their Cause.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—While a few of their sisters continue to march upon Albany to live in wait at the capital for Governor-elect Sulzer when he takes office on New Year's day, a half dozen New York suffragists have obtained from the Governor-elect a promise that he will recognize their cause.

Headed by Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, a delegation called upon Mr. Sulzer while he was making arrangements yesterday to vacate his Broad-

way office, carrying with them reams of arguments in favor of granting the right to vote to women. The report which the women brought to their sisters today quoted the Governor-elect as saying:

"I shall be the best suffragist Governor the state has ever had; come to see me in Albany."

Baby robins at a single meal will eat half their own weight in beef scraps.

"Go fetch to me a pint o' wine And fill it in a silver tassie."

New Year's Eve AT The Portland

We'll bid the old year adieu and we'll greet the new one with mirth and jollity. All through this great hotel soft lights shall glow—mistletoe and cedar shall exchange greetings with the rose and the poinsettia. Every table will sparkle with crystal and fine linen, and hurrying waiters proudly bear aloft smoking viands—viands that would tempt the appetite of an emperor. Soft music shall float down from somewhere—music that shall soothe, enliven, inspire. The clock strikes—'tis the Glad New Year! Rise and drink a toast to the dimpled little stranger—and a toast to Portland, even now garlanded with fairest roses.

The Portland Hotel
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We wish to thank the people of Portland for the hearty reception they gave us at the grand opening last evening. We wish to state that the same high standard of cuisine and appointments that graced the opening night will always be maintained.

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Tuesday, Dec. 31

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