

BOARD INVESTIGATOR TELLS OF THREATS

Wasting of Funds Charged to Shipping Official.

ALLEGED GIFTS CITED

Silverware Declared Found in Yokohama Hotel Bearing Label of "U. S. S. B."

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—The name of Norman R. Hamilton, collector of the Port of Norfolk, Va., today was again mentioned in testimony before the congressional committee investigating the United States shipping board.

Hamilton F. Hanes, examiner for the emergency fleet corporation, formerly an investigator for the board, said that while in Norfolk he had been advised that if his inquiries included Mr. Hamilton, it would be well for him to "lay off," as Mr. Hamilton was the "closest man in Virginia to President Wilson."

Hanes said the alleged warning did not deter him from continuing his work, but he added it was not completed by him.

He said that at Norfolk, Va., he saw a bill for \$48, which had been paid for putting a 50-cent hinge on a galley door.

He testified that 50 men had been sent aboard a ship in the same port and remained there from 7:30 A. M. Monday, to the same hour the following Monday, and were allowed pay for 24 hours a day.

On another occasion, he said, 12 carpenters were put to work at one time in a wireless room which measured four by four feet.

Hanes also testified to investigating gifts of watches and stock to shipping board employees.

Short deliveries and overcharges for beef furnished to the emergency fleet ships, also was alleged by Hanes. He said 24 cents a pound was paid for 11-cent beef.

Payment of a commission of \$1000 on an order of \$400 to a ship captain at Portland, Or., also was testified to by Hanes. The name of the ship was not given.

The commission, he said, was paid by the Portland branch of a Boston ship supply firm.

Discovery of silverware marked "U. S. S. B." in a hotel at Yokohama and street vendors selling shipping board linen at the Pacific Mall, also was testified to by Hanes.

He said he did not know whether these matters had been investigated.

DAVIS OUT FOR CABINET

Friends of Governor of Idaho

Launch His Candidacy.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 27.—(Special.)—Impetus was given to the movement for the appointment of Governor D. W. Davis of Idaho as secretary of the interior by the arrival here today of Frank Brown of Boise, Governor Davis' secretary, and Robert O. Jones, secretary of state of Idaho.

Both declined to say that they had come here to promote appointment of the Idaho governor, but it was noticeable that wherever they went they left a trail of apparent Davis sentiment.

Calls were made on several senators, including Senators Borah of Idaho, Jones of Washington and McNary of Oregon, and a few republican leaders.

The conference with Senator McNary was said to have been held with reference to reclamation matters in which the state of Idaho is interested, Senator McNary being chairman of the senate committee on irrigation.

LEADERS IN CONFERENCE

Latter Day Saints Hold Training

Classes at La Grande.

LA GRANDE, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—The church of the Latter Day Saints is holding a three-day leadership institute, which began Friday and will continue until Sunday evening. The institute is under the direction of the social advisory committee of the church. All of the sessions were held in the tabernacle, and papers, lectures and demonstrations are being given by local as well as Salt Lake leaders.

Representatives from the various branches of the church, including some from Baker county, are in attendance at the institute. Teachers of the high school have spoken on dramatics, teacher training, story telling, physical activities, leadership in physical culture, while other local leaders have spoken on folk dances, music, public speaking and pageantry.

The meetings are attracting much interest because of their educational value.

EXPENSES TO INCREASE

Budget of Board of Control Shows

Rise of \$2400.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—A total of \$20,500 will be required to defray the expenses of the board of control during the next two years, according to a budget of estimated expenses filed with the secretary of state today.

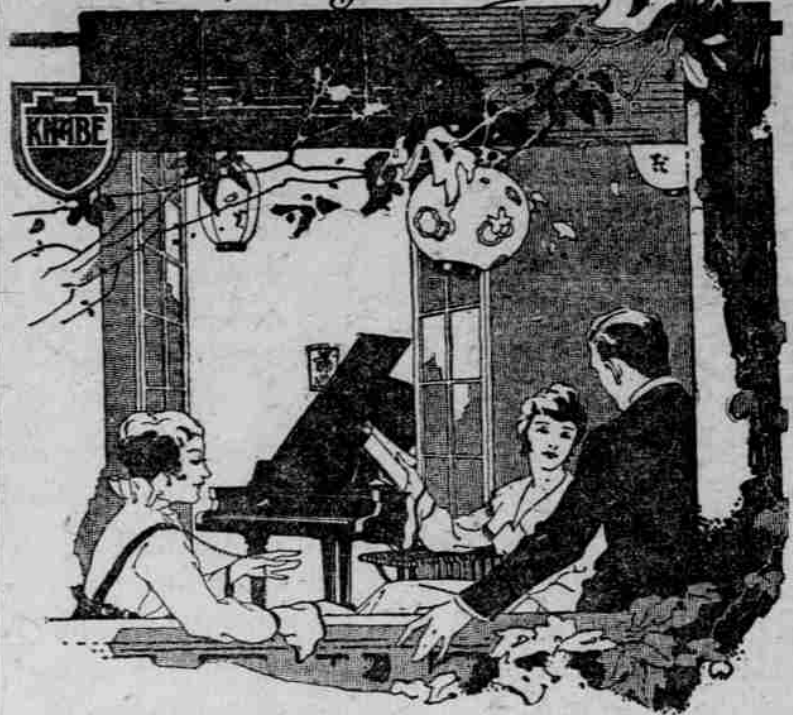
Of this sum, \$6000 is needed to pay the salary of R. B. Goodin, secretary; \$7800 for clerical help, and \$6750 for general maintenance.

Although the cost of conducting the board during the next biennium will be \$2400 in excess of the present two years, the appropriation sought is only \$250 more than that authorized at the regular session of the legislature in 1919.

Campaign Expense Two Cents.

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November 2. Eight of those elected had no opponents and so spent nothing, while the highest expense was contracted by E. G. Bailey of Elgin, defeated republican candidate for sheriff. His successful opponent, Lee Warnick, spent \$12.50. The lowest amount spent was 3 cents, according to an affidavit turned in by D. J. McEllan, who was chosen county surveyor.

FOREIGN TRADE SOUGHT

Cove Orchardist Is to Sell Apples and Prunes in Europe.

LA GRANDE, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—Karl J. Stackland, grower and shipper and owner of the Blue Mountain Fruit farm at Cove, expects to sail for Europe about December 11, where he will spend the next four months.

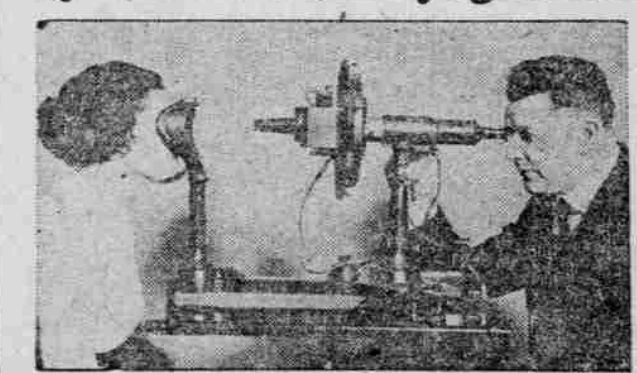
During the time that Mr. Stackland is in Europe, his wife and family will make a six months' visit in Virginia.

Mr. Stackland expects to make all of the leading British markets but will make Rotterdam, Holland, or Antwerp, Belgium, his headquarters, and will work, in particular, the surrounding markets, including Cologne, Dusseldorf, Hamburg, Germany, and will also make a swing via Copenhagen, Gothenburg, Christiania, to Stockholm and back via Stavanger and Bergen, Norway, to the Netherlands.

White Salmon Election December 7

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—A town caucus was held Wednesday and the following nominations made: For mayor, G. C. Crow

Style a Factor in Eyeglasses



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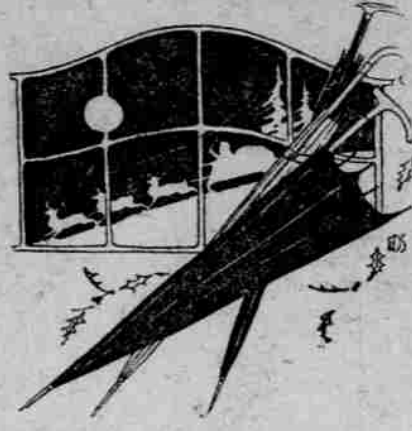
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SILK UMBRELLAS

At Prices You'll Be Pleased to Pay



A gift of a Silk Umbrella is always appropriate and is sure to be appreciated. Selection should not be delayed—now is the time and this is the sale at which prudent shoppers will purchase for personal use and for holiday needs. These items will give you a good idea of the special values offered here:

At \$6.50 - \$6.90

You have choice from fine Silk Umbrellas on paragon frames with steel rod and black wood or ring style handles. They come in shades of red, blue, green, purple and black.

At \$7.50 We are showing exceptional values in Silk Umbrellas of standard size and quality in styles with ring or cord handles—colors are red, blue, green, purple and black.

At \$8.50 You have choice from Silk Umbrellas with ivory tips, handles and ferrule to match. Styles with ring or cord handles. Colors are black, blue, purple, green, red.

At \$9.00 We offer splendid choice from Silk Umbrellas in styles with black handles and colored rings. They come in taupe, brown, red, purple, green and black.

At \$10.00 and \$10.50 We offer the finest of Silk Umbrellas in unlimited assortment of styles—ring, novelty, leather and select wood handles, and all colors—black, taupe, brown, blue, green, red, purple, etc.

A Special Sale of

Rogers & Son Plated SILVERWARE

Whether you purchase for personal use or for gift purpose, the saving possibilities of this sale are worthy of your best attention. However, quantities are limited, as you'll note below, so don't delay your coming.

WE OFFER

- 23 Sets Tea Spoons (6 to a set) at.....\$1.25
- 13 Sets Soup Spoons (6 to a set) at.....\$2.19
- 23 Sets Dessert Spoons (6 to a set) at.....\$2.25
- 7 Sets Table Spoons (6 to a set) at.....\$2.45
- 6 Sets Salad Forks (6 to a set) at.....\$2.60
- 7 Sets Oyster Forks (6 to a set) at.....\$1.85
- 4 Sets Fruit Knives (6 to a set) at.....\$1.85
- 3 Sets Sugar Shell and Butter Spreader 2-Piece Set for 95¢
- 3 Baby Sets—2-Piece Sets for 75¢

Pre-Holiday Showing and Sale



LACES and RIBBONS

A visit to our Fancy Goods Section will disclose many out-of-the-ordinary and timely offerings especially arranged to assist you in securing dainty and desirable Ribbons and Laces especially adapted for holiday sewing. The following items are of special interest because prices are far below regular:

Widths to 6 Inches in Dainty Laces at 19c Yard

Choice from hundreds of new and pretty patterns in Imitation Crochet, Cluny, Fillet, Normandie, etc.—3½ to 6-inch widths especially adapted for Camisoles, Boudoir Caps, Scarfs, Squares, Pillow Tops and many other attractive gifts. Purchase at this sale. 19c Pay only, yard.

Widths to 7 Inches in Handsome Ribbons at 79c Yd.

A great showing and sale of handsome Ribbons in popular wide widths from 5 to 7 inches—both light and dark colorings in Jacquard, Warp Prints, Satins, Moires, Taffetas—the kind in great demand for Bows, Sashes, Camisoles, etc. Purchase at this sale. 79c Pay only, yard.

Pre-Holiday Showing of Women's

BATHROBES

At All Prices

From \$7.45 to \$20

None too early to make selection—and one of these fine Bath Robes is a gift any woman would appreciate—something that will long be remembered. In this showing are included all popular styles, patterns, colors and sizes—36 to 44. All are correctly fashioned, well-made garments from the celebrated "Beacon Blankets." It is a showing worthy of your immediate attention.

A Timely and Important Sale of

Women's Outing Flannel Gowns at \$2.39

Lines Formerly Selling to Twice These Figures

All our better grade Gowns made of selected Outing Flannel, also "Billie Burkes" and Two-piece Sets—materials are French and Gosh Windsor—fine Amoskeag, Daisy Cloth, Scotch and Slumber Flannels, etc. Over 60 different styles in regulation and slip-over models—trimmed in a manner to please all tastes. This phenomenal offering is for a short time only—for many of these full-cut, double-yoke, full fell seamed garments you pay less than we gave, at this sale. All sizes 36 to 54, at \$2.39.

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You will have a great deal more change coming to you after making your Christmas purchases here than you would if you made them somewhere else. You can prove the truth of this assertion to your own satisfaction by coming in and pricing some, or all, of the things your list is enumerating. We feel certain that if you will do this you will not stir from our floors until you have secured every item you have jotted down. Why do we feel so sure about this? Because we have a good reason to; all our goods are of the highest quality and we can cite savings that are teeming with economy. These items for example:

BRIGHTEN THE HOME FOR HOLIDAY PERIOD BY PURCHASING

GREAT 1/2 PRICE SALE New Colored Scrims and Marquisette Curtaining Half-Price---12½c to 45c Yd.

You have choice—not from a few pieces—but from an ENTIRE stock of Colored Scrims and Marquisettes—dainty curtaining in pretty border styles—detached center effects in figures and flowers—allover figure designs in light and dark colors, etc. It is a sale few housekeepers in need of curtaining materials for most any purpose can well afford to miss. You have unlimited choice from 12½c to 45c a yard.

Make An Early Selection of A Gift That Will Please Him

From Our Unsurpassed Showing Serviceable Articles

Men's Thread Silk Shawknit Socks at 85c Pr. Strictly a high-grade pure thread silk sock, made with reinforced heel and toe; all sizes in navy, white, black, gray and tan. THIS SALE AT 85c.

Men's Eiderdown Bath Robes at \$7.45 A specially reduced price on a fine lot of regulation style Eiderdown Bath Robes in a full assortment of patterns and colors. All sizes.

Men's Hagadorn Silk Ties at \$1.00 Each Extremely beautiful patterns and colorings in regulation four-in-hand Ties; also the popular satin stripe effects in large open end style. THIS SALE AT \$1.00.

Towel Prices Tumble IN THIS TIMELY SALE

100 Dozen White Huck Towels—Now Only 15c Each

Just the towel for rooming houses and hotels. They are of a good size—17x34 inches—mostly hemmed and of good quality and just about half price.

100 Dozen Turkish Towels—Now Only 25c Each

Fine Bleached Turkish Towels, 19x38 inches, with hemmed ends; a splendid weight for general use. Priced this sale at about half price.

20x42-Inch Turkish Towels Now 69c Each These come all white or with pink or blue border. They are 20x42 inches; of splendid weight, and are now considerably less than former selling price.

Fine Big 5-Pound

White Blankets

70x80 Inches at \$7.50

At far less than regular selling price we offer these fine, big White Blankets of beautiful finish. They come with pink or blue border and 5 pounds in weight.

WOMEN'S COATS Reduced to \$39.75

Choice From Fashionable Winter Models in Suedine, Bolivia, Velours and Silvertones—Sizes 16 to 44

Seldom, if ever, have you had such a splendid opportunity to purchase such finely finished and fashionable Coats at such a low price. The assortment is so varied and so extensive that you are sure to find several models from which, no doubt, you'll have difficulty to decide. Materials are fine Suedines, Bolivias, Velours and Silvertones in all wanted colors—handsome, fancy Silk-Lined Coats with belts and many of them with fur collars. All sizes, 16 to 44, in this specially underpriced offering, at.....\$39.75



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Whether for personal use or for gift purposes, you can find no prettier or more desirable Leather Novelties than those now on special display and sale in our Glove and Leather Goods Section.

We have made several advantageous purchases which we wish you to profit by, and accordingly you'll find our prices to be as attractive as the goods are beautiful. Come, make selections now. A small deposit will hold your purchase for future delivery, if you so desire. But in any event don't fail to inspect these offerings.

NEW SWAGGER BAGS in the extremely pretty tool work; various styles cleverly developed in green, brown and other shades. Unlimited choice at \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00 to \$7.50.

NEW SWAGGER BAGS in both patent and dull leathers—all the popular new shapes and sizes—an assortment from which all tastes can be suited at \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50 to \$10.00.

CANTEEN BAGS in imitation patent leather and of good size. Silk lined and equipped with mirror and coin purse. A most exceptional value at \$3.89.

CANTEEN BAGS of fine quality leather in the best shades of brown and green—a good large bag with complete inside fittings—specially priced this sale at \$7.90.

VANITY CASES—the latest style in imitation patent, also dull and tool leathers, various colors, all with silk lining and inside fittings. Choice at \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 to \$5.00.

VANITY CASES made of the finest of patent and tool leathers—latest styles with silk or leather lining—mirror and inside fittings. Unlimited choice at \$5.00, \$6.00, \$6.75 to \$8.50.

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Saturdays at 6 P. M.