

# X-mas Specials In Holiday Boxes

- Belt and Garter Set.
  - Suspender and Garter Set.
  - Suspender and Tie Set.
  - Suspender, Tie and Garter Set.
  - Suspender, Handkerchief and Tie Set.
  - Garter, Armband and Suspender Set.
  - Suit Cases, Hand Bags.
  - Collar Bags.
  - Ties in Fancy Boxes.
- Closing out all Boys' and Children's Overcoats  
—All Millinery

—LET THE—

## Good Housekeeping Store Furnish Your Christmas Dinner

and see how much better you will like it. All the dainty delicacies that should find a place on this day of feasting and merriment.

We're out after your trade with a big stick—one end of it is *Quality*—the other end *Reasonable Prices* and between these ends is *Service*. The Good Housekeeping Store is getting better and busier every day. We want to see you and sell you, believing we can please you and keep you as one of our steady customers.

For that Christmas feast may we suggest:

*Delicious Home-made Fruit Cake—All kinds of New Crop Nuts, Shelled and Unshelled; Salted and Unsalted—Package Dates—Staffed Dates—Bulk Dates—Pressed Figs—Pulled Figs—Preserved Figs—Pickled Figs—Spiced Figs—Cranberry Jelly—Currant Jelly—New Jersey Cranberries—Full Line of All Size Oranges—California and Florida Grapefruit—Nice Crisp Celery.*

Full line of Fresh Vegetables will arrive on steamer Nann Smith.

Holly to Decorate the Table  
Holly Wreaths for the Windows

**Advertised Goods**  
On Sale Here

**Nasburg's Grocery**  
THE GOOD-HOUSEKEEPING STORE  
Phone 243. Commercial and Second



All kinds of

## Beautiful and Useful Christmas Gifts

May be found at

### Central Avenue Pharmacy

Some presents are distinctly for the use of the recipient alone. Others can be enjoyed by an entire family and at the same time do not become the least particle less desirable.

Gifts of quality at reasonable prices make this store a popular place for your Christmas shopping.

### The Central Avenue Pharmacy

Lockhart-Parson Drug Co.

The Home of the Grafonola, the World's best Christmas Gift.

Second Street and Central Avenue.

## SHOP EARLY

By Bob Stanley.

**M**OTHER, dear, and Sister Ann, do your shopping while you can. Don't look 'round till Christmas time. Spend your two-bit piece and dime. Just a few more days to trade, so cut out that gay parade—douse the gazing, spend the mon—buy the toys for waiting son.

Keep the smiling clerk in mind. Don't be to his ribs unkind. He has seen you every day standing in some buyer's way.

Don't put off till Christmas eve, buying things for Bill and Steve. Don't get caught in Christmas rush that will all your bundles crush.

There's another reason, too, why this shopping you should do—now's the time Dad's pocketbook bulges like a Holland cack. Now's the time when Daddy dear, never has a haunting fear that the crops will droop and fall, causing empty dinner pail. Now, the hay is in the mow. Fat encircles every cow. Pork is on the upward trend. Season's been our Daddy's friend. On his face there is a smile that won't be there after 'while, so you'd better touch him now. He'll thaw out and won't know how.

Do your shopping while it's fair. Don't wait till they muss your hair, tread your feet, and mash your nose, maul you 'round and tear your clothes in the struggle for a toy that you want for Willie Boy, and some other now wants, too. Do your shopping early, do

## Why Rifles Have Sights

**W**HY RIFLES HAVE SIGHTS... THE average person, if asked to explain why a rifle is sighted, would probably be unable to do so beyond some vague remark about taking correct aim.

Sights are necessary because a bullet does not travel in a straight line, but under the influence of gravity and friction begins to drop almost as soon as it leaves the muzzle. Thus the bullet of our service rifle (Lee Enfield) drops six inches in the first 100 yards, but when it has gone 200 yards it will have dropped, not twelve inches, but two feet. The drop increases by leaps and bounds with the distance. Were there no sights on the

rifle, and you wanted to hit a mark at 200 yards, you would clearly have to aim two feet above it.

This would be awkward, for you would lose sight of the object aimed at, to say nothing of the difficulty of correctly estimating a distance of two feet at 200 yards.

The sights of a rifle enable you to keep your eye on the mark, although the muzzle of the rifle is actually pointed above it. The movable slide of the backpiece enables you automatically to point the muzzle just so many feet above the mark aimed at as is necessary to counteract the known drop of the bullet at various ranges.—London Answers.

### BRITISH LOSE 233 OFFICERS IN WEEK

(By Associated Press to Close Day Times.)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—The official officer casualty list for the week ending November 30 was made public here. It shows that in these seven days the British forces on the continent lost 79 officers killed and 141 wounded, and that 33 were reported missing. This gives a total of 253 for the week. The total of casualties of officers up to date is 3445 men.

The Sihwald, or city forest of Zuerich, Switzerland, adds to the town's revenues \$7.20 per acre a year, reducing the amount needed to be raised through taxation by more than \$32,000.

### FAST HILL STEAMERS.

The new Hill steamer Great Northern will leave Philadelphia 27 next and the Northern Pacific February 20. It will require about 17 days to make the trip, as stops are to be made at San Diego and San Pedro, California. The company will begin operation of the steamers between Portland and San Francisco March 15 and a steamer will leave every other day. The trip will be made in from 29 to 30 hours, which is less time, by from four to five hours, than any train except the Shasta Limited, makes the trip. This train makes the run in 27 hours.

A great part of the oak used on the Pacific coast comes from the eastern part of Asia.

### QUOTATIONS TO GO WITH CHRISTMAS GIFTS

**A** PRETTY and original touch may be given a Christmas gift by accompanying it with a dainty card on which are written the recipient's name and some apt quotation of an appropriate nature. A few selected quotations suitable for different gifts may be of interest.

For a postal card album: Kind messages that pass from land to land.—Longfellow.

For a set of books by a well known author: The chief glory of every people arises from its authors.—Dr. Johnson.

For a small afternoon tea caddy: Tea, thou soft, thou sober, sage and venerable liquid.—Colley Cibber.

For a useful purse: The best friends are in the purse.—German Proverb.

Happy the man who, void of cares and strife, In silken or in leathern purse retains A splendid shilling.—John Phillips.

With a pack of cards: The cards beat all the players, be they never so skillful.—Emerson.

With a pair of gloves: Oh, that I were a glove upon that hand!—Romeo and Juliet.

With a silver handbag: The heart, like a mirror, should reflect all objects without being sullied by any.—Confucius.

With a "tear off" calendar: The longest day must have an end.—Italian Proverb.

A Christmas gift of a ring for a fiancée or wife:

So let our love As endless prove And pure as gold forever.—Robert Herrick.

For the last baby: Much is the worth, and even more made of her.—W. E. Henley.

With an umbrella: The year, most part deformed with dripping rains.—Cowper.

With a cookbook: The taste of the kitchen is better than the smell.—Old Proverb.

With an electric torch lamp: To a great night a great lantern.—Old Proverb.

With a needlecase: Who \* \* \* hath need of a hundred eyes.—Old proverb.

With a phonograph: Generally music feedeth the disposition of spirit which it findeth.—Bacon.

## UNITED STATES PASSES MARK OF 100,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The population of the United States today is more than 100,000,000 and the money in circulation totals of the thrifty inhabitants have \$4,375,000,000 in the savings banks. Such is the announcement made here recently by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce in the Department of Commerce. The pamphlet issued by the bureau is entitled "Statistical Record of Progress of the United States, 1800-1914." It gives a "half-century retrospect" and a "clear prospective" of the nation's quadrupling of population and multiplying a hundred-fold of industrial values.

"Since 1850 the population, then 25,000,000, has more than quadrupled," says the bulletin. Commerce has grown from \$318,000,000 to \$4,259,000,000 and the per capita value of exports from \$16.96 to \$23.27.

**Nation's Wealth \$140,000,000,000.** National wealth has increased from \$7,000,000,000 in 1870 to \$140,000,000,000 and the money in circulation from \$279,000,000 to \$3,419,000,000. For the entire country bank clearings have grown from \$2,000,000,000 in 1887 to \$174,000,000,000 in 1913.

Improved social conditions among the people are shown in that 19,000,000 children are enrolled in public schools and 200,000 students in colleges. The total expenditure on education approximates \$500,000,000 a year.

More than 22,000 newspapers and periodicals are printed. In 1850 there were 251,000 depositors in savings banks. There are now 11,000,000, with deposits aggregating more than 100 times as much as at the middle of the last century.

**Farms Worth \$41,000,000,000.** The value of farms and farm property increased during the last half \$41,000,000,000; value of manufactures from \$1,000,000,000 to over \$20,000,000,000, and the number of miles of railroad in operation from 9,021 in 1850 to 257,923 in 1912.

In the last twenty-five years the number of passengers carried has increased from 422,000,000 to 1,004,000,000, and the volume of freight handled each year from 622,000,000 to 1,845,000,000 tons. Nearly 20,000,000,000 pieces of outgoing matter were handled annually by the Postoffice Department, which disbursed \$262,000,000, or 2.70 per capita.

### NORTH BEND LIBRARY

The North Bend Library management is asking its many patrons and friends to one and all show a Christmas spirit toward the public good of North Bend by giving either a good book or a magazine to the library as a Christmas present. Mrs. Geo. Mandigo has been the first to respond to this call for a Christmas present to the city library. Her Christmas present is "The Portion of Labor" by Mary E. Wilkins and "Joseph Vance" by Wm. De Morgan. Several other persons have promised to give a book or subscription. If everyone interested in the library would bring or send in a book or the price of a magazine between now and Christmas it would be a very marked help in the usefulness of the library.

The state traveling library of sixty volumes came in on the last boat from Portland and is now on the shelves ready for service. These books are largely fiction and juvenile books. They are loaned to the North Bend library by the state library for a period of six months free, the library association having to pay the transportation charges. Any person desiring any book not in the home library may procure the book from Salem free by making his wishes known to the librarian here; or if he will pay postage on the book wanted the library management will order the book for the library.

The library association held its regular monthly business meeting on Thursday afternoon at the library. There was a second discussion of the proposed constitution and by-laws to be adopted at the annual meeting in January. It was decided to put the direct management of the library under a board of directors and a committee was appointed to select the directors. A committee was also appointed to procure an attendant to take charge of the men's reading room which is to be opened immediately after Christmas.

The following books have been added this week: "The Rosary," "Art and Artists of All Nations" "Hand Loom Weaving of Reed and

## AERONAUTS LURED TO DEATH

German Lure French Flying Men to Its Fate by Clever Ruse.

(By Associated Press to Close Day Times.)  
BERLIN, Dec. 22.—A German aviator, writing from Bapaume, France, tells of the death of a French aviator who was brought down by German gunners.

"Today I saw a French aviator brought down by our guns," he said. "The French flyers had been growing bolder and bolder, especially in reconnoitering behind our front, and so we concealed a half battery of howitzers in a village about four miles to the rear in order to teach them a lesson. Things happened as we expected; by 8 o'clock in the morning there came an aeroplane, sailing along with the greatest assurance in the world. The guns at the front were not permitted to fire, and after passing them the aviator, thinking all danger past, kept coming lower and lower, reaching finally a level of only about 1000 feet. Not suspecting that he would encounter German artillery so far to the rear he came within easy shooting distance for our gunners in the village.

"Suddenly two shots were heard, and two little white clouds were observed in the air not far from the aeroplane. The aviator remained virtually at the same spot, until he was almost enveloped by the next two clouds; one shot exploded just in front of him, the other just behind him. Our men had gotten their range very quickly. Then followed two more shots, one a little to the right, the other just to the left. As seen through my field glasses the aeroplane seemed to waver, as if it had been damaged. It did not seem to obey its steering gear, for it could not get away from the spot. The next two shots fired almost simultaneously sealed its fate. The first one cut off a wing smoothly. The other was a square hit, and the apparatus was scattered to the four winds. I have not seen such a beautiful shot in the whole war. The gun-pointer who fired it had already distinguished himself on several occasions, and he won the iron cross, with today's achievement. The fragments of this aeroplane were picked up afterward from a wide reach of ground, but of the aviator only a few bits were found.

"Yesterday," the letter continued, "we set up some boards in an abandoned position to resemble a gun shield. Then we sawed off some logs and painted them to look like cannon muzzles when placed in position between the boards. Today the French peppered away at this supposed battery and fired 172 shots before their aviators could tell them that they had been duped."

### HANDS OF CLOCK MAY GO FORWARD AN HOUR

Chicago Association of Commerce Begins Movement

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A plan to move the hands of the clock up one hour in order to gain one more hour of daylight, particularly in the summer, will be extended to the country if the Chicago Association of Commerce's recommendation is taken up by the United States chamber of Commerce.

A special committee's report recommending that an additional hour of daylight could be gained by advancing the clock an hour was approved by the executive committee of the association and presented to the national organization. If the plan was adopted throughout the country there would be no confusion to the uniform standard system adopted in 1883.

### BROWN NAMES ASSISTANT

ROSEBURG, ORE. Dec. 21.—Attorney Isaac Horner VanWinkle, of Salem, was chosen First Assistant Attorney-General by Attorney-General George M. Brown of this city. Mr. VanWinkle served as first assistant to Attorney-General Crawford for a number of years, and is considered one of the most able attorneys in Oregon.

Miss Minnie Downing, at present employed in the Attorney-General's office, will be retained by Mr. Brown as first stenographer.

"Raphia," and "Elusive Isabel," is by Jacques Futrel, who was a passenger on the ill-fated Titanic. Persons whose subscriptions to the library are not paid up until the first of January, will confer a great favor on the management by paying the same immediately to Mrs. Geo. Hazer, treasurer, or to Mrs. I. Reynolds, financial secretary, of the library association.



## Electrical Gifts Are Strictly Up-To-Date

SANTA CLAUS BELIEVES IN BEING PROGRESSIVE and taking advantage of the new comfort-making inventions. Therefore, he is bestowing more and more electrical gifts each year.

PRICES FOR ELECTRICAL GIFTS are lower this year than ever before, due to the co-operative effort of the following dealers and ourselves. Think of these holiday prices for standard articles:

ELECTRIC FLATIRONS	\$2.35
ELECTRIC TOASTERS	\$1.60
ELECTRIC PERCOLATORS	\$5.00

Here are a few other suggestions: Table Lamps, Tea Kettles, Electric Automobiles, Curling Irons, Chafing Dishes, Vacuum Cleaners, Electrical Toys, Shaving Mugs, Table Grills, Washing Machines, Radiators, Traveling Outfits, etc.

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