

TOYLAND IS OPEN TO VISITORS

Portland Stores Prepare for the Trade of the Holidays.

WONDERFUL TOYS ARE IN GREAT PROFUSION

Expensive Mechanical Devices for Boys and Dolls and Doll Furniture and Clothing for Girls—Variety of Toys Is Great This Year.

Animals and animals. Noah would enjoy visiting the Christmas toy departments of Portland stores.

A rocking horse is a prosaic beast for the child of today, who may possess a camel with a saddle, or a companionable elephant similarly equipped, which may be either trundled or ridden. If it is to go that counts for the boy, then surely here is delight only waiting to be distributed. Coasters of all styles, to be worked with the hands or the feet, and, crowning joy of all, the child's own automobile. Not like the foolish toy that we thought was remarkable because it could run about the floor, but a real motor car all equipped even to the headlights. The price mark may seem astonishing, but remember, the real cost goes with this conveyance.

For the boy who wants to "see the wheels go round," here is joy. Real engines—not locomotives—but practical working affairs, run by alcohol, by gasoline, by electricity—even a whole planing mill just ready for operation at the switching of a lever. Could experimental science go farther—than in the construction of this actual working wireless telegraph plant? I am informed that several telegraphers have tested the machinery. It is all complete, both sending and receiving station, even to the perforated tape.

Plenty for the girls. Now look at the girls' side of this happy land. Dolls! Yes, but such dolls. How many happy little mothers will clasp these beautiful babies to their hearts! And look at the articles provided for their comfort. It is surprising to learn that now-a-days these petted darlings sleep on woven-wire mattresses, are shielded from the weather by raincoats and rubbers, are provided with practical atomizers for their perfumes, and scented toilet soaps in minute boxes. They have kitchen aprons, too, for their early morning duties, furs for chilly days, jewelry, opera bags, and delightful absurdity, pink silk hose supporters.

Then even doll land has its comic supplement. Foxy Grandpa, Happy Hooligan and Sunny Jim, in a happy condition of unstable equilibrium which keeps them forever tumbling, and ignore dolls of dusky hue, clad only in a bit of fur.

Toy phonographs there are for the musical child; and not only trains running on a natural track, but inclined tracks up and down which tiny cars are propelled, and giant whirly and roller coasters of eccentric course. Tops and drums and books, doll kitchens, doll houses, doll's mission furniture, and a life-saving station with signal flags. All the toys that brains and money can produce are here in order, waiting only the happy giver who comes to purchase, and the happy child who receives. Toyland seems as happy as the "Never-never land" of Peter Pan, and surely there is gladness in store for many Portland boys and girls.

She Was Satisfied.

And why? Because her picture was correctly framed. Any picture can be ruined by improper framing. We are specialists in appropriate framing. Sanborn, Vall & Co., 179 First street.

JUST ONE MORE CHANCE TO WIN PRIZES IN THE SKIDOO CONTEST

"You are," writes S. T. Thomas to the puzzle editor: "you are"—Mr. Thomas writes from Astoria—"you are," and the hand that pens the lines seems to tremble with rage, "you are no lady."

Mr. Thomas apparently has reason to be angry at the puzzle editor; indeed, from what Mr. Thomas writes when his passion permits him to become coherent it seems that he has been the victim of a serious fault; but, while it is admitted that cause has been given for a display of passion, it is emphatically denied that Mr. Thomas, even when laboring under the stress of great excitement, has the right to say the puzzle editor is no lady. Mr. Thomas says he sent on last Sunday an answer to the skidoo problem, and that the puzzle editor has made no note of it, "although," Mr. Thomas continues, "it was personally addressed by me to the puzzle editor, and it was the correct solution to the problem. My answer was that the boy had 23 pennies. If you are trying to give the prize to some one else, all right, but I want to have it made plain that I sent in that answer last Sunday. Twenty-three pennies: I won't stand for any division of the first prize."

All the puzzle editor can say is that the answer sent by Mr. Thomas never reached the office, or if it did, it was consumed by the large dun rat that with unerring instinct consumes the best editorials, the most interesting news stories, and the most thrilling communications. This in addition: If Mr. Thomas' answer is right, there will be no division of the first prize, even if he does say the puzzle editor is no lady.

They All Say Twenty-Three. Of course, about 3,000 other members of the Journal's Skidoo club have sent in 23 for answer to the problem; indeed, from today's mail these are taken: E. T. Fray, Ashland; T. Robbs, Grants Pass; Mrs. R. G. Taylor, Vancouver, Washington; Samuel T. Scott, Albany; Richard Dexter, Ashland; Alice C. Cuneo, Albina; Ruby Crosby, 1923 Eldon street, Baker City; Thomas L. Pratt, Baker City; Sidney L. Smith, Vancouver; Gladys Crosby, Baker City; Harry Timms, Montavilla; Frank Wolf, general delivery, Portland. Indeed, some of the "23" members of the skidoo club have put their answers in verse, as witness the following from Earl Wilson, Estacada:

Father said: "Come here to me, Here are pennies twenty-three. Put them in two boxes," he said, "And my money's yours when I am dead." So the little boy studied and found one short

STATE PRINTING PLANT IS BEING INSTALLED

Printer-Elect Dunway Expects to Have it Ready When Legislature Meets.

The foundations for the new presses to be installed at the state capitol building by Willis C. Dunway, incoming state printer, are now nearing completion, according to Mr. Dunway, who has just returned from Salem, where he has been inspecting the work. Concrete bases are being laid for the new machinery ordered by Mr. Dunway from the east, and everything put in shape as rapidly as possible for the installation of the new plant purchased recently. The machinery and type and all necessary paraphernalia for the work of the state printer's office is rapidly reaching Portland and Salem from the eastern factories, and it is the expectation of the printer-elect to have everything installed and ready for business when the legislature opens on January 14.

And borrowed another from a thoroughbred sport.

"Then he said, 'The penny you lent me has gone skidoo for you; twenty-three for me.'"

The remarkable thing about the Skidoo puzzle is that so many different people have had so many different answers to it, and that so many find it easy while so many others insist that it is hard. For instance, young Harry Root, son of L. Root, 117 Seventh street, says: "Your Skidoo problem is very easy; the coin collector had 23 pennies."

James R. Bird, Rainier, says: "It took me a week to solve your problem, which is the hardest nut I ever tried to crack. I don't think more than three or four of the boys got it right. The man had 23 pennies."

Your puzzle is 'fairly good' as a pastime," writes Roy L. Simms, Seattle, "but it is easy when you know the how. The boy had 23 pennies." Mr. Simms explains how he got the solution, which is most convincing, and would be given here but it would hardly be fair to him as 23 may be the right answer.

This Is Different. G. Walter Palmer insists that the answer is 48,758,452,515,579,588,987; Mrs. Meta Coffman, Seaside, says it is 253; Charles L. Smith, son of Charley Smith, who has the O. K. stables at The Dalles, says he is only 13 years old, but he has the answer, and it is 529; Gracie Groves, 181 Hamilton avenue, says it is 69; B. M. Williboy, 519 Brooklyn street, gives 6,052,006,561; Nelta Gustafson, 459 Commercial, says 2,729,721,001; Mrs. F. M. Holmes, Gooseberry, says it is impossible to figure the problem, and Gladys Adamson, 450 Larabee street, says she got the answer easily, and that it is one and none left over.

Now, what can the poor puzzle editor do? Here are some others who sent replies: Mrs. Alice Mann, Woodstock; A. B. Johnson, Klondike; Dick Little La Grande; F. W. Middaugh, Spokane; C. W. Stephens, Orient; H. L. Crider, Dallas; Zella E. Hinkle, 603 East Eleventh street; Victor Melville, La Grande; E. L. Alapach, La Grande; Bert Jones, 123 Grand avenue; Grover C. Birchett, Albany; A. C. Palmer, Fenton building; J. E. Chuck, 316 Marguerite avenue, Montavilla; Hazel Wieden, 335 Cleveland avenue; Hugh Curtis, Cottage Grove; Charles Atchley, Spokane, Washington; Miss Lenore Sizemore, Burns, and Edna Porter, 67 Albina avenue; Richard D. Cogswell, 7 Second street; Alpha Simmons, Gervais.

Please do not forget that the Skidoo club will hold its last meeting Saturday night; no answers will be received after Sunday. The prizes are for the best solutions.

No arrangement has as yet been made for the disposition of the present plant being used by Mr. Whitney, and none perhaps will be until after Mr. Dunway takes charge of the office. As fast as the erection of the new plant necessitates the removal of any of the old, it will be set to one side out of the way until future disposal shall be made of it. In the meantime the state will confront the unique experience of having two complete printing plants in the state house when the legislature meets to organize on January 14.

Seaside Sunday Excursions. The A. & C. R. R. will run an excursion to Seaside and return every Sunday at the round-trip rate of \$1.50. Take advantage of the low rate and see the ocean. Tickets for sale during the week at 248 Alder street and at the union depot, Sunday morning.

Smallpox in Village. (Special Dispatch to the Journal.) North Powder, Or., Dec. 7.—The clerk of the Union county board of health has notified the county clerk that there is one distinct case of smallpox in North Powder. Reports say that there are several cases near here, and they are now being investigated.

A healthy man is a king in his own right; an unhealthy man is an unhappy slave. Burdock Blood Bitters builds up sound health—keeps you well.

FIRM SPLITS UP; FRAUD CHARGED

Business of Nathan & Wertheimer to Be Straightened Out in Court.

ALLEGED THAT MONEY AND GOODS ARE MISSING

Nathan Brothers Demand Receiver Be Appointed and the Wertheimers Restrained From Collecting Accounts and Withdrawing Firm's Money From Banks.

Extensive fraud is charged in the conduct of the firm of Nathan & Wertheimer, wholesale clothiers at 73 Front street, against D. L. Wertheimer and S. E. Wertheimer by A. E. Nathan and L. J. Nathan in a suit for an accounting which was filed in the state circuit court this morning.

The four parties to the suit constituted the board of directors of the corporation. It is alleged that in January of this year it was agreed to dissolve the corporation and close up its business. The assets of the firm were \$87,500, according to the complaint of the Nathans. These assets were being collected by A. E. Nathan and the two Wertheimers.

It is alleged that in August of last year an inventory was made by Wertheimer showing \$23,476 worth of merchandise on hand, when it was in fact worth only \$14,559. The complaint states that the \$18,917 shown by the inventory in excess of actual value of the stock is at present unaccounted for and the plaintiffs believe large amounts of the stock were fraudulently diverted to the use of the Wertheimers.

It is alleged also that prior to December, 1904, the Portland branch of the business earned a profit of \$20,000, but that the books of the concern were so manipulated by the Wertheimers as to show a large loss. The charge is made that the proceeds of the business were diverted to their own use by the defendants. S. E. Wertheimer is accused of fraudulently paying to himself \$1,700 as salary. Other allegations of fraudulent dealings are made.

The plaintiffs ask that an accounting be ordered; that the defendants be enjoined from withdrawing \$15,000 of the firm's money that is said to be on deposit in Portland and New York banks; that they be restrained from collecting accounts of the firm; and that a receiver be appointed to wind up the affairs of the firm during the pendency of the suit.

The Nathans also ask judgment against their associates for all amounts that were fraudulently diverted from the coffers of the firm. Attorneys Cake & Cake and Max G. Cohen appear for the plaintiffs.

Truth Needs No Trumpet

The clipping in this advertisement from last evening's Journal will give you a hint of how cheap we bought the entire \$50,000 Nathan & Wertheimer Co. fine wholesale clothing stock. We secured this entire stock from the factory and New York wholesale house at 620 Broadway and 154 Crosby street, besides the entire stock from the Portland wholesale storerooms at 73 Front street, at 47 1/2 PER CENT OF WHOLESALE VALUE. This elegant and meritorious big lot of fine clothing is now on sale at

The Red Front

N. W. Corner First and Salmon Streets

The crowds grow larger each day as the good news spreads among the public. No such bargain opportunity has ever been offered to the Portland people. Read the prices:

2000 Men's Fine Suits

Consisting of double and single breast sacks, black, blue, gray, brown, oxfords and fashionable plaids, checks and silk mixtures. These lots consist of all colors and kinds at each price. Owing to immense quantities, we cannot describe each lot separately. The prices quoted represent actual manufacturing cost (averaged) and is about one half regular retail prices or less.

- \$4.50 Big showing, \$10 retail values.
- \$6.50 Extensive display to \$12 retail values.
- \$8.50 Business and dressy suits to \$18 retail values.
- \$9.50 Elaborate line suits to \$20 retail values.
- \$11.50 Gigantic assortment to \$22.50 retail values.
- \$13.50 Over 1,000 suits, values to \$25 and \$27.50; some are even sold higher at retail.

Fall and Winter Overcoats and Cravenettes

This stock is in excess of 1,500 garments. The N. & W. Co. only manufactured the best and finest grades. Careful dressers will really appreciate the correctness of styles, workmanship and the richness of materials.

- \$7.50 Overcoats and Cravenettes to \$16 retail values. These garments are hand-tailored.
- \$9.75 Silk serge and Venetian lined Overcoats and all colors and kinds of Cravenettes to \$20 values.
- \$4.50 Medium heavy up to \$10 Overcoats.
- \$11.50 Select garments, Paddock Overcoats, French back and extra fine Cravenettes to \$25 value.
- \$13.50 The highest class of materials and finest styles and workmanship to \$30 values.

2800 Pairs Pants

Embracing the leading fabrics and styles of this year's Pantsdom. Prices quoted are less than one half retail value. Sizes from 27 to 36 inseam, 28 to 50 waist.

- 85¢ Hundreds—Splendid to \$2 Pants.
- \$1.50 Vast display of up to \$3 Pants.
- \$2.10 Extra good to \$4 values at retail.
- \$2.75 Best qualities average our \$5 retail value.

Boys' and Children's Suits

Double Sewed—Tape Seams—Guaranteed Not to Rip.

Sizes commencing at 3 years and up to 16 sizes—1,000 Suits. As this firm manufactured and wholesaled nothing but high class and novelty goods, the sizes naturally run accordingly. The finest silk velvets, serges, velours and real Scotch materials. Costly and elegantly trimmed, fashioned and tailored. In this department we will sell at an actual loss on manufacturer's cost.

- \$1.35 Represents Suits to \$3.50 retail value.
- \$1.85 Represents elegant Suits to fully \$4.00 value.
- \$2.40 Elaborate of \$5 or even better values.
- \$2.75 Elegant up to \$6 retail values.
- \$3.25 Tremendous display to \$7.50 value.
- \$3.85 Powerfully splendid to \$8.50 value.

Every Department

In the Red Front will ring with some big wholesaled reductions to match the great clothing bargains of the Nathan & Wertheimer stock—HATS, CAPS, SHOES, SHIRTS, UNDERWEAR, SOX, UMBRELLAS, SUSPENDERS, NECKWEAR, HANDKERCHIEFS, ETC., AT PRICES THAT WILL SOON PUT YOU IN BUYING HUMOR.

Just a Word of Common Sense

The sale of this great Nathan & Wertheimer Co. fine wholesale stock by the RED FRONT, Portland's Clothing Store with a quarter of a century reputation for square dealing, is the most powerful bargain event in Pacific coast clothing history. You get what we say and we say what we have got to sell. The reductions quoted here are not mythical, but facts—stubborn truths. That's why the people are coming in crowds to the great sacrifice sale of the Nathan & Wertheimer Co. stock.

OUTLET CLOTHING COMPANY

On some occasions the Double-Breasted Sack Suits are the proper caper. On other occasions one will appear well-dressed in a Single-Breasted Sack Suit. We are ready, whenever you are, to show you.



FOR YOUR HOLIDAY SUIT

For fit, finish, fashion and newest designs in fabrics, note our Morrison street display.

Our Finely Tailored Union-Made Suits and Overcoats at \$10 to \$15 (Note Our First Street Display)

Will be found most agreeable garments at exceedingly modest prices, and

The Latest Fashionable Designs will be Discerned in Our Suits and Overcoats at \$16.50 to \$25

Remember THE OUTLET'S intention, as has been stated, is and always will be, to give our patrons

"THE BEST THAT'S MADE IN MEN'S APPAREL" FOR THE LEAST MONEY

WE CARE FOR YOUNG MEN'S TRADE, and can show in this class of goods that which will appeal to young men. We make a specialty of buying fabrics which are strictly suitable in their make-up for young men, and not for 40 or 50-year old trade. If you want a nice Holiday Suit, try THE OUTLET for one of its

Finely Tailored Union Made \$10 TO \$15 SUITS FOR YOUNG MEN THEY HAVE NO EQUAL



Special Agents Wonderful Union Made Wilbur \$3 Hat

Which for style, finish and durability is the peer of all. If looking for a pair of high-grade trousers for the holidays, we question if the Sweet-Orr Union-Made brand can be excelled. We can show this line at from \$3.50 to \$7.50 per pair, and will supply a new pair if they rip.

The Outlet Shoe at \$3.50 and \$4

Is another of our Union-Made articles of fit, style and durability. If you buy one pair of these shoes, you will never thereafter wear any other kind.

THE OUTLET invites you to inspect its holiday lines in new designs of

Neckwear, Handkerchiefs and Hosiery

Among which every desire of man or boy will be found, at prices that will compel the buyer to call again, and likewise tell his friends about this new store.



OUTLET CLOTHING COMPANY

NORTHEAST CORNER FIRST AND MORRISON STREETS