Interstate Commerce Commissioner Clark Says Myendorf's Charges Fell Flat.

NO SENATOR INVOLVED BY EVIDENCE PRESENTED

Statesmen Not Implicated by Clear or Direct Evidence Given During Investigation of Utah Coal Land Frauds at Salt Lake.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Washington, Dec. 21.—Commissione
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commission has returned from the west, where he conducted the examinations at Omaha, Salt Lake City, Denver and Pueblo under the Tillman resolution relative to the ownership of coal lands and mines by railroad companies.

Commissioner Clark's attention was called to newspaper reports of the hearings, to the effect that the testimony was submitted by Special Land Agent Myendorf that Senafors Warren and Clark of Wyoming had attempted to improperly influence him, Myendorf, from continuing the investigations he was making of alleged fraudulent efforts of the Union Pacific Coal company to obtain patents for coal lands in Wyoming. Asked if these press reports were correct, Commissioner Clark said:

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"While some correspondence was placed in evidence at the Sait Lake hearing by one witness from which the deduction might be drawn that several members of the senate and others high in government authority were interested in getting these patents for the company, yet it seemed to me that this deduction was largely the interpretation of the witness himself and to my mind no clear or definite evidence of any kind was given involving any senator of the United States or other high officers of the government in any questionable act or expression."

SENTIMENT FOR WORKING CONVICTS ON ROADS

Good Roads Convention Reveals This Fact-Old Officers Reelected.

In the convention passed is resolution asking the president of the Second Roads association were reelected last night at the annual election.

The convention passed a resolution asking the president of the association to appoint a committee to present to the coming session of the legislature an appeal for better roads.

One of the results of the convention was to develop the fact that the sentiment in favor of working convicts on the public roads is widespread.

Following are the association's reelected officers: John H. Scott, president; Henry Thielsen, socretary; Judge C. J. Trenchard, treasurer.

The Union County Good Roads association elected John L. Caviness president, Ed Reynolds secretary and treasurer; J. M. Gilkerson of North Powder, W. F. Wright of Union, Walter Pierce of La Grande, C. G. Stackland of Cove, St. L. McKinnis of Imbier and J. T. Galloway of Elgin, vice-presidents. Com-

stronger than the one of last year.

The first debate in the league will take place the middle of March and the C. debate has not yet been decided upon.

THE GREAT

CONTRALTO IS COMING

January 7th

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Sherman, Clay & Co. are the largest
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Our stores are well stocked with the best cigar values in the world.

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Orlando, Blamarch Size, box of 25, \$2.50. Havana-American, Panetela Size, box of 50, \$5.00.

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If it's a Pipe you want we can show you everything under the sun in that line pipes of all makes and at all prices.

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147 THIRD STREET.



Christmas Dinner.

A dinner that shall combine the standard and approved dishes, yet have J. L. McKinnis of Imbler and J. T. Galloway of Eigin, vice-presidents. Committee on permanent organization, Turner Oliver, chairman; Ed Reynolds, E. Z. Corbine. C. D. Huffman of La Grande, and J. M. Selder of Cova.

M'MINNVILLE TEAMS

FOR DEBATE CHOSEN

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Those winning places on the league team were J. C. Austin, leader; G. L. Tilbury, T. E. Anderson, The O. A. C. team is composed of W. C. Campbell, E. A. Nott and S. W. Baboock.

The league team is without doubt stronger than the one of last year.

The first debate in the league and the college in the league team only for an appetizer. Consomme, made of beef and veal, strained and ready to only for an appetizer. Consomme, made of beef and veal, strained and ready to use on reheating, requires little thought and time on the day of the dinner. A few drops of kitchen bouquet gives it

the required color.
Croutons are easily made from stale croutons are easily made from stale bread, lightly browned in butter. Grate cheese, mix with one tablespoonful of butter and one of tomato catsup and spread over the croutons. Before serv-ing, place them in the oven to heat and serve on a hot plate. Potatoes may have a style a little different from that of every day. Boll without median of every day. Holl without peeling, when cold remove the skins, and fry, whole, in deep fat until brown. Chopped parsley sprinkled over them gives a good appearance and flavor.

Stuffed onlons may also be prepared the day before. Steam them and when

the day before. Steam them and when cold remove the hearts, chop fine with any bits of cold meat, two tablespoonfuls of fine bread crumbs, one apple chopped fine, and season highly. Put carefully in a baking dish and cook about half an hour. Five minutes before serving put a small piece of butter

fore serving put a small plece of butter on top of each onion.

A jar of preserved cherries may be used instead of, or mixed with the maraschino. Chop the fruit and add some of the syrup cooked thick. Serve cold, on top of the plain ice. It is pretty served in tall glasses. A sponge cake may be passed with it.

An Orris-Root Ring. The small boy is really forlorn when it comes to making Christmas presents for mother. He wants to give her some Only Two More Days Before Xmas-Down Goes the Price on All Holiday Goods

Every single dollar's worth to go regardless of value. Prices half and third. You can't afford to overlook this sale if you have Toys to buy.

Go where you will, get the lowest prices elsewhere—shop around, get posted—then come here and you'll find everything at one third to one half what others ask. Every Toy in the store has been marked down—down to a point that leaves no doubt of your buying the minute you see it. Whatever you do, don't buy Toys till you see what we have to offer. Here's but a few out of the thousands of bargains, and everything else goes just as cheap.

Finest Dolls

Mechanical Toys | Candles 5c Box

Dolls' Shoes

Big 9c Table

Every Doll at One-Third Off Just 152 Samples Finest Boil-

ANOTHER BIG SCOOP-50 DOZEN Men's \$1.75 All Silk Fancy Musslers

Only 600 of them and in order that no one shall be disappointed we limit each customer to two—Large full size and all silk, beautiful fancy patterns or plain, good weight; every one a \$1.25 value and none worth less. Choice 69c each. And 69c to \$1.25 more flower. for \$1.25 mufflers is a bargain so great that every one should be gone before noon.

Half Price for **Xmas Neckwear**

Clearance of our entire line of Women's dainty Neek Dressings, all fancy styles, all colors; fluffy silk and lace combinations; many in fancy boxes. All go like this: All 50c 25c | All \$1.00 48c

Women's Silk Embroidered Hosiery Half Price

Hundreds of pairs to go and we out the price exactly in half to clear it in a day—Finest French lisle, elegantly silk embroidered. Out they go—Half price buys them to-morrow: Choice: \$2.00 GRADES | \$1.50 GRADES | \$1.00 GRADES

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\$1.00

BARGAINS

In Xmas Goods

Gifts for everybody at a big saving. Reductions of one third to one half on all Holi-

day Goods.
75c and \$1 large oval gilt and fancy framed Pictures, cut to 39c

Child's 25c and 35c Xmar

and Story Books, all 19c

500 children's linen A B C Books; worth to 15c; 7c

choice7c

Fancy Jewel Boxes, velvet lined; samples of \$1.98

1,000 fancy Desk Blotters; samples and odd lots; 23c worth to \$1, for 23c

1 lot sample Vases; worth up to 50c; choice of 19c

shoice...........\$1.69

\$1.50 and \$2 sample Rogers Silverware — Meat Forks Gravy Ladles,

etc.....890

Boys' 50c steel blade Pocker Knives. Pick 'em 25.

Stocking Bags 39c

Glove Books \$1.25

25c A. D. China Cups 9C

lot sample Doll Hats; w'th

500 satin covered Pin Cush

\$1 Jewel Set Back

\$1 Ink Stands, with

25c Japanese

Real French China Cups and

50c



DELAYED BY FREIGHT AND JUST RECEIVED

5.000 Lbs. Xmas Candies

They should have been here a month ago, but they just arrived two days ago. Of course, we refused to accept them. So large a quantity is almost impossible to sell in two days, and now the maker wires us "Sell it at any price"—so tomorrow we begin the greatest candy sale you've

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50c Musk Lozenges, Ib 25¢ 25c Jelly Beans, lb 15¢ 35c Burnt Peanut Candy, lb. . 18¢ 25c box Mixed Candy......14¢ Best 35c Chocolates, 19¢ lb., or

Open Every Evening Until Xmas

ANOTHER STORE CROWDING OFFER Plain and Fancy 20c and 25c Ribbons IOc Yd

It's a cleanup of thousands of yards and includes Rib-bons of every kind; plain, fancies, moires, plaids, bor-ders, etc; 3, 4 and 5 inches wide, many of them the finest and best, for all are odd lots we've marked sen-

Clearance of Xmas Umbrellas at Half

All our finest and best-for Men and Women; beautifu and exquisite Xmas Umbrelias; handles are the pretties you've ever seen—gold, pearl and fancy handles; fine pure silk covers; all \$6.50 values, and none

All \$4.00 \$1.98 | All \$2.00 95c

Big Cuts on Christmas Leather Goods

Every remaining line at prices to sell them in a day. Everything goes like this: All \$2 Solid Leather Hand Bags \$1.19
All \$1 Latest Novelty Hand Bags 59¢
\$2 Leather Glove Books; samples 98¢

An Exciting Saturday Sale of Seventy-Eight Women's \$12 and \$15 Long Coats 4.98 They're the odd lots of one of the best makers and include some of the pret-

tiest shown this season. All the long three quarter and seven eighth lengths in handsome novelty plaids and checks, rich browns, grays, etc., silk and satin lined yokes, fancy velvet and strap trimmings. Really elegant garments and Coats much finer than you expect to get at such a ridiculous price. All \$12 and \$15 values, but there's only 78 in all, and early choosing is advisable if you want the best. Choice, \$6.98.

CLEARING WOMEN'S SUITS

Many of our finest, worth up to \$20 and even \$25, now \$12.98 for choice. These include the best of this season's styles; nobby, jaunty Eton, pony and box Jackets, in plain and fancy materials; many nicely trimmed; all fully tailored; Jackets all silk lined. Pick out the finest of these. Choose a \$20 or even \$26 suit if you want, and \$12.98 buys the best. Odds and ends of Long Kimonos: Broken lines of Women's 98C worth up to \$3, at, choice, \$1.25 \$2 Short Kimonos. Pick 98C

100 WOMEN'S SAMPLE DRESS SKIRTS All samples; all 1 of a kind; made of best all wool materials in mixtures and plaids; latest models and including handsome plaited effects; all \$7.50 to \$12 values. \$4 40

Choice, \$6.50, \$5.79 and

Waists \$6.49

\$12 Plaid Silk

penders in fancy

Xmas Gifts

At Reduced Prices

All holiday goods at one third to one half off. Thou-sands of other things besides these. Read on.

Manufacturer's odd lots o Women's fancy Lace Collars;

Metal frame and burnished

gold Medallion Fre-tures; 50c values. 23C 75c Jap. metal Crumb Trays, all fancy styles; choice 45c of the lot. Women's 50c Silk Elastic Belts, with fancy 29c

Belts, with fancy buckle..... 29c
Just 6 Carving Sets: worth

gold Medallion Pic-

worth up to

At Big Savings Why pay regular prices elsewhere when you can buy like this and at the same time have everything guaranteed, too, and a Golden Eagle guarantee means satisfaction or money back.

Groceries

25c bottle Imported Olives; while 50 bottles last, sp'l. To Reg. 10c can Cream, 2 for 15c 15c pkg. Triscuit Toast. 10c Large 10c can B. T. Babbit's Reg. 40c Ground Spices per for Fairy Boap, Ivory Soap

Wanted! 100 Extra Salesmen and Salesladies

Apply at once, whether you have had experience or not makes no difference-Any one can sell Xmas goods the way we are sacrificing them now.

49c for Men's 75c **XMAS NECKWEAR** In Fancy Box



Our regular 75c grade and just the same others sell at a dollar; made of finest silks and satins; tecks and four-in-hands. Every one in a fancy box, and thousands to choose from.

49c

PANCY SOCKS Just in-100 dozen Men's regular \$1.25 Laundered Shirts at 89c-

Clearance of All XMAS SLIPPERS



Every pair marked down—Only two days more to clear out over 2,000 pair and every price has been cut to the Misses' and Children's

Felt Juliets in red and black, all sizes; worth up to \$1.25. 69c Choice, pair, 78¢ and......

Men's Slippers Must Go
No price too low to clear them out—All kinds, all styles; Opera
and Everett cuts; best leathers; fancy and patent leather trimmed; black and colors; many all kid lined; slippers worth 59c \$1 and up to \$2.50. While they last, pr., \$1.49, 98¢ and

STORE OPEN LATE TOMORROW NIGHT

This is tied into a big bow at the top. This is tied into a big bow at the top. The fragrance is exquisite and lasts being able to accomplish this feat, car rainy day.

If the girl who is earning her own the case with the Christmas sachet. The orris ring is intended to be hung in a wardrobe where it diffuses its delicious seent long after the Christmas festivible.

Leep away from the latter locality, an occasional fuse with papa, cares to risk it with these fixed and advise her to be accomplish this feat, car rainy day.

If the girl who is earning her own to the shopping district; we will allow who procures the same by the simple process of helping mother and having an occasional fuse with papa, cares to risk it with these fixed in the contraction of the paper. The fragrance is exquisite and lasts really for years, which is not always orris ring is intended to be hung in a wardrobe where it diffuses its delicious scent long after the Christmas festivities are a thing of the past. . . .

Aunt Rebekah'5s Letter.

My Dear Camilia: So you are en-gaged. Well. I should like to send you my congratulations, my dear niece, but gaged. Well. I should like to send you my congratulations, my dear niece, but weekly newspaper, 11 cents.

I shall withhold them for the present.

Let no "Sweet Girl Graduate" of a cooking school, nor her economically inclined sister, be deceived. That you can prepare a dinner for four at the rate of 10 cents per capita and a breakfast for these, it gives but \$26 a year, or \$13 to the that amount is no proof that you can marry a \$10-a-week man, start housekeeping in a large city and "live liness, or many gold fillings or crowns, happily ever after."

feel like flying off somewhere; not cluding the fund for the inevitable

Suppose you rent, say, three rooms at 19 per month; 12 per week. Allow in the face let her go ahead. But, take this warning with you: Don't go in light and heat; 25 cents per week for larveters the suppose of the sup in the face let her go ahead. But, take this warning with you: Don't go in debt, for that way destruction lies! 75 cents per week the year round for light and heat; 25 cents per week for laundry—the wife doing the greater portion of it herself—and the delly and weekly newspaper, 11 cents.

Now, there come occasional calls for medicine, and when one of your teeth starts to ache and you feel like smash-

and will write soon to your affectionate
AUNT REBEKAH.

. . . New Things in Silk.

Not waists over plaid silk linings at

and body of waist is made of velvet ribbon to harmonize with one of the shades. Black and white plaid silks. broken and irregular, with thrown up stripes of white satin, edged either with cream or black velvet ribbon, are one of the simple yet pretty jhings. They are cool and attractive in lavender gray or white velvet ribbon and silver buttons. The misty black walst is a serviceable

possession. Lining silk of the thinnest kind is bought for these-just near enough to transparent so that the white underneath shows cloudily through, Black spotted net in an exceedingly small quality makes one, and if one happens to have enough black thread lace or gulpure edge to sew into a small yoke and collar the most attractive of walsts may be made cheaply. Coarse net trimmed with black velvet ribbon net trimmed with black velvet ribbon and made over chiffon is one of the simple kinds that can be made easily, while, as in other blacks, plenty of nice needlework shows, and the fine Brussels net, depending for ornamentation on many little shirrings and narrow gathered tucks, makes daintily attractive waists.

Second C. T.—I can tell you something more singular than that. My wife awoke one night while I was away. thinking she heard a burglar in the room, and she says she was so fright-ened that her feeth chattered in a tum-bler on the bureau.

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