

The Great Clothing Sale Is On.

The marvelous offerings during the past two weeks have been so liberally responded to by our many patrons that we have been inspired to still greater efforts for the balance of the month.

- Men's all wool suits \$3.85
- Men's all wool suits 4.85
- Men's all wool cheviot suits 6.85
- Men's fancy worsted and serge suits 7.85
- Men's all wool blue serge and cheviot suits, single and double breasted 9.85

It will be well for you to remember that this is a January Clearance Sale and cannot last much longer.

Hats. Hats.

The latest styles and latest shapes at clearance sale prices.

All Goods Marked in Plain Figures.

Dry Goods Department.

Our inventory sale is in progress and we have sales each day on special lines to clear them out that we may have room for a large and well selected stock of

SPRING GOODS

that have been bought, but do not get the impression that there are not a great many good things to be bought cheap that are an absolute necessity the year round. Today we are offering a swell line of

Plaid Skirt Patterns at \$5.13

that cannot be bought cheaper at any time of the year.

PEASE & MAYS

ARTESIAN WELLS.

The State Will Be Asked for Funds to Help in Experimenting.

At the last session of the state legislature, a bill was introduced by the late representative Sydney G. Hawson, of Gilliam county, asking the state to appropriate \$42,000 to help along the work of boring artesian wells throughout the semi-arid lands of Oregon. At that time the idea was looked upon more as an experiment than otherwise, but lately it has been pretty thoroughly demonstrated that the plan is feasible, and the matter is again being brought forth for discussion.

The bill introduced by Mr. Hawson passed the lower house, but met defeat in the senate. Its defeat has in no wise dampened the ardor of its promoters, and, when the next session convenes, they hope successfully to carry it through and get aid from the state toward defraying the expenses of the experimenting.

The counties that will be directly affected by this proposition are Sherman, Crook, Waco, Gilliam, Morrow, Grant, Baker, Union, Willows, Malheur, Lake, Klamath, and Umatilla. Like this county, each of the others possesses vast districts in which there is practically no water, and, in many instances, ranchers are compelled to haul water in barrels and tanks for miles for household and other purposes. Umatilla county is probably more fortunate in this respect than a great many others; but even here, there are numerous instances where the farmers who own ranches on the bench lands are compelled to haul water for several miles.

In some of the other counties it is reported to be even worse, in some cases water being carried in tanks from 12 to 14 miles. A case of this kind is said to exist in Gilliam county, a rancher there being obliged to haul water 14 miles for household purposes and for the watering of stock. To keep this up requires the constant services of one man and four horses. Dozens of other cases are cited being nearly as bad.

Those promoting the idea claim that underlying these territories there are vast deposits of artesian water.

The ranchers, however, do not feel justified in experimenting at their own expense, but should they receive aid from the state a number would have wells sunk. They realize the great advantages that would result and the value it would add to their farms, but they do not feel justified in undertaking the work alone. A great many ranchers claim they would not hesitate a moment to expend their money in boring for artesian water, but they first desire to have it demonstrated that the plan is feasible. It is to demonstrate this fact that the state will be called upon to lend its aid, and an appropriation will be asked for. The promoters of the measure contend that the state will be the principal gainer, as the lands will become much more valuable when once water is obtained on them. Valuation would naturally increase, more taxes would be paid, and thus increase the revenue of the state's treasury.—E. O.

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LATE WAR NEWS.

Warren Captured Spionkop Wednesday Night, But Withdrew Last Night.

An associated dispatch received this afternoon is to the effect that Warren's troops captured Spionkop Wednesday night, being inveigled into it by the Boers, who, having big guns planted on all surrounding kopjes, immediately opened a shell fire that made it too hot for them. On Thursday night, under cover of darkness, Warren withdrew with his troops. The English losses are given as 24 killed, 154 wounded and 31 missing. Gen. Woodgate was dangerously wounded.

Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal's agent at Paris, said Boer losses were 212 killed and 1000 wounded.

A dispatch from London says: "Greatest anxiety here. Reports that heavy battle is progressing near Ladysmith and Boers resisting. British losses believed very heavy."

VOGT Opera House

F. J. Clarke, Manager.

Friday & Saturday
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Howling, Side-Splitting,
Screamingly Funny.

200 Nights in Chicago. 250 Nights in New York. 1,000,000 people have seen it.

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FRIDAY - JANUARY 26, 1900

Oysters

Served in every style by A. KELLER.

WAYSIDE GLEANINGS.

"A Cheerful Liar" At the Vogt opera house tonight. Admission—children, 25; general 35; reserved seats 50 cents.

Tomorrow is "men's day" at A. M. Williams & Co.'s. Read their ad.

All kinds of pastry for sale by the good Intent tomorrow at Cross' store.

Smoking jackets and bath robes at special prices tomorrow. A. M. Williams & Co.

Fashionable, double-breasted fancy vests, worth \$2.50, only \$1.25 tomorrow at A. M. Williams & Co.'s. Read their ad.

The curtain will rise at the Vogt tonight at 8 o'clock sharp. To prevent annoying the audience everyone should be in their seats at that time.

"Crazy" Brown is still in chains in his cell at the county jail, and the officers think a generous dose of shackles will do much toward curing him of the insanity fever.

While we have had quite a little frost the past few nights, it is said no damage has been done the fruit so far, and that none may be expected until the thermometer gets down about zero.

The Astoria bowling team will arrive in the city tomorrow evening and at 8 o'clock the contest game with the club team will take place. The ladies are especially invited to be present and witness the games.

At the last club dancing party a good umbrella was left in the gentlemen's dressing room. "Tom" has taken good care of it, and brought it to this office for advertising. The owner can have it by calling and paying for this ad.

Tonight is the date for Dr. Geisenboller's lecture on "Bacteriology" before the Students' Literary Club. They extend an invitation to all to be present, as it will no doubt interest everyone. Music has also been prepared for the occasion.

Monday evening a lively temperance rally will take place at the Methodist church, in which the different churches will participate. The occasion is the visit of Mrs. Mattie Graves, state president of the Washington W. C. T. U. It is intended to make the meeting one of great interest to all, and the public is most cordially invited to be present.

A large number of our K. of P. boys

attended The Dalles lodge last Monday night, and visited with the grand officers and members from other lodges who were present. A royal good time reported, and every one of the Hood River boys came home satisfied that the trip paid them well.—Sun.

It was, to say the least, unkind, but the following conversation was heard on Second street today: "When are you going out home?" "O, tomorrow. I want to stay over and see 'A Cheerful Liar' tonight." "Well, I declare! Why don't you buy a mirror and take it along, so you can enjoy a continued engagement?" And the speaker darted into a store near by.

Last night the water commissioners met to put the finishing touches on the water bond question by considering the matter of floating the bonds. A form of advertisement was introduced by Moore and on motion of Fish was adopted. On motion of Moore the matter of advertising for bids for sale of bonds was placed in the hands of the president and secretary. No further business was considered.

A three-year-old boy, son of Engineer Evans of the motor line between Albina and St. John's climbed on, the motor, in the absence of his father, and made a six mile run to Albina without accident Wednesday. Lack of steam and a heavy grade caused the engine to slow down before the end of the track was reached and a motorman succeeded in boarding the engine and stopping it within a few feet of the terminus.

Prof. S. P. Barrett, of Salt Lake, brother to the late Dr. P. G. Barrett, has been here since the funeral but expects to visit a daughter in North Yakima before returning to Utah. He has followed his profession as teacher for forty-two years. He taught at The Dalles four years, and at Baker City eight years. Lately he has been sojourning with a daughter in Salt Lake, where he went for his health, and which he seems to have entirely regained.—Glacier.

A gentleman who arrived in the city yesterday from Sumpter reports a great deal of sickness in the famous little town. Smallpox is very numerous and many are leaving on that account, while there are many severe and fatal cases of pneumonia. Smallpox is also prevalent at Baker City. And yet the papers are mum on the question. The Spokesman-Review of Spokane has adopted the right course in giving the exact truth in regard to the disease in that city, and aptly says "it is the unknown that strikes terror to the human heart," and to tell the truth is the best policy.

Like their leader, the bimetalists who were so badly beaten in a debate recently at the Students' Literary Club, refuse to be downed, and now bob up serenely, claiming that it "wasn't fair," and that they were not given time enough, so they took their "doll rage and went home." They also deeply regret that Mr. Gourlay declined to accept the challenge of Mr. Flood to debate the money question on another date. Mr. Gourlay

claims that not an argument which he advanced was met by the opposition on the former occasion, then why should they again desire to be downed. It would be a useless waste of the society's time.

That a bad penny always returns has been verified by the experience of the officers at the city headquarters yesterday. Carl Matson, the drunk who was discharged on a promise of reformation, was brought back by Phirman last night and fined \$10 worth of work at the wood pile. Sam Severson is another miscreant who returned, and is now working out his \$2 fine on the sewer. Tim Kelsay was also arrested for vagrancy and discharged. John Ryan's whiskey must have been very sour, for he went into the I. X. L. restaurant and began drinking his coffee out of a sugar bowl; when the manager objected he proceeded to sweeten the entire room by sprinkling the room with the sweet substance. Phirman appeared on the scene and took him where sugar is minus. This morning he paid his \$2 fine.

PEOPLE YOU ALL KNOW.

J. H. Bowen, of Fossil, is in town today.

R. F. Gibbons returned last night from Portland.

Miss Myra Helm came up from Portland last night.

J. H. Dethman came up from Bingen (not on the Rhine, but the Columbia) last night.

Mrs. W. H. Moody returned last night from a few days' visit with relatives in Portland.

E. Peck, father of Mrs. B. A. Gifford, was a passenger on this morning's boat for Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Haworth went down to Stevenson this morning on a business trip.

Mrs. M. A. Ewing left on the boat this morning to visit with her son, who is a lawyer in Vancouver.

Miss Bessie Lang, who has made a three weeks' visit with friends in Portland, returned on last night's boat.

J. W. Howard and W. Wurzeiler, prominent business men of Prineville, came in from that place yesterday.

Miss Virginia Marden, who has spent the past few weeks visiting the family of E. L. Smith in Hood River, returned home last night.

Frank McFarland, who has been insuring his old friends and many new ones, during the past week, returned to his home in Portland yesterday.

D. M. Gaunt, who formerly owned the Goldendale stage line, but now has a line out of Roseburg, came up from that place last night and left this morning for Klickitat county.

A. F. Evick, postmaster at Victor, spent yesterday in The Dalles. He gives the same reports received from every section regarding the mildness of the winter and its effect upon vegetation. The bunchgrass is making its appearance two months earlier than usual and everything looks promising.

Lost.

Somewhere either on Ninth, Union or Second street, as far east as Washington, a gold enameled pin; crescent shaped. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office, or Mrs. Phillips' millinery store.

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- California Sweet Potatoes,
- Celery, Beets,
- Turnips, Rutabagas,
- Also Oranges,
- Bananas, Lemons.

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Seed Wheat, Seed Oats, Seed Rye, Seed Barley, Seed Buckwheat, Seed Corn, King Phillip Corn, Stowell's Evergreen Corn, Early Minnesota Corn, Kaffir Corn, Egyptian Corn,

White Hoping Corn, Early Rose Potatoes, Burbank Potatoes, Spring Vetches, Bromo Grass, Cheap Chicken Wheat, Poultry Food, Bee Supplies.

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