

# WHY PRICES ARE BEING REDUCED

### Women and Men Quit Buying and Wear Old or Cheap Clothes

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Regarding the spreading wave of price reductions, Assistant Attorney General Garvan announced tonight that the government's efforts at hunting down profiteering merchants through investigation of profits made by individual stores had been extended to more than a score of cities. Tactics employed by the "flying squadron" of the department of justice in New York were being employed, he

said, in the larger cities from coast to coast. While Mr. Garvan declared he was gratified at the price drop, reported in nearly every community and did not believe the department "deserved too much of the credit," he would not endorse claims of some merchants that they were actuated by patriotic motives. "That stuff is the purest buncombe," Mr. Garvan said. "If they are patriotic, now where was their patriotism a year ago when prices were going up and—incidentally, those fellows were making more and more money."

"There are three things responsible for this clamor of merchants to get on the band wagon of falling prices: The women of the country have stopped buying articles at exorbitant prices; men are wearing former cast off clothing and shoes; the market has broken, something which could not be avoided, and a lot of people saw indictments for profiteering coming. I saw that a few, if any, of the merchants were sure that the department's agents were not at the moment gathering evidence on their stores. They simply saw the light."

Mr. Garvan said that the women and the press of the country had formed a "combination" to break the power of the profiteer and he believed they had succeeded. While the downward trend may not continue as rapidly as it now appears, Mr. Garvan said he believed the peak had been passed and that a "general recession had set in which might go a long way toward re-establishing a normal condition."

But, he explained, "normal" must not be construed to mean pre-war price levels.

Vote For Wrightman Urged  
Editor Statesman: It will be a very graceful thing for the city of Salem and Marion county to give to Frank T. Wrightman a practically unanimous vote for delegate to the national Republican convention from this congressional district. Mr. Wrightman has lived in this county nearly all his life and he has been at all times since attaining maturity a man of strict integrity, reliability of character, genuine loyalty, forceful ability and intelligent, uncompromising Republicanism. He will faithfully represent the best sentiment of the state of Oregon in choosing a candidate for the presidency and he will reflect credit on his home county and district. Neighboring friendship will be deserved and local pride in a good citizen should inspire every Republican voter to place a cross before Frank Wrightman's name today.  
—Republican Friend.

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It's entirely new and different  
**TAYLOR HOLMES**  
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**NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH**  
TODAY—TOMORROW  
**LIBERTY**  
SUNDAY—  
SOLDIERS OF FORTUNE

## Baptist Minister Unable to Fill Local Pulpit

Owing to the fact that Rev. Mr. Hooper, of Riverside, Calif., was unable to accept a call to the local Baptist pulpit, that church is, for the present, without a minister.

For the last few Sundays temporary speakers have been invited to address the congregation in order that services might go on as usual. Rev. Mr. Hooper has been afflicted with throat trouble for some time and felt it impossible to move from his California home to a less dry climate.

## Armour Investigation Proceeding at Spokane

SPOKANE, Wash., May 20.—Presentation of evidence in the case brought by the federal trade commission against Armour and company, charging violation of the Clayton act in the purchase by the Armours of the E. H. Stanton Packing plant here in 1917, was concluded here today before an examiner of the commission.

Arguments will be presented later in Washington, it was announced. Walter D. Roberts, president of the local union stockyards, testified today that competition has increased since the purchase. He testified to an increase in livestock sales of 400 per cent since 1917.

Read the Classified Ads.

# U. OF W. PITCHER STRIKES OUT 15

### Score Resulted, Oregon 2, Washington 6, at Eugene

EUGENE, Or., May 20.—University of Washington won the baseball game from University of Oregon here this afternoon by the score of 6 to 2. Captain Chamberlain, who occupied the mound for the visitors, pitched gilt edged ball, striking out 15 Oregon batters.

Score:  
Washington . . . . . 6 12 1  
Oregon . . . . . 2 7 4  
Chamberlain and Land; Jacobberger and Leslie.

## Seizure of Automobiles Is Risk to the Dealers

Insurance companies cannot insert riders in their policies protecting automobile dealers against confiscation of cars that are seized by officials for carrying liquor, Attorney General Brown informs A. C. Barber, state insurance commissioner. The attorney general explains that such a clause would be against the public policy in that it would encourage lawlessness and lessen the diligence of sellers of automobiles. The dealers are complaining that automobiles so seized, are often not entirely paid for, and when confiscated by the government are a financial loss to the dealers.

## Robertson's Store at Turner Is Burglarized

Between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock Thursday morning the general store of L. L. Robertson at Turner was entered by burglars and several hundred dollars worth of merchandise taken. The thieves gained entrance to the store by cutting a panel out of the rear door and the loot carried away consisted of several dozen pairs of shoes, pocket knives, Ingersoll watches, fountain pens, overalls, work trousers and cigars and cigarettes valued at \$100. Later the thieves tried to break into the Moore Brothers' store but were frightened away when their efforts to force an entrance awoke Frank Moore, who was sleeping in the store. Mr. Moore hurried to the street but arrived only in time to see the two men jump into an automobile and speed away. Mr. Moore described the men as being very large.

Sheriff W. I. Needham was notified and hurried to the scene at once but no trace of the robbers could be found.

## Charter Is Issued for New Bank at Dalles

Will H. Bennett, state superintendent of banks, yesterday issued a charter for the new Wasco County bank of The Dalles. It is capitalized at \$100,000. George C. Blakeley is president, T. H. West vice president and E. E. Fitzwater cashier. The directors are Blakeley, West, R. L. Stevens, Dr. H. C. Dodds and J. Parke Bolton.

This is the institution toward which Bennett was accused of showing favors when promoters of the proposed Citizens bank of The Dalles failed to obtain the approval of Bennett. Bennett was upheld by the banking board.

## Government Foreign Loan Improper seU Tax Power

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Suggestion by Senator Owen, Democrat, Oklahoma, that the United States facilitate extension of commercial credits to Europe brought forth the senate today criticism of proposals that the government itself should lend money to European governments or nationals. "Do I understand the senator to be advocating the direct loan of money by the United States government to European governments?"

# ONE MAN SHOT IN COAL RIOTS

### Labor Disorders Result in Two Arrests—Miners Fire From Woods

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Today's shooting occurred at Lynn, a small mining village three miles from Matewan. According to reports from Lynn, two men, said to be Baldwin-Felts detectives, were walking along a road near a dense wood when a volley of shots was fired. One of the men, "Bud" McCoy, was shot in the thigh and escaped and went to a hospital at Welch. The man who accompanied McCoy was not injured.

A corrected list of the dead as a result of yesterday's battle compiled by authorities follows:  
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## BANKERS WAR ON HIGH PRICES

### Present Movement Largely Necessary Readjustment of Values

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## Gorman-Brown Fight a Whirl-Wind Draw

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—Joe Gorman, Portland featherweight, and Young Brown of Los Angeles, fought ten rounds to a draw in the main event of the Portland boxing commission smoker held at the armory tonight. The fight was the greatest ever staged in this city with plenty of action throughout the ten rounds.

In the semi-windup of eight rounds, Puggy Morton of Los Angeles was awarded the decision over Pete Michle of Portland. They are lightweights.

Frank Monaco of Los Angeles and Weldon Wing, a local featherweight, went eight rounds to a draw. Ted Hoke, Portland featherweight, stopped Nell Zimmerman, another local boy, in the third round of a scheduled four round go. Johnny Fugate and Jimmy Moscow, local lightweights, drew in the four round curtain raiser.

## NEW CONTESTS FROM SOUTH

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## New Sale Plan Submitted To U. S. Shipping Board

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Terms of sales recommended by Mr. Meyer call for ten per cent cash on delivery of the ship, with payments at the rate of five per cent semi-annually for three years, the balance to be payable in 12 equal yearly installments.

During the course of payment for vessels purchased under these terms, earnings above an adequate return on the capital invested by the purchasers would be applied on the purchase price. Interest would be at the rate of six per cent yearly, and title would remain in the board until most of the purchase price had been paid.

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the lateness of shearing and the delayed arrival of wool here, due to backward shearing and the car shortage. About one million pounds of wool have come in already, but there is not enough variety in the shipments as yet for the sale. Wool buying in the open market throughout the northwest continues light because of the unsettled condition of the wool trade in the east.

## TEAMSTERS RESTRAINED

SPOKANE, Wash., May 20.—A temporary injunction directed against local 696 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and Chauffeurs, Stableness and Helpers of America, restraining its members from interfering verbally or otherwise with the men employed by several ice, fuel and transfer companies, was issued here today by Superior Judge Oswald.

The petitioners, whose union employees went on strike May 12, over a wage dispute charged that the union men insulted and assaulted men who took their places.

Hearing on the injunction was set for May 24.

## READY-TO-WEAR PRICES

PORTLAND, Or., May 20.—Lowering of prices on clothing and wearing apparel continued to spread today. Clothing merchants, who led the van in cutting prices early in the week, were being generally followed by dealers in women's wear and in a few cases by shoe dealers. There was no appreciable reduction apparent in any staple articles of food.

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