

ITS TIME TO  
**PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS**

Only twenty shopping days now remain in which to do all your shopping and make all of your gifts; a very short time indeed when you think of all the things you have to do.

**SPECIALS**

Every department in this great store will be offering special bargains almost every day from now on till Christmas—

It will be to your interest to read our ads and visit our store just as often as you possibly can; you may chance to find just what you want at a bargain if not today, maybe tomorrow.

**WE WILL HELP YOU**

You may leave your packages that you want to send away, here, and we will attend to the sending—we will hold them till the proper time and send them so that they will arrive at their destination at exactly the right time—the service is absolutely free to you.

**WE ADVISE YOU**

to do all the shopping you can at home, in your own town, your stores probably need the business, but we realize that there are many, many things that your home store cannot possibly afford to handle for your convenience and we will be more than pleased to serve you with those things; you will find our prices are right, the lowest, quality considered, and at any time we will refund your money with a smile, if you are not pleased with your purchase when you get home with it.

**BRANCH No. 1, U. S. POSTOFFICE**

**Is Here in Our Store**

This is a new convenience we have to offer to our patrons; all packages may be mailed here in the store and will receive exactly the same careful attention as if they were mailed at the postoffice.

**GREATEST STOCK IN THE HISTORY OF OUR STORE**

Notwithstanding the uncertain and strained condition of the market, we are better than ever prepared to fill your every want with the latest styles—the greatest assortments and the best for the price, no matter what the price.

**CHRISTMAS BOXES, RIBBONS, ETC.**

We have an immense supply of Christmas boxes, ribbons, tags, cards and decorations to be used in preparing your packages for the Christmas tree or for sending; making them look more Christmassy.

**WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU. DON'T HESITATE TO ASK FOR WHAT YOU WANT**

**MAIL ORDERS**

Some of you can't possibly come to Pendleton as often as you'd like and for you we have a special mail order department to take care of your wants; experienced shoppers are in charge and your orders will be filled better, in many cases, than if you were here in person to do your own shopping. Don't hesitate to order whatever you want if we do not have it we will get it for you, it will be our pleasure.

**MAKE THIS STORE YOUR HEADQUARTERS**

when you come to Pendleton; take advantage of the many conveniences we have here for you; leave your packages here and we will send them to the train for you—we have a man here for that special purpose.

**BE SURE TO VISIT OUR FOOD DEPARTMENT In Our Sanitary Basement**

This is the one place in Pendleton to get the out-of-the-ordinary good things for your table.

Fancy California grapes, artichokes, Florida grapefruit, ripe tomatoes, cucumbers, almond and walnut meats, stuffed ripe olives, Swift's Premium hams and bacon, Dromedary coconut, Townsend's California glace fruits in handsome wooden boxes, Jones' dairy farm sausages, imported mixed vegetables for combination salad, Thousand Isle Salad Dressing, Mrs. Porter's Fig Pudding, and hundreds of other delicacies not to be found elsewhere.

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**KEEPS "BOBBING UP"**

The official figures on election measures reveal that the single-tax sentiment in Oregon has reached a lower ebb than ever before, says the Oregonian.

Measures leading up to single tax or imposing single tax in modified form or imposing it in conjunction with some other form of legislation have been six in number, and in addition thereto the people have voted on and adopted an amendment repealing one measure leading up to a single tax which had been sneaked over under an anti-poll-tax disguise.

In 1908 a modified form of single tax received the affirmative votes of 34 per cent of those voting on the measure.

In 1910 a county tax option amendment, disguised as an anti-poll-tax measure, received the affirmative votes of 51 per cent.

On repeal of county tax option in 1914 the single-tax element polled 42 per cent of the voters participating.

In the same year single tax with a graduated jug handle was defeated, the affirmative votes being 28 per cent of the total registered on the amendment.

In 1914 a \$1500 exemption measure polled in affirmative votes 32 per cent of the total.

In the same year another graduated single-tax measure received in affirmative votes 32 per cent of the total.

In 1916 single tax was combined for popularity purposes with a form of rural credit, but the affirmative votes were not quite 22 per cent of the total, whereas, another and genuine rural credit amendment was carried handsomely.

For eight years the single-tax propagandists have pestered Oregon with their doctrine. They have presented it in modified form; they have presented it in as complete form as is possible under state law; they have baited it; they have sugar-coated it; they have disguised it. In one year they had practically unlimited financial support from an Eastern millionaire's organization. This year they had the backing of the leaders of organized labor.

Single tax was put on the ballot in 1916 by the forgery of more than 1000 names in Multnomah county alone. Two years hence to get on the ballot approximately 17,500 signatures will be required, or a number representing nearly one-half of the single-tax vote in the entire state. It is apparent that by no honest method can 17,500 out of 40,000 voters scattered throughout Oregon be identified and reached. Yet the intention to present single tax again is proclaimed.

We think it is time to scotch the snake. Work in advance of filing day on the part of those organizations which have so far contented themselves with opposition after the petitions have been accepted should two years hence bring the propaganda to a sudden halt.

Already a protest has gone up from the single-taxers' Portland newspaper organ against adoption by the legislature of any laws to prevent petition frauds. The benefits of such legislation can be attained without its enactment if vigilance by a law-and-order committee is exercised when petitions are circulating.

Recent developments go to show that the prospects of a modern highway across the Blue mountains are growing brighter and brighter. Aid from the federal government for that part of the road lying in the reserve is probable, according to a clipping from the Walla Walla Union which we reprint elsewhere. If the road materializes, much of the credit will be due to the untiring work of Mr. A. F. Alexander of Up-to-The-Times magazine, Walla Walla, who has been constantly preaching the good roads gospel on both sides of the Blue mountains—both for the proposed Elgin to Walla Walla and La Grande to Pendleton highways.

The statement published elsewhere of the Farmers' Bank of Weston shows a marked and gratifying increase in the deposits and cash reserve. The report indicates that both the bank and the Weston community were never more flourishing.

Well, dying seems to have been about the easiest way out for the Austrian emperor.

Mexico is less of a nation than a disease.

**CHANGED HIS MIND.**

Andrew Lang Didn't Like Stevenson When They First Met.

Andrew Lang was the unyielding enemy of everything that savored of decadence. He particularly disliked the affected young aesthetes of the 1890's. And, although he came, as the world knows, to be the devoted friend of Robert Louis Stevenson, his first impressions of him were most unfavorable, for he mistook him for an aesthete of the aesthetes.

In his book "On the Trail of Stevenson" Clayton Hamilton gives a record of Andrew Lang's account of his first glimpse of Stevenson. Andrew Lang, it seems, practiced the conversational economy associated, chiefly with the name of the late Alfred Jungie. Esq. Mr. Lang said—and Mr. Hamilton jotted it down immediately after in the London Underground—these things:

"Met one promenade. Saw him coming. Didn't like him. Long cape. Long hair. Queer hat. — queer. Hands—white, bony, beautiful. Didn't like the cape. Didn't like the hair. Looked like a — aesthete. Never liked aesthetes. Can't stand them. Talked well. Saw that. Still seemed another aesthete Colvin had discovered. Didn't like him. Didn't like him at all. . . . Later—oh, yes—but I needn't tell you that. Didn't like him at first. Took time."

On November 11, Grants Pass celebrated the establishment of the sugar beet industry.

Grants Pass—An improvement company is to be incorporated to supply water to land owners in the district north of the river.

Portland has held the tax increase down to seven one-hundredths of a mill and cut \$725,000 from the budget. When in doubt the people voted "no" all over the Pacific coast.

Mill City—Frank Potter expects to build a shingle mill here.

Dallas—The J. K. Armsby Company has 1,000,000 pounds of prunes awaiting shipment.

The Pendleton Woolen Mills has booked a \$20,000 order for marching uniforms.

Oregon wool has recently sold in Portland for the highest price in the history of the state.

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