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### DISCOURAGING.

I ordered some potatoes down at the grocer's store; the price was something awful—I sat me down and swore. The grocer man informs me the price will stay up there; the crop is quite a failure, 'round here and everywhere. And so I see I'll have to subsist on beans and crusts; and this it is what grinds me—I cannot blame the trusts. If I could blame Pierp Morgan, and roast old Guggenheim, I'd do without potatoes and have a bully time. The crop has been a failure because the weather's dry, and so the Wall Street barons can prove an alibi. Now I must eat the pumpkin and chew the molly prunes, and know the robber tariff, like Wall street, is immune. No one will pay attention if I should raise a fuss, and so my heart is broken—there's no one I can cuss. I've pondered till I'm weary, and no way can I see to charge the 'later shortage to iron-souled John D. If I could only work it to make John D. the goat, I'd surely run for office and ask you for your vote.

—WALT MASON.

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### TELEPHONE GIRL CONSIDERED.

Missouri is one of the first states, if not the first, to enact a law placing the strong and comfortable arm of protection around the helpless telephone girl, remarks an exchange. The new statute provides that any circuit judge in the state is empowered to impose a sentence of imprisonment of two years in jail, as a maximum, upon any person proved to have been guilty of using foul, profane or obscene language over the telephone. There is also a sentence for the man who so far forgets himself as to use rude and offensive language to the operator.

The exchange girl has long been subjected to insults against which she was powerless, but hereafter in good old Missouri she will have the support of an excellent and useful statute. In that state it will be no safer to use rude language to a lady over the wire than it would be to use such language to her on the street.

In other states the defenseless phone girl needs the protection of the law also, for in every telephone district there are men who think it is all right to "roast" Central, and they roast, sometimes to the limit. Usually the man who uses offensive language to the girl at the cooped-up end of the wire is the very one who wouldn't dare assert himself likewise to a man of his size. Politeness over the wire is just as proper as it is in the parlor, and if it requires law to teach politeness, then let all the states follow Missouri's lead.

While the method involving a rope and a convenient tree is no longer in vogue in dealing with horse thieves in Kansas, the defenders of the sanctity of property rights in "hoss-flesh" are still well organized. Several hundreds of farmers and stockmen met in Arkansas City this week in the annual convention of the Anti-Horse Thief association of Kansas and Oklahoma, which represents, it is said, a membership of nearly 50,000. The organization has been so active in dealing with rogues who steal horses that most of them are in prison and the remainder are plum discouraged and have been forced out of the "business." Now and then, however, some horse disappears, and the association never lets up until the animal is found and the thief placed behind the bars. Aside from the main object of the association, it is prominent in the social activities of the farmers and stockmen of the southwest. The annual conventions are always big affairs, with entertainments galore, and in nearly every community where the association has members there are annual picnics and county gatherings held under its auspices. President Taft was invited to attend the convention this year, but was forced to decline.

According to a leading Paris newspaper the United States leads the nations of the world with a hoarded stock of gold amounting to \$1,316,250,000. It would seem, according to political economists, that the increasing volume of gold and its steadily growing production would tend to cheapen its purchasing power. That is the theory. In practice, however, there is no noticeable change. It is the artificially controlled distribution of wealth, through false economic theories, which impede natural laws, a state of affairs more noticeable in America than in any other country.

John M. Gayley, at one time vice president of the steel trust, in his testimony before the congressional investigating committee, admits that the price of steel rails has been kept up at the uniform price of \$28 a ton by a "gentleman's agreement", manufacturers. This opens a way for the explanation of the and because of a fraternity between the railroads and the steel mystery. Perhaps full light will be thrown on the subject when it is shown that the various railroad directorates are well stocked with men affiliated with the steel trust. Stock profit sharing is thus very nicely worked both ways, while the public holds the bag.

Dull times are resulting in frugality. The American people are cutting down the cost of living—economizing. This is shown by the department of commerce statistics to the effect that the consumer has reduced his imported champagne bill by half and adorned himself with \$7,000,000 less diamonds than last year.

Eugene is a "dry" town but its cannery furnishes yearly several thousand barrels of cherries for decorating the cocktails of the nation.

The Cash Store

# HAMPTON'S

SIXTH AND WILLAMETTE

Standard Patterns

# Big July Cleanup Sale of All Summer Merchandise

## And broken lines of seasonable goods before the coming of fall goods. Profits are no consideration

### Hair Goods Second Floor

Special prices on all lines of hair goods.

- \$3.50 Switches ..... \$1.75
- \$5.00 Switches ..... \$3.50
- \$7.50 Switches ..... \$5.00
- \$10.00 Switches ..... \$7.50
- \$25.00 Switches ..... \$15.00
- In Side Parted Pompadors. \$15.00 Now ..... \$12.00
- Manicuring ..... 25c
- Hair Dressing ..... 35c

### Take Elevator to Second Floor

Special reductions on many lines of Merchandise to close out. Half Price Special on Dresses, Suits, Coats and many other lines.

## Wooltex Suits

La Vogue and Printzess

- \$30.00 Ladies Suits on Sale ..... \$15.00
- \$25.00 Ladies' Suits on Sale ..... \$12.50
- \$20.00 Ladies Suits on Sale ..... \$10.00
- Cherrett Auto Coats, Linen Coats all go on this Sale at Half Price.

### Big Discounts on Men's Suits

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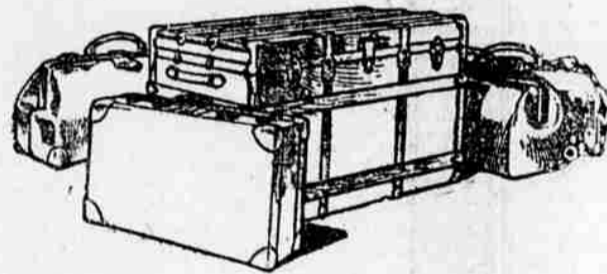
35 and 40c Lace Grenadine and tissue and Scotch Ginghams see Sixth Street Window ..... 15c

85 and 95c Pure Linen Swiss neat, embroidered figures Sixth Street Window ... 48c

One Piece Dresses wide range of colors, good styles, Sixth Street Window Half Price.

Two Piece Dresses Half Price.

# Trunks, Suitcases



# Travelers' Bags

### Special Prices on Many Lines of Laces, Embroideries, Trimmings

\$1.35, \$1.75, \$2.00 All-over Embroidery on Sale . \$1.00

27-in 65c Embroidery Special Patterns on Swiss material ..... 29c

5 and 8c Embroidery and Insertion at Special Sale . 3c

Big lot of Laces values up to 15c on Special Sale ..... 4c

FIRST FLOOR

### Take Elevator to Balcony First Floor

## Trunks, Suitcases Travelers' Bags

Gentleman's Wardrobe Trunk 40-in long. Extra heavy cased steel bumpers 4 lock fully warranted ..... \$27.50

Ladies Trunk 3-ply veneer with hard vulcanized fibre guaranteed to stand the hardest of use ..... \$25.00

All sizes and prices of Trunks from \$6.00 up to \$18.00

Suit Cases, Leather, from \$5.00 to ..... \$12.50

Traveler's Bags from \$2.50 to ..... \$15.00

Fibre Cases from \$1.25 up to ..... \$4.50

### Men's Furnishings at Lowest Prices

Men's Auto Coats leather collar and cuffs on Sale Now \$4.50 Coat ..... \$3.50

\$6.00 and \$6.50 Panama Hats on Sale ..... \$5.00

\$3.00 Milan Straw Hats on Sale ..... \$2.00

500 Farmers Harvesting Hats go on Sale ..... 25c

Special Prices on Work Pants and Work Shirts.

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