



Here are lists of our Staple Articles which we have placed in Our January Clearance Sale

A great quantity of splendid Handkerchiefs in this sale
2 for 5c 5c 7c and 2 for 25c



LUZERNE UNION SUITS
For Women. They used to sell for \$1.50. But now—
\$1
will buy a suit of these fine knit white union suits of superior quality. There are various styles.

ROMPER AND PEGGY CLOTH
18c values, 15c
CRASH
Bleached—7c, 5c
GINGHAMS
Present market value 15c. Now 12½c
PERCALES
Book Fold, market value 10c, \$1.3c

14c BLEACHED CRASH
Splendid value for 12½c
14c Unbleached Crash, extra for 12c
OUTING FLANNEL
White Daisy and all colors, plain and striped, regular price 12½c now 10c

HUCK TOWELS
5c, 10c, 15c, 17c, 19c
TORCHOW LACES
Values to 10c, now 5c
CLUNY LACES
Very special value for 25c
APRON GINGHAMS
Worth 10c, but during this sale, 8½c

2 LOTS OF LADIES' NECKWEAR
Latest designs of colors, plain and fancy in whites and colors. Those that were \$1 are now 45c
Those that were 50c are now
25c

Cash Values Worth While **HAMILTONS'** January Clearance Sale

UNPARALLELED YEAR

Trading and Industry Boomed In East At Record Prices, Making Phenomenal Showing.

Dun: Expectations of further remarkable progress in domestic finance, commerce and industry were fully realized during the year just passed. Despite international complications, disappointing crop results, labor troubles and other adverse factors, general business attained record dimensions, with prices and profits unprecedented, and the enormous expansion in merchandise exports, due mainly to the war requirements, placed this country in the foremost position in the world's money markets. Foreign borrowing here was again extensive and more varied than in 1915, and additional large blocks of American securities were repurchased from Europe, while gold flowed this way so rapidly and in such amounts as to overtax the facilities for handling the metal.

These importations vastly augmented the lending powers of banking institutions and, except on infrequent occasions, interest charges ruled on a relatively low basis, the plethora of funds also making for greater promptness in the settlement of financial obligations and a consequent reduction in commercial failures, notwithstanding the marked increase in new enterprises.

The unexampled economic progress of this nation during 1916 was reflected in all the traditional barometers that measure the rise and fall of business. With trade and industry booming at record prices, and with speculation in stocks, grain and cotton on a noteworthy scale, bank clearings naturally made a phenomenal exhibit; the unequalled railroad earnings and the great freight volume testified to the remarkable volume of traffic handled by the common carriers; ocean transportation was also taxed beyond its capacity and shipbuilding experienced a striking revival, while new construction in other lines participated actively in the forward movement.

The demand for skilled labor everywhere largely exceeded the supply, and though the extreme living costs proved burdensome in many quarters, savings deposits were swelled materially with wages at the highest point ever known. Circulation of money showed a progressive increase, reaching its maximum in December, and investors received unparalleled sums in interest and dividends, besides benefiting in the way of large special disbursements.

Without exception, leading manufacturing industries have enjoyed the most prosperous year of their history.

Furnish Has The Mon.— W. J. Furnish, who once ran for governor and was beaten, has just sold a farm of 3600 acres for \$200,000 and has another farm just as big. The man who beat him couldn't buy one corner of it. Furnish, when making his campaign read his speech of only five minutes, making an impression that practically defeated him.

No Relation— Rev. Ingalls opened the legislature one day last week, asking that it be kept sober and sane, and immediately Editor Ingalls, of the Corvallis G. T. denied any relationship to the minister.

To Recover Money— Suit to recover \$1900 and interest from April, 1911, was filed Saturday by Ada E. Norton against J. L. White.

Final Account Filed— The final account in the estate of Chas. Pfeiffer was filed today. The estate was valued at \$38,550.

Every smoker in Albany should use McCourt's Hand Made or Albany Special cigars made by the Willamette Cigar Mfg. Co., and sold by all good dealers.

Dr. Stone's Kneve Draps cures hives. Price \$1; for sale by all druggists.

FACTS ABOUT MEXICO

The First Chief has issued a strict decree forbidding the establishment by anyone of the wireless telegraph stations in any portion of the Republic without authorization by the Government.

Schools of instruction in military drill will be opened for the benefit of workmen on Sunday in various portions of the capital city in order that they may be taught the rudiments of warfare.

A series of teachers' institutes has been inaugurated in the state of Tamaulipas for the purpose of bringing the educational system up to the highest standard. Great interest is taken in this feature.

Permission has been granted to the Agila Petroleum company (the Pierson interests) to construct a wharf on the Panuco river in the Tampica district for the accommodation of their export traffic.

The authorities of the State of Nuevo Leon are taking steps to establish an equitable and just tariff of charges for public services of all kinds including the telephone, street cars, electric and gas lights, etc.

The Government of the State of Tabasco has appointed an educational commission which has taken in charge the work of establishing schools throughout the entire State with the view of educating all ranks of society.

All mines owned by Mexicans in the State of Guanajuato are now in full operation. Those that are not being worked are the property of foreigners, although some of the foreign owned properties are now active.

With the cooperation of the State Government, machinery has arrived in Yucatan and will be at once devoted to the sinking of wells for the development of the petroleum measures of that region, which are known to exist.

The customs collections at the port of Vera Cruz for the month of October approximated very nearly one million dollars in national specie, showing a steady ratio of appreciation and an early return to the income of normal conditions.

The Government has established numerous stations in the city of Mexico for the sale of food articles of prime necessity at moderate prices. The business transacted is very large and the common people have been greatly aided thereby.

The mines of "El Triunfo," in Lower California, having been abandoned by their former operators, have been taken over and are now being operated by the Government, giving employment to a large number of men who would otherwise be destitute.

A steamer service is to be inaugurated shortly connecting New York, Havana and Progreso with Manzanillo, in Colima, via the Panama Canal. It is believed this will greatly stimulate commerce between the west coast of Mexico and Atlantic ports.

During the month of October there were recorded in the Public Registry of Property of Mexico City rental contracts to the amount of \$17,045,562.00. In the same period the record of new commercial operations registered reached a total of \$4,822,906.

An invitation has been received and will probably be accepted by the First Chief to participate in an exposition of products of the Latin-American countries that is shortly to be opened in New Orleans. A similar exhibition was recently held at El Paso.

The workers in an extensive cotton factory at Queretaro, as also those in a similar establishment in Jalisco, have struck for an alleviation of conditions, and the State government is arranging an amicable settlement, as has been done in similar cases elsewhere.

Arrangements are being made for the use of hemlock fiber in some of the mills in the States of Puebla and Tlaxcala that have heretofore been devoted solely to the production of cotton fabrics. This will greatly stimulate the production of fabric in Yucatan, it is believed.

MOST ECONOMICAL

Didn't Beat Big College, But O. A. C. Was Run Most Economical of Any of Them

The United Press has sent the following out as a dispatch covering their service in the U. S.:

Oregon Agricultural College didn't defeat the University of Pennsylvania at football; neither did it win the championship of the Pacific Coast. But it did do one thing—deserving of credit when it kept expenses for its football team down to an average of \$295 a man for the 1916 season.

Nearly all this average was spent in paying traveling expenses of the players, \$309 a man being doled out in this fashion. Twenty men were included in the transportation list. Coaching for 50 men came to \$35 a man, and personal equipment for 32 men hit \$47 a head. Medical service for 50 men was \$8 each.

Dr. A. D. Browne, head of the O. A. C. athletic department, decided some years ago that the college that pays him his annual salary was getting far under the average in cost for football and he conducted a questioning of important universities, discovering that they were paying an average of \$10 a man more than the aggies.

Cheapness is a matter of compulsion with Oregon Agricultural College, however, for the books closed on the 1916 season show a deficit of \$1,224.40 on the home field, and a surplus of only \$2,247.19 on foreign grounds.

Next year expenses are to be cut still more, for O. A. C. isn't like most colleges. It admits it wants to make a little cash out of the exploitation of its football teams, and likes to derive the benefit that comes from advertising.

And O. A. C. received quite a little publicity two years ago when it smashed things up generally in the middle west. The biggest game of the season will be played next fall in Portland, where the biggest blunk of cash came from last season.

FAKE COMING

Chief of Police Catlin has received the following, which will tell its own story:

Medford, Ore., Jan. 13, '17.

Dear Sir:

There will be a woman in Albany sometime next week claiming to represent the Zion International Movement with headquarters in Los Angeles or Palo Verde. Examine her credentials and story—she is an absolute fake, and is begging for herself. She is 5 ft. 4 in., florid complexion, red nose, about 45, dressed in black; round black hat with white top.

Respectfully,
E. G. STUBLEY.

BIGGEST STADIUM

Pennsylvania University to Erect the Largest Stadium in United States

By H. C. Hamilton, United Press Staff Correspondent.

New York, Jan. 15.—An even greater amphitheater than the massive Bowl in which Yale's athletic contests are held, towering out of Woodlands Ravine at Philadelphia, is probable for the University of Pennsylvania. Steps already have been taken to assure erection of the structure. Alumni, students and faculty are working hard to make the dream a reality.

Present plans for the structure call for an amphitheater which will seat 100,000 persons, many thousands more than can be jammed into Franklin Field even by the greatest effort.

The need of a new stadium became positive at the Pennsylvania-Cornell football game last Thanksgiving day, when thousands were unable to gain admission.

To erect the stadium the usual procedure will be followed. Alumni will guarantee funds, receiving interest on the sums out of proceeds. This plan includes the application of all money over the interest to the furtherment of athletics at Pennsylvania.

Only one stadium in history, the Circus Maximus, which flourished in Rome, exceeds the seating capacity of the stadium planned for Philadelphia. The great Roman arena, authorities say, seated nearly 300,000 persons, some going so far as to place the figure at more than 400,000. The new Penn stadium would have room to seat comfortably 100,000, with provision for increasing this capacity.

PURE LARD 30c per lb.
Independent Market, First and Lyon.

FOR RENT OR SALE—Cheap, a small place close to the North Albany school house, a six room house and a good barn. Inquire of J. S. Morgan, 333 Jefferson St., Albany.

FOR SALE—Light team, about 1,000 lbs. each, or will trade for heavier horse. Herman Asche, R. D. 2, Home phone 8335. J15-17

WANTED—To buy White Embden ganders, or could exchange geese for ganders. N. W. Schrader, R. D. 5, Bell 609J4. J13-16

LOST—Glove between First Nat. Bank and Blain Clo. Store. Return to Democrat Office. J13-16

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A gent's bicycle in first class condition, at 413 Ellsworth St. J13-16

LOST—Sterling silver circle brooch set with amethysts. Finder please leave at this office. J 15-17

CITY NEWS

After Sixty Years.— Sixty years Uncle Joe Yates of this city, 82 years young, set out some apple trees near Halsey, Linn county, and last week a basket of almost perfect apples, picked from these trees was received by him. He set the trees in 1857, soon after he came to Oregon from Arkansas, and they have borne steadily since. And yet easterners tell us the life of apple trees is short in Oregon, compared with Eastern

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fruit trees.—Benton Courier.
College Girls Returned— The college girls returned Saturday night from Portland, where they gave a concert at the Westminster church Friday night. They report a fine time on the trip. A large audience greeted them, and they received many compliments for the fine program presented.
Poling Coming— Dr. Dan Poling is to be in Oregon in February, while here attending the state convention of Christian Endeavorers.
Preach'd Three Sermons— Henry Albers yesterday conducted three services in the country, two morning and evening at Dever, and one in the afternoon at Coopers school house. Pretty good for a farmer.
Who Made the Music— Many people who attended the Globe Theatre Saturday night wondered who was making all the music at the piano. It was none other than little Miss Frances Haas, niece of Miss Lilly Brenner, the regular musician. Miss Haas is an exceptional musician for her age, and plays the most difficult selections with the greatest ease.
Weather Report— Yesterday's temperature ranged between 24 and 44 degrees. The river fell to 47 feet.
Smoke Albany Specials, best 10-cent cigars.