

Joe Meyers & Sons
GOOD GOODS

One-Half Price
To clean up our stock we offer you the choice of our Ladies Suits in Summer Styles at
HALF PRICE

One-Half Price
Men's Negligee Shirts in all wanted sizes. Good desirable patterns
HALF PRICE

Ladies' White Canvas Oxfords
\$1.50 and \$2.00 values
75c

JUST RECEIVED...
New silk gloves; the celebrated Kayser, double tipped fingers, 12 and 16-button lengths, extra weight silk, black white and colors, values sold formerly to \$2 pair. August clean-up, pair.
95c

MUM ?
overcomes bodily odors. Sells for **25c** at the notion counter during August **19c**

Waists
Values up to \$2.00, including tailored effect, lace trimmed, manish stripes
98c

Outing Trousers
Belong to a two-piece suit--that is to say, we sell you both trousers and coat for little, or trousers alone for less.
\$2 to \$3.75

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of Boise, Idaho, is here looking over the country in close vicinity of the Capital City.

W. P. Babcock, agent of the Salem Flouring Mills Co., and Chas. A. Park of the Salem Water Company, made a business trip to Stayton today.

Hugh Sparks, traveling salesman for the Balehept wine manufacturers, of Pasadena, Cal., is transacting business here for a few days, and visiting with his many friends.

Charley Biers, formerly salesman for Jos. Meyers & Sons, but now in the insurance business in Portland, is in the city transacting business, and visiting for a few days.

ALASKA'S GREAT COAL RESERVE

The question of the conservation of America's natural resources is not a new subject. The drain upon the resources and the necessity for their economical utilization were recognized by many who made a study of them long before their probable exhaustion had been reduced to terms of decades and years. It needed, however, the energetic action of just such an overshadowing personality as that of President Roosevelt to bring the whole question in the national prominence which it has lately attained. In a recent statement the U. S. Geological Survey estimates the total exhaustion of easily mined coal, at the present rate of increase in production and consumption, as likely to occur in the century following the present one, providing new large coal fields are no in the meantime discovered. At the same time the survey is doing its best to make such discoveries as will upset these figures. Outside of the investigations of the coal deposits of the United States the survey has for some years been making a study of the coal supply of the world and over six years ago began a definite examination of coal in Alaska. The result of the latter investigation has been an excellent showing of coal in that territory, a score or more of large coal fields being shown on the coal map just published in Survey Bulletin 335. The combined area of these fields is very great, although small in comparison with the immense area of the territory. Furthermore, it is not possible, even with the large amount of work accomplished that all of the coal areas of Alaska should be known by this time. Additional exploration and investigation may be rich in results.

Extensive Exploration Required.
"Fully one-fourth of Alaska, or approximately 150,000 square miles is little more than an unopened book to us, so far as its precious and useful minerals are concerned," said Alfred H. Brooks, the chief geologist of the Alaskan Division of the U. S. Geological Survey, just before leaving Washington for his annual "swing round the circle" in the big northwestern territory. "We know that there is coal in this little explored area. Possibly there are large coal fields which will form an important part of the ultimate coal reserve of Alaska. The Cape Lisburne coal field represents the western end of what is probably a large coal area not yet determined. It is not impossible that the area of lignite and low-grade bituminous coal may be double the present known coal area in the territory, which is over 12,000 square miles. The coal of Alaska ranges in quality from lignite to coal that compares favorably with the famous Pocahontas coal of West Virginia. Some of the bituminous coals make good coke. Coking is the severest test of a soft coal and gives it especial value in a metalliferous region. Some of the coal seams of the territory are of great thickness. I have observed 'swells' in seams that were 60 feet of solid coal."

Prof. W. A. Atwood, a geologist of the surveys this year finishing up investigation of Alaska coal preparatory to writing a summary of the present knowledge of the coal reserve of the territory, based upon his and other previous survey investigations.

Progress of Coal Investigations.
"As far back as 1902," said Mr. Brooks, "the Geological Survey began a systematic study of Alaska coal fields, commencing with a geologic reconnaissance of the low grade bituminous and lignite coals of the Yukon region. In 1902, 1903, 1904 and 1905 investigations were made of the Nenana fields near Fairbanks. In 1903, work was begun on the coal fields of the Controlier Bay region and in 1905 the Matsanuska field was studied in geologic detail. In these two fields there are 100 square miles of lands underlain by workable coals containing anthracite and bituminous fuels of the highest grade. In 1902 the Herendeen Bay bituminous coal region was studied by survey geologists. In 1903 coal investigations were made of the southeastern Alaska coal fields, which have not, however, proved of economic importance. In 1904 the geologic study of the Cape Lisburne coal region was commenced. This is a bituminous coal field containing soft coal that ranges from low to high grade and at present its boundaries are only partially known. In 1904 survey work was commenced in the

COMPANY M IS BACK IN SALEM

Company M, of the Oregon National Guard, arrived safely home at 7 o'clock last evening, after a ten-days' encampment at American Lake. All were tired and glad to get back, but all expressed the utmost satisfaction with their brief experience as real soldiers.

The Salem boys, while on the encampment, made an excellent record, and were conceded to be one of the best companies of all those at American Lake. They took a prominent part in both the sham battles, and in each they acquitted themselves with much credit. None of the members of Company M was sick during the entire encampment.

FRIGHTFUL

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from his hands and the axe before leaving the house. At the Lacombe home he paused silently by the cot upon which his 3-year-old granddaughter was sleeping, offering her no harm, and exercising the greatest care not to awaken or alarm his daughter.

Then, after his daughter's murder, apparently realizing that it would attract attention, he hurled the bloody axe into a clump of weeds before returning to his own house.

Dafty has been a victim of epileptic fits for a long time, and it is understood that it was for this reason that his wife left him to take up her residence with her daughter, Mrs. Lacombe, who was about 28 years old, the wife of a machinist in a local garage. Fred Dafty was about 30 years old, and his mother is about 64 years of age.

Wife a Raving Maniac.
Her mind wrecked by her horrible experience, Mrs. Mary Dafty, wife of the capitalist who ran amuck today, is confined in the city jail this afternoon, a babbling, laughing, hopeless maniac. Police Surgeon Cook says there is little hope for the woman ever regaining her senses.

She has no recollection of the murder of her son and daughter, and chatters incessantly as she tries to play about like a child. She appears to be unconscious of her wounded left arm.

Dafty is being cared for at the Receiving hospital, and it is probable that he will recover from his self-inflicted wound, although the doctors have little hope for a return of his sanity.

Europe Buys American Bonds.
European investments in American securities have reached heavy proportions within the last week. Wall street learned this fact on Friday and was most agreeably surprised there at. The information was obtained in the knowledge that within the week the banking-house of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. had drawn bills of exchange to a total of \$10,000,000 against securities placed abroad. Promptly followed the information that the Paris market had taken \$7,000,000 of United States Steel Corporation sinking fund bonds, and that London had bought \$2,000,000 of Baltimore and Ohio railroad company's prior lien bonds.

The influence of all this was felt at home. The bond market of New York became active and strong. It is a curious weakness of human nature that we always desire what others desire and care not for what nobody wants. Hence, when it is discovered that European investors have faith in American securities and prove their faith by the deeds of purchase, our own investors, who for months have held a tight hold on their purse strings, loosen them in a determination to get into the swim. The experiences of the past week are among the sure signs of the approaching turn of the tide of prosperity. Those signs accumulate and one day in the not far distant future we will all wake up to the fact that confidence has been restored and that the good tide of prosperity is here.—Brooklyn Eagle

City News

Weather Forecast—
Showers tonight and Friday.

Gilson's Place—
Eleven barber chairs. No waiting.

Notice—
Hop Growers Association will meet Saturday at the city hall at 1 o'clock for the purpose of talking over the best method of picking hops, and also regulating the price of picking. 8-12-21

Barton Wins Case—
The case of Tucker vs. Barton for recovery of \$50 on a wheat crop alleged to have been harvested on Tucker's farm in Polk county by Barton, was decided in favor of the defendant by Judge Webster yesterday afternoon. The case was argued in the justice's court Tuesday.

The Woman's Missionary Society.
Of the First Presbyterian church will meet in the church parlors Friday at 2:30 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

Improving Large Farm—
Geo. W. Eyre, who purchased the old DeLaney place of 360 acres, two miles west of Turner, has started the erection of a hip-roof barn 40x50 feet, which will require 40,000 feet of lumber and 45,000 shingles to cover it. It will be up-to-date in every respect, and will be used as a dairy and horse barn. There are two silos in the barn, and a milking machine will be put in. If they are shown to be a success at the state fair this year. Mr. Eyre's brother, an experienced farmer from Michigan, will have charge of the farm. No money will be spared on this farm as Mr. Eyre does not consider it an experiment, but a business proposition. He already has a fine herd of dairy cows, and will increase it. He intends to make this one of the finest farms in Oregon.

Plug Blows Out—
An artificial geyser broke forth this morning in the alley between Liberty and Commercial streets, when a small plug was blown out of the water main near the Willamette Hotel, and for a few minutes the released dampness spouted as high as 20 feet. A small-sized crowd was attracted by the strong leak, and thoroughly enjoyed the workmen's efforts to repug the hole, as the force of the stream made it almost impossible to mend it.

Waive Examination—
Lee Brown & Sons, proprietors of the sawmill at Stayton, who were arrested for allowing the sawdust from the mill to flow into the Santiam river, appeared before Judge Webster this morning in the person of Geo. L. Brown, and waived examination. Brown was released upon his own recognizance, pending the action of the grand jury.

PERSONAL MENTION

RAILROADS HAVE UNIFORM CONTRACTS
The Railroad Commission has prepared and submitted to the Northern Pacific, O. R. & N., and the Southern Pacific railroad companies a uniform shipping contract, which it asks to have adopted by the several companies. The commission believes that the stock shipping contracts now in force are unfair to the shipper, inasmuch as he is compelled to sign away many of his rights, and to excuse the transportation company from liability before the company will accept his stock for shipment. The railroad companies have conceded the fairness of this demand of the commission, and it is probable that a uniform contract will be put into effect in the near future.

The way to be able to AFFORD more advertising is to do more advertising than you can afford.
Sometimes a business man gives the impression that his time is worth less than that of his lowest-salaried employe. How about a "help-wanted" ad?

Wants Divorce—
Anna Hansen this morning filed a suit for divorce in the circuit court against her husband, Hans Z. Hansen, on the ground that Hansen was convicted of a felony in April, 1908, and is now serving a term of three years in the penitentiary. F. A. Turner is the attorney for the plaintiff.

Hay Safe—
The rain yesterday had no effect upon the wheat harvesting, and all the machines are resuming work today in this vicinity. The wheat has dried sufficiently now to prevent moisture from entering, and the danger of fungus forming on the heads is past. A few small crops of hay were drenched, but the larger ones escaped.

MARRIED.
SCISM—STEELE.—At the German Evangelical parsonage, 416 North Liberty street, Salem, August 13, 1908, Miss Fannie Scism to Mr. Claiborne Steele, both of Marion county, Rev. W. A. Gueffroy officiating.

DIED.
BROWN.—At the family home on Salem Prairie, three and one-half miles east of this city, at 12:40 o'clock this morning, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown. The burial took place at Hayesville this afternoon.

Victor Allen left today for Wilhoit Springs for a vacation.

Miss Pearl Oliver has returned from a week's vacation at Newport.

Will Frazier is in Albany today transacting business for a short time.

J. M. Johnson has gone to North Yakima on a short business visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Webster, of Portland, are in the city visiting.

Trav. McDonald left today for a hunting trip in the mountains near Detroit.

Miss Sarah Foley had returned from Cascadia, where she spent a week's outing.

Harry Wendroth and Harry Weldman have returned from an outing at Newport.

J. H. Pester, of Eugene, is here transacting business and shaking hands with friends.

Lloyd Ramsden, machinist, at the Salem Gun Store, has returned from a pleasure trip to Portland.

Wm. Stanton and Arthur Dunlap have gone to Newport to camp for a month.

C. K. Spaulding, the lumber man, is at his Newport home for a few weeks' vacation.

Miss Muel Hall, of Portland, is here visiting with friends and relatives for a week.

Miss Pauline Roper, of Portland, arrived this morning to visit with friends for a short time.

J. E. Stanton and daughter Nellie and Mrs. Dunlap and son have gone to Newport for a month.

Paul Sroat, the insurance man, has returned from an outing at Newport, accompanied by his wife.

August Froeburger, of Junction City, is here attending to business matters, and visited old friends.

Roy Steel, of this city, and Pat Rollins, of Portland, returned today from a hunting trip up in the Cascades.

Paul Hauser, the popular sporting goods merchant of this city, is in Portland, looking after business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shull, of Dallas, returned today from a vacation at Newport. They will visit with friends for a short time before returning home.

The Newport vacation seekers today were: James Allison and family, Mrs. George Hatch and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wurffel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rogers and daughter have returned from an extended outing at different points on the Columbia river.

Fred Crandall and wife left last evening for Riddle, Cal., where they will visit for a month with Mr. Crandall's parents.

A. H. Clark, a real estate dealer

large lignite fields of the Kenai Peninsula."

The work of the Geological Survey is thus being carried out along definite lines of determining coal resources of Alaska, not only with reference to local consumption but with reference to their export upon the total coal reserves of the country. The work is of special importance and the showing is satisfactory because of the extensive lack of large developed coal piles on the Pacific coast of the United States proper.

"The Alaska coal field," said Brooks, "particularly those carrying a high-grade fuel, like the Controlier Bay and the Matsanuska fields, destined to play an important part in the advancement of industry of the entire Pacific seaboard of North American continent."

"The minable coal, in the great quantities in Alaska, has not yet been definitely estimated, and whatever estimates are made, for some years to come will doubtless be subject to expansion as further geological explorations are carried forward. It is proper to say that the coal resources of the territory are great and that they will be found in hundreds of millions and even billions of tons."

BORN.
MUELLHAUPT.—To the wife of J. Muellhaupt, this morning, a pound baby boy. Mother and child doing nicely.

DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills will promptly relieve all cases of Stomach and Bladder disorders. Sold and recommended by all druggists.

MONEY TO LOAN
THOS. K. FINE
Over Ladd & Bush's Bank, Salem, O.

Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society
Frank Meredith, Resident Agent.
Office with Wm. Brown & Co., 29 Commercial street.

STARR PIANO HIGH CLASS GOODS
GEO. C. WILL

NEW TODAY
Hoppickers for Holmes Yard—register is fast filling up, and cordially invite our old friends to be with us again this year. Register now. Phone 1097. T. Livesley & Co., Salem. 8-11-08

For Sale or Trade—One work horse for hay or good milk cow. H. T. Davis, Route No. 4, Box 10, Salem. 8-11-08

Salesmen & Agents—\$3 & \$4 per week and over can be made selling New Campaign Novels from now until election. Sell in stores, county fairs, picnic and private families. Complete line of samples, charges prepaid for \$10. Order today. Chicago Novelty Co., 60 Wabash Ave., Chicago. 7-27-1908

Good Horse for Sale—Extra good driver for buggy or carriage. Want teams to haul cordwood. Phone 1419 Main. M. P. Deane or call, State and Nineteenth 8-11-08

For Sale—Several houses in Salem and farm lands at a bargain. Capital National Bank. 6-1-08

Some of Our Bargains—48 lots each, in two block of car line, only \$100 each, if sold at once. Also good timber close in, only \$50 per acre. 180 acres good land, fenced, only \$20 per acre, a 25 acres, good house, barn, kinds of fruit, crop, team, chickens, implements, all for \$4250. Some of the best lots in the city, close in, cheap. Houses in all parts of Salem, from \$100 up. We have some extra gains in farm and fruit trees. Houses to rent, etc. If you want anything see Smith & Co., 9, over U. S. National Bank. 8-11-08

For Sale—House and store for rent. Owner selling because of old age and sickness. Enquire of Jos. Albrecht, 484 North Commercial street. 8-11-08

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