

SENSATIONAL PRICE CUTTING

WE OFFER THIS SEASON'S BEST MERCHANDISE AT A SAVING OF 1-3 AND 1-2 IN PRICE. PRICES QUOTED IN THIS AD ARE FOR MERCHANDISE NOW IN STYLE. WE WILL MEET EVERY PRICE WITH BETTER MERCHANDISE.

IN EVERY DEPARTMENT WE ARE MAKING ROOM FOR A LARGER SPRING SHOWING THAN EVER BEFORE. TODAY

THE READY-TO-WEAR SECTIONS FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN OFFER VALUES THAT YOU CANNOT KEEP YOUR PURSE CLOSED TO—A DOLLAR NEVER BOUGHT SO MUCH IN SALEM AS IT DOES AT THIS STORE AT THIS TIME.



Salem's Leading Cloak and Suit store

offers a sensational price reduction in this season's stylish wearing apparel for spring stocks that will begin to arrive next month. Women's Long Coats, choice fabrics, well-tailored, good serviceable values up to \$6.50. Grand offer this week—Your choice—

\$2.98

Umbrellas

There will be lots of rainy weather before the first buds of spring, so you had better look over the old umbrella and see if it isn't getting just a little seedy for Sunday wear. If it is, take advantage of our 20 per cent discount on umbrellas. No reserve except special priced ones and they are priced so low.

You wouldn't ask for a discount on them

Store Closed All Day Tomorrow

Dress Goods

Seasonable weaves and colorings, no reserves except Lansdowns. The prices are the lowest we ever quoted on this class of merchandise. We need the room. We are going to give the people a large and better dress goods section for 1909. Buy now while you can save 25 to 75 per cent on every yard. Chiffons, Silk and Applique braids and trimmings in the most suitable coloring effects including black and white at a saving of 50 per cent or Half Price

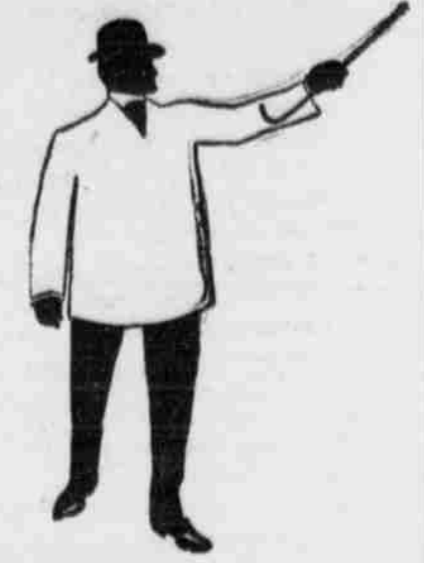
- Spool Silk 5c
Spool Twist 4c
Spool Cotton 4c

Men's Clothing

Our large men's clothing and furnishing goods section offers to you the best values in Salem of clothing and furnishings. When we offer to you such good clothes as Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothes at such low prices as stated below you are just doubling your money

SUITS, OVERCOATS and TOPCOATS

- Exclusive Store's \$35.00 Suits—Our regular price \$30; now \$17.50
Exclusive Store's \$30 Suits—Our regular price \$25; now \$15.50
Exclusive Store's \$25 Suits—Our regular price \$20; now \$14.50
Exclusive Store's \$20 Suits—Our regular price \$18; now \$13.50
Exclusive Store's \$18 Suits—Our regular price \$15; now \$12.50
Exclusive Store's \$15 Suits—Our regular price \$12; now \$9.50



Furnishing Goods

Our entire line for men's boys' and young men, no reserve—20 to 50 per cent discount.

Shoe Blacking

Complete outfit Shinola Blacking. Brush, Dauber and Paste, special, 10c. Sold everywhere for 35c

Combination Suspenders now reduced to Half Price

Store closed New Years day



CITY NEWS

Weather Forecast—Rain tonight or Friday.

When in Portland—Visit Hall's restaurant, 330 Washington street.

W. T. Rigdon, Undertaker—Always progressive, up-to-date Full equipment, largest stock.

Gilson's Place—Eleven barber chairs.

Did You Know—That the finest meats sold in Salem are kept at Farrington's.

Lower Insurance Rates—By having us do your work. E. W. Pierce, Capital Electric Supply Company. Phone 635.

For New Year's Day—Start the new year right. Order your meat from Steusloff Bros. Sanitary Market, and you will not change Phone 321.

We Are Receiving—Some of the finest steelhead salmon direct from the coast. For a few days only at 10 per pound. Farrington, the grocer and marketman

Those Rugs—Are beauties; just in, at Dennis', on State street.

Increasing One's Opportunity

There are many ways a young person may increase his opportunities and earning powers. One of the best ways is to secure a business education. Whether one works for himself or another such a training is useful. It may mean the difference between success and failure. The Capital Business College of Salem is a good school. Its graduates are successful. Students may enter any time. A catalogue for the asking.

Adams Indicted

The grand jury yesterday brought in a true bill against T. H. Adams, who was arrested last Tuesday on the charge of larceny from a dwelling. Many visitors called at the police station yesterday to identify their belongings which had been stolen by Adams during the past month, which consisted mostly of carpenters' tools. Several pieces of stolen property were in the hands of other people, who bought them from Adams.

New Style

Cylinder Record Cabinets. Geo. C. Will received a shipment of New Style Cylinder Record Cabinets. These cabinets keep the records cleaner and not so liable to be scratched, and they are more convenient than the older styles.

WARNED AGAINST TITLED FRENCHMAN

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Following a notification from the First National Bank of Seattle to the First National Bank of this city to beware of "a tall Frenchman giving the name of Gassenderf, believed to be a fakir, dealing in large figures," a warrant is out today for the arrest of Count Winnik Von Gassenderf, a guest at the Fairmount hotel. An attempt was made to serve the warrant last night but the Count could not be found at the hotel. When the warning was received by the bank here the Count was engaged in the inspection and purchase of an automobile from the Studebaker Company. While in the offices of the company here he was recognized by an employe of the company as of similar appearance to a man who swindled the Studebaker Company in Portland. The local officers telegraphed for verification to the Portland branch and the interchange of data resulted in the issuance of a warrant in Portland for the arrest of Gassenderf. At the First National Bank here it was stated that the warning from the north arrived in time to prevent the count from involving the bank.

UNCLE SAM SENDS SHIP LOAD OF FOOD

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Dec. 31.—Commander Huse of the navy supply ship Celtic, received orders today to proceed at full speed at 2 o'clock this afternoon to Messina Sicily. The Celtic has on board six thousand tons of beef, mutton and poultry with medicine and clothing. The supplies were intended for the jackies of the Atlantic fleet and the Celtic was to have met the American ships at Gibraltar to deliver them. The entire cargo will be placed at the disposal of the officials in charge of the relief work in the earthquake district.

WILL CREATE GREAT GAME PRESERVE

Pacific Grove, Calif., Dec. 31.—The creation of a great game preserve stocked with quail and pheasant is being planned today by former Mayor R. F. Johnson of Monterey and Hugh Cernamey. The preserve will consist of a part of the Tulareites ranch, the Casa Verde tract and 25,000 acres adjacent to Carmel valley, 25 miles south of Monterey. Fifteen hundred dozen quail have been contracted for and will be delivered soon.

BODIES BURIED

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back a dozen feet during last night. The tidal wave wrought great havoc, and the destruction here is more complete than at Messina. Minister of Justice Orlando and Minister of Public Works Bertolini arrived aboard the Coatt Emmanuel and have taken charge of the rescue work. The Italian battleships Vittorio Emmanuel III and the Napoli have arrived with food and medicine. The soldiers had to guard the food from the ravenous survivors, who are insane with sorrow, wounds and hunger. They would kill themselves eating if permitted. The soldiers are giving out the supplies in an orderly fashion, but with great difficulty. The mayor of Reggio and Representative Tippepi, of the chamber of deputies, are among the dead.

Many Villages Engulfed.

Naples, Italy, Dec. 31.—Seamen arriving today from the strait of Messina report that all the seaside villages on the Calabrian shore have disappeared and apparently were engulfed.

It is reported that the whirlpool of Charybdis, famous in mythology, has disappeared.

Hundreds of refugees are arriving here today. The extent of the damage by the shock of yesterday will not be known for many weeks.

Many Tourists "Missing"

Rome, Italy, Dec. 31.—The Italian naval commander at Messina telegraphed this afternoon that unless word was received from the American, French, English and German residents within a few hours, there could be no hope for their safety. The message declares that most of the foreigners probably are dead but that the facts cannot be established positively for many days.

It is impossible to identify many of the bodies which are being burned

Fires Break Out Again.

Rome, Italy, Dec. 31.—The messages of today do not make much special mention of the earthquake shock of yesterday except to say that all shattered walls fell. Fires broke out again today in many parts of Messina.

Ninety-Five Shocks Registered.

Rome, Italy, Dec. 31.—The Italian parliament will hold an extra session to provide relief measures as soon as King Emmanuel returns from the scene of disaster. Since the repair of the seismic apparatus, arranged by the great tremor, 95 shocks have been registered,

several of them quite severe.

One hundred thousand refugees from Sicily and Calabria have embarked on the warships so far. Sixteen battleships and cruisers are now on the scene. France has started a squadron of five battleships from Toulon.

The Straits of Messina were navigated today without difficulty, although the terrors have changed the channels and will necessitate new chartings.

King and Queen at Work.

Pelermo, Sicily, Dec. 31.—Working indefatigably in the fire-wrept and riven streets of Messina, King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena have taken little nourishment and less rest, and their collapse from exhaustion is feared by their attendants, according to a wireless message received here today from the stricken city.

During all of last night the king, surrounded by his staff, received reports of the work of relief and gave directions, while the queen remained by his side. Their majesties refused to heed the advice of their attendants, to retire for rest, and it is feared that, when the suspense is over, both will collapse.

During the day the king went ashore to take personal supervision of the relief work. Many times his eyes filled as particularly harrowing sights met his gaze. When news of the wreck of the railroad station and its charnel house of corpses was brought to him the king wept silently.

May Send Fleet to Italy.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Officials of the state and navy departments today are discussing the advisability of sending the American fleet to Sicily on account of the earthquake. It is practically certain that it will be done if such action is acceptable to the Italian government.

The fleet is now in the Red Sea and will be near Sicily in four days under the regular schedule. Under forced draft the ships could arrive off Messina in three days. The big American fleet could give much aid in the rescue work.

Palmi Utterly Destroyed.

Naples, Dec. 31.—The Marquis Vincenzo Genoese, a refugee from Palmi, a seacoast town in Calabria, north of Reggio, today told the following story:

"Palmi is absolutely destroyed. I was awakened by a tremendous roar and a severe shock. It seemed as though the house was whirling around like the winds of a windmill. The wall of my dwelling cracked and through it came a cloud of suffocating dust. Stunned, but uninjured, I tried to escape to the street, but at first found this impossible, as the

stairs had collapsed with the first shock.

"After numerous efforts I succeeded in getting out of a window and descending to the ground from the third story by means of a rope.

"Walking was difficult, owing to the fact that the streets were filled with debris.

"I helped in the work of rescue and in a short time had assisted in dragging from beneath the ruins in the street 86 persons, all of them dead.

"The faces of every one of them showed the agony they suffered in death. Many of them had their arms across their faces, as though to protect themselves from falling debris.

"It was necessary to release the prisoners at Palmi and many of them succeeded in making their escape.

"I tried in every way to enter the town of Reggio, but my efforts were useless. Monday's earth shock was immeasurably worse than the disturbances of 1894 and 1905.

Dogs Devour the Dead.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Naples, Dec. 31.—The commander of the Russian cruiser which arrived here this afternoon with several hundred injured, reported that big droves of dogs are devouring the dead in Messina and that flocks of vultures almost blacken the sky over the city. He said that the ravenous dogs made such furious attacks upon the dead that the workers were forced to desist and drive them away. The dogs attacked the soldiers in many cases and valuable ammunition had to be wasted on them.

May Send Fleet.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The fleet is expected to arrive at Suez January 3, and will coal at Port Said. Under ordinary speed, after entering the Mediterranean on January 5, the fleet can reach Messina in three days at forced draught. Reports indicate that the ships will be needed to remove the injured.

Admiral Sperry could land 12,000 men to assist in the rescue work. This no doubt will be done.

Gunboat Goes to Messina.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The United States gunboat Scorpion, which now is at Constantinople, was ordered today to proceed immediately to Messina.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

PERSONAL MENTION
H. K. Slocum, of Portland, was in the city yesterday.
Rev. H. A. Deck went to Portland this morning on a short business trip.
Miss Molly Meiring left last night for Woodburn, where she will visit friends.
Mrs. E. Vorhies, of Willamette, went to Mt. Angel last night after a short stay in the city.
Miss Bertha Brown, of Siletta, returned to her home today after being here on a business trip.
Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Henry went to Portland last night. They will be gone a few days visiting friends.
G. W. Orr went to Woodburn last night, after looking over the city. His home is in Denver, Colorado.
Mr and Mrs. C. Craig, who have been visiting friends in the city, left last night for their home in Woodburn.
Mrs. F. Hertzler and son returned last night to their home in Woodburn after visiting friends here for a few days.
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kutz, who have been visiting friends here, returned to their home in Woodburn last night.
Miss Ethel Brewster left this morning for her home in Seattle, after visiting her grandfather, J. W. Brewster.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hampton and daughter, Carrie, and Mrs. G. V. Ellis are in Silverton visiting friends for a few days.
Mrs. C. R. Houghton, after visiting her father and mother, Mr and Mrs. H. J. Smith, has returned to her home in Mt. Angel.
Mrs. F. A. Burden and daughter have returned to their home in Oregon City, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bailey.
Mr. E. G. McMillan, who has been spending sometime with his parents, has returned to his home in San Jose, California. Mr. McMillan is an employe of the S. P. R. R.
Long Wrestling Boat. (United Press Leased Wire.) Hoquiam, Wash., Dec. 31.—John Johnson, of Seattle, middleweight wrestling champion of the Pacific coast, went down to defeat in his match here last night with Dan Sullivan, of Montana.
For nearly two hours the men gave an excellent exhibition of wrestling, this being perhaps the longest time ever consumed by a bout of the kind on the Pacific coast. At the end of the struggle the referee awarded the decision to the Montana man.
Christ Church. East State street. New Year service, January 1, 1909; divine service, 10:30 a. m. C. Hopf, pastor.
THE CAPITAL NORMAL REVIEW CLASS Begins work on January 4, and continues until the February examination. Classes formed in all branches for state and county papers and for Eighth Grade Diplomas. J. J. KRAPS, Salem, Oregon.
MONEY TO LOAN THOS. K. FORD Over Ladd & Bush's Bank, Salem, Or.
Norwich Union Fire Insurance Company Frank Meredith, Resident Agent Office with Wm. Brown & Co., No. 29, Commercial street.
A New Supply of the January EVERYBODY'S MAGAZINE Is Now on Sale at Commercial Book Store, Patton's Book Store, Putnam's Drug Store. You had better get one today.
NEW TODAY For Sale—Fresh Jersey cow and 3-week-old calf for sale, 1211 South Liberty. S. C. Kightlinger, 12-31-08.
Notice to the Public—All owners of bulls have agreed to charge \$1.00 for service, beginning with Jan. 1, 12-31-08.