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\$1.50 and \$2.00 Trimmed Hats and Shapes, now .49c, 68c and **89c**

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\$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50 Ladies' Trimmed Hats, now **\$1.95**

\$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00 Ladies' Trimmed Hats now **\$2.95**

WAISTS and SKIRTS

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Ladies Lingerie and Voile Waists **98c**

\$3.45 Ladies' Crepe De Chine Waists at **\$1.98**

\$2.50 and \$3 Flannel Middy Blouses **\$1.98**

Ladies' \$3.50, \$5.00 and \$7.50 Separate Skirts **\$1.98 and \$3.90**

SILKS, DRESS GOODS

27 inch Silk Mulls and Jap. Silks now **23c**

36 inch Imperial Crepe de Chine, all colors **39c**

\$1.00 and \$1.25 Silk Poplins, 40 in., all colors **79c**

\$2.50 and \$3.00 Plain and Novelty Coatings **\$1.75**

Ribbons and Fancy Goods

Nos. 120 and 150 Persian Silk Ribbons, sale **18c**

\$1.50 All Silk Chiffons, 40 in., all colors **75c**

Boudoir and Breakfast Caps, hand made, 35c and **65c**

Ladies' Hemstitched and Embd. Hdksfs. **5c to 35c**

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CANDY GOES "DRY" THROUGH DECISION OF SUPREME COURT

Justice Burnett Holds That Confections Must Contain No Alcohol

Candy must contain no alcohol, since alcohol is a poison, and if the confection does contain alcohol it must be labeled to this effect, according to the decision of the state supreme court in an opinion handed down in the case of H. E. Hoefler, doing business as "Hoefler's" against J. D. Mickel, state food and dairy commissioner. The apparent conflict, however, is explained by two provisions of the pure food laws of the state dealing with adulterations and labeling respectively.

One chapter of the law states that candy must contain none of a list of certain drugs, stimulants and another chapter says that the state food and dairy commissioner may establish the standard of rum, brandy, or alcohol that candy may contain and if any of these ingredients are put into the candy the label must state the percentage of alcohol that the candy contains. In the case before the court this morning it was stated that "Hoefler's Centennial Chocolates," manufactured at Astoria contained 1.05 per cent of alcohol by volume. Mr. Mickel seized some of these chocolates offered for sale in Multnomah county because the label did not state that they contained alcohol.

Hoefler secured a temporary order restraining Mickel from condemning any more chocolates but after the argument in the circuit court Judge Henry E. McGinn decided that the candy violated the pure food regulations and the food and dairy commissioner was given the right to seize all of the candy he found offered for sale. Hoefler appealed to the supreme court.

Justice Burnett in his opinion stated that since all toxicologists held alcohol to be a poison there was no question that the candy containing alcohol was adulterated and therefore in violation of the law. Since the label did not state that the candy contained adulterants it was also an infraction of the law relative to misbranding and the lower court was upheld in all its rulings.

The state law gives the food and dairy commissioner the right to establish the amount of rum, brandy or alcohol that may be put in candy but as yet he has made no ruling on this point. A prominent Salem confectioner said this morning that confectioners in general throughout the state had been using little or no brandy in any candy since the present case had been under litigation. The Salem candy makers are using none at all.

The other cases handed down by the supreme court this morning follow: William Miller et al, appellant, vs. J. R. Weaver, appellee from Union county, action for money, opinion by Chief Justice Moore, Circuit Judge Knowles' judgment for defendant affirmed.

George S. Birnie et al, appellant, vs. City of LaGrande, involving the validity of a street improvement, opinion by Justice Bean, Circuit Judge Knowles reversed. Petitions for rehearing were denied in Rugestein vs. Oppenheimer, Haynes Commercial company vs. Grubill, Cooley vs. Snake River District Improvement company.

Of course Astoria's new vehicle tax ordinance does not include baby carriages.



The Cheer of a Real Christmas Greeting

Will be better appreciated when accompanied with a gift of something useful for man or boy in dependable, serviceable gift.

OUR EXTRA SPECIAL

This Week, Regular Superior Grade 50c Neckwear, 3 for \$1.00

Remember our 50c grade neckwear compares favorably with what some stores charge 75c for.

Gift Suggestions.—Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Bath Robe, Smoking Jacket, Shirts, Slippers, Neckwear, Shoes in fact you will find a complete display of WEARING APPAREL for men and boys.

We also sell merchandise orders.

Brick Bros.

THE HOUSE THAT GUARANTEES EVERY PURCHASE. Before or after the holidays we will exchange any article purchased at our store.

Paramount Pictures

GRAND THEATRE TODAY

THE CHORUS LADY

FEATURING CLEO RIDGLEY AND MARJORIE DAW. SOUTH AMERICAN TRAVEL SERIES NO. 80.

COMING—THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, BLANCHE RING in "THE YANKEE GIRL"

Bring the Children Along

Suggestions Made By Commercial Club

In order to induce manufacturers to come to Oregon, J. L. Stockton, president of the Oregon Retail Dealers' Association, will suggest at the next state meeting to be held at Astoria in February, that all new manufacturing firms be exempt from taxes for a certain period while establishing themselves.

In his address last evening at the Business Men's League of the Commercial club, Mr. Stockton made known his intentions. This could be done, according to Mr. Stockton, through the necessary legislation. For those who do their Christmas shopping late, the League voted last evening that the stores should remain open until 8:30 o'clock Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week.

To investigate the advisability of establishing the sheet known among business men as the Daily Abstract, president H. W. Meyers appointed a committee composed of Joseph Baum-

gartner, Ed Schunke, Curtis Cross, H. S. Poisal, and A. I. Eoff. In many cities the plan of selling had accounts to the highest bidder has been adopted, with satisfactory results, especially as it has been a means of many accounts being paid, rather than sold publicly. To further investigate this idea the following committee was named: Theodore Roth, Z. J. Riggs, M. L. Meyers, Chauncey Bishop and W. K. Richardson.

Governor Withycombe's Brother Dies In Portland

John Withycombe, brother of Governor James Withycombe, died at his home in Portland at 12:30 p. m. yesterday of arteriosclerosis. Mr. Withycombe was 76 years of age. For a number of years Mr. Withycombe was a draughtsman in the office of the United States surveyor general's office in the custom house.

Mr. Withycombe leaves a wife, two sons, Ralph and Howard Withycombe, and a daughter, Mrs. Sidney Rasmus-

In the Heart of the Balkans The World War News Center

By William G. Shepherd. (United Press staff correspondent.) Salonica, Nov. 1.—(By mail.)—Here's the World War news center. At last the stormy little Balkans have come into the world's eye.

Correspondents from all corners of what used to be civilization flock here to be near the great German push 400 miles north of us. There are other lesser correspondents hanging around the hotels of Salonica, mostly queerly dressed chaps with queer habits and manners, newspaper men from European countries who have spent their lives in the Balkans trying to get the busy world interested in their little affairs; men who have lived in queer Balkan cities and have dashed madly to the Balkan telegraph offices in times past with news items which they themselves thought tremendously important but which were honored with tiny headlines in the newspapers of the world.

These Balkan-fan journalists knew that some day the Balkans would explode. The day has come. The explosion has occurred.

At last the feet of European armies are pounding the Balkan highways; European cannon, machine guns and rifles sound through the Balkan hills and European spades eat trenches in the Balkan soil.

In the Olympus Palace hotel, on the water front, gathered around the tiny tables in the cafes, are the officers of the British, French, Russian and Greek armies, a melange of color and language. And these Balkan journalists—English, French and Italian—chatter gaily, wisely of the great day which has come at last.

Salonica harbor is filled with great boats, warships, torpedo boats, hospital ships, and two or three boats which have huge American flags painted on their sides and which are making small fortunes for their owners in running the submarine gauntlet with supplies for the Balkan allies.

That busy harbor of itself is enough to delight the soul of the Balkan journalist. But last evening, just at sun-

down, came the climax of his excitement. An aeroplane was soaring over the bay of Salonica. Behind it, across the harbor, loomed Mount Olympus, where the old Greek gods used to live and cut their capers.

Just to see an aeroplane with Olympus, which has been peaceful and quiet ever since the gods died, as a background, was enough to prove to the Balkan experts that the great day really had come at last.

To top it off, the engine of the aeroplane weakened in its stroke, the machine came nearer and nearer to the water. It had wheels instead of boats beneath its planes and when its momentum was gone and it came to the surface of the bay, it dug its nose 15 or 20 feet into the water, pilot and all, and then stood on end with its tail in the air.

Here was a catastrophe of the World War, right at the foot of Olympus. The Balkan experts watched the eviators come to the surface into the half-sunken planes and wait for three tug boats in the harbor to rush to the rescue.

Then they went back to the Olympus Palace cafe where the French old timers in the Balkans ordered absinthe—which one cannot buy in Paris—and the others ordered whiskey and soda, over which they threshed out the whole problem of the value of aeroplanes in Balkan warfare, happy at last to be able to say:

"The eyes of the world are not on the French front or on the Russian front. They are on the Balkans, as I have always said they would be; and here the World War will be threshed out."

MAY NULLIFY DIVORCES

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—A decision of the appellate court, finding that in cases where divorces are granted by default, the findings of fact must be recorded, is believed to nullify nearly 70 per cent of the divorces granted in California in the last 12 years. This interpretation was placed on the decision by local attorneys today.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

PRUSSIAN LOSS 2,244,248. London, Dec. 14.—Prussian total losses to date have been 2,244,248, according to Rotterdam dispatches today. These said the Saxon and Bavarian figures were not available.

Judge Galloway handed down a decree in favor of the defendant in the case of Arthur J. Renzau by his guardian, Dorothy V. Renzau against J. C. Davis and William Eech as sheriff. The plaintiff asked that the sheriff be restrained from selling the property of the plaintiff upon an execution to satisfy a judgment of \$678.27 held by Mr. Davis. The testimony showed that the defendant did not know that the property was not claimed by the plaintiffs and that he extended them credit upon the belief that they owned it. The decree of the court dismisses the plaintiff's complaint and orders the sale of the property upon the execution. W. C. Winslow is attorney for the plaintiff and Charles F. Leno and Charles L. McNary represent the plaintiffs.

The suit to recover money brought by W. L. Gilbert against William Roberts and others was dismissed today in the circuit court by the order of the court.

Judge Galloway has set the dates for the naturalization days of next year when the applicants for citizenship may be examined before the U. S. Naturalization examiner. The dates upon which the hearings will be held are: Thursday, February 8, 1916; Thursday, April 13; Wednesday, July 19, and Wednesday, October 4.

George Lindville pleaded guilty to a charge of petit larceny in justice court yesterday and was sentenced to 30 days in jail by Justice Webster. The sentence was suspended and Lindville immediately left town. Lindville said he took some clothes from a room mate.

King George of England lost two

subjects today through the declaration of George Edward Schopf and Joseph Henry Rockhill, of their intention to become naturalized citizens of the United States. Mr. Rockhill was born in Burlington, Coffee county, Kansas, but he became an adopted son of King George in order to take up a part of the king's domain in Canada. Mr. Schopf was born in Germany and since the late unpleasantness over in Europe, has no desire to serve longer as a subject of the English king. He came to the United States in 1913. Rockhill came back to his native land December 5, 1915.

A marriage license was issued today to Earl A. Roberts a farmer of Toledo, and Neva E. Howard, a Salem bookkeeper.

Judge Galloway today issued an order and decree in the case of J. K. Gow and Maud Gow against H. L. Goodwin, a suit to quiet title. The order directs that the contract for sale for 80 acres of land in this county be cancelled and the cloud removed from the title to the property.

A default judgment in the sum of \$237.09 was entered in department No. 1 of the circuit court today by Judge Kelly in the suit brought by Edson Keith & Co. against Mary I. McNeel, M. Pauline McNeel and Maggie W. McNeel, under the firm name of McNeel sisters.

Judge Kelly today ordered that the motion of the defendant be allowed and the writ of attachment against the property of the defendants be vacated and discharged in the case of A. Neypach and others against M. E. Phillips and others.

HAD A ROUGH TRIP. Seattle, Wash., Dec. 14.—Several members of her crew were injured, part of her deckland washed away and considerable damage was done to her hull and deck fittings on the last voyage of the liner Canada Maru from Seattle to Yokohama, according to word received here today.

ADMITTED THE SPANKING. New York, Dec. 14.—Henry R. Teepe admitted he spanked his wife "when she was standing up and fully clothed" so it didn't hurt much. Consequently, her charges of emulny, made in a divorce action, were dismissed.