

The Store That "Makes Good"

# Missoula Mercantile Co.

CLEARANCE SALES! New Goods! The store never was so attractive for the bargain hunter or sightseer.

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## To Speed the Parting of Our Fur Stock

Although the furs we have still on hand would be as good and more valuable to us next fall, the quantity of all styles combined is too small to warrant the expense of storage, so to hurry them out we have cut prices and everyone who buys now makes one hundred per cent or better on her investment.



Values to \$8.50 for \$3.95

An assortment of nice, good quality Fur Neckwear, in various styles and shapes, in brown, black, navy and water mink; regular prices, \$6.50 to \$8.50; choice \$3.95

Values to \$12.00 for \$5.00

A small variety of Japanese mink Neckwear, in fine styles; regularly priced at from \$10.00 to \$12.00; your choice \$5.00

Higher Priced Furs Halved

On all other Women's Fur Pieces and Fur Coats, of which a splendid selection still remains, we give a reduction of 50 PER CENT

Children's Fur Sets

A few Fur Sets, for children, 2 to 5 years; in brown, navy and white hare; regular prices \$3.00 to \$4.00; to close at \$1.95

Also a few Children's Fur Sets, in brown, navy, water mink, squirrel and lambswool; regular prices \$5 to \$7.50; to close at \$3.00

## Four Lots of Women's Waists at Little Prices

Were there more of these Waists we would be justified in announcing a great sale; as it is the quantity in each assortment is so small and the prices so low that a day's good selling will close out the lot entirely.

\$1.75 to \$2.50 Chambray Waists \$1

Women's Chambray Waists, in various styles; in tan, blue and stripe effects; remnant lots of \$1.75 to \$2.50 lines; to close at \$1.00

\$2.00 and \$2.50 Linen Waists \$1.25

An assortment of fine white Linen Waists, in broken sizes; in tucked and plain shirt effects, with stiff collars and cuffs; some of these waists are slightly soiled or mused, but a tubbing will make them a good as new; regular \$2.00 and \$2.50 garments; to close out at \$1.25

\$2.75 to \$3.75 Wool Waists \$1.00

Women's Wool Waists, in plain and embroidered styles, in all colors, navy's velvet and brilliantine; in white, navy blue and black; regular prices \$2.75 to \$3.75; to close at \$1.00

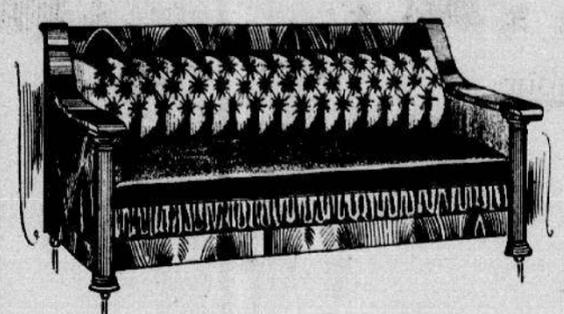


\$3.75 to \$5.00 Wool Waists \$1.95

Women's Fine Waists, in challis, albatross, serge and French flannel; tucked or embroidered styles; in white, black, red, navy and light blue; regular prices \$3.75 to \$5.00; now \$1.95

IN OUR WOMEN'S APPAREL SALON SCORES OF WONDERFUL BARGAINS IN SUITS, COATS AND HATS AWAIT YOUR SELECTION. HALF-PRICE, AS A RULE.

## A Deluge of Davenports Drastic Price Cutting Results



It's a mighty bad and unusual mistake that does not result in some good, if only to teach one not to make the same mistake again. It was a mistake that led one furniture maker to send us double the quantity of Davenports the order called for, and the good derived from this error rebounds to your benefit in these remarkable offerings.

To make this sale as attractive as possible and to afford a variety from which selections can be made, we include every Bed Davenport and Straight Davenport in stock, embracing such makes as the "Simplicity Jamestown," "Karpfen," "Daveno" and "Pulman"—all simple in construction, attractive in appearance and well made and finished. Only a few representative values find mention here.

- No. 4199, Davenport-Bed; without arms; upholstered in green Verona velour; regular price \$55.00; \$27.50
- No. 5071, Plain Davenport, in golden oak, polished; upholstered in green Verona velour; regular price \$59.00; \$28.65
- No. 902 1/2, Davenport-Bed; polished golden oak frame; green tapestry or red velour; regular price \$57.50; \$37.50
- No. 583, Davenport-Bed; polished golden oak frame; red velour upholstery; regular price \$55.00; \$43.90
- No. 223, Davenport-Bed; mahogany frame; red velour upholstery; regular price \$85; \$43.75
- No. 837 1/2, Davenport-Bed; early English oak frame; imitation Spanish leather upholstery; regular price \$79.00; \$46.85
- No. 550, Davenport-Bed; early English and Spanish leather; regular price \$56.00; \$48.75
- No. 1292, Davenport-Bed; same description; regular price \$85.00; \$49.25
- No. 585, Davenport-Bed; mahogany and Spanish leather; regular price \$90.00; \$51.75
- No. 807, Davenport-Bed; polished golden oak; imitation Spanish leather; regular price \$92.50; \$58.75
- No. 7729, Straight Davenport; mahogany and black leather; regular price \$110; \$63.85
- No. 822, Davenport-Bed; Flemish oak and green Durcooy Spanish leather; regular price \$110; \$65.00
- No. 70889, Straight Davenport; early English and black genuine leather; regular price \$110; \$67.35
- No. 550, Davenport-Bed; fumed oak and green Spanish leather; reg. price \$125; \$72.50
- No. 1286, Davenport-Bed; mahogany and genuine leather; regular price \$150; \$85.00
- No. 924, Davenport-Bed; oak frame and genuine leather; regular price \$150; \$88.50
- No. 565, Davenport-Bed; mahogany over-stuffed in green leather; reg. price \$175; \$99.00

## Foretaste of the White Goods Sale

Repeated on Account of Yesterday's Storm

As explained last week, our Annual White Goods Sale has been delayed by the alterations in progress at the store and must be counted among the good things this store has in prospect for its customers; but just to appease, in a measure, those who have been waiting, we offer these three specials as representative of the styles, qualities and values of the White Goods Sale will present.

\$1 Corset Covers 59c

Never in Missoula have garments equal to these been sold for less than \$1.00 each. Probably a dozen different styles in all; in fine muslin, cross-barred lawn and dotted Swiss, trimmed with lace and embroidery; special for Monday 59c only

\$1.50 and \$1.75 Gowns 98c

White muslin Gowns, made from splendid quality muslin, all sizes, high and low neck, long or short sleeves, lace and embroidery trimmed; also gowns in slip-over styles and gowns made from cross-barred lawn; some real elaborate styles are included; regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 garments; special Monday only 98c

\$1.50 Muslin Skirts 98c

Women's white muslin Underskirts, in a fine range of styles; made with wide flounces, lace and embroidery trimmed; good values at \$1.50 each; special Monday 98c



## New Supply of White and Gold China

The long delayed shipment of White and Gold China, for which so many of our customers have been waiting to add to and replace the broken pieces in their dinner set has arrived. This is the Theodore Haviland & Co.'s "Ruby" pattern, made of the finest, clearest, light weight china, embellished with daintily embossed edges—a china beautiful in itself, made more so by having the edges of all pieces, as well as the handles, decorated in coin gold—one of the simplest and at the same time one of the richest and most costly decorations used on chinaware.

- Coffee Cups and Saucers, per set \$5.00
- Coffee Cups and Saucers, set \$6.00
- Dinner Plates, per set \$4.50
- Pie Plates, per set \$2.00
- Covered Vegetable Dishes, each \$4.50
- Gravy Boats, each \$3.75
- Open Vegetable Dishes, each \$3.50
- 10-inch Platters, each \$2.50
- 12-inch Platters, each \$3.50
- 14-inch Platters, each \$4.50
- Sugar Bowls, each \$2.50
- Creamers, each \$1.50

ALL OTHER PIECES TO MAKE COMPLETE SETS AT PROPORTIONATE PRICES.

## Waterman's "Ideal" Fountain Pens

You may try others, but you'll always finish up with a Waterman "Ideal," because it's the last word in fountain pens. A complete new line just received. Prices, \$2.50 to \$5.00. Fill your pen with Waterman Ink—FREE HERE.

### TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

Wallace, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Hurt-broken because his wife and family left him after a drunken debauch in which he spent all his salary, Matt Antie, a miner, cut his throat with a pocketknife and died from loss of blood.

### LOCAL OPTION SUSTAINED.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 21.—Local option was sustained in the legislature today when the Myers bill calling for a popular election to decide statewide prohibition, was reported unfavorably.

The ad-reader "knows"—knows about stores, goods, prices, values. In fact, knows "what's what."

## You Can Sell Real Estate If you Can Advertise Real Estate!

The problem in selling real estate is to find the one—and there's only one—person to whom the property would be worth most.

Sometime, in the course of a few days, or of a fortnight, the prospective buyer to whom your property would be worth most will read the real estate ads in this newspaper. He may read them every day—he may read them once a week. But he reads them—you can be sure of that. And you must be there when he goes. If it is, your problem is solved. If it isn't, you've still got your problem—and your property.

## PAINTS MINIATURE OF TAFT

FAMOUS ENGLISH ARTIST MAKES PICTURE OF THE PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Alyn Williams of London, president of the Royal Society of Miniature Painters of England, has just completed a miniature of President Taft, after several sittings at the White House. The portrait of Mr. Taft which Mr. Williams came over expressly to obtain, will be placed in the gallery at London along with the other notables of the world which the society has collected.

The construction in Washington on Pennsylvania avenue near the treasury department of a \$15,000,000 building to accommodate the state department, the department of justice and the department of commerce and labor, whose office quarters are now scattered in various buildings, is provided in a bill introduced by Senator Scott, of West Virginia.

Declaring he has mastered the art of producing black plants, Dennis Trapley, a rheumatic cripple of Savannah, is in Washington endeavoring to have his formula patented. He says he has thought out mixtures which will produce black flowers and plants, which have produced black roses and which can produce other black blooms. The process consists of the mixing of three inexpensive and common chemicals into a fluid, and applied to the growing plants the same as watering. Trapley says he has worked on the proposition for 15 years and if he gets a patent he can sell it outright for \$500,000. He says the process has a general good effect on the fiber of the plants.

### WINS PARTIAL VICTORY.

Washington, Feb. 21.—The Georgia Railroad & Banking company today won a partial victory over the state of Georgia when the supreme court of the United States affirmed the main points in the opinion of the lower federal court holding that the railroad was required to pay only a state tax of one-half of one per cent of the net earnings of its property and no franchise taxes. The opinion was the first Justice Lurton has rendered from the supreme court bench.

If you want work, put a want ad. to work for you.

## IMPORTANT CHANGE PLANNED

NEWLANDS INTRODUCES AMENDMENT TO THE RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—The coordination of the scientific services of the country with the engineer corps of the army in framing plans for the full development and use of the inland waterways for every useful purpose and for the co-operation of the nation with states, municipalities, corporations and individuals in this work is proposed by Senator Newlands of Nevada in an amendment to the river and harbor bill. Discussing the subject, Mr. Newlands says:

"While the primary purpose of the United States is to facilitate water transportation, it is impossible to perfect the machinery of the waterways without taking into consideration the related questions of forest preservation, of irrigation of arid lands, of reclamation of swamp lands, of the development of water power and other kindred questions. "It is necessary to preserve the forests because they are the natural conservators of moisture and aid in the gradual distribution of waters to the streams. The construction of dams and canals for the cultivation of the arid region aids in river control, modifying floods and promoting stability of volume. The reclamation of swamp lands not only increases cultivable areas, but also aids in the maintenance of a stable channel. The utilization of the water power created by dams and reservoirs must be considered and precautions taken to secure reasonable charges to the public. Whilst the cost of developing the rivers for navigation or for any one of the above uses might be prohibitory, the union of all in one comprehensive plan might make the development of each use practicable."

Continuing, Mr. Newlands said that thus far the development of our rivers had been conducted in the aid of navigation alone, that it was clear that a thorough development of the rivers could be accomplished only through the union of all the uses to which the rivers could be put. It was also clear that the development of the rivers for navigation involved the co-operation of the railways with the waterways and the securing of proper transfer facilities. Rail and water transportation should each supplement the other, water being used for cheap and bulky products, and the rail for goods of greater value requiring quicker delivery at higher rates. Hitherto, Mr. Newlands said, the

work of perfecting channels for navigation had been honestly and efficiently performed by the engineer corps of the army, but in order to form broad and comprehensive plans it was necessary to bring into consultation and co-operation with the army engineers the great scientific and constructive services of the United States engaged in related investigations and inquiries. It was the purpose of his amendment to authorize the president to bring into co-ordination with the engineer corps of the army, through the appointment of a board or boards, the chiefs of these various services, such as the reclamation, forest, geological, coast, geodetic and weather services, so that the knowledge and information and experience of all could be combined in framing effective plans. It was also the purpose of his amendment to authorize the employment of engineers, constructors and transportation experts of eminence on such boards in order that practical men outside of the government service could be utilized. It was of the highest importance that transportation experts should be consulted with a view to securing to the United States the cheapest and quickest transportation of American goods to all parts of our own country, as well as abroad, through co-operative transportation by rail, by river, by canal and by ocean.

### Co-operation.

Mr. Newlands also urged that the plans made by such boards should include the co-operation of the states, municipalities, corporations and individuals within their respective jurisdiction, powers and rights, with the national government within its power and power made it necessary that nature of our government, national and state, and the division of jurisdiction and power made it necessary that national and state sovereignties should co-operate in great constructive work. The conservation movement, the conference of governors, the great interest manifested in the development and utilization of our natural resources all indicated this. This did not imply that the national government should undertake work outside of its constitutional limitations. The power of the national government and its rights also regarding the rivers of the country arose out of its sovereign power over navigation as a part of interstate and foreign commerce and out of its proprietary right over the public domain, and it could only do such work as was necessary or incidental to the exercise of this power and this right. The co-operation of states, municipalities, corporations and individuals was necessary to the full development of the rivers, but the plans could be unhampered whilst the work was segregated, and it was of the highest importance that the law should provide for the executive department the machinery through which to bring about such co-operation. The amendment which he had introduced authorized the president, through the board or boards of experts, whom he was empowered to appoint, to take up the considera-

## PACKING COMPANIES PREPARE FOR TROUBLE

New York, Feb. 21.—Representatives of the National Packing company and other packing companies are taking active defensive measures in anticipation of indictments which the Hudson county grand jury is expected to hand down as a result of the recent cold storage investigation. According to information received today at the office of Pierre Garvey, the public prosecutor, the packers have retained James B. Vreedenburg, counsel for the Pennsylvania railroad in Jersey City; Richard V. Lindabury of Elizabeth, a prominent New Jersey corporation lawyer, and Charles Hartshorne of Jersey City. A force of detectives is also said to be at work for the packers.

## ACCEPTS INVITATION TO VISIT GOVERNOR

Washington, Feb. 21.—President Taft today accepted an invitation to be the personal guest of Governor Hughes of New York at Albany, March 19 and 20. On the 19th the president is to deliver an address in the same city before the Tuberculosis congress. This is the first time in many years that a president has thus visited a governor.

The president also accepted today invitations to attend the transmission congress to be held in San Antonio, next November, and he also promised to try to attend for a few minutes the forestry and stream exposition to be held in Chicago in March.

## DECISION REVERSED.

Washington, Feb. 21.—By reversing the decision of the supreme court of Alabama, the supreme court of the United States today declared unconstitutional as applied to the railway company, the Alabama statute levying an annual franchise tax on foreign corporations doing business in the state. The court held it was an improper discrimination between foreign and domestic corporations.

## WOULD NOT EXTEND SCOPE OF INQUIRY

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 21.—Speaker Wadsworth led the republican assemblymen tonight in an unmistakable declaration against extending the scope of the legislative bribery investigation. By a vote of 75 to 23 the assembly refused to consider the resolution introduced a week ago by former Lieutenant Governor Chanler, which sought to put the lower house on record in favor of a wider inquiry than that now in progress in the senate.

Tonight's action by no means settles the question. In the upper house senator Newcomb of New York introduced a bill for a sweeping investigation to follow the present inquiry. His resolution was sent to the finance committee.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 21.—The crisis in the negotiations for higher wages which have been in progress here for the last three weeks between the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company and its conductors and trainmen, appeared to have been reached today when the men's committee refused to accept the company's counter proposition unless it was materially modified. The company's officials, it is understood, took the matter under advisement.

## CRISIS REACHED.

## REVERSES DECISION OF LOWER COURT

San Francisco, Feb. 21.—Declaring that no court of equity would enforce the specific performance of the contract, the United States circuit court of appeals reversed the decision by the circuit court which awarded \$100,000 damages to the Rosario Mining & Milling company for the failure of C. W. Clark and his associates to pay \$400,000 for the Rosario mine in Chihuahua, Mexico. The court in its decision said the mining company could not establish a clear title to the mine and that Clark could not be held liable for his failure to take up the option.

## ARGUMENT HEARD.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—Another of the trust prosecutions begun in the Roosevelt administration came before the bar of the court today when argument was heard in the United States circuit court in the government's suit against the alleged anthracite coal combination.

## RENDERS DECISION.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 21.—The supreme court of Georgia today handed down a decision debaring negroes from using the title "Knights of Pythias" in this state.

**ELECTROPODES**

30 Day Trial FOR EVERY BODY

WHY suffer with RHEUMATISM, nervous headaches and other nervous ailments, bad circulation and cold feet, when a \$1.00 treatment will cure you. All drug stores sell a LEGAL, BINDING CONTRACT with each sale agreeing to refund the money at the end of a thirty day trial if they are not satisfactory or fail to cure.

**ELECTROPODES**

Are metal insoles, zinc and copper, the same as a galvanic battery. The zinc is worn in one shoe, the copper in the other. The nerves themselves are the connecting wires between the positive and negative, and every nerve of the body is fed a mild and soothing current of electricity the entire day, which positively cures.

Are malleable. If your druggist cannot furnish them, send us \$1.00 and we will see that you are supplied. Money positively refunded if they fail to cure. In ordering, state whether for lady or gentleman.

WESTERN ELECTROPODE CO. Los Angeles, California