TEMPLARS RENEW LOYALTY PLEDGE

Knights of District, as Well as Throughout World, Gather at Asylums.

PLEA FOR EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE SPIRIT OF CHARITY

Toasts to President of United States and High Masonic Officers Are Responded To.

In accordance with their annual custom and responsive to the call of both their most eminent grand master, Arthur MacArthur of Troy, N. Y., and Grand Commander Henry K. Simpson of the District of Columbia, the several local Knights Templar commanderies gathered in their respective asylums today to pledge their lives and knightly honor to the Great Captain of Salvation and their loyalty to the supreme head of their order.

In all of them the pledge was given in the sentiment announced by the committee on Christmas observance of the Grand Commandery: "To Our Most Eminent Grand Master Arthur MacArthur, Troy, N. Y.: A quarter of a million Knights of the Temple, in this and other lands, awaiting your first Christmas greeting, again avow their a legiance to you and those in authority, and pledge their devotion to the Great Redeemer and His cause on earth.

To this message the grand master sent the following response:

Response of Grand Master.

"To all Knights Templar: There can come to no man, occupying whatever position he may, a greeting that is so full of the spirit of Christian knighthood as the sentiment which comes to me as your most eminent grand master from the sir knights of this grand jurisdiction at this Christmas time.

"In this approaching season, when Christmas teachings should prevail, and when knightly greetings and knightly sympathy be manifested on every side, the voice, as of one from this mighty host, comes like music to soothe the cares of the day, to inspire to nobler action and to make one feel that life's burden is easier to bear and life's journey easier to tread. In these days of materialism, when the hand of acquisition is busy, when the more beautiful sentiments of life are sometimes pushed rudely aside, when justice, with leaden heels and velvet hands, harasses and grieves, it is then, and then in its full force, that the powers and privileges of Christian knighthood should show forth in all their beauty, in all their possibilities and in all their abilities to make life happier and mankind better.

"Now when Joy and Peace should be prevalent, there comes to us a more serious thought—that in the regeneration of the world—that in its rebirth—there should ever be present in our daily walk in life the teachings that made the Man of Nazareth that one great appealing power whose influence ages have not dimmed and whose strength for good ever grows stronger.

"It is my sincere desire and my sincere wish that whatever there is in the teachings of our order that can be applied to the amelioration of humanity; that whatever there is in this world for us to do now, that we do it, and do it with a will glorifying Our Father in Heaven, making it manifest that our appreciation shows itself in good deeds, in charitable acts, and more especially in an upright walk and a more clear understanding of the duties of Christian knighthood.

"To you all I wish that the joys of Christmastide may come. And as you, in turn, will, by doing and being, make others happy, so may you be happy.

"May God speed you all, and may Peace, Joy and Contentment sit by your firesides."

Wants Charity Exemplified.

Grand Commander Simpson of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia, in transmitting this sentiment to the various local commanderies, made a plea that the spirit of charity be exemplified in the donation today at every gathering of the order of a sum sufficient in total to endow "Knights' Templar Room" in the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, recently dedicated to the needy members of the Masonic fraternity, their widows and orphans.

Columbia Commandery, No. 2, in the chapter room at Masonic Temple perhaps had the most elaborate program of the day. It opened with an organ prelude by Sir Knight Oscar Danzenbaker and included a number of toasts, with responses. The toast to the President of the United States was responded to by Sir Knight James S. McCarthy; that to the Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M., of the District of Columbia, by Grand Master of Masons Charles L. Baldwin; that to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, by Past Commander Walter B. Pettus; that to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the District of Columbia, by Past Grand Commander Alex Grant, the commandery offering the following sentiment: "Columbia Commandery joyfully renews its pledge of loyal allegiance. Accept from us this kindly wish—good health, long life, prosperity, with hearty greetings and kind wishes for Christmas and the coming year."

Sir Knight Charles E. Foster responded to the toast "Our Sister Commanderies"; Sir Knight Seaton W. Trunnell, to that to "Columbia Commandery"; Sir Knight Clayton E. Emig, to "Our Absent Sir Knights—In health, in sickness, in prosperity and in adversity, God be with you till we meet again."

As a great set of silvery chimes rang out the hour of noon, a toast to the symbolic announcement was responded to by Sir Knight Charles B. Matthews, and following the reading of the sentiment to the grand master and his response, the libation was poured and Past Commander John A. Moyer delivered a brief responsive address. The final toast, "To Our Deceased Sir Knights," was responded to by Sir Knight Louis H. Meyers and the services closed with singing "Joy to the World; the Lord is Come," and Eminent Commander Dr. Frank E. Gibson gave the greeting "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All." The services began at 11:15 a.m. and were timed to bring the grand master's greeting and response at high noon.

Observance by Potomac Commandery

Potomac Commandery, No. 3, conducted its observance in Masonic Hall, Georgetown, beginning at noon, with the following program of toasts, responses and prayer:

Invocation, Rev. Sir L. H. Waring; "Grand Encampment," Right Eminent Sir George E. Corson; "Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M.," Sir B. W. Murch; "Grand Chapter," Eminent Sir Leo Towers, jr.; "Grand Commandery," Right Eminent Grand Commander Henry K. Simpson; "Sister Commanderies," Eminent Sir W. K. Reeve; "Potomac Lodge, No. 5, F. A. A. M.," Worshipful Master W. M. Hoffman; "George C. Whiting Lodge, No. 22, F. A. A. M.," Worshipful Master Reuben A. Bogley; "Potomac Chapter, No. 8, R. A. M.," Ex-High Priest Thomas G. King; "Potomac Commandery, No. 3, K. T.," Eminent Sir W. S. Waddey; "Our Absent Fraters," Rev. Sir Luther H. Waring; "Mizpah Chapter, O. E. S.," Worthy Patron Milton Baer; closing prayer by Rev. Sir Luther H. Waring.

Observance by Other Commanderies.

De Molay Mounted Commandery, No. 4, at Masonic Temple, preceded its greetings to the grand master with a scripturo lesson and prayer, and a salutation by Rev. Dr. Sir William W. Barnes. Past Grand Commander W. T. Galliher gave the greetings to Grand Commander Henry K. Simpson; those to sister commanderies had for the response the reading of letters and telegrams touching the subject. Then followed the libation to deceased fraters, the reading of the appeal of the grand comander for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home contribution, with prayer and benediction by Rev. Dr. Barnes. The services were conducted by Eminent Commander Gratz E. Dunkum, Recorder William H. Parsons officiating as clerk of the function.

Orient Commandery, No. 5, began its Christmas observance services in its asylum in Naval Lodge Hall, 4th street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast, with Grand Commander Henry K. Simpson as its guest of honor. Recorder William E. Miller read the message to the grand master and his response. Eminent Commander E. P. Hazleton presided. Addresses and responses to the usual toasts were made by Grand Commander Simpson, Past Grand Commander Alex McKenzie, Past Grand Commander Dr. George C. Ober, Past Commander Joseph H. Milans, Past Commander Kenton N. Harper and Grand Prelate J. Russell Verbrycke of the Grand Commandery, who spoke upon the spirit of the day.

Grand Commander Simpson began his tour of the day with Orient Commandery, and followed it up with a visit to Potomac Commandery, the two "outlying commanderies," as they are known, reaching the others before the close of the functions in them.

THIRTY HIGH SCHOOLS TO SHOOT FOR TITLE

War Department to Give Trophies in Competition for United States Championship.

The annual competition for the interhigh school rifle shooting championship of the United States will begin immediately following the Christmas holidays. Thirty high schools, covering a territory extending from Portland, Me., to Tucson, Ariz., and west to the Pacific coast, will participate. All the matches are to be shot under the direct supervision of judges selected by the National Rifle Association of America. The prize for which the school teams will compete is a national trophy presented by the War Department.

The schools which will enter the competition have been divided into three classes, with ten teams in each class. Each team will consist of ten boys, each firing ten shots standing and ten shots prone at fifty feet, using .22-caliber rifles. The winning team in each class will receive medals from the War Department.

Sport Gaining Popularity.

In announcing the forthcoming competition the National Rifle Association declares that rifle shooting as a sport in the public schools of the country is rapidly on the increase. It has been greatly stimulated by a national trophy presented by the War Department, it is stated.

"The hold which this clean and manly sport has taken upon the school authorities in different cities," the association says, "is shown by the fact that many of the new schools under construction are being provided with gallery ranges and in some cities, as, for instance, the District of Columbia, all of the public schools are provided with gallery ranges, and in two of the schools the sport has been taken up by the girls as well as the boys."

REMOVING METAL BUOYS.

Lighthouse Service Steamer Maple at Work on Chesapeake Bay.

In preparation for the coming of the time when ice drifts up and down Chesapeake bay with the tides, the lighthouse service steamer Maple, Capt. Miles, has gone to the upper part of the bay. The Maple will take up all gas, can, bell, nun and other metal buoys that are likely to be damaged by drifting ice and will replace them with wooden spar buoys, which are not greatly damaged by the ice and which are not easily moved from their positions by the drifting floes.

The Maple will first take up the can and gas buoys in the vicinity of Pooles Island, and will from there go to the mouth of the Susquehanna river, in which ice an inch or more in thickness is reported to have made in the cold snap of about a week ago. Later, if the indications are for ice-making, the buoy boats will visit the Potomac and other tributaries of the bay to take care of the valuable buoys marking their channels.

GLACIER COSTS CANADA ONLY ALASKAN HARBOR

Movement of Great Body of Ice Explained by Prof. Laurence Martin.

Prof. Lawrence Martin of Wisconsin University, who has just completed a survey of the glaciers of Glacier bay, Alaska, for the National Geographic Society, arrived in Washington today. He reported that Canada's only harbor on the Alaskan coast, created in the summer of 1912 by a stupendous recession of Grand Pacific glacier, has been closed owing to an "about-face" movement on the part of the glacier, amounting to more than 4,000 feet in the last ten months.

"In the spirit of the Alaskan boundary treaty, Canada should have had no harbor whatever in this region," explains Prof. Martin. "The international boundary crosses the valley occupied by Grand Pacific glacier about twelve miles northwest of the ice front of 1894. Here a portion of the boundary line was placed less than thirty-five statue miles from the supposed head of the bay.

Canadians Exult.

"It is certain that this portion of the boundary was not located in the expectation of such a great retreat of Grand Pacific glacier as has since taken place. August 1, 1912, the glacier had receded so far that its terminus was in British Columbia rather than in Alaska, and Canada acquired a new harbor. The new seaport was in a snowy desert land and was reached only by traversing American waters, but that made no difference to the Canadians. When I was up north in the summer of 1912 the Canadian papers were full of glowing and exulting accounts of the new harbor. It was impossible for any one to use it as a harbor at the time, but that did not prevent the Canadians from being happy.

"However, a sudden and rapid advance of the glacier during the past ten months has robbed Canada of her harbor. The front of the glacier now is about three-quarters of a mile across the boundary line on the Alaskan side.

"The international boundary is now fixed and, of course, will not be changed merely because the terminus of a tidal glacier was accepted as the head of a bay and the bay was later enlarged by retrogression of its head.

Territory at Stake.

"If the boundary had been adjudicated soon after Vancouver made his map in 1794, with the Grand Pacific ice front sixty miles from its present position, Canada would have gained hundreds of square miles of territory. If the boundary were under treaty in 1912 Alaska would have gained hundreds of square miles.

"The advance or retreat of a glacier is determined by the amount of snowfall and the amount of melting of the ice. Recession of a glacier is caused by the melting of the glacier terminus plus the loss through icebergs which float away. If snowfall decreases or melting increases the balance is destroyed and the end of the glacier recedes by melting back. Increase in snowfall and decrease in melting cause an advancement."

JEWS TO GIVE TABLEAUX.

Entertainment in Connection With Feast of Chanukkah.

A tableau entertainment in connection with the Jewish feast of Chanukkah, or the feast of the lights, which started December 23, will be given by Ahavas Zion Society tonight in Elks' Hall, 919 H street northwest.

The first tableau is to represent Mattathias, father of the Maccabees, calling upon the Jewish people to fight for their fatherland against the Syrians. The second shows Dr. Herzel, the founder of the Zionist movement, calling upon orthodox Jews to co-operate in the redemption of Palestine and the establishment of a Jewish home for the Jewish people.

Prof. Harry Friedenwald of Baltimore will give a lecture on "New Life in Palestine," illustrated with stereopticon views taken by him on his visit last summer.

The new post office site at Frostburg, Md., which cost $50,000, was opened to the public Monday.

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

The following, reprinted from the editorial page of the New York Sun, was written by the late Frank P. Church:

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

Dear Editor:

I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says "If you see it in The Sun it's so." Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA O'HANLON.

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

MORE RAIL CONCESSIONS FOR GERMANS IN CHINA

New Roads Nominally Will Be Branches of Line Originally Projected in 1898.

Concessions granted by the Chinese government to Germans for the construction of two railways connecting the German territory on Shantung peninsula with the great agricultural and mining country in the interior are said here to be an extension of the original concession made by China in 1898, when the Germans first obtained a foothold in northeastern China by the acquisition of Kiao Chau.

The new roads nominally will be branches of the road originally projected at that time, but will open up much practically new territory of a most profitable character from a railroad point of view.

The new concessions, coming quickly upon others of vast importance granted to European interests since the accession to power of Yuan Shi Kai, have attracted attention among the officials here because of their probable effect upon the ultimate control of the Chinese interior markets, as well as the vast and undeveloped mining and mineral resources of the country.

Other Concessions.

Recently two concessions were granted to Belgians, each involving the expenditure of $50,000,000 gold, one for a railroad running into Kwang-su province and the second opening the way to virgin territory in the neighborhood of Kalgan, on the border of Mongolia.

Another concession has gone to Pauling & Co., a British concern, for a railroad in the Yangtse valley, and still another to a combination British-Chinese syndicate for a road north of the Yangtse.

Audit of Chase's Books Closing.

A report of the auditors on the books of the Y. M. C. A. of which Charles N. Chase, who is at liberty under $5,000 bond to answer to a charge of embezzlement, had charge, may be made to General Secretary William K. Cooper this week. Mr. Cooper already has received a preliminary report from the auditors, but is unwilling to make it public until the findings are complete.

W. D. Byron & Sons gave to each of their employes in their large tanneries in Williamsport, Md., and at Mercersburg, Pa., a five-dollar gold piece. The firm distributed $2,300 among its employes.

WIRELESS MESSAGE TO EXPLORERS IN ARCTIC

Sponsors of Crocker Land Expedition Send Christmas Greeting to Men 1,600 Miles Away.

NEW YORK, December 25.—Through the arctic regions last night, unless the aurora borealis interfered, a wireless message from the sponsors of the Crocker Land expedition sped to its leader, Donald B. MacMillan, and his companions at Etah, Greenland, 1,600 miles away. It was a Christmas message from the American Museum of Natural History, the American Geographical Society and the University of Illinois and was signed by Dr. Edmund O. Hovey of the museum, director of the expedition. The message read: "Heartiest greetings and best wishes from museum, geographical society and University of Illinois and from family and personal friends of yourself and all your party. We are well and are confident of your success, in spite of all difficulties, although no word from you has come through yet."

The message was forwarded through Canadian government channels. It was looked on as a good gamble that it would reach its source, and though the wireless outfit of the party is expected to have caught it, it is not powerful enough to send an answer, which is tantalizing to those who want to know about the expedition.

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$18 Novelty Cloths, Boucles and Zibelines	$10.00
$25 Chinchilla, Duvetyne, Boucles and Fancy Cloths	$15.00
$30 Persianas and all the New Rough Materials	$19.95
$40 Ural Lambs, Plush and Exclusive Cloths	$25.00
$50 Exclusive Model Evening Coats	$32.50

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$11 Serges of Navy, Brown, Copenhagen and Black	$6.95
$18 Eponge, Serges and Fancy Cloths	$10.95
$20 Crepe de Chine Silk, all colors	$10.00
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Bargain No. 4. Silk Dresses, Values to $12.98, **$5.98** A rack full of desirable styles in silk messaline, taffeta, brocades, etc.; assorted styles and colors. High neck and long sleeves, lace and ribbon trimmed.—Second Floor.

Bargain No. 5. Women's and Misses' Suits, **$5.98** A limited stock of these. Desirable styles in smart cheviot mixtures, short cutaway coats; guaranteed linings. Regular price, $14.50. Alteration, if any, at cost.—Second Floor.

Bargain No. 6. Girls' Coats, Values to $19.50, **$9.50** Zibelines, chinchillas, boucles, corduroys and novelty mixtures, with plush collars and cuffs; with and without belt, some trimmed with ornamental buttons; 6 to 14 years.

Bargain No. 7. Sample Hats, for Children, **79c** Of felt, corduroy, velvet, etc., with dainty trimmings of ribbon, feathers and flowers. Dozens of shapes in all the wanted colors.—Second Floor.

Bargain No. 8. Children's Coats of Bearskin, **$3.29** Cute style of white bearskin, in assorted curls, suitable for tots of 2 to 6 years. Warmly lined and nicely finished in every detail. Regular prices up to $7.98.—Annex, Second Floor.

Bargain No. 9. Children's Coats, Worth to $7.98, **$3.49** Especially designed for tots of 2 up to 6 years. Materials are serviceable chinchilla, boucle, zibeline and velvet, some have plush collars and cuffs.—Annex, Second Floor.

Bargain No. 10. Girls' Hoods and Toques, **45c** Fine to wear when skating or during any outdoor play. Extra heavy and closely knitted. Solid colors and combinations. Regular price, 98c.—Second Floor.

Bargain No. 11. Untrimmed Hats, Values to $7.98, **$1.25** Colors are of beaver, hatters' and pile plush and finest velvet. All the becoming and most fashionable shapes of the season are shown. Just 150 in the lot.—Third Floor.

Bargain No. 12. "Mendels-make" House Dresses, **98c** Percales and ginghams, in high neck and long sleeve styles. Fancy check and stripe designs. Other well known makes included. Regular prices, $1.49 to $1.69.—Third Floor.

Bargain No. 13. High-Grade Corsets, **$1.19** Broken sizes of R&G, W. B. and Thomsons Glove-fitting Corsets; made of heavy coutil, in medium and low bust and long hip styles. Regular prices up to $2.—Third Floor.

Bargain No. 14. Women's 29c Silk Hose, **19c** In black only, with double heels and toes. Just added several hundred pairs to this lot, so the picking will be mighty good.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 15. Women's Union Suits, **39c** Of elastic ribbed cotton, in white only; finished with neatly taped necks; ankle length; long-sleeve styles. Regular price, 59c each.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 16. Women's Silk Stockings, Pair, **25c** Seconds of our regular 50c grade; made full fashioned, with garter tops; a very desirable, durable Silk Stocking. Special, for Friday only, 25c a pair.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 17. 8c Outing Flannel, **4¾c** A very desirable weight and quality offered in a choice assortment of stripe and check designs in all colors. Just 900 yards in this lot. Special at 4¾c.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 18. India Linen, 10c and 12½c Value, **6c** Also Wash Crepe in white only; plain and stripe effects; 36 and 39 inches wide. Just 300 yards of this splendid quality wash goods to sell at the remarkable price of 6c.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 19. $1.00 Wool Storm Serge, **56c** An unusually heavy fine twill grade; fast color and a full 56 inches wide; in black only, and while it lasts, 56c a yard.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 20. 75c Yard-wide Wool Suitings, **55c** 36 in. wide; storm serges, fancy weaves, cord serges and fancy wool plaids; a splendid quality for suits and separate skirts.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 21. Women's Juliets, **89c** Regular prices, $1.50 $2.00 and $2.50; made of all-wool felt of the very best quality; trimmed with bands of fur and ribbon inserting. The best in the house is included in this lot.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 22. Men's $5.00 Footwear, **$3.45** No matter if sizes are broken, the assortment of styles and leathers offers an excellent choice, in tan calf, dull velour and patent kid.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 23. Women's $4 and $4.50 Shoes, **$2.69** The season's best styles right out of our regular stock. The only difference is that the sizes are broken, but even at that you can be fitted. Every style heel and toe and all leathers.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 24. Misses' and Children's Shoes, **$1.39** Patent, gun metal, tan and red leathers. Every pair hand-sewed; not all sizes, but all can be fitted. Regular prices, $2.00 and $2.50.—First Floor.

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Bargain No. 25. Men's Percale Shirts, **39c** Odds and ends of Shirts that sold regularly at 79c; made in the coat style; attached cuffs. If your size is here you'll get a bargain. Negligee style in various patterns.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 26. Men's Silk Four-in-Hands, **19c** Just 100 in the lot; worth up to 50c; offered in a number of plain and fancy designs and colors; each Tie in a fancy box. Special Friday Sale price, 19c.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 27. Men's Fancy Vests, **$1.49** Nobby silk and wool mixtures worth up to $3.50. High cut English effects. Many with novelty buttons.—Fourth Floor.

Bargain No. 28. Boys' $5 and $6 Overcoats, **$3.49** Smart styles of blue and gray chinchillas, blue, gray and brown mixtures. Double-breasted, belted styles. Sizes 2½ to 8 years.—Fourth Floor.

Bargain No. 29. Boys' 69c Knickerbockers, **49c** Of wear-resisting corduroy and wool fabrics, knicker style; Sizes for boys from 5 to 17 years. A splendid value.—Fourth Floor.

Bargain No. 30. Men's Smoking Jackets, Choice, **$3.98** Made of double-face golf cloths in gray and maroon; some trimmed with silk cord and frogs; all seams are taped. Values in this lot up to $7.98.—First Floor.

Bargain No. 31. $13.75 Brussels Rug, 9x12 ft., **$8.75** 9-wire, closely woven back, in floral, conventional and rich oriental designs. You can purchase one of these handsome Rugs with absolute assurance of satisfaction.—Fourth Floor.

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Pillsbury's Best Flour, ⅛ bbl.	77c	Thompson's Borax Soap, 7 cakes	25c
Vinegar, pure cider, 1 gallon (jug free)	25c	Milk, Van Camp's, tall tin, 3 for	25c
Peas, Early June, 3 cans for	25c	Rumford's Baking Powder, 1-lb. tin	21c
Corn, Shoe Peg, can	7½c	Asparagus, Brookdale, tall square tin	19c
Lipton's Tea, Blend "A," 1-lb. tin	55c	Soup, Van Camp's Tomato	6⅞c
Thompson's Cleanser, sifting top, tin	2⅞c	Peaches, Columbus, lemon cling (halves), can	17½c
		Salmon, tall tin, Puget Sound, can	7½c

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