

# Extra Special

## On White Waists

A new shipment of Ladies' White Shirt Waists just received—\$1.25 and \$1.50 values. They go in our white goods sale at **98c**

White Goods Sale Closes Sat., March 18

Do not miss getting in on this splendid sale.

## Cushing & Benedict

"Where You Do the Best"

# BARGAINS

## Second Hand Cars

- 1914 Ford Touring Car, No. 1 shape, price..... **\$275**
- Mitchell Roadster, good condition, price..... **\$285**
- Buick Model 17 Touring Car, price..... **\$175**
- Buick Model 10, four passenger, price..... **\$150**
- Hupmobile Roadster, price..... **\$100**

Call and see these cars at the

# Alma Garage Co.

WM. BARTON, Prop.

Both Phones

# PUBLIC SALE

At the West Superior Feed Barn,  
Alma, Michigan,

## Saturday, March 18, 1916

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m., the following property:

- 1 Black horse, coming 9 yrs. old weight 1300
- 1 Dapple gray mare, coming 8 yrs. old, weight 1250
- 1 Brown mare, coming 11 yrs. old, 1200
- 1 Roan mare, coming 10 yrs. old, weight 1800
- 1 Bay mare, coming 10 yrs. old, weight 1100
- 1 Brown mare, coming 8 yrs. old, 1200
- 1 Sorrel mare, coming 14 yrs. old, 1000
- 1 Black horse, coming 12 yrs. old, 1100
- 1 Brown horse, 12 years old, weight 1500
- 2 Three-in tire wagons in good condition
- 2 Sets of new dump boards
- 1 Concord buggy. 1 surrey
- 3 Top buggies
- 1 Platform two-seat buggy, nearly new
- 3 Sets double work harness
- 2 Sets double driving harness
- 5 Sets single harness
- 1 Set platform scales
- 3,000 feet one-in. Elm lumber
- 1 Pair Montigel sleighs
- 1 Set cutter runners
- Open buggy, nearly new
- Blankets, robes and other small articles

Also a quantity of Household Goods



HELMAN & SON  
Auctioneers.

TERMS: All sums of \$5.00 and under Cash. Over \$5.00 10 months time on good bankable paper at 5 per cent interest. 2 per cent discount for cash on sums over \$5.00.

ED. WINN, Proprietor

BERT ECKERT, Clerk

### LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. F. Willis visited in Shepherd, Monday.

Mrs. F. L. Delevan spent Monday in Breckenridge.

Mrs. W. J. Allen spent last Friday in Wheeler.

Clark Dicker of Elsie, was an Alma caller Monday.

Miss Alice Watson of Wheeler spent Friday in Alma.

Sheriff Bradford of Ithaca was in Alma, Tuesday.

Jesse Fuller was in Riverdale on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell were in Saginaw Monday.

F. E. Pollasky made a business trip to Saginaw, Monday.

Mrs. A. B. Smith of St. Louis visited in Alma Monday.

P. W. Cresser was a business caller at Middleton, Monday.

Mrs. E. Holdsberry of St. Louis spent Monday in this city.

N. J. McCall of Mt. Pleasant was in Alma Saturday on business.

Mrs. William Evers went to Cedar Lake, Monday to visit relatives.

Mayor Whitney of St. Louis was in Alma Wednesday on business.

John Chick and J. E. Converse were in Saginaw Monday on business.

L. P. Schroeder visited at the home of Miss Eliza Emaley over Sunday.

F. W. Ruggles and M. A. Holmes were in Boston the first of the week.

Orville Allen of the Republic Truck Co., spent Sunday with friends in Detroit.

Mrs. J. Schwartz, Adams, and Goggin were court visitors at Ithaca, Tuesday.

Dr. E. G. Slayter, Osteopathic physician Vermeulen block. Union phone 47.—Adv.

John D. Spinney and Justice Mann were in Ithaca, Tuesday on legal business.

Sharrar & Wheeler have just added to their office a new 2250 pound Schwab safe.

Crandell & Scott are improving the appearance of their east show window with a new awning.

George Sharrar left Monday for Okmulgee, Okla., on a two weeks business trip.

Mrs. George Greene returned to her home in Wheeler last Friday after a visit with Alma friends.

The Alma Thimble Club will meet with Mrs. Tilus, at 145 Groves avenue on Friday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hall entertained Mrs. Hugh Hall and Mrs. Bromley of Eaton Rapids, Monday.

A Gratiot county map for \$1.50 or The Record one year and a map for \$2.00 while they last.—adv.

George W. Pulfrey is in St. Johns this week, the guest of his brother-in-law, Dr. Weller of that city.

Chas. Button, Sr., who has been spending the winter at Grand Rapids, has returned to Alma to live.

J. A. Gerhardt one of our live wire dry goods merchants made a business trip to Detroit last week.

The dancing class of Mrs. Bucanan at Weese hall last week, was a success, about 40 joining the class.

Mrs. Julius Pretzer and Mrs. Adolph Pretzer and little boy went to Hemlock last Friday for a week end visit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Denton left for their home at Grand Lake after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith.

Miss Taylor of Wheeler stopped off at Alma enroute home after attending the Christian Endeavor convention at Ithaca.

Silas Augustine of St. Louis was adjudged insane last week and taken to the state hospital at Traverse City, last Friday.

Judge Searl is holding circuit court at Ithaca this week. Several important cases are on the docket and some have been disposed of.

Prof. Brokenshire and mother left Friday for Saginaw where Prof. Brokenshire will lecture on Bible study Friday and Saturday.

Chas. Button, Jr., who has been doctoring in Lansing the past month, returned to Alma the first of the week very much improved in health.

Mrs. Leon Stinchcomb and little son returned home from Grand Rapids, Monday where they have been visiting friends for a few days.

The city council have employed C. M. Grow as driver of the city fire truck. Mr. Grow is an experienced auto man and is giving excellent satisfaction.

Rev. W. E. Spencer of Iowa formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church of this place was in Alma Wednesday attending the annual meeting of the Union Telephone Co.

Mrs. W. H. Parr is in Ann Arbor this week with her daughter Alta, who was operated on at the hospital last Friday. She is reported as doing nicely and a speedy recovery is expected.

I wish to announce that I have taken the agency for the Dort cars, my territory includes all of Gratiot and part of Isabella county with headquarters at the Studebaker Garage, Alma. M. L. Perrigo.—adv.

George S. Aldrich a former resident of this county died at the home of his son at Birmingham, last Saturday night of heart trouble. Mr. Aldrich was an excellent citizen and honored by all who knew him.

J. Bistline gave a violin solo at the Episcopal church last Sunday morning and sang a solo at the Presbyterian church in the evening. Both were very much appreciated by all who were fortunate enough to hear him.

George Myers for some time an employee of Central Michigan Produce Co., was in Alma the first of the week having just returned from Mexico and other southern countries. He expects to locate in Michigan, he says the bullets are scattered too recklessly for him in Mexico.

Attend the Style Show next Wednesday evening. Everybody come.

Frank Smith left Thursday for Traverse City on a business trip.

E. M. Wood has secured the contract for furnishing the plans for a \$25,000 school building at Alma.

W. J. Melchers and L. L. Conn of Owosso former residents of Alma attended the annual meeting of the Union Telephone Co., last Wednesday.

Prof. Binstub violin instructor at the college, has decided to locate at Detroit and will move there after this term of school.

The Royal Neighbors will give a Style Show, March 21, at the I. O. O. F. Temple. Light refreshments. Admission 10 cents.

Wynants Roller Rink will close for the season Saturday night, March 18. A big masquerade will be the closing feature on that date.

The ladies of the Civic Improvement league will take orders for shrubs at the reading room Thursday, March 23. From 2:00 to 5:00 o'clock.

Prof. Ross S. Davis of Greenfield, Indiana, singing evangelist is in the city visiting friends. Mr. Davis is singer in the Church of Christ Disciples.

Ralph L. Wheaton who has been with George Maier the clothier for some time has resigned his position and accepted a position in Detroit with "The Garvey Haberdashery," leaving for his new position Friday. The Bureau joins with his many friends in wishing him success.

**COLOR OF SEA WATER.**

From Tropical Azures to the Vivid Greens Near the Poles.

Why is the ocean blue? Reflection of the sky, you say. This accounts for some of the color, but not all. It is well known that the tint varies greatly in different localities. Persons taking sea water baths on ocean liners are always surprised by the very noticeable color of their morning tubs.

Color in sea water is largely a matter of saltness and density. In the tropics the tremendous evaporation induced by the blazing sun causes the water to be much saltier than in higher latitudes. For many miles north and south of the equator the water of the world's oceans is a deep blue which fades and changes to green the further one goes toward the poles. In the Arctic and Antarctic oceans the greens are almost as vivid as the tropical azures. China's Yellow sea derives its color partly from the muddy water poured in by its great rivers and partly from small organisms which exist there in numbers which exceed the 120,000,000 living creatures to the square mile found on the average.

The question of salt in water brings up our old friend the Dead sea, which contains 23 per cent of solid matter and, but for bulk, is heavier than the human body. Many believe, even in Jerusalem, that bathing in this famous body of water is harmful and swimming impossible. This is not the fact. The chloride of magnesia in the water possesses medicinal qualities if it is not permitted to get into the eyes. It is true that the density of the water renders fast progress in swimming difficult, but the impossibility of sinking more than makes up for it.—Agwi News.

**Women and the Arts.**

I believe that woman loves the arts better than does man. She is better ground for the development of a great artist, for she approaches art with sympathy, while the great bulk of men approach it with fear and dislike, shrinking from the idea that it may distort their self complacency. The prejudice goes so far that, while women are attracted to artists as lovers, men are generally afraid of women who practice the arts or they dislike them. It is not a question of sex; it is a question of art.—W. L. George in Atlantic.

**The Mixture in Havana.**

"Havana has just the right mixture of old and new," said one traveler. "I like mediæval forts and sixteenth century cathedrals as well as anybody, but when night comes around it is pleasant to return to a cool, up to date hotel, enjoy a well cooked supper and spend the evening walking on the electrically lighted Prado, dancing at the Plaza or Miramar or watching the roof garden movies."—New York Post.

**Polishing a Steel Knife.**

If a steel knife is much stained take a piece of raw potato and dip it in powdered bath brick, advises the Scientific American. Rub the blade of the knife well with this and then dip it in hot water and wipe dry. You will be surprised at the brilliancy of the steel.

**Serious.**

"Do you think his intentions are serious?"

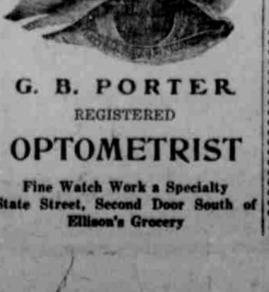
"They must be. It cost him \$6.75 taxi fare to bring me home from the party the other night, and he asked me if he couldn't call again."—Detroit Free Press.

**His Term.**

"Have you been married for long?" asked the gabby party.

"No," responded his neighbor, "just life."—Buffalo Express.

**G. B. PORTER**  
REGISTERED  
**OPTOMETRIST**  
Fine Watch Work a Specialty  
State Street, Second Door South of Ellison's Grocery



# Rags - Rags - Rags

## Rubbers Rubbers Rubbers

For the next 10 days I will pay the following prices:

Rags ..... 2 cents per pound

Rubbers, No. 1 ..... 7 cents per pound

Also high prices for copper, brass, zinc, and lead

# BARNEY, the Junk Man

215 W. Superior Street.

### Gerhardt's Store News

**New Goods**

Large line of silk popline in black, navy, emerald, tan, taupe, Copen, and white at

**\$1.25**

Embroidered flouncing in voile and seeded rice cloth, in fancy colors, 42 inches wide. These are beautiful goods

**\$1.25 and \$1.50**

**New Skirts**

See our special in black and white check

**\$2.98**

Sleeveless kitchen aprons ..... 25 cents

### Saturday Special

15c towel at 8c

To advertise we will sell on Saturday afternoon from 3 to 4 all white duck towel. No more than four to one customer.

# J. A. Gerhardt



**Clean Courteous Coal Service**

We know how the housekeeper feels about having a lot of coal dust sifted into her house when coal is being put into the basement.

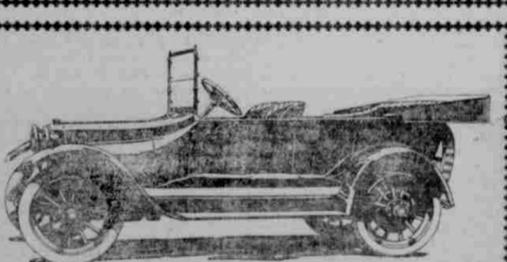
We don't make such a mess.

Our drivers are paid to be careful and courteous. They will wet the coal if you want them too before they shovel it in.

We want our SERVICE to please you as well as our coal and we are sure they both will.

Better get your final supply for the season this week.

### Home Lumber & Fuel Co.



**The New Studebaker**  
**7-Passenger, 40 H. P. Four**  
**\$875**

Studebaker has always built a QUALITY car. But this car sets a new Quality—Mark even for Studebakers. You get MORE than ever—you get BETTER quality than ever. And yet you pay less—\$100 less than last year—because it's a Studebaker—because it's a product of one of the world's largest producers of cars.

These cars on exhibition at

**M. L. PERRIGO**  
ALMA, MICH.

**Fruit, Candies and Ice Cream.**

We also sell Sweet Cream.

**Luchini Brothers**