

Local Comment

John Baryelcorn may be officially dead and buried, but all that does not prevent the spirits, of many kinds and varieties, from walking about at holiday times. Reports from other cities of the state to the effect that this New Year's was the wettest in

history. In Bozeman few seemed to have an undue supply of hard liquor, which perhaps can be well explained by the apparent more general distribution of "hootch". Everyone seemed to be having a good time and few indeed too good a time, which condition of affairs made everyone both happy and satisfied. The popular song of the holidays was "Open up Your Mouth, and Let the Moon Shine In."

Not long ago several car drivers were arrested for running their machines with but one front light going. We presume the gentlemen so uncerimoniously brought to the mercies of Judge Ellis paid their fines and went home. So far as we know, no one has been harmed by any car running with but a single light; there have been no dangerous accidents. Still the traffic laws of the city state that cars shall have two lights in front—the cars were breaking the law—hence the arrests were made. We are glad to see the police department enforce the city ordinances this way, that is what a city ordinance and a police department are for. But somewhere in the records of the fair city of Bozeman there is an ordinance passed, so recently as last spring, after all danger of good snow storms was over, relating to cleaning sidewalks and making them passible to the public. No one has ever heard of any effort to enforce this ordinance. Why the discrimination? There have been no auto accidents, that we know about, caused by improper lighting. There have been many accidents caused by slippery sidewalks. Who is responsible for the choice of ordinances which the city elects to enforce?

There is going to be a drive soon for the Y. M. C. A. The idea is not so much to solicit subscriptions as to solicit memberships. In other words more people should take advantage of the facilities offered by the Y. C. A. building. A bigger per cent of the operating cost of the institution should be born by the paying members. The Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, or any gymnasium in fact, is an asset to the community. We all read a lot about good health during the health crusade of a few weeks ago. Nothing is so conducive to good health as keeping the body in good shape. The pleasantest and best way of keeping the body in good shape is to take regular physical exercise at the gymnasium. Not only has the Y. M. C. A. the only gymnasium in the city, but there are showers, a good pool and other facilities available. Now a membership does not cost very much, you get more out of it by far than you put in, and there is plenty of room for you over at the "Y" classes. You'll find your friends there too. Taken all in all, you cannot invest a few dollars to better advantage to yourself than joining the "Y" and taking advantage of the opportunities for exercise it affords you. The community also benefits from the Y. M. C. A.,

for every man who keeps in good physical shape adds just that much to the efficiency of the city and county. Good health is the foundation of every human activity and good health is attained chiefly by keeping the body physically fit. Go over and watch the "boys" on Monday, Wednesday or Friday evening at 5:30 and see if you wouldn't like to be with them. They are a bunch of old "stiffs" all right,

but they manage to get a pretty good workout.

The holidays are over, business, as always, is a quiet and will be until the spring trade begins. Just because things are not moving quite as fast as you would like is no reason to get discouraged. We've been on a big financial jag for the past few years and we cannot expect to get away without a headache. We in the Gallatin have little need to worry. As soon as the grain moves we'll be in good shape, but even so it is best to go a bit cautiously. There is one piece of advice that is worth heeding—hang on to your job. Jobs aren't going to be so easy to find for the next few years. And having been found, they're not going to be so easy to hold. The man who does the hiring is going to have some say in the matter, something which he has not had since the early days of the war. There is going to be such a thing as efficiency, yes, and an honest effort to make good. Soldiering on the job, killing time, botching work, all these practices are going to be thrown into the discard. There's going to be more men than jobs and the bunch who have been scalping their employers at every turn are to be the first ones let out. One cannot feel very much sympathy for them either. But in the months to come make haste slowly.

Hang on to your job, at least till you get a better one.

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To Reduce Our Stock and Make Room for Spring Merchandise. Every pair of shoes in our store included.

Sale Started January 3 and Ends January 15

Here Are the Facts:

There's no use beating about the bush, or giving evasive reasons for such a general clearance, right in the heart of the season.

American industry is slowed up! and only the retailer can remove the dam which is blocking progress.

After merchants had bought their high-priced shoes for fall, 1920, made from hides that cost 50c a pound, the hide and leather markets broke. The influx of South American hides had much to do with this.

Then came the reaction in the public's mind. The need of economy has taken the place of free and easy spending that held sway for so long. People no longer want to pay the highest possible prices for what they buy. In plain words "American Common Sense" has come back to its rightful place.

But before industry can "get going" there must be a demand for merchandise. Before retailers can place orders the merchandise in stock must be sold!

True, it calls for courage, and a spirit of sacrifice, but every loyal American will be glad to "do his bit," even as he helped throughout the war.

This Liquidation Sale is our share in the good work of "Speeding Up America."

It's costing us profits but it's giving you very low prices for very fine shoes.

Every pair you buy now saves money for you, and will work clear back to the manufacture, and to the man who produces the raw materials.

It's the greatest sale we've ever held—and the greatest sacrifice we have ever made. Come! Save for yourself! Help others! And above all "Speed Up America!"

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| Black and brown kid lace boots, low walking heel; size 2½ to 7—Liquidation Sale Price..... \$4.85 | Oxfords. Brown calf brogue, low walking heel, Goodyear welts. Liquidation Sale Price\$7.35 | CHILDREN'S SHOES
Our entire stock of children's shoes at prices way below their true worth. All children's shoes sizes 8½ to 11 regardless of former price.....\$4.25
Sizes 11½ to 2.....\$5.00
Little gents' and boys' shoes? Yes, we carry The Holland shoe for boys and every pair is guaranteed to be full of wear—all little gents' shoes sizes 11 to 13½ regardless of former prices\$5.35
Sizes 1 to 6\$6.50
Extra Special—15 pairs of silk spats. Colors fawn and dark brown; Liquidation Sale Price\$1.45 |
| Black gun metal calf lace brogue, pattern Goodyear welts, low heel; sizes 2½ to 7— Liquidation Sale Price\$7.25 | Hiking boots, height 15 inches—genuine elkhide, Goodyear welts, full double sole; a real shoe for hard wear. Liquidation Sale Price \$9.50 | SPECIAL—EXTRAORDINARY VALUES IN MEN'S FOOTWEAR
Dark brown Russia calf lace English walking last; sizes 6 to 11, widths AA to D. Former price \$15.00; Liquidation Sale Price.....\$11.00
Dark brown calf lace English walking last, former price \$11.00. Liquidation Sale Price\$8.50
Brown elk, blucher lace, Munson army last, Goodyear welts—a good all around work shoe; former price \$9.00; Liquidation Sale Price \$6.85 |
| Black kid lace, low walking heel, Goodyear welt; sizes 2½ to 7— Liquidation Sale Price.....\$6.25 | Dark brown calf hiking boots—height 15 inches, full double sole and every pair full of wear. Regular \$15 value; Liquidation Sale Price \$11.00 | EXTRA SPECIAL
65 pairs women's felt comfy slippers. Colors old rose, lavender, navy blue, wine, gray, Copenhagen blue and pink. Liquidation Sale Price\$1.79
Special—Ladies' 4-buckle artics, U. S. Brand. Liquidation Sale Price\$3.45 |
| Brown calf lace, low heel, Goodyear welt; Sizes 2½ to 7, width A to D Liquidation Sale Price.....\$8.00 | Extra Special—A few pairs of black satin lace oxfords, Liquidation Sale Price\$3.00 | |
| Genuine brown and tan Russian calf lace boots, Goodyear welts, military heel—a real shoe for street wear—these are the famous Glove Grip-shoes made by Arnold. Liquidation Sale Price\$11.50 | Special—75 pairs ladies' dress pumps turn soles, full covered Louis heel. Not all sizes in each style but all sizes in the entire lot. Liquidation Sale Price\$5.95 | |
| Colored boots of beaver brown and fawn buckskin—full covered Louis heel—a real nice shoe for dress. Liquidation Sale Price\$9.00 | | |
| Black and brown kid lace boots, full leather Louis heels, Goodyear welt. Regular \$16 values; Liquidation Sale Price\$11.00 | | |
| New arrivals—10-inch wave top boots colors navy blue and camel brown. These boots are fine kid leather, full Louis heels, Goodyear welts. Liquidation Sale Price.....\$12.00 | | |

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