THOMPSON, BELDEN & CO.



How We Have Prepared for the Christmas Season

Every day the store news as told in our advertising tells of hundreds of suitable gift things we have on display. We have worked for months to prepare this Christmas showing to make it better than ever before. We feel than ever before. We feel satisfied that whatever your requirements may be, our fore-sight has provided for every

eontingency.

The excellence of our service is best shown during this busiest season, and is helping many thousands to choose in Shop early.

A Convenient Check Stand

Will be opened Monday, lo-cated at the left of the eleva-tors—Main Floor. check your outer wraps bere while shopping through the store.

We believe this will prove very satisfactory because of its extremely convenient loca-

The Store for Shirtwaists

Second Floor.

A complete offering of fine blouses reasonably priced.

Bath Robe Blankets

Size 72x90, complete with cords and frog to match, all good colors and patterns; each\$2.50 Basement.

Embroidered Pillow Cases

Madeira embroidered edge, beautiful patterns and a large assortment to choose from; specially priced at, a pair, \$1.25 Basement.

Embroidered Pillow and Day Cases

Made of t very fine quality of casing either hemstitched or scalloped edge, and fine madeira embroidered work, at, a pair.\$2.50 and \$3.50 Basement.

SOROSIS SHOE SECTION CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS

A beautiful display of many styles. Certainly one of the most useful presents you can select. Children's and Misses' Slippers of felt and leather, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

The December Clearaway of Suits --- An Offering of Smart Tailor Made Suits.

Of superior materials and workmanship, fur trimmed and modeled on the latest fashion lines.

December Clearaway Prices, \$45, \$55, \$65.

No Charge for Alterations.

WOOL BLANKETS -Made of clean long fleece wool yarn in all the late color plaids, size 68x8t1; a pair \$6.50 WOOL NAP BLANKETS -Size 72x80, taped edge, in white, tan or gray; a fine blanket for warnth and service; a pr. \$2.50

LONG GLOVE SPECIAL

For Monday only we offer a special on 16 and 20-button length white gloves, made of fine selected lambskins. An opportunity for the shopper who contemplates giving long gloves for Christmas.

\$2.98 a Pair



The Fur Shop

For many years the higher grades of furs have been held at unreasonable prices.

The unprecedented conditions existing today have made the prices much more moderate; now is an unusual opportunity to pur-

The furs bought here are warranted the highest quality; for over a quarter of a century our reputation for honest merchandising has been of the highest standard,

Best Grade Hud-son Sent Coats... \$90, \$100, \$125, \$150 Genuine Russian Pony Coats, late models coats\$27.50, \$30, \$32.50

Sets and separate pieces of fine furs at

Women's Ready-to-Wear Gowns

New dresses, representing the latest style ideas, are constantly being received and placed on sale in our Dress Section. A display prepared for Monday consists of street, afternoon and evening dresses.

Inspection is invited; an extra value are the silk dresses for \$19.50 and \$24.50.

Yuletide Exhibition and Sale of Charming RIBBONS and Novelties

Simple ribbons have been turned into admirable creations which make fine gifts. Articles of every kind, original in design and execution, are here-from a coat hanger or a pin cushion to a handsome hair bag.

For those who like to make gifts of their own handiwork, many suggestions may be gathered from this showing.

Flowered Ribbons, 5 inches wide, 25c a yard. Brocaded Velvets in all new shades.

Roman Stripes and Moires (7 and 10-inch widths.) Hair Ribbons and Sashes to match in pink, light blue, yellow and white. Ribbons for tying Christmas packages, 10c, 15c, 25c a bolt of 10 yards.

Orders had best be placed now for ribbon flowers, sashes, ornaments and novelties.

Silk Hosiery

A gift worth giving and a present worth having. Silk Boot Hose 50c Silk Hose with lisle tops and soles75c Silk Hose in colors and black, excellent to wear, at\$1.00 Thread Silk Hose, from-\$1.50 to \$15.00.

For House Wear

A complete showing of beautiful Kimonas, Negligees and imported Japanese Tea Robes, very moderately priced. Most acceptable and pleasing for gift purposes. Each one in a Christmas box.

Second Floor.

BERLIN REPORTS PROGRESS IN WEST

French Attacks in Flanders and to the South of Metz Repulsed by Germans.

PARIS STORY IS DIFFERENT

It Says Allies Advanced Lines Pive Hundred Yards in Pace of Heavy Artillery Fire-Rheims is Again Bombarded.

don.) Progress of German forces in the progress, advancing at one point for a west is reported in an official statement distance of 500 yards. The French regiven out this afternoon at the army sisted successfully German efforts with beadquarters. The statement follows: heavy artillery to drive them back

French attacks yesterday in Flanders. Rheims again has been bombarded and to the south of Mets were repulsed. the French heavy artillery has been used a made progress at La Bassee, in the with success against the earth positions and to the south of Mets were repulsed. We made progress at La Bassee, in the ferest of Argonne and in the region southwest of Aitkirch. "In the fighting to the east of the

Mazurian lakes, the situation is favorable or us and in minor operations there we took 1,200 prisoners "Our operations in Poland are taking

normal course "The Corriere del Terra estimates that the losses among the French troops amount to at least 50 per cent of those engaged in the war, and that losses of

even greater proportions have been auffered by the territorials."

French Official Report.

PARIS, Dec. 5 .- The official French BERLIN, Dec. 5.-(Ry Wireless to Lon- French troops have made perceptible afternoon, says that north of the Lys, the heavy artillery to drive them back.

of the enemy. In the Argonne the fighting is being waged hotly. Burleson Joins in

"Do Your Christmas

campaign today when he issued his Christmas suggestions to the public States reclamation service; H. C. Delsam, reck conditions of the soil and seeing headed with the injunction, "mail your United States engineer; R. F. Waller, the swift development of the battle in immunication, given out in Paris this parcels early." Official sanction for the United States supervising engineer; Dr. the direction of the central fortresses,

or outer covering and bear nothing to Williams, Bridgeport.

post, packages weighing eight ounces or the matter of adjudicating the rights of the Bismarck zone fell into the hands of less taking a rate of 1 cent for each prior appropriators to the water of inter- the advance guards. ounce or fraction thereof. Regular zone state sterams. rates apply above that weight.

applying specifically to Christmas pack- rigation commission to be made up of

The most destrable employers advertise in The Bee's "Help Wanted" column.

Business Change, at Vesta. TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 5.—(Special.)— Ira Wyatt has sold his general merchandies store at Vesta, this county, to John Haie of Beatrice. Mr. Haie will take possession at once. Mr. Wyatt is unde-cided as to future business plana.

Irrigators Want Pathfinder Dam

Telegram.)—The fifth annual convention at 130 a.m. Shopping Early" of the Nebraska State Irrigation association closed a three days' session here ation closed a three days' session here section of the left wing, which ad-last night. Nearly 400 delegates were in vanced on the northern fortresses of attendance. Among those who delivered Helaokangshan with the object of break WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.-Postmaster addresses were United States reclamation ing up the outer trenches of the fortifi-Beneral Burleson joined the "shop-early" service officials, including I. D. O'Don- cation on the night of the sixth abanduse on parcels of the caution "do not G. E. Condra, of the University of Ne- suddenly made a charge on the enemy open until Christmas" also was an braska, also J. G. Beeler, North Platte; and took possession of the fort at 5:10 Among other official suggestions is a land, North Platte; B. K. Bushee, Kim-detachment subsequently made a dash warning that names and addresses of ball; J. T. Whitehead of Mitchell, Prof. on the eastern fortresses of litis fort. senders should be written on each pack- F. Knorr, superintendent of the bureau defying the enemys' heavy fire, and age, and also included in the package, of plant industry, Mitchell; Tom Hewett, bravely exploded a powder magazine, The postoffices annually are confronted Lexington, M. J. Huffman, Gering; J. L. with heavy cost. with the problem of disposing of thou- McIntosh, Sidney, and M. P. Kinkaid, sands of parcels that have lost their tags | congressman for the Sixth district; F. E.

vice president, S. P. Delatour, Lewellen; secretary, J. E. Leblane, Bridgeport; treasurer, Mark Spanogle, Bridgeport. ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE." To get the genuine, call for full name Laxative Bromo Quinine. Look for signa-

ture of E. W. Grove. Cures a cold in day. 25 cents. were totally destroyed. Read the "For Sale" ada if you want bargains of the minute.

TAKING TSING-TAU

Nipponese Reokless in Attacking German Stronghold, According to Detailed Reports.

JAPS SHOW SPUNK

HARD FIGHT LASTS TWO DAYS

Defenders Are Cought Finally in an Inflexible Position and Are. Forced to Capitulate When Besteged.

TOKIO, Nov. 11 .- (Correspondence of tailed official account of the storming of the German fortress in Tsing-Tau was issued today. As already cabled, the acage and reckjessness as seen at the assault of Port Arthur.

"On Nevember 6th, the beseiging army had arranged to occupy the third position near the German fortress," said the report, "but a detachment of our first line had already occupied the position in the course of the day and commenced the preparatory work for the final assault.

The commander of the bessiging army gave orders to push on the work, pro-paratory to the opening of a sudden charge and on the completion of the work to wait for further orders before commencing the charge.

"The Germans destroyed the Taisicheng batteries in the front of Kiao Chow bay with explosives during the day; an seroplane flew out of the German camp in a westerly direction, and there was no sign Finally she made the bold proposition of its returning to the stronghold. More-over, the enemy stopped bombarding at all batteries, the conditions along the defense lines assuming general quietness after sunset. The beseiging army observed an apparent change in the enemy's defense lines at thus sudden turn of the

Destroy Outer Trenches. "The left wing of our second center, which pressed on the central fortresses, easily destroyed the first outer trenches and wire entanglements of the central fort-reases, without meeting resistance. Soon our troopes destroyed the wire entanglements in front and inside of the second outer trenches, successfully open-ing the way for the assault of the army. "The commander at once issued orders to the second central party to stop on the

enemy's central fortresses, and at the same time ordered all other parties to respective lines. The enemy in the lines other than at the central fortreases, however, were holding their positions and began a strong resistance with their ma-

"At 10:30 a. m. of November 7 the detachment of the second central, which was commissioned to attack the central fortress, carried out the charge of the enemy with two companies of infantry and a section of suppers, and dashing on the enemy's position, succeeded in occupying the important parts of the forti-fication and in capturing about 200 Ger-

"When the fortifications fell into our hands the enemy's battery, which had remained silent up to this time, suddenly opened fire along all lines and centered their fire on the central fortresses now in our hands. Our detachment, which had just occupied the fortification, lost many killed and wounded in an instant by the enemy's shelling. But we undauntedly and assured the occupation of the fortification. The commanding officer of the second central retachment saw the advantage of carrying out a sudden attack on the eastern fortress of the Taitunge-heng fort, and believed in its unmistak-in the Third congression district who voted in 1912 failed to go to the polls this voted in 1912 failed to go to the polls this for an immediate charge on the fort. At 4:30 a. m. the right wing of the second central detachment carried out the charge on the eastern fortress.

"The charge met a stubborn resistance of the enemy, who poured a shower of bullets and shells, causing causalties of more than 100 killed and wounded to our troops. The detachment was undaunted and took possession of the fortress at

Make Attack on Bear. "The commanding officer of the Second central detachment determined to cap-ture the enemy's fortresses in the rear, and with the sanction of the commander Water Right Fixed of the whole army, ordered detachments to the Moltke, Blemarck and litts forts.

The deatcaments bravely advanced and the enemys' forts in forced marches, in BRIDGEPORT. Neb., Dec. 5.—(Special showers of bullets and shells. The detachments reached the foot of litts height

nell, supervisor of irrigation, United oned the preparatory work, owing to the F. A. Wright, Scott's Bluff; W. V. Hoag- a. m., on the seventh. A section of this

6:15 and 6:30 on the seventh, the heights Resolutions ask the coming legislature along the litis were occupied by the Sec-The suggestions point out that books or to appropriate \$5,000 to aid the attorney ond central party, and the advance guards sets of books may now be sent by parcel general to take into the supreme court of the left wing, and the heights along

"In this way the German fortification Ask congress to appropriate \$10,000 to of Taing Tau cut into at its central poet-Following are additional official rules defray the expenses of a national ir- tion, which was occupied by our troops. "Untill this time the enemy's batter-You may insert in parcel mail written or printed inscriptions such as "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year" or "With Best Wishes." Upon fly leaves of books you may write simple dedicatory inscriptions or insertions aubject parcel to letter postage.

If you desire a written communication to accompany your parcel, enclose it in an envelope, affixing first class postage of the parcel upon its wrapper and those to pay the postage of the communication vice president, S. P. Delatour, Lewellen; secretary, J. E. Leblanc, Bridgeport, as erectary, J. E. Leblanc, Bridgeport, as erectary, J. E. Leblanc, Bridgeport, as even and the security to outside of the parcel upon the cavelope. members of the reclamation service and les at Helaokangshan fort, froming the Thursday evening. Mr. Butler is the son

LOOMIS, Neb., Dec. 5 - (Special Teleram.)-Loomis suffered its second disstrons fire within two weeks tonight when the local flour mill, owned by the Coomis Grain and Milling company, togother with elevator and storage house

The blaze was caused by spontaneous combustion, a whole room in the upper part of the structure bursting into flames

The flour house and office, another grain; clevator and a lumber yard nearby were saved by the combined efforts of the Loomis, Bertrand and Holdrege fire companies. The loss is estimated at \$50,000, with about \$40,000 insurance. Two weeks ago seven buildings in Leomis burned with a loss of \$28,000.

Says the Kaiser Planned Violation of Swiss Neutrality

PARIS, Dec. 5 (4:25 a. m.) .- Proof that a violation of the neutrality of Switzer-land was included in Germany's original plans has been found, says the Matin, in the shape of ordnance survey maps disthe Associated Press.)-The following de- covered among the papers on killed German officers. The maps are similar to those used by Swiss officers, the Matin says, except that all the names are in counts show that the Japanese soldiers Italian and information of a special nabrought into play the same warlike cour- ture printed on them shows they were intended for the use of an Italian army marching across Switzerland to attack

France. BERNE, Switzerland (Via Paris), Dec. 5.-The sound of heavy cannonading in upper Alsace has been heard as far as Basel and other localities near the Swiss frontier. The main struggle between the French and Germans, according to reports reaching the Swiss frontier, is around Attkirch and Damerkirch.

GREAT BIG GIRL OF GOLDEN WEST HELD

(Continued from Page One.)

Igoe, as well as with Mr. Clabaugh. that the government officials should aid her in securing the sum of \$50,000 from Colonel Alexander for her injured innocence. Miss Cope went much into detail concerning her offer and finally wrote out an agreement in her own handwrit-ing, in which it is set forth that the government officials should help her in obtaining the sum mentioned from the colonel, and in consideration of such efforts on their part she would pay them the sum of \$25,000, which was to be divided equally among the following men: Charles F. Clyne, United States district attorney; Michael L. Igoe, assistant United States district attorney; Hinton G. Clabaugh, division superintendent De-partment of Justice, and Lucien C. Wheeler, a special agent of that depart-

"Miss Cope explained further that out of her \$25,000 she would have to take care carry out close reconnaissance of the of her attorneys in Providence and Los enemy's position in the front of their Angeles. She stated that she had consulted prominent attorneys in both cities before coming to Chicago to make her complaint."

Great Tunnel in Servia is Blown Up

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 5 .- (Via London :58 a. m.)-The great tunnel near Tychjetchar (Tekija), has been blown up by dynamite, thus severing communication between Servia and Roumania, according to advices from Nish, Servia, to the Rotterdam Courant. The passage of Russian transports along the Danube, the dispatch states, has therefore become im-

HEAVY STAY-AT-HOME LIST

SHOWN BY DAKOTA VOTE DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. & pushed on, defiant of the enemy's fire, Figures from the official count of the vote cast at the November election disclose a peculiar situation in the western part of the state. Although there has 15,600 votes and Gandy, his democratic opponent, got 12,154. This year Rice, the republican candidate, got 10,782 and Gandy got 12,364, only 210 more than he got two years ago. According to these figures, if even half of the stay-at-home republicans in this district had voted as they did two years ago, Rice would have been elected and 4,000 of them voting would have also elected Burke. Politicians west of the river are unable to explain the reason for the failure to vote.

FORMER FORT PIERRE MAN ACCIDENTALLY KILLS SELF

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 5 .- (Special Telegram.)—John McKillop of Fort Pierre, former register of deeds of Stanley county, accidentally shot and killed himself today in the basement of a school building at that place. He was evidently cleaning a rifle, which was accidentally discharged, shooting him through the

Murder Case Set for Trial. PIERRE, S. D., Dec. S .- (Special Tele-(ram.)-Judge McNenny in circuit court at Fort Pierre denied the motion of A. P. Helm for a continuance of the hearing on a charge of the murder of O. C. Hunter at Midland and set December 21 as the date for trial.

DEATH RECORD

Peter Feeney. Feeney, died Thursday night at the home of his nephew, Frank Velton, who lives in Waco. He was & years of age. Mrs. Feeney died two weeks ago at about the same age. He came to York county ore than thirty years ago.

HYMENEAL

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec 5.-(Special.)-Charles H. Butler and Miss Elsie M. Durst, young people of Elk Creek, were married by the county judge in this city PETROLEUM CARBON COKE NOW NO ASHES! NO SOOT! NO GRIEF!

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Regular 15c and 10c Xmas Folders, the Hospe kind — quality cards, all this lot going at—

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(We also carry the biggest stock of Place cards, Occasion cards, Greeting cards to be found in Omaha.)

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Canaries at, only..... This is a rare bargain. Come in. These canaries are seiling all over the country for \$5.00, on account of the war making these importations almost impossible. Our canaries are seld on five days' approval, under a written guarantee of satisfaction. COLDFISH GIVEN AWAY PRES TRIS WEEK, We give with any 10c hos of Fish Food 1 Goldfish entirely free of charge.

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