

# A Mistake

A Chicago firm by mistake sent our goods—Ladies' Shirt Waists—to Utah and the goods that should have gone to Utah came to us.

# Namely, Boy's Wool Suits

(Somewhat out of our line.) However, the manufacturers asked us to close them out at wholesale prices and allow us a discount for selling them, as the freight would amount to a good deal to return them.

We, therefore, invite you to come to Sumner's Old Stand to look over these Suits. They consist of one hundred and fifty suits for boys, from 4 to 16 years. There are double breasted, single breasted and Norfolk styles, all with Knickerbocker pants, in pretty gray and brown wool mixtures. All very nifty styles and patterns.

According to the manufacturer's list the retail price would be \$2.50 to \$6.50, but as they will be sold at wholesale price you can buy them at \$2.50 and \$3.90.

# Christmas Shoppers Can Save Both Time and Money by Trading Here

Values and variety that will please the most exacting. Plenty of salespeople ready and willing to serve you promptly and courteously—come to the big sale where bargains are plentiful.

### HERE ARE A FEW HELPFUL HINTS:

- Cotton and Wool Blankets, Comforters, Bed Spreads, Linens, Napkins, Indian Blankets, Towels, Doilies, Neckwear, Aprons, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Belts, Hand Bags, Toilet Cases, Work Boxes, Collar Boxes, Manicure Sets, Back Combs, Side Combs, Barrettes, Sash Pins, Diadems, Bracelets, Lace Collars, Bath Robes, Silk and Flannelette Kimonos, Silk and Cotton Hose for ladies, men and children, Sweaters, children's Caps and Gaiters, Way Mufflers, Scarfs, Underwear, Fans, Gloves, Knit and Silk Undershirts, all kinds of Dry Goods and Notions. All our Coat Suits, Dresses are one-third off the regular price. All our \$5.00 to \$10.00 Ladies' Trimmed Hats for \$2.98.

# Peerless-Fashion

40-42 PATTON AVE. In Sumner's Old Stand

# CHRISTMAS CHEER FOUND EVERYWHERE

### Asheville Completes Plans for the Celebration, Feasting and Giving.

### THE LESS FORTUNATE BEING PROVIDED FOR

Streets and Stores Filled With Shoppers—Crowds Coming in for Holidays.

It becomes increasingly evident that this will be one of the best Christmases Asheville ever saw in many respects. The people on the streets and in the public places, judging from their demeanor, have entered wholeheartedly into the spirit of the occasion, and this will apply to those in the various walks of life. Especially is the spirit of giving noticeable, but it certainly never could have been more pronounced in Asheville than it is now. It may not be true, but appearances are deceiving if this spirit of giving is not directed more and more toward the poor; and from present indications, the unfortunate of the city will feast as they never have done before and enjoy cheer of other nature. This is forecasted by the successful trips of the Santa Claus wagon, which brought in loads of presents of every nature to the Associated Charities, many of which were things badly needed by the recipients; it is proved by the plans of other charitable institutions, churches and individuals. Those who have given to these charities seem to have done so from the pure love of giving as well as being actuated by the knowledge of the needs of the less fortunate. There are a goodly number of men and women in Asheville that would feel deeply uncomfortable if they knew there was one person in the city who will not receive the Christmas cheer which they could reasonably have furnished.

### Heavy Shopping.

There are few people here that would own to being financially pie-thoric, but this does not seem to affect the trading that is going on in every shop. The people are out in force, and in spite of the nasty weather, there were literally crushes in some of the stores yesterday afternoon and last night of buyers who realized only too well that only one more day of shopping was available; and today the streets as well as the stores are filled to overflowing. It was estimated yesterday that the merchants had lost as much as \$10,000 on account of the rain. It was not lost, not all of it; it was simply deferred until today. Hundreds of country people are here lugging their bundles about and buying more, and the deliveries are so far behind that many of the city people prefer to carry their packages with them. At the central market the wares are enough to make one's mouth water, and turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens are going out both by delivery and in the hands of the purchasers themselves.

### Mail and Express.

Something has been said of how hard the employes at the postoffice are working to avoid congestion, how the carriers had to be provided with buggies and how the people had gathered about the tables in the lobbies, and at the windows. This is in the face of the fact that they began sending their presents away a little earlier than usual. At the express office, too, the employes are working hard, it is reported that they are handling the traffic well. They had made thorough preparation for the heavy shipments, and had induced the people to begin sending their presents earlier than usual. This office has obtained permission to deliver packages tomorrow.

### Salvation Army Dinner.

Now is the time that the Salvation Army gets in some of its best work. The ramifications of this organization are such that it can reach where no other can. The local members of the army are well organized and their knowledge of hidden distress is such that little of it will be overlooked. Somehow or other they manage to "keep the pot boiling," and following the usual custom dinners will be prepared. The baskets, containing all manner of substantial foods, will be distributed this evening.

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### Important to Mothers

A record of sixty-five years continuous use of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" by mothers in all parts of the world, is the highest praise that any remedy for "children teething" has ever received. Every year the young mother follows in the footsteps of her mother and finds Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup to be the best, and so it has come on for a record of sixty-five years. Millions of mothers have used it for their children while nothing with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Sold by druggists and medicine dealers in all parts of the known world. Beware of cheap imitations.

# Everything Ready

We have made wide preparation to meet the extra business coming our way today, and shopping will be made easy.

# Gift Things

on display here—every counter, table and case is a Santa Claus shop in itself.

# Shop Here Today

THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY!  
The Asheville Dry Goods Co.

### OWEN RAPS HIGH COURT

Says Federal Supreme Tribunal Is the "Bulwark of Privileges"—For Judiciary Recall.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 22.—Declaring the Supreme court of the United States has become a "bulwark of privileges," United States Senator Robert L. Owen, at yesterday's session of the State Bar association, replied to the arraignment of the judiciary recall by Judge B. C. Stuart. Senator Owen said he did not impugn the motives or honesty of the United States Supreme court judges, but that "all were influenced by their previous training and associations."

### Bad Form or Bad Figure?

"That girl in the breakers is evidently in distress. Why don't you swim to her rescue?" "It would be in bad form. I rescued her yesterday."—Kansas City Journal.

### OPERATION KILLS GIRL; PHYSICIAN IS ARRESTED

Four Others Held as Result of Finding of Mutilated Body.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Five persons were taken into custody after the discovery by the police yesterday of the partly dismembered body of Miss Mary Bolduc, aged 22 years, of Manchester, N. H., in the apartment of Mrs. Jennie A. Shattuck at Jamaica Plains. The discovery followed receipt of word from the Manchester authorities that they had been informed by a physician that a woman was dead in that house. Medical Examiner Leary, following a superficial autopsy, announced that death was due to an illegal operation. The police at once began an investigation and within a few hours Mrs. Shattuck and Miss Hattie M. Hazlett, of Cambridge, were arrested at the former's apartment, and Dr. John D. Ferguson, a clerk in his office, Miss O'Neill, were detained in Manchester at the request of the Boston officers.

### NOTICE

United States of America, Western District of North Carolina, ss.—In the United States District Court in and for said district. In the matter of W. T. Clayton, bankrupt, in bankruptcy.—Petition for Discharge.

To the Honorable Jas. E. Boyd, judge of the District Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina.

W. T. Clayton, of Adde, in the County of Jackson and State of North Carolina, in said district, respectfully represents that on the 26th day of October, last past he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the acts of congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the court touching his bankruptcy.

### ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON

Western District of North Carolina, County of Jackson, ss. On this 22nd day of December, A. D. 1911, on reading the foregoing petition it is

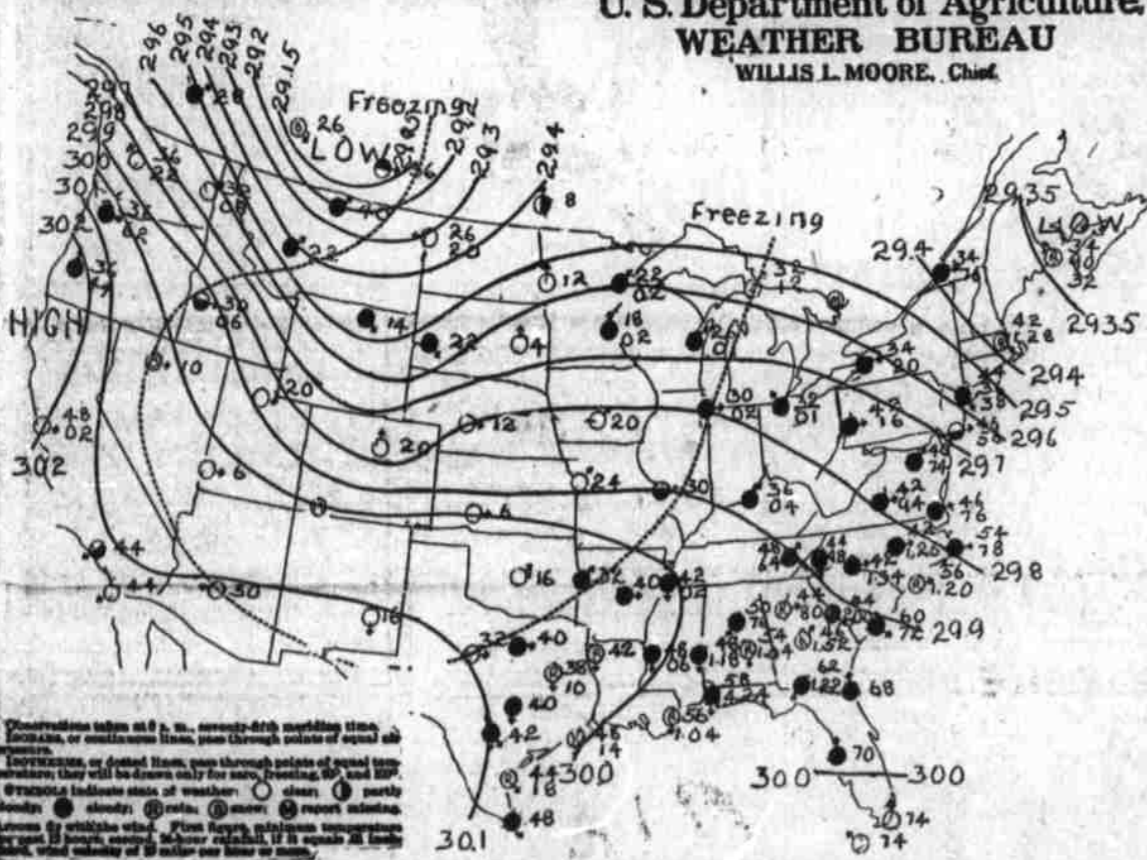
Ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1912, before F. W. Thomas, as special master, at his office, 23-24 American National Bank Building in Asheville, in said district, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in The Gazette-News, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

### Think It Over.

It is true that it costs you more to give now than it cost your great-grandfather, but it wouldn't cost so much if you had as he did.—Kansas City Journal.

# U. S. Department of Agriculture WEATHER BUREAU

WILLIS L. MOORE, Chief



# THE WEATHER

TEMPERATURE.	Lowest tonight.	Highest to-morrow.
Asheville	44	48
Atlanta	44	46
Augusta	44	50
Charleston	60	66
Charlotte	42	42
Jacksonville	68	78
Key West	74	82
Knoxville	48	52
Louisville	36	50
Mobile	58	70
New Orleans	56	76
New York	44	46
Oklahoma	16	30
Raleigh	42	46
Savannah	60	66
Washington	40	42
Wilmington	56	68

Forecast until 8 p. m. Sunday for Asheville and vicinity: Unsettled weather, with probably occasional rain tonight or Sunday; decreasing temperature.

For North Carolina: Unsettled weather, with local rain tonight or Sunday; colder tonight in extreme west portion; slightly colder Sunday; moderate westerly winds.

Summary of Conditions.

The storm rotated yesterday along the middle Canadian border has moved rapidly to the eastward and is now central over New England; another disturbance, however, has appeared along the Canadian border adjacent to Montana and unsettled, rainy weather continues over much of the country to the eastward of the Great Plains. Thirteen stations in the southeastern quarter of the country report rainfall amounts in excess of one inch for the past 24 hours.

Present conditions indicate unsettled weather for this vicinity, with probably rain tonight or Sunday and decreasing temperature.

Normal today: Temperature 25 degrees; precipitation .14.

B. T. LINDLEY, Observer, Weather Bureau.

# DEALS IN DEBT.

Hardy Vaughn and wife to Fisher Perkins, land in West Asheville; consideration \$100.

Chas. Piersons and wife to A. A. Merrill, 22 acres in Leicester township; consideration \$100.

J. G. Anders and wife to J. J. Hazy and wife, land in Big Ivy township; consideration \$125.

# In Asheville Churches

NOTE—Pastors and church officers are requested to send in copy of changes in announcements by 4 p. m. Friday.

Emmanuel Lutheran church, corner of South French Broad avenue and Philip street, Rev. E. T. Coyner, pastor.—Sunday school for children and adults 9:30 a. m.; preaching with confirmation 11 a. m., "How to Be True." Christmas tree and program, "The Star Out of Jacob," 4:30 p. m. Christmas day—preaching 11 a. m., "God Manifest in the Flesh."

Central Methodist church, Rev. C. W. Byrd, D. D., pastor.—Sunday school 9:45 a. m., F. M. Weaver, superintendent; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin B. Waller, pastor.—Sunday school 9:30 a. m., C. S. Davis, superintendent; morning worship, 11:00, sermon by pastor, "The Greatest of the Three"—a message of love to Christians; E. Y. P. U.—6:30 p. m., M. V. Moore, president, interesting meetings; all young people invited; evening evangelistic services, 7:30—pastor's theme: "The Young Man Who Fell Short"—last of a series to men on "Man and His Life"; good music, strangers especially invited.

All Souls' church, Billmore, Rev. R. H. Swope, D. D., rector.—Services on Sunday, 8 a. m. holy communion; 11 o'clock morning service and sermon; 3 p. m. Sunday school; 4:30 evensong with special music.

Monday, Christmas, holy communion at 8 a. m.; morning service, sermon and holy communion at 11 o'clock. The Christmas tree and children's celebration will be held in the Parish house Tuesday evening at 7:30.

Oakland Heights Presbyterian church, Billmore road, near Victoria (near to Forest Hill), Rev. Clarence

G. Reynolds, D. D., pastor.—Preaching 11 a. m., no evening service; Sunday school 9:45 a. m., President Childs, superintendent. Strangers welcome.

West End Baptist church, Rev. G. P. Hamrick, pastor.—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., J. B. Grice, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Trinity Church, N. French Broad avenue, Rev. H. Fields Saumeng, rector.—Sunday services: 8 a. m., Holy communion; 10 a. m. Rector's Bible Class; 11 a. m., service and sermon; 3 p. m., choral evensong. Celebration of Holy Communion every Thursday and on all Holy days at 10 a. m.

Haywood Street Methodist church, Rev. W. A. Newell, pastor.—Preaching Sunday 11 a. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m., H. H. Dunham, Supt., prayer meeting Wednesday 7:45 p. m. Sunday school at Riverside 3 p. m. Preaching at Riverside Thursday at 7:30 a. m. A cordial welcome for all who come.

First Presbyterian church, Rev. R. P. Campbell, D. D., pastor.—Services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. The pews are all free and everybody is welcome.

Billmore Baptist church.—Preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Friday 8 p. m. Rev. W. W. Marr, pastor, J. M. Brookshire, Sunday school superintendent.

The Salvation Army—Adjutant and Mrs. Bouters, officers in charge. Officers quarters No. 3 Astor Park, Phone 1512. Meetings at Hall No. 1, 28 1/2 South Main street, every night at 8 p. m., except Monday night, Sunday school at 3:15 p. m. Meetings at hall No. 3, 512 West Haywood street, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday meetings 9:15 a. m. Sunday school at 11 a. m. Holy communion, 8 p. m. Young People's meeting 8 p. m. Salvation meeting at the Buxton street church. Our motto "Holiness unto the Lord." Our war cry "Sinner there is Salvation for You."

Seventh Day Adventists, 48 Haywood street, Elder G. W. Wells, pastor.—Services every Sabbath (Saturday), Sabbath school 10 a. m., devotional services at 11 a. m.; a cordial invitation to all.

First Church of Christ Scientists, new church building 44 North French Broad avenue, near Haywood street, side entrance.—Services every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; Sunday school at 9:45; testimonial meetings Wednesday evenings at 8:15. Testimon-

reading room is in the Electrical building, 82 Patton avenue, room No. 29, and is open every day except Sunday, from 10 to 12 and from 4 to 6. All are cordially welcome to the services and to the reading room.

# MILLIONAIRE SWINDLERS GIVEN A YEAR IN JAIL

### Four Promoters of the Firm of Burr Brothers Plead Guilty.

New York, Dec. 23.—As punishment for carrying on a stock swindle by mail, alleged to have extended over a period of two years and to have netted millions in profit, four promoters of the firm of Burr Brothers, incorporated, were each sentenced yesterday to a year's imprisonment on Blackwell's Island.

The prisoners are Shelton C. Burr, president of the corporation; his brother, Eugene H., who was secretary-treasurer; Charles H. Tobey, vice president, and Edwin Wesley Preston. Unexpectedly they offered pleas of guilty before Judge Holt in the criminal branch of the United States Circuit court. The indictment upon which they were called to face trial specifically charged a swindle involving \$68,000 in connection with the sale of the stock of the People's Association of Illinois, but the government alleged that this was but one of a continuing series of frauds estimated to have involved nearly \$50,000,000 with \$15,000,000 profit to the promoters.

Counsel for the defendants declared that rather than involve the expense of summoning witnesses from distant points it was decided to plead guilty to the specific indictment. The maximum sentence possible on this charge is 15 months, and counsel for the defendants urged clemency.

Judge Holt pronounced sentence as a year each and the men were taken to the island.

A little over a year ago the four men were prospering, occupying expensive offices in a Broadway skyscraper.

On November 20, 1910, federal agents raided their offices in connection with a general roundup of mail swindlers, ordered by Postmaster General Hitchcock. Their business had been mainly the sale of stocks and bonds and oil and gold mining enterprises.

Fresh Home Made Bon Bons, Candy Kitchens, Haywood Street.

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The disclosures came about through the arrest of a woman giving the name of Mrs. Olla Weeks, charged with stealing kid gloves in a department store. The police searched Mrs. Weeks' apartments and said they discovered hundreds of lottery tickets in a suit case. The woman's husband, Fremont Weeks, was then arrested and turned over to the United States marshal. The tickets are said to have been sold as coupons of the International Mining and Investment company of Santo Domingo. Each bore a number and said it was one of a

Only One "SECOLO MURRI" that is...  
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