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THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1921.

STATE OF TRADE IN UNITED STATES

Trade reports and crop progress appear best in west-central regions and markets, which also note most industrial activity, while slowness is most marked in reports from the east and south. Retail trade seems better in city than in country districts, where the farmer is busiest and where reduced buying power is most complamed of. Collections drag about equally wherever reported on. The tenor of crop reports as a whole is relatively better than are reports as to trade and industry. Despite cool or wet weather, crop growth is still relatively ahead of normal, and crop preparation is certainly in advance of a year ago, with labor in better supply and cheaper than for years past. Winter-wheat conditions, though spotted in some sections, are classable as good; spring wheat, though retarded by cool weather, is well advanced, while corn and cotton crop planting has been accelerated by better weather. Actual damage as yet seems confined largely to the effect of frost on fruits. Needed moisture has benefited parts of the southwest, especially Texas, where grain crop progress was recently complained wf.

Marked variations are still found in different branches of identical industries and lines of distribution, and these bid fair to be maintained pending clearer views of future crops, foreign political developments, export and import trade and domestic money, credit and labor conditions, which are likely to affect costs and domestic money, credit and labor conditions, which are likely to affect costs of doing business. On the constructive side of things might be mentioned the better trend of crop reports, more especially winter wheat; the gradual waning of the restrictive powers of the shipping strike, the growth of building in the face also of strikes at many large centers, and the slight increase in the central fields in buying and production of bituminous coal. On the less favorable side of the week's developments are to be seen the continued lack of buying power in the general fron and steel trades, the further sagging of export trade, with some seriously contradictory ebb and flow movements in different lines; the slackening of demand and output for automobiles in some directions while output continues close to the record in others, the continued downward drift of many food prices, with new low levels for dairy products, and, despite the Railway Labor Board's decision, the prolongation of the uncertainty as regards railroad wage costs, which has acted as a drag on this important industry for months past.

On balance, the general situation matter stage, with definite results not clearly perceptible, but with a good, large measure of conservative optimism expressed as to the ultimate outcome, once many if the present pressing problems find final settlement.

LABOR UNION LEADERS
NAMED IN CHICAGO
BUILDING GRAFT PROBE

Chicago, May 27.—Sixteen more labor union leaders were named in true bills charging graft in building construction work yesterday by a special grand BROTHER OF LOUIS RIEL DYING NEAR WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, May 27. — Joseph Riel, younger brother of Louis Riel, famed for his prominent part in the stirring events of 1869-70 in Manitoba, is near death at his home in St. Vital, near here. He is now sixty-four years of age.

Oak Hall's Month-End Sale

Offers Many Lines of High Quality Merchandise for Men, Women, Boys and Girls at Unusually Low Price Levels.

From Our Men's Shop

MEN'S BLUE SERGE SUITS, \$45

Excellent quality blues made up in two and three button standard styles as well as in two button young men's form-fitting types. Any man preferring blue will do well to see these suits at this lowered price.

Men's Suits in Fancy Tweeds and Striped Cheviots, the finest suits obtainable at the lowest possible price levels—\$22.50, \$27.00. \$36.00, \$40.00.

MEN'S SPRING TOPCOATS \$18.65—Regular \$30, \$35, \$38. Many of these are \(^1\)/4 silk lined, made from fancy imported Tweeds.
\$15.00—Regular \$25 to \$30. Mostly in the popular Slipon style, while a few have belts.

Others specially priced at \$29.75, \$34, \$38.25, \$42.50. MEN'S KHAKI DUCK OUTING TROUSERS, \$1.89.

WATERPROOF COATS in Slip-on and Belter styles-Regular \$15...... Month-end Sale \$11.98 Regular \$16.50 and \$18.... [Month-end Sale \$12.35

From Our Boys' Shop

MAY 31st—TUESDAY—LAST DAY FOR BICYCLE GUESSING CONTEST

How many cents in the jar in our window? Nearest guess wins the bicycle. One guess with every dollar purchase made in the Boys' Shop. Hosiery—English Cashmere\$1.25 to \$1.55

Sweaters—Coat style, military collar, special Coat style, shawl collar, special Pullover style, V-neck, special Wash Suits—2 to 6 years, special\$1.00		\$2.69 \$4.59
Underwear-Porous Knit, special	39	cents
Coveralls—sizes 4, 5, 6 years, special	39	cents
Overalls—sizes 5 to 11 years, special	59	cents
		\$1.98

FOURTH FLOOR

From Our Women's Shop

FROCKS of all wool tricotine, in coat style effect; Unusual value at\$15.00

HOSIERY, ribbed and plain heather
Lisle Hosiery in various shades

Month-End Sale 98c
Month-end Sale 50c. GLOVES, White Chamoisette. Month-End Sale 69c. SUITS, Linen and Ratene......Month-End Sale \$14.90

Silk Suits......Month-End Sale \$19.50 to \$39.50 SWEATERS—In coat style..... Month-End Sale \$4.98 BLOUSES, Pongee Silk Blouses...Month-End Sale \$3.98

Front laced style, reg. \$3.75... Month-End Sale \$2.98
BRASSIERES, tape shoulders, reg. \$1.25—
... Month-End Sale 98c.

SILK KIMONAS—A large assortment at just half price. Month-End Sale \$1,29 WHITE CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS-

Month-End Sale 54c. WHITE CAMBRIC NIGHTGOWNS—WHITE COTTON DRAWERS..... Month-End Sale 69c. CHILDREN'S STRAW HATS-

FOR GIRLS
CHILDREN'S SWEATERS...Month-End Sale \$3.98 CHILDREN'S COATS, Black and White Check—
Month-End Sale \$4.98 CHILDREN'S RAINCAPES..... Month-End Sale \$3.98

CHILDREN'S TWEED RAINCOATS—

Month-End Sale \$8.95 CHILDREN'S UMBRELLAS.....Month-End Sale \$1.39 CHILDREN'S MIDDIES, detachable Gabardine col-CHILDREN'S UNDERVESTS, sizes 2 to 10 years,

Month-End Sale 29c. CHILDREN'S COMBINATIONS, KNEE DRAWL. CHILDREN'S WHITE CAMBRIC BLOOMERS, THIRD FLOOR

From Our Men's Shop

HANDKERCHIEFS

NECKWEAR 75c.

Beautiful designs in neckwear that has been selling as high as \$1.50............For Month-End Sale 75c.

HOSIERY

Notaseme Lisle Hosiery, various shades—
Month-End Sale 47c.
All Silk Hosiery, various shades....Month-End Sale 89c.
Silk and Cashmere English Hosiery...Month-End Sale 98c.

SHIRTS \$2.95

UNDERWEAR

Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers....Month-End Sale \$1.00
Linen Mesh Shirts and Drawers...Month-End Sale \$2.98
Linen Mesh Combinations....Month-End Sale \$5.96
Fine Mercerized Combinations...Month-End Sale \$2.98
Spring Needle Combinations...Month-End Sale \$1.98
Many Other Lines, Too.

10 PER CENT OFF ALL TRUNKS AND BAGS during Month-end Sale.

SOFT HATS \$6

Canada's Finest Made, Brock-de-Luxe; sells regular for \$8. Spring shapes and shades.

Clearing lines in ARROW COLLARS...... 4 for 50c. A snap if your style is among them.

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