

### NATION-WIDE JUMP IN EMPLOYEES' PAY

Wages of More Than 380,000 Workers Increased Ten Per Cent

### TO MEET COST OF LIVING

U. S. Steel Pay Roll Soars Now to Over \$200,000,000 Mark. May Still Go Up

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—What is perhaps the largest wage increase in the history of the United States became effective today, when the pay of 380,000 workers of the United States Steel Corporation was increased ten per cent—the gross annual income approximating \$200,000,000. The increase was made by the company due to its enormous prosperity. Its net earnings are now estimated at \$1,000,000 a day.

### HERMIT'S HOME GARAGE NOW; OLD MAN MUST GO

Ancient Stone Barn to Be Converted Into Auto Shelter. Occupant and Cats Sorry

A picture illustrating this story appears on the pictorial page.

Henry Abrams, hermit and philosopher, has been notified to vacate his home in an old barn at Eleventh street and Allegheny avenue. The eviction notice includes the hermit's six cats—Aristotle, Horace, Plato, Euripides, Homer and Lucretius.

The notice to vacate has hit the hermit-philosopher a hard blow—a blow that has jangled his heart strings and caused a perpetual hunt for lodgings in the vicinity of his Adams' apple. For eighteen years Abrams has called a partitioned-off corner of the barn his home, and every claspboard, cranny and corner of the place is dear to him.

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Market, 10th and 11th Streets

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In Our Beautiful Auditorium—4th Floor  
*Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe Little Fairy*  
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**Desks at \$1.00**  
Finished in golden oak, made of selected lumber, 24 inches high. Lift-top cover.

**Hand Cars at \$3.00**  
Made of best cold rolled steel, chestnut wood seat, rubber tires.

**24-Inch Imported Dolls, \$2.49**  
Full jointed at knees, hips, shoulders, elbow and rest. Curly hair, hair eyelashes and sleeping eyes.

**Shoo Flies at 98c**  
Nicely painted horses, very life-like. Seat upholstered in neat cretonne.

**Table and 2 Chairs That Slide Underneath**  
Made of hardwood \$1.69  
In golden-oak finish. Top of table 13½x20 inches. A decided novelty.

**Teddy Bears, 98c**  
18½ inches high; stout body and limbs. Full-jointed. Others 50c to \$2. Some are musical.

**Coaster Wagon at \$2.50**  
A most substantial toy, built of hardwood, has iron axles and brake. Body 13x28.

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Our Most Extensive Stocks of  
**Jewelry : Silverware**  
Affords Splendid Gift Suggestions

Please bear in mind this is the first Christmas season of the Earle Store—and every article is brand new and up-to-date. Prices are moderate—for instance:

**Solid Gold Lavallieres, \$4.98 to \$25**  
Set with full cut diamond, combined with pearls. Some in pendant effect, with three diamonds. 15-in. solid gold chain.

**Solid Gold Rings, at \$2.50 to \$9.98**  
Styles for women and men. Various colored stones, in fancy and plain designs.

**Quadruple Plated Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, \$2.50 to \$6.98**  
Bossed designs. All boxed separately.

**Quadruple Plated 4-pc. Tea Sets, \$5.98 to \$18.50**  
Fancy designs.

**Gold Filled Dickens Chains, \$1.98 to \$5.98**  
In plain link, fancy and curb patterns. Guaranteed 10 and 20 years.

**Imitation Shell and Demi Combs, 50c & 98c**  
All studded with fine white stones. Some colored. All boxed.

**Gold Filled Jewelry at 50c & \$1.00**  
All are boxed. Included are la vallieres, brooches, bar pins, beauty pins and fancy pins, in a large assortment.

**Men's Gold Filled Watches, \$8.50 to \$17.50**  
American and Swiss movements. 20-year cases.

**Gilt Florentine Frames, 50c to \$1.50**  
In postal or cabinet styles.

**Sterling Silver Dorine Powder Boxes, 98c**  
In fancy chased designs. Contains powder, puff and mirror.

**Gold Filled Watch Bracelets, \$5.00**  
Imported movements, guaranteed. Convertible style.

**Give Gloves for Xmas**

Never too many of them for the woman who considers herself well dressed. Our stocks are large, for instance:

Women's 16- and 20-button White Kid Gloves, \$2.25 to \$3.00.  
Women's Washable Kid Gloves, \$1.50 to \$2.25.  
Women's Imported Kid Gloves, \$1.50 to \$2.25.  
Women's Kayser Duplex Gloves, \$1.00 and \$1.19.  
Women's Lined Mocha Gloves, fur top, \$1.00.  
Women's Wool-Lined Kid Gloves, \$1.75.  
Men's Fleece-Lined Kid and Mocha Gloves, \$1.25 to \$2.50.  
Men's Fur-Lined Kid Gloves, \$3.00 and \$3.50.  
Men's Dress Gloves, kid and suede, \$1.15 and \$1.85.  
Infants' Mittens, white and colors, 15c and 25c.  
Children's Kid-Lined Gloves, 59c and \$1.00.  
Children's Yarn Gloves, 29c to 50c.

**Women's & Misses' Fur Collar & Fur Trimmed Winter Coats**

A Most Profitable Offering—About 750

Positive \$15; \$16.50 and \$18.50 Values

And the woman who shares in this offering will find it profitable indeed—for the values are exactly as stated.

Fully 20 different styles for choice—and you can judge the smartness by the three pictured.

Fashioned of wool velours, wool plushes, pebble chevots, zibelines, chinchillas, silk corduroys and broadcloths.

The furs used for trimmings embrace — moufflons, kit coney, fox, blended opossum, natural opossum, Siberian wolf and others. All the wanted high colorings of the season.

**CHOICE \$11.75**

**Your Gift to Him Is Here**

And He Will Appreciate It, Coming From Earle's

**Men's \$6.00 Bath Robes at \$4.00**  
Cut ample full and long shawl collar. Side pockets, piped seams and tassels. All sizes.

**Men's \$5.00 Tub Silk Shirts at \$3.95**  
Beautiful patterns in various handsome colors, with satin stripes. Each one nicely packed in a fancy box. A large range of patterns. Sizes 14 to 17 inches.

**Men's Silk Neckwear at 50c**  
Brocades in large floral patterns. The colorings are beautiful and rich.

**Men's Knitted Mufflers at 49c to \$6.95**  
All kinds pure silk, fiber silk, silk-and-fiber and mercerized cotton. Accordion and crochet weaves. In plain colors, stripes and bordered ends. Each in a fancy box.

**Is It a Fur Set for Her?**

Our Dependable Qualities Also Mean Economy

**Natural Cross Fox Sets at \$85.00 to \$150.00**  
Barrel muff, head and tail trimmed. Double fur scarf. Also fancy muffs.

**French Coney Sets at \$20.00**  
Double fur scarf, trimmed with black fox paws. Ball muff, velvet bed. \$20.00 set.

**Fox Sets, \$49.75, \$65, \$85 and \$95.00**  
In taupe, battleship grey and blended cross fox.

**Grey Fox Sets, \$22.50**  
Made of fine and well-matched skins, double fur scarf. Barrel muff, head and tail trimmed.

**Children's and Misses' Fur Sets at \$2.95**  
Fancy satin-lined collar, with a snap at the head as a finish. Ball muff, with a cord.

**SPECIAL VALUES IN Fur Coats**

For Tomorrow

**Hudson Seal Coats, \$87.50**  
Trimmed with contrasting furs. Value \$125.00.

**Nearseal Coats, \$57.50**  
10 in the lot, very specially priced. Values up to \$100.00.

**Hudson Seal Coats, \$125.00 to \$190.00**  
Finest quality seal, with skunk collar, cuffs and bottom.

**A Most Important Offering—Tomorrow**

**Men's and Young Men's Suits & Overcoats**

At the Special Price  
Special—yes—for every "Rochester Art Clothes" garment is worth more and regularly sells for much more than our sale price.

They are wonderful values—for their materials, their tailoring, their finish—are absolutely the best.

Exactly 300 Overcoats and 200 Suits that this maker has allowed us for special selling—and those who know "Rochester Art Clothes" will agree with us that they will go out rapidly.

**OVERCOATS** in Chesterfield, Pinch Back or Full Back models, single- or double-breasted, convertible collar, with belt. Novelty and staple materials.

**SUITS** in conservative, 2- and 3-button and the new 2- and 3-button double-breasted, soft roll front, belted and pleated back models.

**Special—Men's Suits & Overcoats**

We could readily get more for them, but we bought them below price and pass the savings on to you. Pinch back and plain back models in both suits and overcoats. Plain colors and novelty effects. All sizes.

**\$9.75 and \$11.75**

**Boys' Overcoats, Suits or Mackinaws**

New Arrivals For Tomorrow

**\$3.95**

Most Exceptional Purchase

**OVERCOATS** in convertible collar, pinch back styles. Gray and brown Scotch chevots—plaid lined.

**MACKINAWS** of heavy weight plaid materials.

**SUITS** of fancy chevots and worsteds in Norfolk and pinch back models. Sizes from 5 to 18 years.

Each case, in announcing the increases, the concerns said they were made to enable their employes to meet the advancing cost of living. E. H. Gary, chairman of the steel corporation's board, said "ordinarily the question of wages would not come up for consideration or decision at this time of the year; but in consequence of the abnormal conditions now existing it has been decided to increase the wage rates of our iron and steel companies about ten per cent, effective December 15. As to the other departments, increases will be equitably proportioned."

**GIRL, IN NIGHTGOWN, BURNED**  
Lamp Ignites Flimsy Dress—Child in Hospital

**WARNS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLES**  
District Attorney at Carlisle Tries to Halt "Chancing Off"

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