

### SINGLE-HEADED POLICE SUCCESS

Boston Force Taken From Politics by Method Rotan Urges  
WANTS SYSTEM HERE

Legislature Aiming at General Purpose Pending at Harrisburg

A single-headed metropolitan police force, such as advocated by District Attorney Rotan, has taken Boston's police out of politics, made them independent of leaders, more attentive to their duties and given them a pride in service that has gone far toward making the force the best in the country.

After many years in close touch with Philadelphia policemen and the political system responsible for their appointment, Mr. Rotan and others associated with him have reached the conclusion that a metropolitan force headed by a commissioner or chief would help Philadelphia.

Conditions almost similar to those existing here forced legislative action in Massachusetts back in 1906. At that time the police were active in politics, had organizations of their own and owed their positions and promotions to political leaders.

The appointment of a commissioner with full authority to make all rules, appoint a trial board which he, on occasion, could overrule, appoint his own superintendent, employ his own office force, etc., caused a change which Bostonians point to with pride.

Governor Appoints Commissioners  
The Boston commissioners are appointed by the Governor and this plan is believed to be one that could be put into effect here by a legislative enactment at the present session.

Attorney Rotan is not alone in his advocacy of a metropolitan force, independent of politics and under a central power. Several measures, ostensibly to take the police out of politics, have already come to light at Harrisburg. There is no division of opinion in Boston as to the practicability of a single-headed police commission.

The system has had remarkable success because the man who put it in operation, Stephen O'Meara, who died recently, ruled with justice. He was appointed commissioner by the late Governor Curtis Guild, and the police system was changed from a board of three commissioners at the Governor's suggestion.

In 1878 an act was passed establishing a board of police commissioners, three in number, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. In 1908 the number was reduced to one and the Governor given appointive power.

At one time Boston was regarded as the most severely political city in the country, with the possible exception of New York. Politics governed everything in city affairs. The police department was dominated by men in political favor.

When Commissioner O'Meara took office he let it be known that every policeman and superior officer would be on his own merits. All promotions would be made according to his own judgment, and were not to be influenced by any outside agencies.

Promotion Based on Personal Fitness  
Promotions were based on civil service examinations and by personal assessment of the candidate's ability.

The police department rules, as promulgated by Police Commissioner O'Meara and assented to thus far by Police Commissioner Edwin U. Curtis, have worked with general satisfaction.

Defective Flue Causes Blaze in Residence Twice in Month  
For the second time within a month, fire was discovered in a flue in the library of the home of John Cadwalader.

While the family was at dinner last night, Mr. Cadwalader's chauffeur noticed smoke coming from one of the windows in the front of the house. He notified John Cadwalader, Jr., who summoned the firemen. The blaze was extinguished with chemicals without serious damage.

MAP "OWN-YOUR-HOME" PLAN  
Real Estate Dealers Review Benefits at Meeting  
Benefits which come to the home owner were reviewed last night at a meeting of real estate dealers at the Bellevue-Stratford.

Plans for an enthusiastic "Own Your Home" campaign were mapped out and it was decided to have special demonstration in this connection during the week of April 21 to 26.

PERSHING AIDE DEAD  
Colonel Carl Boyd Succumbs to Pneumonia  
Paris, Feb. 14.—Colonel Carl Boyd, principal aide-de-camp to General J. J. Pershing, is dead, after an attack of pneumonia.

His home was in Adamsville, Ga., and for a number of years he was military attaché of the American embassy here.

Grand Organ, 9, 11 and 4:50  
Chimes at Stroke of Noon

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## The Down Stairs Store Welcomes the Coming of Spring With Sprightly Style Innovations, Combined With Special Prices



### A Thousand Lovely New Hats— \$3 to \$8

Small shapes or large shapes; smart, crisp lines or soft drooping lines; stiff quills or fluffy ostrich; tough or smooth straws—as you choose, for they are all here, and within the two prices. (As many at \$3 as there are at \$8.)  
Straws are black or in light and darker shades of all the fashionable colors, including the new red. Steel ornaments, flowers, embroidery and bits of ostrich seem to be favorites for trimming; ribbon, too, is largely used. China blue pipings are very attractive.

These hats are in the very newest shapes for early and late Spring wear and there are all the various straws to choose from.

### Many Children's Hats Arrive

for mothers to see on Saturday. From the little 6-year-old to Miss 16, hats rather favor the strictly tailored style. Straws are both light and dark, and smooth or rough. Brims turn up or down, rather than being straight. Of course, many prettily trimmed hats are the exception that proves the rule.

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### Spring Coats for Junior Girls

of 12 years to 16 are made of velour in henna and in light blue. The collars and belts are attractively stitched. \$19.75.  
Blue serge coats are lined throughout for girls of 6 years to 10. \$8.50. Other new Spring coats, in velour, are priced up to \$15.

### Blue Serge Middy Skirts

for girls of 10 years to 14 are pleated on to white bodies, which is best as it takes the weight off the hip bones. \$5.

### Bright, New Frocks

of taffeta in blue or in pretty plaids for Miss 14 or 16 Years are pleated. The bodices extend into panels over the skirts in front and in back. They are embroidered in silk, and are topped with round neck frills of Georgette crepe—which also finish the cuffs. \$19.75.  
Other taffeta and Georgette frocks go up to \$32.50.

### 300 Wash Frocks—Special at \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50

Pretty plaids, neat stripes and plain pink or blue are here to choose from. They will make good school frocks for young daughter of 6 years to 14.

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### A Charming Array of Spring Wraps— Dolmans, Capes and Coats



### All the Winter Coats Bear Substantial Reductions

Every winter coat in the stock is much reduced. Many beautiful things will be found among them—that women who are going to the shore or traveling will want. Now \$10 to \$42.50.

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### 500 Beautiful Blouses —Samples at \$3.90

There are:  
—Georgette crepes in flesh, white, Gobiell blue, tan, navy, wine, taupe and brown, in attractive styles; many of them beaded and embroidered and some have the new round necks.  
—Crepe de chine in flesh color and white in many styles.  
—Wash satin in flesh and white in tailored styles.  
Of course, not every size in every style!

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### How Like Colorful Spring Herself Are the New Necklaces

Just like a bed of bright, beautiful flowers that have poked their heads above ground!

Lovely bright hues that are a delight to the eye, and darker colors all combine to make these necklaces most effective. A costume couldn't be dull with such a string of beads to brighten it!

There are beautiful blues, the new henna shade, restful greens, imitation coral and amber. They are of plain beads that are graduated or are alternated with metal balls and links in silver or oxidized finish.

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### Red, Too

A whole case of delightfully cherry red beads shows many unusual things. Prices go from \$1 to \$6.

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## An Army of Low-Priced Shoes Marches In

### at \$4.90 a Pair

Dark tan calfskin shoes that lace high have welted soles and low or medium heels.

Gray kidskin shoes with welted soles have high or medium heels. The tops are of kidskin or cloth to match.

Black kidskin shoes with gray kidskin tops have medium heels.

### Spats Go With Spring Costumes

They add a touch of smartness to the trim suits that are being worn. In white, ivory and chamois color, they are \$2 a pair.

Oxford Ties  
of black patent leather on long, slender lines have turned soles and covered heels. \$5.25 a pair.

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### Girls' Shoes—Special at \$2.85 a Pair

Dull black leather lace shoes with low heels are in sizes 2½ to 5.

Boys' Good Shoes  
of dark tan leather in sizes 1 to 6 are on English lasts, \$4.50 a pair; sizes 10 to 13½ are in wide-toe shapes at \$3 and \$3.50 a pair.

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## 400 New Spring Suits for Young Girls, Women and Large Women in About 50 Styles

They are delightful to look upon, with all their new features of bright vests, brass or silver-like buttons, lovely embroidery, loose-back panels, etc. With all this, fine workmanship is not neglected. On the contrary, the suits are better made than ever. The new lines are most refreshing after several seasons without any radical change.

This season marks a new era in women's suits, and every woman owes it to her education to see these advance models.

### Serge Suits for Young Girls at \$22.75

There are three models in sizes 14 to 18. Some show braid trimming and attractive pockets. Silk tricotee vests are good-looking.  
At \$23.50, other models in sizes 14 to 18 are also made of serge. One is embroidered around the bottom of the jacket with black silk and shows a rose tricotee vest. Box coats are much in evidence. One of these suits is sketched.

### 12 Models at \$25

Good wool mannish serge is used. A suit from this group is sketched. It has a box-coat jacket with a Tuxedo roll collar bound in braid. Braid and buttons are smartly used, and a bright, dotted vest in front is rather dashing.

### Any Number of Tailored and Sports Suits

Tailored serge suits are trimmed with hat's of braid. \$25.  
The jackets of wool poplin suits ripple very gracefully in back. Of course, they are adorned with silk braid. \$27.50.  
Mannish tweed sports suits with jackets beautifully lined with peau de cygne, are \$29.75.

### Novelty Suits for Young Girls at \$35

—and women who wear sizes 14 to 18 in vivacious little models are sure to give pleasure to all who see them. One of mannish serge with a fanciful pique vest is trimmed with broad braid around the bottom of the jacket. Another model, of lovely silvertone velour, has a white broadcloth vest trimmed with tiny buttons. The box coat is tucked at the bottom.

Still another, of neat tricotine, takes on much of smartness from its rows of tiny brass buttons.

### Good-Looking Tailored Models for Large Women

At \$47.50 one is of mannish serge with a long roll collar. The over-collar is of beige silk. The jacket is finished with silk croch's feet.

At \$39.75 a rather smart-tailored suit of tricotine is trimmed with braid.

### And So on Through Many More

Tailored or box-coat models, rippling jackets, vests, braid, buttons, etc., are all here. And you will agree that prices are very moderate. \$28.75, \$29.75 to \$75.

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\$23.50

\$25

## Four Groups of Special Frocks— \$12 to \$25

### Group 1—Special at \$12

This consists of serge frocks that will be splendid for business or school wear. One model is trimmed with braid and another shows double tiers on the skirt in front. These are especially good for young women.

### Group 2—Special at \$17.50, Savings of \$6 to \$7.50

—which is worth-while saving on a dress. Fine, heavy twill serge in navy blue forms two excellent frocks. One, with a draped bodice, is embroidered on the cuffs and the side panels of the skirt with henna braid. Black silk braid embroidery adorns the skirt and collar of another frock. A dainty flesh-color vestee, all prettily tucked, lightens the bodice.

### Group 3—Special at \$23.50

Fine wool jersey frocks in brand-new Spring models have vests and cuffs of contrasting color wool jersey. Buttons trim several dresses, while others are adorned with colorful silk braiding on the wide girdles. You may choose navy blue, gray, Pekin blue or rookie.

### Smart Wool Jersey Frocks at \$25 Form the Fourth Special Group

The models are various and all are new. Odd buckles finish some of the girdles. One model shows draped pockets piped in contrasting colors. Others are embroidered in silk and chenille braid.

### Also in the Group at \$25

are two models made of heavy crepe de chine. They are very attractive, and represent unusual value. The colors in the group include navy blue, taupe, Pekin blue, rookie and black.

## 750 New Spring Frocks Await Your Choosing \$16.50, \$18, \$19.75 to \$45

Models are legion and colors are in all imaginable shades. Materials are unusually good and a pleasant surprise in quality. There are dresses of Georgette crepe, in light and dark shades; crepe de chine, taffeta and crepe meteor; frocks of foulard in various patterns; and dresses of serge, wool jersey, tricotine and silk tricotee.

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### A Closing-Out of Boys' Hats at 60c

Included are cloth hats, caps, golf caps, knit hockey caps, tams, sailor hats, etc., for boys of 3 years to 10. Some brushed-wool caps that resemble Angora are especially good. They are in dark green and old rose.

(Gallery, Market)

### Smart Veils

are here in many kinds. Some unusually attractive ones are in octagon and square meshes, some with much scrolling, others are in the new braided effects and still others dotted. In taupe, brown, navy and black at \$1.50 to \$2.50.

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### Special Undermuslins Envelope Chemises at \$1

Soft white batiste chemises have entire tops of fine lace and insertion, which is very unusual.

### Camisoles at \$1

Pretty camisoles of satin or crepe de chine are plain and tailored or are trimmed with good lace. Some are gathered on elastic at the tops.

### Pink Satin Bloomers at \$3

The soft pink satin is heavy enough to be durable. The bloomers are finished with hemstitched ruffles.

### Pink Nightgowns at \$1

Soft pink batiste slip-over nightgowns are stitched in pink or blue designs.

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## A Man's Money

will go a great deal farther if he will take advantage of the reductions in the Down Stairs Store for Men.

### Suits at \$19.75 and \$24.50

bring savings of anywhere from two or three dollars to a \$10 bill. They are of all-wool materials in dark colors and pleasing designs, and the \$19.75 group includes the waistline models so much favored by young men.

### Overcoats at \$20 and \$25

represent equal reductions and are also in the desirable dark patterns. The \$20 coats are single-breasted box style and the \$25 coats are double-breasted ulsters and ulsterettes.

### Fine Neckties at 60c

These are chiefly the large open-end four-in-hands such as sell regularly at an average half more.

There are also some knitted ties, among them manufacturers' mended goods.

### Pigskin Belts at 65c

Black and tan pigskin of a good, heavy quality.

### Suspenders at 40c

Plain-color and striped suspenders in both light and heavy webbing and all under usual price.

## 400 Pair of Women's Silk Stockings at \$1.15 a Pair

are added to the sale of hosiery and underwear. The stockings are of fine, even silk in black, white and light colors. They are full-fashioned and have hese feet and garter tops.

Women's Underwear  
Vests at 70c—of light-weight cotton are trimmed. Union suits at 50c—regular and extra sizes in light-weight cotton are trimmed with lace.

Bloomers at 60c—black, pink or white knitted cotton bloomers are in regular and extra sizes.

Men's Half Hose at 25c a Pair  
are in navy blue, black, light gray, dark gray, tan and balbriggan. They have re-enforced feet and are excellent quality.

Children's Stockings, 35c a Pair, 3 for \$1  
Black cotton ribbed stockings are in sizes 6 to 9½. This is unusual and you want to take advantage of it. And there are many other specials in this February Sale.

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