

READING CHAMBER GETS BEHIND LOAN

Business Men Start Active Campaign to Obtain \$1,000,000 for Improvements

\$800,000 FOR WATER WORKS

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger... Reading, Pa., Oct. 22.—In a statement made public today by the loan committee of the Reading Chamber of Commerce an appeal is made to voters to get behind the \$1,000,000 loan campaign...



MRS. CHARLES H. HIBBEN First president of the Haddon Fortnightly Woman's Club, who gave a reminiscence address at the silver anniversary of the club

ALBERT DECORATES PRINCETON'S CHIEF

Belgian King Confers Highest Possible Rank on President Hibben

MERCIER SENDS HIS THANKS

Princeton, N. J., Oct. 22.—King Albert of Belgium has just notified president John Grier Hibben, of Princeton, of the latter's investiture as a commander in the Order of the Crown...

numerous services rendered the Belgian cause in America.

President Hibben was the recipient of an honor in the French Legion of Honor last spring, when the presentation of the cross was made in historic Nassau Hall by French military and naval attaches.

Cardinal Mercier, who was recently the honored guest of the university on the occasion of his receiving the doctor of laws degree from the authorities here, has written a formal expression of his thanks for his distinction in a letter made public by President Hibben today.

Following is a translation from the French of the letter written to the president:

"To the President of Princeton University,

"Dear sir—I am doing my duty to express again my sincere thanks for the very kindly and impressive reception which was extended to me by Princeton University.

"In conferring on me the degree of doctor of laws, honoris causa, you have given me a testimony of sympathy for which I feel greatly honored, and I regret that I cannot return to you the honors fasten on to your great institution of learning.

"I extend to you and to my dear colleagues most cordially the expression of my devoted esteem.

"D. D. CARD. MERCIER,

Arch. de Malines.

George Allen, Inc. 1214—Chestnut St.—1214

Extraordinary Showing Special Value Trimmed Hats \$15.00

These lovely Hats are velvet, velour or hatters' plush—entirely new models. Trimming of ostrich bands. They are truly wonderful value at price quoted.

Exquisite Peplum Blouses

These new models come in mahogany, taupe, navy, brown, open. Beautifully embroidered and beaded in contrasting colorings—\$19.50 to \$27.00.

Sterling Silver Cheese and Cracker Dishes

Made so that the trays can be used separately as sandwich plates. All of durable weight in both simple and ornate designs.

One in the popular pierced border design, nine inches in diameter—\$30.



S. Kind & Sons, 1110 Chestnut St.

DIAMOND MERCHANTS—JEWELERS—SILVERSMITHS

CHARGE EX-SOLDIERS STOLE ARMY GOODS

Arrest of One Said to Have Revealed Conspiracy Which Cost U. S. \$85,000

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Oct. 22.—(By A. P.)—The arrest here yesterday by a federal agent of Marshall Brown, twenty-seven, of this city, a discharged soldier, revealed a conspiracy, according to the government authorities, through which \$85,000 worth of army property was stolen from a Virginia cantonment during the summer.

Federal agents from Washington, it is understood, are talking arrests in other cities of seven former soldiers, whom Brown is said to have incited to a confession. Washington officials are also to arrest several merchants in two large cities of the East to whom the stolen army goods were sold. All of the soldiers implicated in the conspiracy were non-commissioned officers or privates at the cantonment.

At the time of the thefts, it is charged, Brown and his comrades had been discharged from the army, but had been employed to assist in shipping army stores to buyers. In this capacity, it is alleged, they disposed of truck-loads of property and divided the money. Listed in the stolen goods were more than 5000 blankets and thousands of shoes, olive drab shirts and undergarments. Brown will be taken to Washington today.

\$7,256,434 in Harvard Fund

New York, Oct. 22.—Subscriptions to the Harvard endowment fund of \$7,256,434, a little less than half the amount sought, Boston reported \$2,925,798, while New York lagged behind with \$2,628,946. The total for other parts of the country was \$1,695,720.

MORE HONORS FOR MERCIER

University of Chicago Confers Degree on Belgian Prelate

Chicago, Oct. 22.—(By A. P.)—Cardinal Mercier's second day in Chicago, except for a meeting at the University of Chicago, where the degree of LL. D. was bestowed on the prelate, was given over mainly to visits to Catholic institutions and greetings to fellow countrymen. Committees started today to complete a fund of \$100,000 for rehabilitation of Belgium. In the hope that a check for the amount may be presented to the cardinal before his departure for St. Louis tomorrow.

In his address last night to the largest audience he ever had here, Cardinal Mercier defended the action of the United States in waiting until the time it did to enter the world war. "I think, so far as I know, your people and your country have been right," he said.

Men's Hats... Velours, Derby and softs. Remodeled into latest styles and re-trimmed equal to new. Jefferson Hat Co., 135 S. 10th St.



Safeguarding Your Fuel Supply

Large users of coal—railroads, traction lines, central stations and big manufacturing plants—find in the present unsettled conditions a source of anxiety. They must be certain that they have eliminated—so far as possible—all chances for failure in their fuel supply.

To those having their own mines we offer engineering and management service that reduce cost of production as well as giving assurance of supply.

To those contemplating the purchase or sale of coal mines we offer services as independent appraisers.

Having developed our business from small retail coal merchants, 36 years ago, to operating twenty-eight mines with an annual capacity of thirteen million tons, we believe we have a knowledge of fuel production and distribution that you will find of value to your company.

If you have a fuel problem, we will be glad to assist in its solution.

PEABODY COAL CO. CHICAGO

BONWIT TELLER & CO. The Specially Shop of Originations CHESTNUT AT 13TH STREET FOR THURSDAY A Limited Quantity of Early Season Models in Women's Frocks & Dresses... Women's Satin Frocks 35.00... Women's Serge Dresses 44.00

Joseph G. Darlington & Co. Inc. 1126-1128 Chestnut Street.

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Recently a customer told us, "This is the fourth store I have been in this morning, and your price for this silk is 15c a yard less than anywhere else." Like some others, she had an idea that Darlington prices were high. We are demonstrating the fallacy of this thought every day.

DARLINGTON'S IS AN EXCLUSIVE STORE BUT NOT AN EXPENSIVE STORE. We are large distributors of silks, and every trade advantage is open to us. We have the staple weaves, as well as the unusual and distinctive patterns and fabrics. We have 82 years of experience back of us in selling Silks to Philadelphians, and we have learned to know what they want.

If you have never bought Silks here, prove to yourself how advantageously and satisfactorily it can be done.

Illustration of three women in fashion. Prices: \$28.50, \$28.50, \$32.90.

The Dar-TEX Family Is Growing

We have just added a new model to the Dar-TEX line—shown in the centre of illustration and priced \$28.50. The material is somewhat heavier than in the other two, and with the high convertible collar it is entirely suitable for winter wear.

All Dar-TEX Suits are made from all-wool worsted which will not lose its shape and get "baggy." There is a variety of colorings ample enough to meet almost every demand. The Suits are cut and finished so well that little or no alteration is needed.

Two other models are now "in work" and will soon be on sale. Don't buy a Sports or General Purpose Suit anywhere until you see the Dar-TEX line.

MISS'ES SIZES, SECOND FLOOR. WOMEN'S SIZES, THIRD FLOOR.

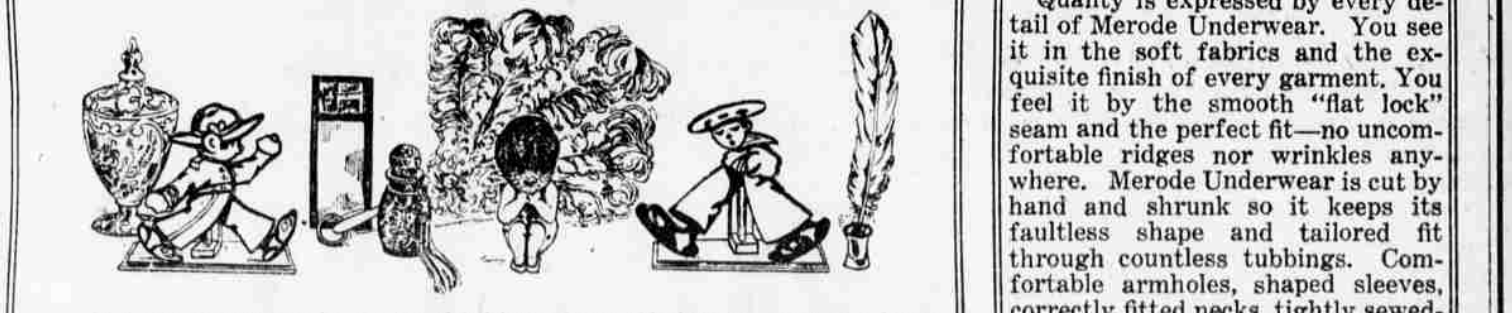
Dresses for Girls

MARY ELLEN, the Dress de luxe; hand work on every one; individually designed, finished in the best possible manner. Sizes 6 to 12 years; Dresses from \$9.75 to \$18.50; White Waists and Gumpes, \$5.00. Mary Ellens are sold at Darlington's exclusively in Philadelphia.

JACK TAR TOGS, nationally known as representing the best clothing of their kind; Dresses from \$2.95 to \$18.50; separate skirts of cotton materials and wool serge—\$2.95 to \$6.95.

We can supply a good, serviceable ALL-WOOL, NAVY BLUE SCHOOL DRESS in sizes 8 to 14 years for \$12.75.

We Have Opened a New Gift Section



It is none too early to be thinking about Christmas, and we have opened a new Gift Section on the First Floor to facilitate shopping for those who are already beginning to make their Holiday purchases. Here one will find Artistic Novelties of many kinds—Door Stops, Colonial Fire Lighters, Candy Jars and Baskets, Picture Frames, Lamp Shades and the like.

Attention is also directed to our excellent showing of fine Bags, in our regular Bag Section, many of them imported direct from Paris.

Clothes for Little Boys and Girls



No matter what the weather may be—rainy, warm, cold—the youngster whose clothes come from Darlington's is well and comfortably dressed. And not only that—economically dressed, too, because the garments we sell are made for real service as well as good looks.

Jack Tar Dresses in white, trimmed with blue or red collars, also all-blue, all-white, dark blue serge; sizes 4, 5 and 6 years—\$4.00 to \$11.50.

Lotta Ware Dresses in pink, blue, tan and yellow; some smocked, others hand embroidered, with bloomers; sizes 2 to 6 years—\$2.50 to \$4.00.

Velvet Dress Hats in several colors, some fur trimmed—\$3.50 to \$12.50.

Baby Boy Dresses, made in France, hand-embroidered collar and cuffs; sizes 1 and 2 years—\$6.00.

Boys' Washable Suits, Oliver Twist and regulation style; sizes 2 to 6 years—\$2.50 to \$10.75.

Boys' Suits of Kiddie Cloth and All-wool Jersey; sizes 4 to 8 years—\$3.00 to \$17.50.

Boys' and Girls' Bath Robes in blanket and Indian styles, just the thing for these cool mornings; sizes 2 to 6 years—\$3.25 to \$4.00.

Sweaters in white with a touch of pink and blue, also color combinations; sizes 1 to 6 years—\$2.75 to \$7.00.

Handkerchiefs

"Lissue" Handkerchiefs are favorites with school and college girls because their attractive stripes will not wash out. And the designs are much prettier than on any other Sports Handkerchief at anywhere near their price—35c each, three for \$1.00.

New Wool Plaids

Smart combinations of navy, French blue, dark green, tan and brown; 40, 48 and 54 inches wide; large and small plaid patterns, and the material itself is rich, warm and all-wool. Prices \$3.00, \$5.50, \$6.50 and \$8.50 yard.

Furniture, Cretonnes and Interior Decoration

To the seeker after the fine and distinctive in Furniture, this Department on the Fourth Floor has much of interest. Particular attention is directed just now to the display of handsome Lamps.

The Curtain and Cretonne Section is busy, too—very busy; we have a noteworthy stock of Cretonnes, and it is at its best now.

You are invited to take up your INTERIOR DECORATION PROBLEMS WITH DARLINGTON'S. We are well prepared to carry out all work of this kind whether it be an entire house or a single room.

Merode Underwear

Quality is expressed by every detail of Merode Underwear. You see it in the soft fabrics and the exquisite finish of every garment. You feel it by the smooth "flat lock" seam and the perfect fit—no uncomfortable ridges nor wrinkles anywhere. Merode Underwear is cut by hand and shrunk so it keeps its faultless shape and tailored fit through countless tubbings. Comfortable armholes, shaped sleeves, correctly fitted necks, tightly sewed-on buttons and unstretchable button holes appeal to all women.

Merode Ribbed Cotton Combination Suits for women; various styles; regular sizes \$2.00; extra sizes \$2.25.

Merode Ribbed Merino Combination Suits for women; high neck, long sleeves, ankle length; low neck, no sleeves, ankle length; regular sizes \$3.00; extra sizes \$3.25.

Merode Cotton Vests with high neck and long sleeves or Dutch neck and elbow sleeves; regular sizes \$1.00; extra sizes \$1.15. Tights, ankle length; \$1.00 for regular sizes and \$1.15 for extra sizes.

Merode Merino Vests with high neck, long or elbow sleeves; Tights ankle length; each garment \$1.75 for regular sizes and \$2.00 for extra sizes.

FIRST FLOOR

Children's Hose

Children's Ribbed Woolen Hosiery in three-quarter length with turn-over tops; suitable for boys or girls; sizes 8 1/2, 9 and 9 1/2; price \$2.50.

FIRST FLOOR

We Have an Excellent Line of Hats at \$25.00



The illustration shows one of the styles—there are many others, but scarcely two alike. We specialize in MILLINERY INDIVIDUALITY.

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