NO REFORM FOR CHESTER; NOT NEEDED, MAYOR SAYS

Ramsey, New Executive of City, Declares for an Ordinary, Everyday Administration—No Crusades or Goose Chases

Reform is not and will not be the slogan of Chester's new city administration under Mayor William T. Ramsey. The mayor, who entered office on Monday, when Philadelphia was welcoming the beginning of Mayor Moore's rule, said today that he did not know of any reformers in Chester.

"If there is such a thing as a real reformer," said Mayor Ramsey, "I have never seen the animal."

Furthermore, Mayor Ramsey said emphatically that Chester did not need reforming.

He was also emphatic in saying that he had framed no crisp rules of conduct that would look well in print, or point a moral, or adorn a tale.

"I am going to be just an ordinary, every-day sort of mayor, like the men who have filled this office in Chester before me," he said. "Nobody is going to set me off on any crusades or wild goose chases."

Mayor Ramsey then referred to his four terms in the state Legislature as a reason why he would not be carried away in the stream of new-fangled notions. He was a Republican leader in the Legislature and was called from his usual field at Harrisburg to head the Chester city government, just as Mr. Moore was called from Washington by the city of Philadelphia, after he had spent a number of years in Congress.

Twenty Years of Public Life

Mr. Ramsey boasts twenty years of public service before he was elected mayor of Chester.

"My aim," he said, "will be to advance the interest of Chester in every way possible. But that is not reforming. If any one ever called me a reformer, I do not know about it.

"Chester does not need a reform wave. It is a fairly decent town.

"Of course, we have people of all races, colors and creeds. The ways of some may not be entirely approved by others, which is human nature; but every one seems to be trying to do the best that he can, and that is all any of us can do.

"Those who opposed me said the town would be 'wide open' as soon as I became mayor. But I doubt that any one can find a great change from conditions under my predecessor."

Mayor Ramsey's predecessor was Wesley S. McDowell, who made a fight for re-election.

"Was Mayor McDowell a reformer?" was asked.

"There are no real reformers," said Mayor Ramsey. "But Mr. McDowell did want to be classed as a reformer toward the end."

Studying City's Needs

"Will you make a special effor to give to Chester something the people greatly need or want?"

"I am trying to find out what the city needs and what it wants," replied the Mayor. "There are many who propose things. If the city had everything that has been proposed, it would have a lot of things. It would be a wonderful city, or 'ideal,' as they say.

"But I do not expect to be a wonder worker. In fact, I am only a small part of the city administration of Chester. I have little anthority and there is a definite limit to what I can do, no matter how busy I may seem to be.

"Knowing how little power I have, I wish to avoid flowery talk and promises. It is always better to do something before talking, and this is particularly true in my case, as mayor of Chester.

"The mayor of this city has no more power than any member of the Council. The budget is handled by the Council, of which the mayor is merely the presiding officer.

"Every decision must have the support of three out of five votes in the Council.

"The mayor has no veto power. He has no power. He is about the same as a councilman except that he is called mayor.

"As mayor, I have charge, limited charge, of the police department. Councilmen have charge of the other departments.

"Under the present makeshift, half-baked civil service act, the mayor cannot appoint or dismiss members of the police force.

"I am glad that when I was in the state Legislature I refused to vote for this civil service law.

"Why, the mayor cannot even choose the man who is to be at the head of the only department concerning which he has anything to say.

"But I shall try to develop the police department as far as possible. We are going to have a traffic squad and we will put some of the policemen on motorcycles.

"The best a mayor in Chester can do is to act according to the laws, and that is what I shall try to do."

OWNER HUNTS FOR "BEANS"

Aristocratic Boston Bull Terrier Among Missing

A well-bred dog with the very plebeian name of "Beans," is at large somewhere in this city, while the owner is frantically trying to discover his pet's whereabouts.

"Beans" is a brindle Boston terrier, distinguished by a white spot between the front legs. She has both ears and tail cut after the fashionable manner and gives the appearance in all particulars of being an aristocratic canine.

Her master is Lew B. Wallace, Navahoe and Moreland avenues, St. Martin's.

Claim Investigators Named

Two investigators to serve in the new claims section of the law department were appointed yesterday by City Solicitor Smyth. The appointees are Frank E. Edwards, of the Thirty-eighth ward, and Frank Malis, of the Twenty-eighth ward.

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Auditing	" 26	Law	January 19
Automobile Mechanics	" 12	Mathematics	" 12
Bookkeeping	" 12	Mechanical Drawing	" 27
Chemistry	" 27	Navigation	" 5
Cost Accounting	" 23	Plan Reading	" 26
Defective Speech	" 5	Production Methods	" 28
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The occasion stands for direct and sensible cutting into the High Cost of Shoeing, and there's inspiration for sales-people and for customers in the opportunity offered.

The newest creations in Women's Footwear are here in delightful profusion; ***and the prices are so absurdly low*** that we're sure that of all the days in all the years in which we've been making store history, ***the days now passing have the most abundant interest.***

The sale brings you ***savings*** of from FOUR TO SEVEN DOLLARS on a pair of shoes; and it offers you shoes that ***have*** to be good because they ***must*** measure up to the HALLAHAN standard.

The Best of the Bargain is your "Gain"

and here are shoes, in wonderful assortment and correctness of style, actually worth from 14.00 to 17.50, selling at

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Laced Boots, Button Boots, French Heel — Louis Heel, Cuban Heel, Military Heel — Growing Girls, Brown Cordovan, Chestnut Calf — Gunmetal Calf, Havana Brown, Light Gray Kid — Dark Gray Kid, Beaver Brown and "Two-Tones"

All Sizes 1 to 8—All Widths AA to D

Women's Boots for Street & Dress 7.95

A lavish gathering of styles in Dress Boots, with Louis heels and turn soles; and Street Boots, with Cuban heels and welted soles, in all the wanted leathers and combinations. All sizes and all widths. *Values from 12.50 to 14.00*.....

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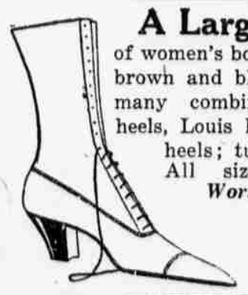
Twenty or more of this season's very smartest styles of Evening Slippers, with petite French or full-height Louis XV heels. Satins in white, black and pink worth 10.50 to 12.50. Also cloth of silver and cloth of gold and bronze kid, *Worth up to 14.00*..



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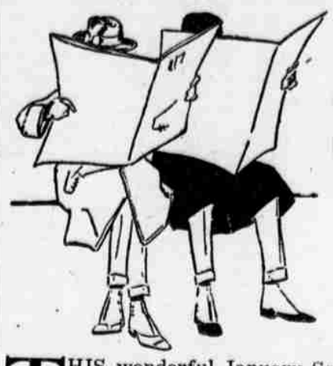

STRAWBRIDGE & CLOTHIER'S

All former selling records have been broken, but we have larger stocks than ever, and the variety and values for to-morrow are as great as when the Sale started—Prices are about the WHOLESALE VALUE.

THIS wonderful January Sale of Men's and Young Men's Clothing started with more than a QUARTER OF A MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH—almost one-half of our immense stock. Therefore, while the selling day by day far exceeds all former January records, you are assured that the assortment of Suits, Overcoats, Fur-lined Overcoats and Trousers is JUST AS ATTRACTIVE as at the beginning of the Sale a week ago.

A large portion of the Clothing in this Sale has been in our stock for some months and prices that were already lower than they should have been, as based on current cost of production, are NOW REDUCED. The remainder of the Clothing in the Sale comprises purchases made several months ago and but recently received—thousands of dollars' worth marked at LESS THAN PRESENT WHOLESALE COST, and much less than merchants are paying for equal grades for spring.

Please remember that many of the special lots are from the STEIN-BLOCH, HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX and "ALCO" lines—three nationally famous lines sold at this Store only in this city. Equally reliable and equally good value at the prices, are Suits and Overcoats from several other manufacturers.

Winter Suits and Overcoats $26.50

A really extraordinary collection of both Suits and Overcoats, that would cost us more to-day than this January retail price. Ulster and plain Overcoats in dark Oxfords and neat mixtures. Suits of reliable fabrics, medium and dark, in good styles, well tailored.

Winter Suits and Overcoats $36.50

Men's and young men's models in Ulsters, Ulsterettes and regular Overcoats; Suits in youthful and conservative styles, of excellent fabrics, handsomely tailored. The famous "Alco" and other makes. The price is less than average wholesale value.

Winter Suits and Overcoats $46.50

This wonderful group includes plenty of splendid models in men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats from the Stein-Bloch Co. and Hart, Schaffner & Marx, and the makers of "Alco" Clothes. A variety of models, of fine fabrics, finely tailored.

Hart, Schaffner & Marx Extra-fine Overcoats, reduced to $58.50
Thexton & Wright Imported English Great Coats, reduced to $68.50
Young Men's Fur-Collar Overcoats, now $47.50, $67.50 and $95.00
Fur-Lined Overcoats, now $65.00, $122.00, $155.00, $18 5.00, $275.00
Men's Leather Overcoats, reversible, $33.50, $37.50 and $46.50
Young Men's Flannel Suits—blue, brown, green,—now $34.50

Youths' Long-trousers Suits, now $18.50, $29.50 and $41.50

Three very exceptional values in Suits for youths of 16 to 20 years. Good fabrics, excellent tailoring, smart style.

Men's Evening Dress and Tuxedo Suits, Unusual at $36.50

This price is so very low that it is almost superfluous to state that it is less than present wholesale value. Better see these to-morrow.

Exceptional Values in Men's Trousers at $6.75, $7.75 and $8.75

Well-tailored, of dependable fabrics in neat stripes. Hundreds of pairs, all very unusual values at these prices.

Strawbridge & Clothier—Second Floor, East

Clearance of Men's Shirts

Plenty of sizes and patterns in the various groups to insure satisfactory selection for those who care to choose now. Thousands of good, seasonable Shirts—incomplete lines from stock—are included, and the clearance prices are less than manufacturers are asking us for identical grades to-day.

Attached-collar Shirts, suitable for work and dress wear—now $1.25 and $1.65

Shirts of various fabrics, with neckband and soft cuffs—now $1.65, $2.00, $2.25 and $2.50

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Black and Colored Satins of various kinds, Novelty Suiting Taffetas, Crepe Meteors, Printed Foulard Silks and Printed Crepe Georgette, Plain Black and Colored Crepe Georgette, White Satins, including Bridal Satin, Japanese White Shirting Silks, Velvets and Velveteens, White Japanese Broadcloth Silk, Charmeuse, Fancy Dress Silks, and—

Thousands of Remnants, and a Special Aisle Table of Odd Lots (no remnants) of 36-inch Fancy Dress Silks, that are Wonderful Value at $1.85 a yd.

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Dresses, Suits, Coats, Wraps, Blouses, Skirts, Millinery and All Accessories of Dress

Showing the most radical changes in Apparel for the South, which means a refreshingly new and different summer in the North, as far as Fashions are concerned. New materials, a wonderful array of them; new ideas in combinations of colors and materials; new contrasts in skirts and bodices or skirts and jackets; elaborate stripes and checks and plaids; new Velvet Jackets, and Blouses and Skirts of great elaboration; new developments in Fabric Hats and soft straws and leghorns and new crepes and braids. AND OVER ALL—the splendor of bright, beautiful colorings.

New Taffeta Silk Dresses For Spring, at $47.50

New and distinctive ideas in tunics and peplums, with soft bodices with dainty necklines, long or short sleeves, and lovely velvet ribbons and narrow frills for trimming. Navy blue, black, brown and Flemish blue.

New Afternoon and Sports Dresses, $67.50 to $225

New taffetas with velvet ribbons, colored embroidery, and accordion plaitings of all kinds. Also a plentiful sprinkling of figured and flowered crepes Georgette, softly draped; and plain Georgette embroidered, beaded and hemstitched. And the Lace Frocks, all-lace, beautiful, new and graceful, claim much attention.

For sports wear, the Shirting Silks, Ton Kin, Baronet and Queen Anne Satin and Fantasi Silk, featuring novel short jackets and plaited skirts, three-piece effects, and many Angora-trimmed over-blouse styles. The Dress sketched, $110.00.

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Cowhide Suit Cases Bought Last Year

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Rich brown color; sewed edges, riveted corners.
Suit Cases, 24-inch—$18.00
Suit Cases, 26-inch—$18.50
Extra deep, straps all around, sewed edges, riveted corners.
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Suit Cases, 26-inch—$17.00
Straps all around, sewed edges and corners.

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