## The 20 Per Cent Deduction Privilege Is Now a Matter of Day

## To Do the Right Thing at the Right Time

## is not always popular or successful.

Fifty days ago, single-handed and alone, we threw down the gauntlet to fight vigorously against holding up war prices for necessaries of life and to resist the efforts of legalized corporations and private speculators. Who seek to not only maintain existing high prices, but to serve notice of
intentions to demand further advances of prices at points of production.

Without changing a ticket on the regularly priced twenty millions dollars of merchandise in our stores and warehouses in Philadelphia and New York, we told te peoplies, which practically stripped off our profit.
less than the usual prices

These goods were our own!
Why not do what pleased ourselves?
We believed then, and believe now, that it was true patriotism to let our merchandise go without profit, to put up our merchandise at lowered prices as a wall against higher prices, just the same as the wall of Liberty Bonds we helped to build was necessary to show the enemies of our nation that we would do our utmost for the pablic good. Others were free to do the
same with their merchandise, had they seen fit. We have no patents on $\underset{\text { susiness. - }}{\text { same }}$

Though the record of our whole business life is clear that we never made baits of books, jewelry, rugs or what not to attract patrons, and though we stated plainly that our trade movement was based upon a great idea to
benefit the public at large, there at once appeared interviews from antagonistic sources, published in newspapers and trade papers supported by manufacturers and devoted to their interests.

We were also quickly besieged by numerous producers of goods not to sell their goods at less than current prices, as though they considered us only as their agents, and not merchants working for the public good in this time of great discontent because of high prices.

We resolved to use the merchandise we owned and paid for, as an entering wedge in a new movement to protest against the double and treble prices current. lopping off our usual profit in its entirety in many cases and making a beginning of a straight movement against prevailing high prices

We have an interesting list of manufacturers, corporations and "others" who by letter, telegram and other methods of protest, urgently and
persistently demanded that prices must be kept up to their standards on persistently demanded that prices must be kept up to their standards on and how high prices originate and are upheld.

It wouid be contrary to our principles and practices to make this list public, though it added serious hindrances in the practical w.... we had
hand, and we have only this one word to say, that high w... of ther classes are not entirely to blame for the ruling high cost of Living

## Now, Then and Finally

Agreeably to the contract with the public in the first statement made on the third of May, we now give notice that on the third of July, with the close of next week, we shall terminate the privilege of the deduction of one-fifth off from our usual prices, which we
always be as they have been, just and right, quality considered.

Counting from today, there remain only the ensuing ten business days of the privilege of taking our goods at onefifth off

We modestly submit that

## We Have Kept the Faith

The invoices we hold in proof of new merchandise that came into our stores during this great Patriotic Movement show the actual cost, without profit, of $\$ 12,224,506$ (twelve million, two hundred and twentyfour thousand, five hundred and six dolars,
that sum, and to that extent relieved the financial stress in certain that sum,
quarters.
It seems proper to add that the stamp of approval of the measures we adopted, with slight exceptions, has encircled the worrd, and that the insistence first given here that our buyers shation for the public good.

By this we will stand.
The doing of the right thing at the right time, in making a practical protest against combinations holding up war prices and

It is a mercantile "Declaration of Independence" from the old City of Philadelphia
[signed] Oome franamaker

## Sterling Silver Table Ware Reduced Is a Rare Event Indeed


Afternoon Dresses Designed for Large Women

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Georgette Over-Blouses


For Early Summer Afternoons -Young Women's Crepe de Chine Dresses
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The dresses are of soft, fine crepe de chine and are made in
retching style with a acordion-pleated skirts, and youthful jacket.
like bodices which are both beaded and embroidered, and held in
at the waistline with a siken cord.
They are quite new and dainty, are youthrul and becoming, and
he price is $\$ 42.50-$ with, of course, the 20 per cent to be deducted.
14 to 20 year sizes.
The Best 75c Voiles
We've Been Able to Find And that means in quality, beautiful patterns and mos
desirable colors. They are special at 75 c a yard and there desirable colors. They are
the 20 per cent off besides.
A new shipment has plenty of navy blue, Copenhagen tan, taupe and black grounds-all of which are very popular There are many designs in tan and blue combinations, large
heorgette patterns and smaller ones. 38 inches wide.

NEVER WERE PRETTIER SILK FOR LAMPSHADES AND CHADESANS CURTA in fact, for Or, in fact, for any to use them, and they
much liked for kimonos. Both Japanese Both Japanese and
American varieties, plain and
fir
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be deducted.

## FRAGRANT

SCENTED
PRINCESS MAY
BOUQUET toilet preparations are gain The scent is a pleasant bouquet perfume, and the packages
tractive.
Princess May Bo
tract, $\$ 1.50$ a bottle.
Princess May Bouque ilet water, $\$ 1.50$ a bottle. Face powder, 65c.


HUGE "UNCLE
SAM" HATS WITH FAVORS INSIDE will make attractive cente
pieces for your Fourth
pieces for your Fourth-of
July lunchon or dinnel
party. They are $\$ 8$ complete. Red, white and blue snapping bonbons to add to the
fun are $75 \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{\$ 1.50}$ and $\$ 2.50$
And small red, white blue baskets for the table are ${ }^{35 \mathrm{c}}$ each.
The 20 per cent is to be
taken from these prices, of
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WOMEN'S TAPEBORDER HAND KERCHIEFS, $\$ 6$ A DOZEN
The linen which make them is sheer and snowy, and
of course, Irish
ond of is fine
ond and of good quality, and the
handkerchiefs were made ex handkerchiefs were made ex-
pressly for us.
They have narrow hems tyles above the hem.
$\$ 6$ the dozen-and there's the 20 per cent deduction to make the price lower, too

Gay and Colorful Are
These Bead Necklaces
They are in the pretty colors that look so well with white
and other light Summer frocks, and one may choose from a wide assortment - from the warm brown of the imitation topaz to bright red shades. The beads are in different styles and graduated in size- $\$ 6$ to $\$ 24$.
Novelty necklaces in many colors, combined with metal
ornaments, are $\$ 2$ to $\$ 19$. And the 20 per cent deduction brings the price down still

[^0]Last of This Importation of Chinese Ninghai Pongee




## NEW PINK WASH

## PINK SILK

Uncommonly pretty one just put on the counters are shirred and hemstitched o lace trimmed. You have choice of three styles for
$\$ 5.50$ $\$ 5.50$ each; while a fourth
with a great deal of lace is
$\$ 585$. with a great deal of lace is
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SATIN FOR
LINGERIE
GARMENTS
Hardy here before it goes
out again and it it is used for all ainds of undergarments, linings and foundations.
It is a lovely shade
it is a lovely shade of flesh
pink. 40 inches
yard ande. 82.50
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FIVE GOOD
GROUPS OF
CHILDREN'S
STOCKINGS 25c a pair for full-fash-
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ind second, grade, ages 2 to 8
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${ }^{50}$ a a pair for white ribbed mercerized cotton three
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with turn over tops, second
grade withe, ages 7 to 14 years.
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soc 50 c a pair for black, white
and brown ribbed mercerized stockings with
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14 yearg
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black, ribed girls' ${ }^{\text {benck, ribbed, mer- }}$ cerized three-quarter leneth cerized three-quarter lengt
stockings of frrst quality,
ages 4 to


A Splendid New Shipment of Kazak Rugs

Beautiful British Bedspreads in Old-Time Plentifulness It is zod to see such a fine variety of these wonderfully
Ite and dainty spreads as we are now showing. Our representative chose these at the English mills The sun that shines on the land of their
ty bleach fabrics to a wonderful whiteness. These are marvelously white and very fine Dimity in corded stripes, satin stripes, pique, spot,
dited
ared dimities. Floral patterns are well represented. red dimities. Floral patterns are
$72 \times 99$ inches at $\$ 7.50, \$ 8$ and $\$ 9$.
$90 \times 99$ and $90 \times 108$ inches, at $\$ 9.50, \$ 10, \$ 12$ and $\$ 13.50$. Many with cut corners and scalloped edges in single-
sizes at $\$ 9.50$ and $\$ 10$; in double-bed sizes, $\$ 11$ and $\$ 11.50$. The finest spreads of all are the English satin-finish


Chinese Furniture-Grass and Peel Varieties

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Beautiful Seamless Chenille Rugs

## Men's Cool Tropical Clothes Ready in Full Selection

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And to this excellence of style and makeup they unite a maximum of coolness
tion Their prices, like the prices of all other suits in stock, are subject to the deduc-
Palm Beach suits in fancy and plain shades, $\$ 25$ and $\$ 30$.
Mohair suits, $\$ 25$ to $\$ 35$.
Mohair suits, $\$ 25$ to
Silk suits $\$ 40$ to $\$ \$ 5$.
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Tropical Worsted suits, $\$ 35$ to $\$ 60$.
White flannel trousers, $\$ 18$.
Gray flannel trousers, $\$ 13.518$ to $\$ 18$.
Gabardine trousers, white
Gabardine trousers, white and cream, $\$ 8.50$; striped serge; $\$ 10$; white duck, $\$ 5$.
All prices minus 20 per cent.


[^0]:    Women's \$6 Low Shoes of Most Unusual Value
    
    
    

