

TODAY'S MYSTERY STORY

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Yesterday's Mystery Solution

WHILE the notes in "The Dance of Death" were totally lacking in melody, Harvey Hunt's faculties, trained to sense hidden meanings and explanations, grasped a certain method in the groupings of the notes and the pauses between the groups, just as though they were being used to spell a message. He noted that the notes covered a range of four octaves, as he counted them down. It flashed on him that the notes a-b-c-d-e-f-g could be used for the same letters, and that the same notes in a second octave might denote the letters h-i-j-k-l-m-n, with the third and part of the fourth octaves completing the alphabet.

Decoded, the message ran: "Petoff will send bomb to you parcel post. M. H. Bros. box. Each must plant it subway door 1:10 Monday, timed ten minutes."

Can you solve this case?

Elusive Liquor

MOUNTED Patrolman Brady saw the key when it stopped from the motortruck. The man standing on the



The store of A. G. Spalding & Bros., shown above, is located at 1210 Chestnut Street. It has long been recognized as the foremost sporting goods shop in town and is fast gaining a reputation as the smartest sports-toggery shop as well. Its Women's Specialty Department is a decided success.

Deborah Spahr

I HAVE good news for those of you who like sports clothes that are distinctive and a bit better than the average. A. G. Spalding & Bros., 1210 Chestnut Street, have reduced their good-looking sports suits of imported tweeds. Some are double-breasted models with plain back and narrow belt, others have an inverted plait in back. Some are tuxedo models. They are in such attractive colors as light blue, green, brown and lavender heather mixtures.

PERHAPS you've heard father mention the fact that he needs a new lounging robe, or perhaps he hasn't mentioned it at all, but needs it just the same. It is the thoughtful gift that is most appreciated, and because he probably wouldn't buy it for himself it will be doubly welcome on Christmas morning. At the store of MacDonald & Campbell, 1304-36 Chestnut Street, I saw some very good-looking dressing gowns and lounging robes. These luxurious gowns of brocades and velvets and silks in rich, dark colors, cut with all the care of a fitted coat, are serviceable as well as comfortable.

HAVE you ever examined closely the Polish Girdle Diamond, who who admire exquisite jewels? If you have not you will be interested in seeing it at the store of Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company. You will appreciate the fineness of the cutting and the wonderful brilliance of this gem. If you should happen to be the possessor of a fine diamond take it with you and compare it with the Polish Girdle Diamond. You will appreciate, then, the super-excellence of this stone. Settings for these diamonds have been designed by artists who appreciate the exquisite beauty of the stones. Fairly-like traceries of platinum in delicate designs form fitting calyxes for these gems and enhance much their beauty.

WHEN one is buying such an important addition to the things of the household as a phonograph one wants to be sure that it will give joy in the year to come as well as at the time of its presentation. You don't want to purchase a machine which you will have to discard when newer models prove their superiority. The Perfektone Corporation, 1723 Chestnut Street, considers the most important quality of the phonograph. As a result of their efforts directed to the end of producing the phonograph with the perfect tone, they have developed the cushioned reproducer, a reproducer of non-resonant material. It is patterned after the human throat and the quality of its tone is not only superior to that of any other phonograph, but it will become even more mellow as time goes on.

TODAY I saw a gift for a man that ought to prove most acceptable—a cigarette case of silver inlaid with red-gold and green-gold stripes. It was a thin model which would take up very little room in the pocket. At the store of Van Dusen & Stokes, 1123 Chestnut Street, where I saw this case, I discovered that one can buy also a match box and belt buckle of the same style and design. The three

THE CHESTNUT STREET ASSOCIATION

This was the case as Jim Guyer, the United States operative, outlined it to Harvey Hunt, as the two men made their way out to a warehouse owned by Deganey.

"Umph!" granted Harvey Hunt. "I'm not so sure of that, Jim." The warehouse property included a fair-sized lot, surrounded by a high board fence, and it was into this that the two men made their way after a thorough search of the building failed to reveal any whisky stored there at all. At one end of the lot was a huge pile of empty kegs and barrels. In front of this pile the ground was wet. Both men dropped to their knees and sniffed.

"On the contrary," said Harvey Hunt. "It explains them. Deganey has not broken the Volstead law. You better release him. But unless you watch him closely he'll break another law."

Can you tell what Deganey's game really was, and what first aroused Harvey Hunt's suspicions? The answer will appear tomorrow.

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Our big stock of fine Unique Home Furniture, most appropriate for Christmas gifts has been repriced for the benefit of Holiday Shoppers. The line includes, besides the articles pictured here, some Safes, Spinnet Desks, Poker Tables, Tabourets Sewing Cabinets, Mahogany Waste Baskets, Elastic Bookcases, etc. All marked at lower prices.

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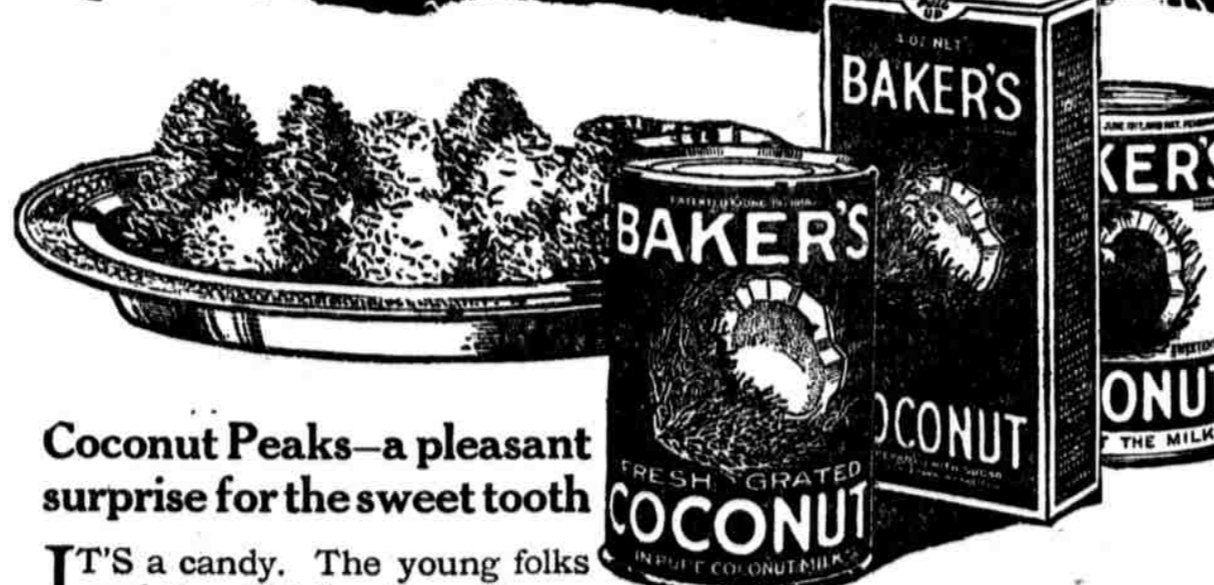
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